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**SHERIFF
GREG CHAMPAGNE**

Welcome to the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office's fourteenth issue of "Update". As always we strive to keep local residents aware of the many advancements within the agency.

At the same time, we want to bridge the distance between the community and law enforcement providers, facilitating the exchange of information and giving a voice to all involved in the community policing process.

In this issue, we discuss several specialized departments and services they offer by my dedicated staff. Each of these components strives to provide effective law enforcement protection and personalized service.

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2011 - A LANDMARK YEAR FOR THE SCSO

For the first time in the history of the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office, we now have a stand alone headquarters for our enforcement operations. Our new law enforcement complex was officially dedicated this past April and is in full operation. Several notable dignitaries were on hand for the ceremony including Governor Jindal, Attorney General Buddy Caldwell and a large contingent of my fellow sheriffs from around the State of Louisiana. The facility was built upon a beautiful piece of property donated by the family of the late Judge Edward A. Dufresne Jr.. We have named the large multi-purpose room in the facility in his honor.

There is no doubt that having our enforcement divisions in the same location will increase our effectiveness in fighting crime. The communication between the various divisions of the office has already



St. Charles Parish Law Enforcement Complex

increased dramatically.

We are also planning some new programs for late 2011. With the completion of the new Computer Aided Dispatch System in our 911 Center, we hope to have a new crime mapping system in place by the end of the year. If all goes well, citizens will be able to go online and easily view where crime is occurring if near their neighborhood. You will also be able to register online to receive notifications by email of certain criminal offenses which

occur near your home.

A new Citizens Police Academy is scheduled to start in August and will allow the opportunity for residents to receive basic instruction and information on the various functions of the Sheriff's Office. We hope to hold at least 2 Citizens Academies every year if interest remains high.

Finally, while crime statistics show a reduction in crime for the first half of 2011,

we continue to experience problems with automobile break-ins. It is imperative that we recognize that auto burglary has become a "fad" crime. Please get into the habit of locking your car doors and removing all valuables from the inside of your vehicle.

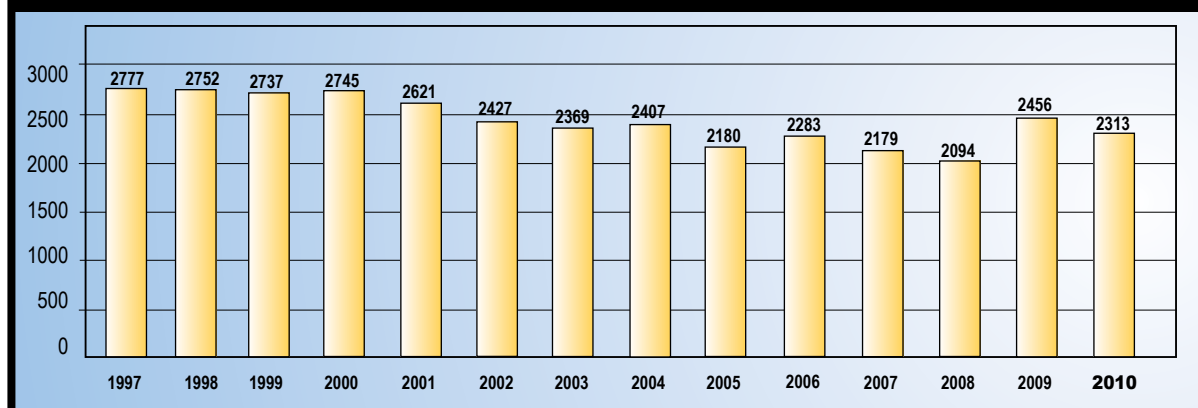
CRIME DOWN 6% DURING FIRST HALF OF 2011

Sheriff Greg Champagne reports that crime in St. Charles Parish for the first six months of 2011 dropped 6% when comparing the same period during 2010.

The Sheriff's Office releases Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) regarding seven (7) Index Crimes compiled for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This information consists of crimes reported to the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office from July 1, 1996 to June 2011. ■

ST. CHARLES PARISH ANNUAL UCR TOTALS

Total Index crimes reported to the FBI



Lt. George Breedy Named 2010 Deputy of the Year



Lieutenant George Breedy and Sheriff Greg Champagne

Lieutenant George Breedy has been chosen by Sheriff Greg Champagne and his peers as the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office Deputy of the Year for 2010.

