

LA GRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Memorandum



To: Andrianna Peterson, Village Manager
From: Kurt Bluder, Chief of Police
Date: January 17, 2020
Re: Monthly Report for December 2019

Attached for your review are the general statistics for the shift activities for the month of December 2020. Work continued on hiring new officers, project implementation and day-to-day activities as we moved into the busy holiday season.

On Tuesday, December 3, 2019, IO Solutions provided the Police Department with the Final Eligibility Register for the position of Police Officer. The Final Eligibility Register was presented to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners on Wednesday, December 18th for approval. The Final Eligibility Register includes preference points submitted by candidates. Candidates can receive up to five (5) additional preference points for a college degree, one year or more of military service (honorably discharged) and for being a certified police officer. The final list has twenty (20) candidates, with interviews beginning on January 8, 2020.

On Monday, December 2nd and Tuesday, December 3rd, sworn officers received updated “roll call” training on the domestic violence Lethality Assessment Program or LAP. This program was implemented by the Police Department last spring. The program or tool allows officers to conduct a domestic violence risk assessment for victims, ultimately connecting them with appropriate services. Pillars Health provided the training. More information can be found at <https://lethalityassessmentprogram.org/about-lap/how-lap-works/>



On Saturday, December 7, 2019, the Village hosted its annual Hometown Holiday Walk. The Police Department worked closely with Community Development Director Charity Jones, DPW and the Fire Department in planning for this event. An Incident Action Plan was created outlining objectives, the Santa parade route, positions of Auxiliary Officers for traffic direction and contacts from each department as well as the LGBA. The event was well attended and appeared to be enjoyed by all.



On Saturday, December 14th, the Police Department held its first “Stuff the Squad” event, in which toys were donated for the All Our Children’s Advocacy Center. The purpose of the toy drive is to provide Christmas presents to children who might not otherwise receive such gifts. Everyone who dropped a present in the decorated squad car was given free admission to the Park



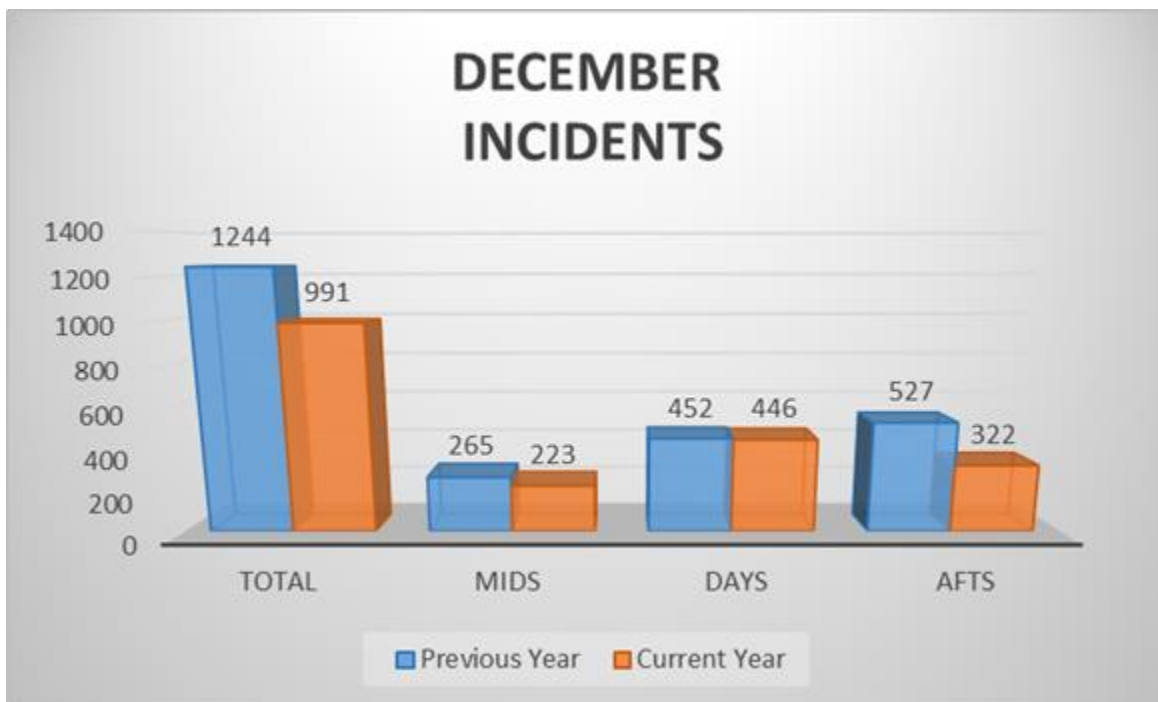
District's play area. In addition, a ceremonial check for \$1,332 was given to AOCAC Executive Director Danielle Butts. This money was raised through another fundraiser in which male officers paid to grow a beard and female officers paid to wear a blue highlight in their hair. The money was used to by the AOCAC to purchase gift cards for older children.

