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Chief Kaag discusses police department at meeting

Ten percent of Hoopeston residents cause 90 percent of the police department's problems, according to police chief Orval Kaag.

Kaag spoke to approximately 15 people at a Neighborhood Watch meeting Monday.

Kaag talked about the Hoopeston police department, saying the number of local criminals "outnumber us greatly."

Local officers are trained in a variety of functions, including traffic control, basic first aid, patrolling and investigating.

Having nine men on the department leaves no room for a full-time investigator. "I wish we had enough guys to have a full-time investigator," Kaag said.

Also on Kaag's wish list is a stenographer to

help officers with reports, which, Kaag said, takes up approximately one-third of a shift. Larger departments have employees to do reports for officers, but "that's a luxury we don't have," he said.

Kaag also debunked myths about police work. Myths include that officers like to arrest people; that crime is a police problem; that officers have no time to worry about people's concerns; and that police work is constantly exciting.

New Neighborhood Watch signs were also displayed. The signs will be posted throughout Hoopeston in the near future. "Hopefully, they won't steal them as fast as we put 'em up...and be a trophy for some kid's bedroom," Kaag said.

The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 28.

Con artists reach out and touch through phone scams

Editor's note: This is the first in a two-part series written by attorney Calvin Hultquist on telephone scams. The second part will appear tomorrow.

"Hello, Mr. Hultquist, how are you today?"

"Oh, I guess I'm..."

"Good! I'm calling from the Widows of Police Officers with Handicaps Association..."

While in law school, I worked as an investigator with the Indiana Attorney General's office on telephone fraud cases. I often worked undercover in these operations by getting a job as a fundraiser and experienced these scams from the inside. The scam artists were dastardly con-men who preyed

upon the good-hearted.

In one operation, the solicitors were selling tickets to a "policemen's ball." The Fraternal Order of Police (a legitimate organization) asked me to infiltrate the group.

I discovered the solicitors were inmates on work release from prison. The group was tied to organized crime figures from Chicago. The men told people they were police officers and promised to send donors a card and explained, "if you put the card next to your driver's license, if one of us officers pull you over we won't give you a ticket unless it's alcohol related." We sent the men back to prison for a long

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Scams continued from other side
time.

The problem is that the real policemen's ball suffered badly that year from the loss of ticket sales to their real event.

In another case, people were told the money they donated would be used to grant a wish to a dying child. From the inside, we learned that although thousands of dollars had been donated, not one wish had ever been granted. The scamster ex-

plained, "our administrative costs are very high." (He drove a very nice car."

Millions are lost each year to scams that pose as charities. Money given to frauds is taken right out of the pockets of deserving charities.

I worked undercover in at least a dozen of these scams. Typically, 90 percent of the money raised went to the fundraiser and less than ten percent to a charity.

In part II tomorrow: identifying telephone scams.

Court dispositions



June 1: Susan Ennen, Hoopeston, deceptive practices, \$75, restitution, 60 days court supervision.

Tammy Fouse, Hoopeston, theft, pleaded not guilty, trial July 6.

Melba Ferrell, Rossville, paid \$75 in full.

Nonie Jones, Watseka, deceptive practices, \$75, restitution.

Kip Johnston, Milford, battery, nolle pros.

Joan Moser, Hoopeston, paid \$50 in full.

Police News



Jeffery L. Misner, no age given, of 715 S. Third St., was arrested at 7:21 p.m. Tuesday, charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Police were called to the Misner residence for a domestic dispute. Misner allegedly became belligerent and refused to cooperate with police or follow police instructions.

Misner posted bond and was released.

Up & Coming Puppet show

The Hoopeston Public Library will sponsor a puppet show at 2 p.m. Friday at the McFerren Park civic center. Puppeteers from Springfield will perform.

Everyone is invited.

Correction

Alderman Mark Drollinger's name was incorrect in a Wednesday story on the landfill expansion vote.

Just the Facts regrets the error.

Obituaries

DALE - Lindsay Leigh Dale, infant daughter of Kenneth D. and Cynthia A. Tyler Dale, died at 8:25 a.m. Tuesday, June 27, 1995, at United Samaritans Medical Center, Logan campus, Danville. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Union Cemetery in Rankin. There will be no visitation. The Brown-Alkire Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

In the hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
June 27, 1995

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Carl Robertson, Rankin.

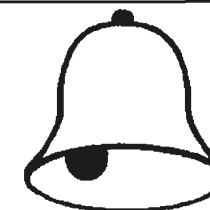
Weather



Partly sunny today with a 30 percent chance of showers. High in the mid 80s. Tonight, cloudy. Low in the mid 60s. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High near 84, low near 65.

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