George Breedy is a 22-year veteran of the Sheriff's Office and is assigned to one of the agency's specialized divisions. In addition to his regular duty, Lt. Breedy dedicates much of his off-duty time working overtime, locating and arresting impaired drivers in St. Charles Parish. He has become so proficient that he was recognized by the Louisiana Highway Traffic Safety Commission in March as the deputy who made the most DWI arrests during 2010 in parishes with similar populations. He was also the runner up in 2009. During the past year, Lt. Breedy made 37 DWI arrests.

Lt. Breedy has been trained in administering the Intoxilyzer breath tests as well as the Standardized Field Sobriety Test. He is an instructor in

both areas.

He attended intensive training to become a certified Drug Recognition Expert to evaluate drivers under the influence of all types of drugs and to correctly determine what drugs were taken. During 2010 he was recognized as an expert by the judges of the 29th Judicial District in drug influence evaluations.

Lt. Breedy has also been instrumental in implementing the "No Refusal" program where DWI suspects who refuse to take the Intoxilyzer test are served with a search warrant for blood or urine to determine their blood alcohol content. St. Charles Parish is the only parish that utilizes this program 24-7. Many other parishes utilize the program only during the holiday weekends.

As a result of the expertise and hard work of Lt. George Breedy, highways in St. Charles Parish have become safer. ■

Sheriff Champagne Promotes Three Employees

Sheriff Champagne is pleased to announce that he has promoted three employees, one to the rank of Major and two to the rank of Captain.

Major Roland Ladreyt was promoted to Warden of the St. Charles Correctional Center. He began his law enforcement career with New Orleans Criminal Sheriff's Office in 1975. He joined the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office in July 1982 as an undercover narcotics agent. Major Ladreyt previously supervised the Criminal Investigation division, the Juvenile Investigation division and Crime Scene Investigations.

Captain Rodney Madere has been in law enforcement for over 21 years. He is the Assistant Chief of Detectives and currently serves as Captain over Criminal Investigations, which consists of the Detective Bureau, Juvenile, Narcotics, Crime Scene, Special Ops, Special Response Team, JTTF Assignment, and U.S. Marshall's Assignment. Madere is also the Commander of the Special Response Team.

Captain Kenny DeCorte, Sr. has been in law enforcement for over 25 years, with some of that time being with



Major Roland Ladreyt

the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office. He currently serves as the Assistant Warden, which consists of daily operations at the Nelson Coleman Correctional Center and oversight of four shift commanders and their personnel. Captain DeCorte also serves as the Assistant Commander of the Special Response Team.

Sheriff Champagne stated, "All three officers have demonstrated command leadership over many years, and I am confident they will continue to perform in an exemplary manner." ■



Captain Rodney Madere



Captain Kenny De Corte, Sr.

Annual Sheriff's Summer Camp for boys offers outdoor skills

The 16th annual "Operation First Class Sheriff's Camp" was held during the week of July 17 - 22 at the Boy Scout's Camp Salmen located in the pine forest of Kiln, Miss. Over 50 boys between the ages of 12 - 16 attended the five-day camp along with 13 deputies and 6 Explorer Cadets serving as chaperones.

The camp promotes trust and interaction between the parish's youth and the deputies. "Campers and deputies have raved about this experience. The summer camp provides the boys the opportunity to

enjoy the outdoors, make new friends, and develop new skills. For many of the boys, it's the first time they've ever been camping," said Sheriff Champagne.

The St. Charles Sheriff's Office sponsors this annual event allowing local youth an opportunity to develop leadership skills. During the five-day camp, the youth had the opportunity to experience the outdoors. This included camp fires, swimming, canoeing, archery, rifle shooting, repelling, and rock wall climbing. Since 1996 over 500 St. Charles Parish boys have attended this summer camp. ■



Campers and Law Enforcement Officers at Operation First Class Sheriff's Camp 2011

Community Strategies

Training considered high significance for SCSO

The Training Department provides and coordinates all training efforts for St. Charles Parish sheriff's deputies. The mission is to provide the highest quality of professional law enforcement training possible.