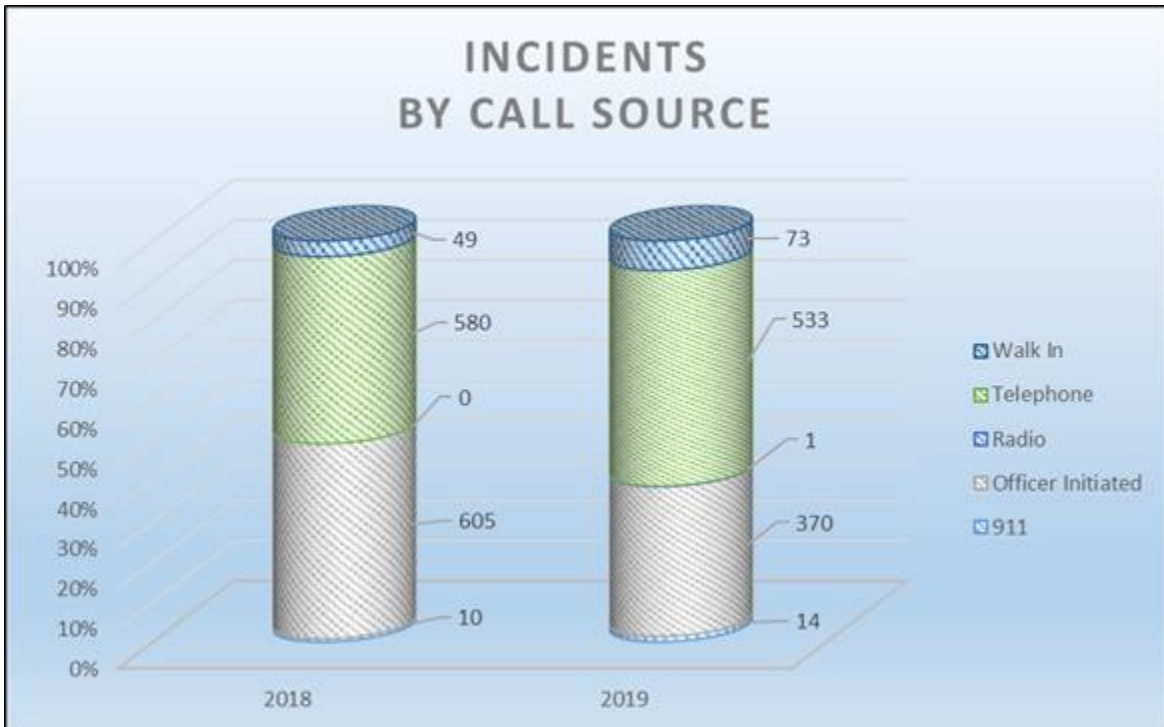
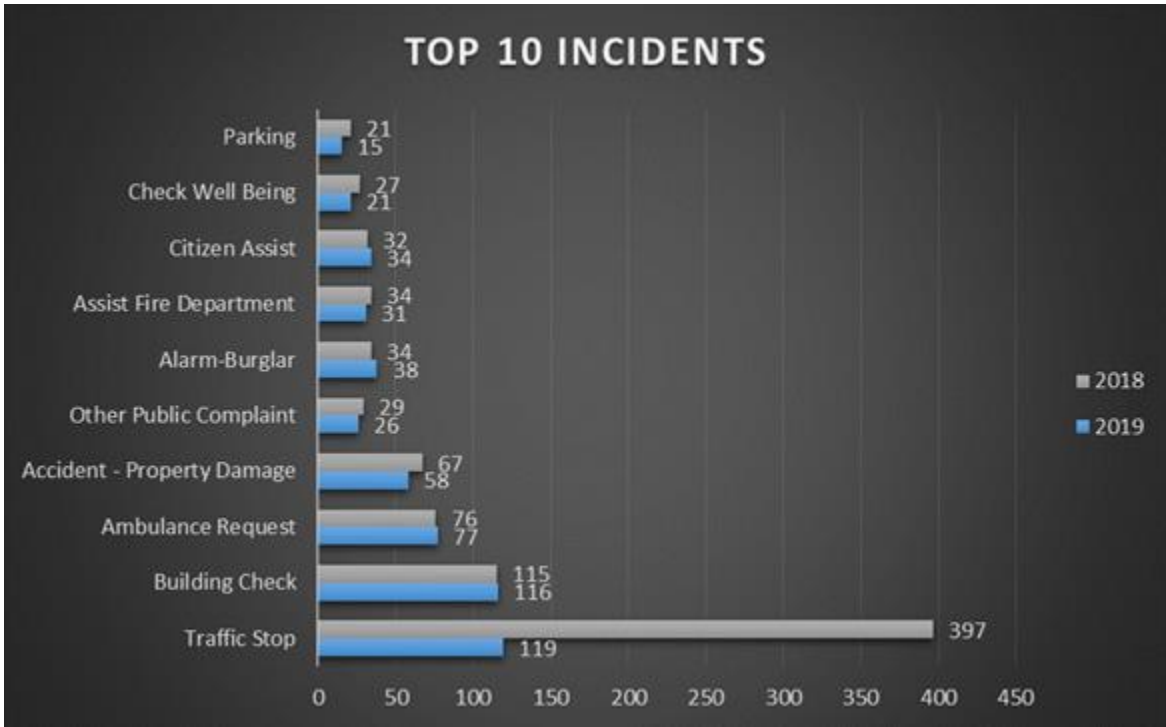