Prior to assuming a sworn (having arrest powers) assignment within the Sheriff's Office, St. Charles Parish recruits first attend 11 weeks of training at St. Charles Regional POST Law Enforcement Academy. As a Regional POST Academy, police officers and sheriff's deputies from all around Louisiana receive their "POST" training and certifications at our academy.

At the academy, deputies are educated in report writing, crash investigation, juvenile and criminal law, community policing, felony procedures, use of force issues and other law enforcement curriculum. A deputy receives approximately 1000 hours of training prior to being released for active patrol status. But the training does not end there! Once certified, the Sheriff requires new recruits to undergo an extensive Field Training Program. Deputies with several years experience on the job act as Field Training Officers to continue the educational process by leading the new recruits through their daily assignments. In addition, the Training Department is charged with maintaining the level of training agency-wide. From the proper use of firearms to hand-to-hand defense tactics, the department ensures that deputies get the training they need. The department regularly provides mandatory in-service programs for deputies, as well as reserve officers.

The Sheriff has 4 full time instructors assigned to training and 34 FBI Instructor Development Certified instructors on staff to provide knowledge in a wide range of courses. These include

training in use of deadly force, defensive tactics systems, chemical agents, driving, ethics, legal aspects, high-risk entry, domestic violence, less-than-lethal weapons, and standardized field sobriety testing. In addition, the National Ethics Association has certified four of our deputies as instructors. The Sheriff's Office also has a network of experts, including our parish's Assistant District Attorneys, readily available to instruct or assist.

The Training Center serves as the hub for annual in-service sessions. All deputies are required to successfully complete an annual in-service program. These in-service training sessions have been reported to be the most extensive in-service programs in the state and are open to all law enforcement agencies throughout Louisiana.

CLASSES INCLUDE:

- Overview of the Criminal Justice Process
- Elements of Criminal Conduct
- Orientation to U.S. Criminal Justice System
- Orientation to LA Criminal Justice System
- History of Law-Enforcement
- Report Writing
- Fundamentals of Shooting
- Legal and Moral Responsibility
- Range Qualifications
- The Court System and Source of Rights
- Office Survival Defensive Tactics
- Probable Cause and Reasonable Suspicion
- The Exclusionary Rule
- Arrest and Response to Terrorism
- Vehicle Stops, Searches and Inventory
- Confessions and Admissions
- Consequences of Police Misconduct
- Arrest Techniques: Handcuffing /



SCSO deputies in training.



- Un-cuffing
- Arrest Techniques: Searches
- Officer Survival Orientation to Chemical Agents
- Courtroom Testimony
- Auto Theft
- Victim Assistance
- Domestic Violence
- Hostage Negotiations
- Police Survival: Legal and Mental Aspect
- Dealing with Individuals with Mental Disorders
- Handling Juveniles
- Death Notification
- Tactical Problems: Crowd Control
- Gang Identifiers
- Homicide Investigation
- Robbery Investigations
- Identify Theft
- Investigations Evidence
- Interview and Interrogation
- Drug Identification and Drug Laws
- Sex Crimes
- Survival Spanish
- Fingerprinting
- Burglary Investigations
- Traffic Incident Management

- Hit and Run Investigation
- Methods of Patrol
- Issuing Citations
- Directing Traffic
- Violent Crimes
- Hazardous Materials
- Motor Vehicle Laws
- Vehicle Stop Tactics
- Legal Aspects of Criminal Conduct
- Diversity In The Community
- Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs
- Crime Prevention
- Elements of Criminal Conduct
- CPR Training / Certification
- First Aid Training / Certification
- Police Radar
- Police Driving
- Vehicle Stop Exercise
- Building Searches
- DUI Training
- Functions of Police K-9
- Final Exam (11th Week of Training) ■



TRIAD Offers Crime Prevention and Safety Programs to Senior Citizens

Self Defense Classes Available for Women, Children, and Seniors



Sheriff Champagne welcomes senior citizens to Triad's Senior Day event.