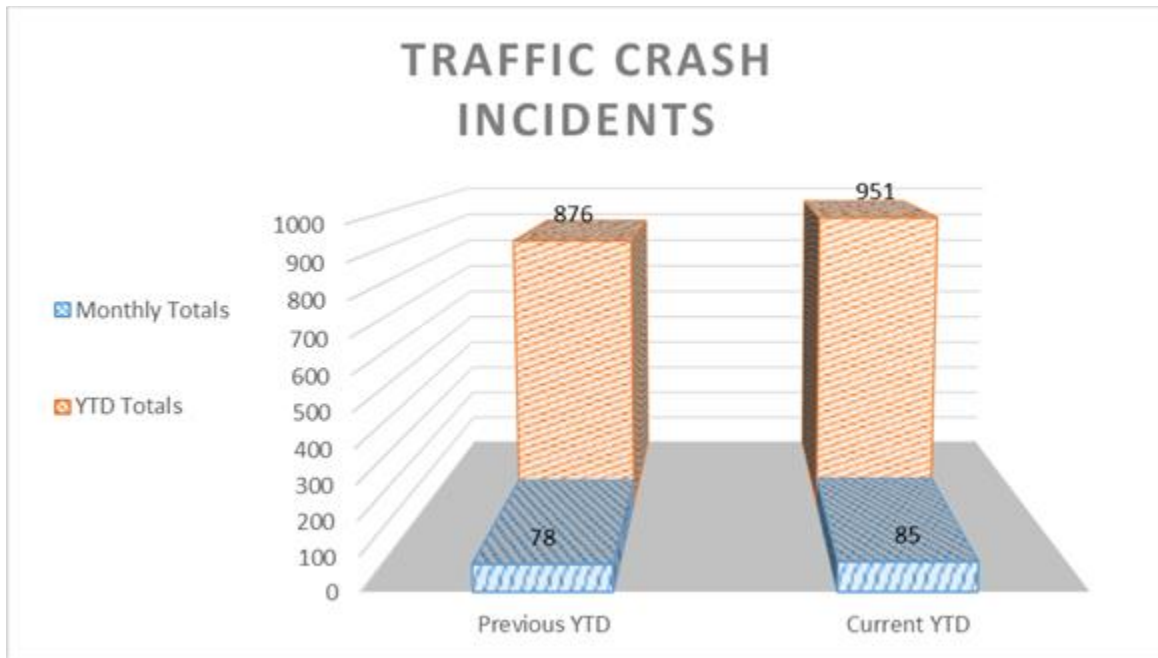
On Wednesday, December 18th, DARE Officer Taylor Falls held her first DARE Graduation at 7th Avenue School. The graduation was held for all the fifth graders that participated in the 10-week program. The graduation was well attended by parents, teachers and other members of the Police Department.