On April 23, 1997, Sheriff Greg Champagne and the St. Charles Council on Aging announced the creation of a local Triad program that would help support the needs of our growing elderly population. Triad is a commitment between the Sheriff's Office, Council on Aging, and Senior Service Providers in our parish to help reduce elder victimization and increase law enforcement services to older persons. The purpose of a Triad is to develop and implement crime prevention and education programs for older individuals. Activities center on pre-victimization (victim/witness assistance) aspects. Triad also focuses on reducing fear of crime by identifying

misconceptions, educating seniors or criminal activity that affect them, and creating programs to reduce elder crime. St. Charles Parish Triad has several outreach programs that help with this assistance. (See below.) As a non-profit organization, Triad has been supported by funding through United Way of St. Charles since 2002. The Triad program has been able to reach out to more senior citizens and provide additional services since funding by United Way became available. ■

For more information about this program, please contact the Triad Coordinator at 985-783-1355.

Half of everyday living is being aware of what is going on around you. Safety plays a big part in your day-to-day living. But, what if you were in a situation that you had to defend yourself from an attacker? Would you know how? The best way to prepare yourself to fight off an attacker is to take a self-defense class. The St. Charles Sheriff's Office and the St. Charles Parish School System have been partners in preventing crimes by teaching self-defense classes for women, children and senior citizens. We'd love to give you all the right moves in just one article, but some things you just have

to learn in person. A good self-defense class can teach you how to size up a situation and decide what you should do. Self-defense classes can also teach special techniques for breaking an attacker's grasp and other things you can do to get away. This class can teach you ways to surprise your attacker and catch him or her off guard. A self-defense class should give you a chance to practice your moves. If you take a class with a friend, you can continue practicing on each other to keep the moves fresh in your mind long after the class is over. Lt. Pam Schmitt teaches free classes several times a year in the fall and in the spring. These classes are taught at different levels for women, children and for senior citizens. ■

If you are interested in participating in these free classes, please call Lt. Pam Schmitt at 985-783-6230.



Self-defense classes teach special techniques for breaking an attacker's grasp.



Free Programs For Seniors

File of Life

Miniature Medical File for immediate access to one's medical history, current medications and emergency contacts.

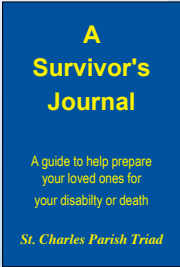


Adopt A Senior

Law enforcement officers meet with eligible senior citizens on a regular basis to provide reassurance of safety and open lines of communication between senior citizens and law enforcement officials.

A Survivor's Journal

This is a small book, which acts as a guideline to assist senior citizens and their families to prepare, in advance, their own wishes during a disability and/or death.



Flashing Security Light



Developed for crime prevention, it helps emergency units find your home quickly by auto flashing capabilities. Also, a steady light comes on automatically at dark and shuts off during daylight hours.

Operation Quick Response

A house numbering project for those senior citizens who do not have visible addresses on their homes. Every second counts in an emergency!



Senior Citizen Self-Defense Class

A class teaching senior citizens how to verbally and physically defend themselves. It also teaches them how to prevent being a victim of crime.

Drug Disposal Program

This service is designed to reinforce the safe use and disposal of expired and unused medications of all types.



For more information about these programs, please contact the Triad Coordinator at 985-783-1355.

New Web Site Adds Features

Our new website now includes added features for St. Charles Parish residents.

• ONLINE ATV REGISTRATION

First on the list is a registration page for ATVs, bicycles, and golf carts. This page can be found at: <http://www.stcharlessheriff.org/index.aspx?nid=167>.

Once the registration form is filled out and submitted, St. Charles Sheriff's Office will transfer all information onto its internal database called ARMMS. The advantage to this type of registration is, when one of these vehicles are recovered, patrol officers can access information in the database and immediately locate the owner. Since modifying this form in April, 2011, we have processed fifty-six ATV registrations. To better serve St. Charles Parish residents, we encourage all owners of ATVs, bicycles and golf carts to log on and fill out the registration form. This information is confidential and shared only with S.C.S.O. Communications and Enforcement Divisions.

• SALUTE TO OUR HEROES

Second on the list is under "Salute to our Heroes". A new "Deputy of the Year" page has been added.

• DEPARTMENTS

The third change is an addition under "Departments", called "St. Charles Parish Law Enforcement Complex". This page includes a guided tour of our new headquarters located at 260 Judge Edward Dufresne Parkway and is complete with a slide show of building progress.