On Wednesday night, December 18th, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners appointed Laura Ramirez to the position of Probationary Police Officer. Laura is scheduled began with the Police Department on Monday, December 30th. She will be attending the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) in Glen Ellyn beginning Monday, January 6, 2020. Laura has a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice and Sociology from Loyola University.







December Training Hours

Course Title	Officer	Start Date	End Date	Hours
Pillars Roll Call Training	Andries	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Bluder	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Coleman	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Fulla	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Irizarry	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Kang	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	McDermott	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Nemecek	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Peters	12/02/2019	12/02/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Burrell	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Falls	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Herrera	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Kaiser	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Ljubenko	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Moncivais	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Rogers	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Uher	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5
Pillars Roll Call Training	Wolf	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	0.5

Course Title	Officer	Start Date	End Date	Hours
TLOC	Ljubenko	12/03/2019	12/03/2019	6
Mental Health Conference	Andries	12/06/2019	12/06/2019	8
2 Day: Sexual Assault Invest.	Kang	12/10/2019	12/11/2019	16

Total: 39 Hours

December Case Table

Case Date	Case Type	Case Officer	Status
12/01/2019 11:52:11	Theft	230 - Burrell	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/01/2019 14:49:04	Theft	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/01/2019 17:26:21	Disturbance - Domestic	242 - Comstock	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/02/2019 11:25:27	Disorderly Conduct	251 - Niewold	Closed - Low Solvability
12/02/2019 17:20:53	Disorderly Conduct	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/02/2019 18:29:54	Accident/Hit & Run	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Low Solvability
12/03/2019 10:49:12	Theft	230 - Burrell	Pending
12/03/2019 12:18:45	Suspicious Activity	252 - Falls	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/03/2019 16:01:01	Suspicious Activity	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/03/2019 18:53:16	Missing Person	255 - Piraino	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/03/2019 20:27:47	Theft	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Low Solvability
12/03/2019 21:57:32	Criminal Damage	244 - Coleman	Closed - Low Solvability
12/04/2019 16:48:03	Theft	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/05/2019 08:57:30	Theft	230 - Burrell	Pending
12/05/2019 12:29:43	Burglary	252 - Falls	Pending
12/05/2019 14:12:37	Disorderly Conduct	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/05/2019 15:56:06	Battery	252 - Falls	Closed By Arrest
12/06/2019 08:48:57	Disorderly Conduct	251 - Niewold	Closed - Unfounded
12/06/2019 14:06:48	Deceptive Practice	251 - Niewold	TOT Other Agency
12/06/2019 21:39:27	Disturbance - Domestic	242 - Comstock	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/07/2019 06:15:46	Criminal Damage	253 - Kaiser	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/07/2019 06:24:42	Criminal Damage	254 - Cassiberry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/07/2019 10:15:22	Death Investigation	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/07/2019 10:25:47	Death Investigation	235 - Rogers	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/07/2019 17:58:51	Mutual Aid Police	255 - Piraino	TOT Other Agency
12/08/2019 00:17:38	DUI	254 - Cassiberry	Closed By Arrest
12/08/2019 16:59:54	Disturbance - Domestic	255 - Piraino	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/09/2019 10:52:07	Criminal Damage	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/09/2019 11:34:43	Check Well Being	230 - Burrell	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/09/2019 11:57:05	Identity Theft	251 - Niewold	Closed - Low Solvability
12/09/2019 14:36:33	Disturbance - Domestic	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only