• CURRENT EVENTS

Fourth on the list is a new page called: "Current Events", which can be accessed on the front page, left column. This page features Community / Sheriff's Office activities, and may contain slide shows of participants.



Online ATV Registration



As new events occur, our pages are constantly upgraded with new photographs and information. We would like to remind everyone

that in the event of an emergency, we will activate a module on the front page called "EMERGENCY ALERT".

This will show up as a green box in the center of the page and will contain information critical to the event. An example of this would be if you have to evacuate for a hurricane, we can post information on road closures, flooding, and when it is safe for you to return home.

To register to receive a Sheriff's Office Alert, click on the "Notify Me" button, which is located on the left side of the screen. Once on the "Notify Me" screen there are several categories to choose from on which alerts you would like to receive. When registering for each alert there is option to receive the alert through text message or email. Citizens should be aware that their cell phone service providers may charge for text page features. The cost is usually very low, but everyone is urged to contact their provider for exact information and costs before activating this feature. ■

Marine Enforcement

The next time you launch your boat in St. Charles Parish, check out the new signs Sheriff Champagne installed at our boat launches to promote boater safety. Included in the safety reminders is a message from our Sheriff to: "Have a safe boating trip and arrive alive".

Since January 1, 2009, the Sheriff's Office Marine Department has responded to 12 "call outs" for tow-ins, 2 camp burglaries, one camp arson and has recovered 2 accidental drowning victims.

This department, consisting of Lt. Irvin "Sandy" Dares, Corporal Clint LeBlanc and Corporal Roy Gautreaux, patrols the parish waterways in search of over-due or stranded boaters and enforces criminal trespass, arson



and other parish and state laws. Assisted by several reserve deputies, they respond to boating accidents, drownings, and

calls for assistance when boats or ATV's are needed. On occasion, they offer assistance as needed to the boating community and conduct community education youth programs on boater safety. ■

Programs for CHILDREN

CHILD ID FILE



Imagine one second your child is by your side and the next he or she is gone. It is a parent's worst nightmare. Having the needed information readily available the first few moments of the search can be invaluable to law enforcement authorities. Realizing this, Sheriff Greg Champagne is making available free Child ID Files for your children. A Child ID File is a packet of information about a child, gathered, stored and regularly updated by a parent. The file focuses on a child's unique characteristics. Many children disappear each year. Some are runaways, others are kidnapped by an unknown person or a noncustodial parent. Whatever the reason a child is missing, finding that child quickly is vital. A Child ID file can help.



Have your child's fingerprints taken. Fingerprints can be used to identify children who can't identify themselves due to injuries, disabilities, trauma or because they're too young to speak. They can also be used for older kids who refuse to identify themselves or who give incorrect information or for victims who have died. Children's appearances change, making photos less useful as time passes, but fingerprints stay the same. The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office offers free child fingerprinting and a booklet about keeping a Child ID File. For more information, contact the Special Services Department at 783-1355. ■

Focus on Youth Safety Programs

As a service to the community, the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office regularly visits schools, local events and meetings. Also, the Special Services Dept. offers community programs designed to promote safety and crime prevention. The objective of these programs, which are offered at no charge, is to provide residents with vital information and needed skills to lessen their risk of becoming a victim. Through education, we hope to reduce crime locally.

Topics and demonstrations include:

- * Child Fingerprinting
- * K-9 Demonstrations
- * Crime Scene Presentations
- * Halloween Safety
- * Narcotic Awareness
- * Seatbelt Safety
- * Bicycle Safety
- * Vehicle Safety
- * Tips for Latchkey Kids
- * Personal Safety
- * Drug Awareness
- * Self Defense



To arrange a presentation for your group or organization, contact Susie Breaux Gauthier at 783-1355. Scheduling is flexible. ■

SAFE SCHOOL PROGRAM REDUCES VIOLENCE

Taking a proactive approach in promoting a safe learning environment, the Sheriff's office and school board are in the forefront with their partnership in creating a safe schools program that has become a national model. Since implementation 15 years ago, the St. Charles Parish Violence Prevention Program has yielded as much as an 88 percent reduction in violent incidents on school campuses. Seven deputies, serving as school resource officers, are assigned

to the parish's middle and high schools where they serve as safety officers, teachers of law related education, and reality based counselors. The St. Charles Parish Safe Schools model has been duplicated by agencies nationwide. ■