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12/09/2019 14:51:20	Deceptive Practice	245 - Irizarry	Pending
12/09/2019 17:23:37	Disturbance - Domestic	242 - Comstock	Closed - Low Solvability
12/10/2019 08:51:41	Theft	235 - Rogers	Closed - Low Solvability
12/10/2019 09:42:00	Check Well Being	243 - Andries	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/10/2019 14:08:59	Disturbance - Domestic	235 - Rogers	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/10/2019 15:36:30	Disturbance - Domestic	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/10/2019 18:37:41	Disorderly Conduct	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/10/2019 19:46:18	Criminal Damage	248 - McDermott	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/10/2019 21:12:38	Disorderly Conduct	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/11/2019 02:41:29	Burglary	253 - Kaiser	Pending
12/11/2019 13:29:24	Criminal Damage	230 - Burrell	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/11/2019 18:10:47	Disturbance - Domestic	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/11/2019 18:18:03	Death Investigation	248 - McDermott	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/11/2019 19:20:24	Ambulance	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/12/2019 09:18:42	Disturbance - Domestic	252 - Falls	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/12/2019 11:54:02	Disturbance - Domestic	252 - Falls	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/12/2019 15:24:44	Check Well Being	246 - Kang	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/12/2019 15:59:55	Deceptive Practice	255 - Piraino	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/13/2019 08:35:21	Identity Theft	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/13/2019 09:04:37	Criminal Damage	252 - Falls	Closed - Low Solvability
12/14/2019 13:34:54	Suspicious Activity	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/16/2019 04:16:25	Drug Offenses	254 - Cassiberry	Closed By Arrest
12/16/2019 09:07:37	Burglary	252 - Falls	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/16/2019 09:48:53	Death Investigation	235 - Rogers	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/16/2019 15:48:09	Identity Theft	245 - Irizarry	Pending
12/16/2019 21:36:01	Disorderly Conduct	245 - Irizarry	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/17/2019 13:58:23	Theft	251 - Niewold	Closed - Low Solvability
12/17/2019 15:36:35	Warrant Arrest	255 - Piraino	Closed By Arrest
12/18/2019 12:34:26	Theft	232 - Moncivais	Closed - Low Solvability
12/19/2019 14:29:05	Disturbance - Domestic	235 - Rogers	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/21/2019 14:21:21	Theft	251 - Niewold	Exceptional Clearance
12/21/2019 14:42:49	Criminal Damage	231 - Wardlaw	Closed - Low Solvability
12/21/2019 18:31:06	Obstructing / Resisting	248 - McDermott	Closed By Arrest
12/22/2019 09:33:06	Criminal Damage	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/22/2019 19:32:15	Mutual Aid Police	248 - McDermott	TOT Other Agency
12/23/2019 06:58:27	Motor Vehicle Theft	251 - Niewold	Suspension
12/23/2019 15:15:07	Disturbance - Domestic	252 - Falls	Pending
12/24/2019 14:40:10	Criminal Damage/Trespass	255 - Piraino	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/26/2019 09:30:49	Criminal Damage	232 - Moncivais	Closed By Arrest
12/26/2019 13:57:00	Disturbance - Domestic	236 - Uher	Pending

Case Date	Case Type	Case Officer	Status
12/27/2019 12:16:51	Ambulance	235 - Rogers	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/27/2019 19:52:19	Identity Theft	248 - McDermott	Closed - Low Solvability
12/28/2019 07:58:51	Theft	252 - Falls	Pending
12/29/2019 15:05:44	Disturbance - Domestic	255 - Piraino	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/30/2019 10:24:00	Identity Theft	252 - Falls	Closed - Low Solvability
12/30/2019 11:00:02	Identity Theft	251 - Niewold	Closed - Report Purposes Only
12/30/2019 18:39:15	Accident/Property Damage	248 - McDermott	Closed By Arrest
12/31/2019 14:45:31	Disturbance - Domestic	255 - Piraino	Closed - Report Purposes Only

DAYSHIFT SHIFT ACTIVITIES

ARRESTS:

Michael Baskovitz, 49, from Countryside, IL was charged with Criminal Damage to Property following an incident on December 26, 2019 at 825 S 8th Avenue.