Community Awareness

Sheriff Champagne Urges Residents,

Establish Hurricane Emergency Preparedness Plans

TIPS FOR BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER A STORM

Hurricane. The mere mention of the word causes concern for south Louisianans inland and those along the coastal region of the state. And it is with good reason, too. A hurricane is an enormously powerful force of nature, with winds as high as 160 miles per hour, which can wreak havoc on anything that may chance upon its path.

**THE HURRICANE SEASON
BEGINS JUNE 1 AND
ENDS NOVEMBER 30.**

“Because forecasters are predicting a higher incidence of potential hurricane activity this year, it’s important that we remain very cautious this hurricane season. Awareness and preparedness are the keys to securing the safety and well-being of your family and property,” cautioned Sheriff Champagne. “We know that even without hurricanes, tropical storms can cause damage and even worse, death.”

Sheriff Champagne advises St. Charles Parish residents to familiarize themselves with, and incorporate, this basic safety information as part of their hurricane emergency preparedness plan.

BEFORE A HURRICANE

- ✓ **Plan an evacuation route.** Have disaster supplies on hand (flashlights and extra batteries; first aid kit and manual; battery operated radio and extra batteries; emergency food and water; non electric can openers; essential medicines; cash; credit cards and sturdy shoes).
- ✓ **Make arrangements for pets.**
- ✓ **Ensure that family members know how to respond.**
- ✓ **Teach children how and when to call 9-1-1, police or fire department.**
- ✓ **Protect windows.**
- ✓ **Trim back dead or weak branches from trees.**

- ✓ **Check into flood insurance.**
- ✓ **Develop an emergency communication plan so that family members can reunite if separated.**
- ✓ **Store drinking water in bottles, jugs, and in a clean bathtub.**

DURING A HURRICANE WATCH

- Listen to a battery-operated radio or television for hurricane progress reports.
- Check emergency supplies.
- Fuel cars.
- Bring in outdoor objects such as lawn furniture and anchor down larger or heavier items.
- Secure buildings by closing and boarding up windows. Remove outside antennas.
- Turn refrigerator and freezer to coldest settings. Open only when necessary.
- Review evacuation plans.
- Moor boats securely or move into a safe place. Use tie-downs or anchor to the ground.

DURING A HURRICANE WARNING

- Listen constantly to a battery-operated radio or television for official instruction.
- If in a **mobile home**, check tie downs and evacuate immediately.
- Store valuables and personal papers in a waterproof container on the highest level of your home.
- Avoid elevators.

IF AT HOME:

- Stay inside. Keep away from windows or glass doors.
- Keep a supply of flashlights and extra batteries handy. Avoid open flames such as candles.
- If power is lost, turn off major appliances to reduce power “surge” when electricity is restored.

IF YOU MUST EVACUATE:

- Leave as soon as possible. Avoid flooded roads and bridges.
- Unplug appliances and turn off electricity and the main water valve.
- Tell someone out of the storm area where you are going.
- Elevate furniture to protect it from flooding, if time permits.



- Bring preassembled emergency supplies and warm protective clothing.
- Take blankets and sleeping bags to shelter.
- Lock up home and leave.
- Be on guard.
- Once at your new location, log on to www.stcharlessheriff.org for updated parish information.

Electrocution, clean-up accidents, fires and other recovery-related accidents can become part of the aftermath of a hurricane and cause deaths. Don’t be lulled into a false sense of security just because the wind and rain have subsided.

AFTER A HURRICANE

- ✓ Remain where you are until you receive official word from authorities that the storm has ended and it is safe to leave. Remember, it is probable you will be without power, water, and other services. Monitor local radio, TV broadcasts and local parish websites for information regarding emergency medical aid, food, and other types of assistance.
- ✓ Avoid driving, as roads may be impassable. Also, emergency vehicles and relief workers will be able to respond more efficiently without additional traffic congestion.
- ✓ Stay clear of downed power lines.
- ✓ Look out for snakes, insects, and animals driven to higher ground by storm surge and flooding.
- ✓ Beware of weakened tree limbs.
- ✓ Secure your pets to keep them safe.
- ✓ Clear your street, making a path for emergency vehicles. Get neighbors to pitch in.
- ✓ Avoid the use of candles, matches, and other open flames in your home.
- ✓ Open windows and doors for ventilation.
- ✓ Use your telephone only for emergencies.