Day Shift Officers responded to the 400 Block of S. Kensington for subjects stealing packages off porches. Countryside PD located the suspect vehicle. The investigation resulted in identifying the package thieves and the return of previously stolen merchandise. Of the suspects, Diashaun Wilcox, 21, was charged with Obstructing Identification.

OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

The Dayshift shift completed 72 traffic contacts, which included 1 Misdemeanor Traffic Arrest for Driving while License Suspended/Revoked/No Valid D/L. Shift Officers completed 52 Illinois Traffic Crash reports. The shift Officers issued 50 parking/compliance citations for No Village Vehicle Sticker and other parking violations. The Officers conducted 5 Building/Business Premise Checks and Foot Patrols. The shift members conducted 59 community contacts with area schools.

Day shift members issued 3 Compliance citations for commercial motor vehicles during the month of December, 2019.

Officer Falls completed DARE Graduation for Seventh Avenue School

TRAINING:

Day Shift members did not attend any outside training courses

Lexipol DTB's and Illinois Police Law completed

AFTERNOON SHIFT

INVESTIGATIONS:

Ofc. Irizarry investigated a Deceptive Practice occurring at a local business. Ofc. Irizarry is working with the business in submitting proper documents related to requirements for prosecution. A suspect has been identified in the matter. Case pending.

Ofc. Comstock, Ofc. Irizarry, Sgt. Coleman and Sgt. Wardlaw investigated a Domestic Disturbance involving a Theft. Due to a language barrier with two of the parties, Indian Head Park PD Ofc. Bojovic assisted with translation services. The matter was resolved peacefully.

Ofc. Piraino investigated a Deceptive Practice occurring at a local bank. Ofc. Piraino later learned the U.S. Postal Service was already conducting a separate investigation and turned over this agency's reports to be included in the ongoing investigation. Case closed.

ARRESTS / CITATIONS:

Ofc. McDermott and Ofc. Falls arrested a 21-year-old Chicago, IL male for Obstructing Identification. Ofc. McDermott and Ofc. Falls were investigating a Theft of packages when it was learned the defendant provided false information related to his identity.

Sgt. Coleman cited a 17-year-old juvenile with a Civil Law Citation for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Ofc. Piraino, Ofc. Irizarry, Sgt. Coleman and Sgt. Wardlaw arrested a 41-year-old La Grange, IL male for a Theft warrant out of Indiana.

Ofc. McDermott arrested a 31-year-old Chicago, IL male for No Valid Driver's License after he was involved in a crash.

OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

The Afternoon Shift celebrated Christmas Dinner with members of the La Grange Fire Department Gold Shift who hosted the event. Special thanks to Gold Shift!

Afternoon Shift Officers escorted Santa and the Fire Department to Village Hall for the annual Hometown Holiday Walk celebration.

Afternoon Shift Officers completed 34 initial case reports, 8 supplement reports and 4 arrest reports.

TRAINING:

S/L Comstock, Ofc. Irizarry, Ofc. McDermott, Ofc. Nemecek and Ofc. Piraino completed recertification training as Breath Alcohol Operators.

MIDNIGHT SHIFT ACTIVITIES

ARRESTS:

Ofc. Cassiberry arrested a 24-year-old female subject from La Grange for D.U.I. and other traffic offenses. The driver was involved in a property damage traffic accident. Subject was processed and released on bond with a return court date.

Ofc. Cassiberry and Ofc. Kaiser arrested a 42-year-old male subject from Cicero for felony Possession of a Controlled Substance (Cocaine). Subject was processed and transported to court for a Bond Hearing.

OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

The Midnight shift completed 24 traffic contacts, which included 1 misdemeanor Traffic Arrest for Driving while License Suspended/Revoked/No Valid D/L and investigated 4 property damage traffic accidents. Shift Officers issued 41 parking citations for overnight parking and other violations. Officers conducted 106 Building/Business Premise Checks and Foot Patrols. The Officers also conducted traffic/parking control, street closure and barricade placement operations in support of the Hometown Holiday Walk within the Central Business District.

TRAINING:

The shift continued completing the Police Law Institute online training along with the Lexipol Daily Training Bulletins. In addition, Sgt. Ljubenko, S/L Herrera, Ofc. Wolf and Ofc. Kaiser attended the in-house training with Pillars staff reviewing the Lethality Assessment Program (L.A.P.), Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) response and information on various social services that are available. Sgt. Ljubenko attended the quarterly FBI Terrorism Liaison Officer Committee (T.L.O.C.) training/seminar held at Oakton Community College in Des Plaines.

INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION ACTITIVITES

INVESTIGATIONS:

Inv. Kang assisted the Midnight Shift with an Attempted Commercial Burglary Investigation. Inv. Kang processed the scene for evidence. Inv. Kang is currently networking with other agencies related to similarities in burglaries occurring in several local counties. Case pending.

Inv. Fulla Conducted follow-up investigation into a Residential Burglary. Inv. Fulla is currently reviewing evidence collected. Case Pending.

Inv. Kang conducted follow-up investigation into a Stolen Motor Vehicle. Inv. Kang is following up on several leads. Case pending.

ARRESTS / CITATIONS:

SRO Andries issued 2 Civil Law Citation for Possession of Cannabis – Less than 10 grams to two juvenile LTHS students and 2 Civil Law Citations for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia to two juvenile LTHS Students. SRO Andries also issued 4 Compliance Citations to four juveniles for Possession of Tobacco Products.

OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

Inv. Kang finalized one police applicant background.

Inv. Fulla and Inv. Kang attended the annual combined Holiday Meeting hosted by the West Suburban Chiefs of Police Association.

SRO Andries attended an LTHS home basketball game.

TRAINING:

Inv. Kang attended a two-day training related to Sexual Assault Investigations.

Inv. Kang and Inv. Fulla attended Illinois Tobacco Enforcement training.

Inv. Kang completed Breath Alcohol Operator recertification.

SRO Andries attended “Creating Solutions in a No Options Culture” training, part of a First Responder Mental Health Conference at Loyola Medical Center

AUXILIARY AND PART-TIME POLICE UNITS

The Auxiliary Unit volunteered 63.5 hours during the month of December. 3 hours were spent conducting house checks, 10 hours on patrol and another 34 staff hours were spent on special details. The largest event the Auxiliary Unit staffed in December was the Holiday Walk held on December 7th. The unit provided traffic control at all major intersections during the event.

The part-time officers responded to 42 calls for service in the community and spent time patrolling the Park Deck due to traffic complaints within the parking deck.

PARKING DIVISION

The parking division registered \$25,410 in parking fines through conventional payments, online payments or collection efforts.

**TRUCK ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS
DECEMBER 2019**

	Location	Date	Time			Equipment	Moving	License/Reg	Weight	Insurance	
La Grange RD	CBD										
		0									
	Cossitt thru 47th										
		0									
Other	12/08/19	10:23	C				1				
	1										
Ogden Ave	East - La Grange RD										
		0									
	La Grange & West										
0											
Other	East Ave										
		0									
	47th Street	12/08/19	10:12	C			1				
		1									
Other	12/10/19	10:03	C					1			
	1					1	1	3	0	0	

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

PATROL ACTIVITIES	December		December		2019	2018
	2019		2018		YTD	YTD
NUMBER OF CALLS TAKEN	990		1,243		14,031	14,057
ACCIDENT REPORTS TAKEN	64		75		726	781
FELONY ARRESTS	1		0		10	17
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS	3		12		42	42
DUI ARRESTS	1		0		12	14
WARRANT ARRESTS	1		3		15	25
TRAFFIC VERBAL WARNINGS	70		286		2,143	2,208
COMPLIANCE CITATIONS ISSUED	29		82		552	621
TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED	34		70		562	721
PARKING TICKETS - by Officers	80	764	51	538	10,417	7,476
PARKING TICKETS - by Parking Div.	684		487			
JUVENILE ARRESTS	0		0		7	7
PRISONERS HELD IN LOCK-UP	7		18		88	177

*Self-initiated activity is down due to several police officer vacancies.