Sheriff Champagne concluded, “Officials in St. Charles Parish will be as vigilant as ever in looking out for the safety of its residents. And, it is up to every one of us to do his or her best to establish good, sound plans to help prevent injuries and property damage in the event of a hurricane.

DON’T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.” ■

2011 Hurricane Names

Arlene	Harvey	Ophelia
Bret	Irene	Philippe
Cindy	Jose	Rina
Don	Katia	Sean
Emily	Lee	Tammy
Franklin	Maria	Vince
Gert	Nate	Whitney

Know the Difference

BETWEEN A HURRICANE WATCH AND A HURRICANE WARNING

According to the Emergency Management Agency, a **HURRICANE WATCH** is issued when there is a threat of hurricane conditions with 24-36 hours.

A **HURRICANE WARNING** is issued when hurricane conditions (winds of 74 miles per hour or greater, or dangerously high water and rough seas) are expected in 24 hours or less.

STAY CONNECTED DURING EMERGENCIES

**WWL Radio
870 AM**

**COX
Channel 6**

**Parish Radio
1370 AM**

**Parish Web Site
www.stcharlesparish-la.gov**

**SCSO Web Site
www.stcharlessheriff.org
Emergency Alert Module**

**Text Alerts
Sign up at
SCSO Web Site**

Community Outreach



Law enforcement officers have long been good friends to Special Olympics, emerging as champions of Special Olympics athletes everywhere. They have encouraged Special Olympic athletes to aspire to their highest potential and compete against their personal best. They have helped to make many dreams come true, often against seemingly insurmountable odds.

On May 20, 2011, Sheriff Greg Champagne encouraged his officers to become involved in the St. Charles

Parish portion of this torch run. In years past, the run began at the East Bank Bridge Park where runners and bike riders rode the levee and exited onto Ormond Blvd. This year the rising waters of the Mississippi River made riding on the levee impossible, so runners were given an alternate route. The run was completed at approximately 11:00 a.m. at the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 15 in St. Rose, LA.

St. Charles Sheriff's Deputies contributed a total amount of **\$2,183.00** to Special Olympics this year ensuring the flame of hope be delivered to the games. ■

Top right photo:
2011 St. Charles Sheriff's Office
Torch Run participants.

Bottom right photo:
Crossing the Bonnet Carre Spillway.



Lock Your Vehicle Doors & Store Valuables



Lock Your Vehicle

- ❑ Shut windows tightly whenever you park. Even a small gap will allow a thief room to insert a wire to pry up the lock button.
- ❑ Lock all doors and the trunk or hatchback every time you leave your car. Lock the garage door too.

- ❑ Never leave a car running unattended.
- ❑ Avoid leaving keys with a garage or lot attendant by choosing a place where you park your own car when possible.

Don't Tempt a Thief

- ❑ Carry as few valuables in your vehicle as possible. Cell phones, money, mobile audio or video equipment, etc., are lures for thieves looking to make a quick grab.
- ❑ Lock packages in the trunk, or put them under the front seats.
- ❑ Engrave your car's VIN on radar detectors, CD players, mobile audio or video equipment, etc., in your vehicle. If the equipment is found later it will make it easier to identify as yours.
- ❑ Don't use the glove compartment as a "traveling safe." Take your valuables, including personal papers, with you.

HUNTER EDUCATION CLASSES

The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office will give Hunter Education Classes on upcoming dates. State Law requires that all individuals born on or after September 1, 1969, pass a hunter safety course in order to obtain a Louisiana hunting license. Individuals must be ten years of age or older to be certified. The course will cover such topics as firearm safety, survival, first-aid, and wildlife identification.

The classes will be limited to **30 students and each student must pre-register and attend each day.** The classes will be held at the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's firing range. The times for the two-day classes will be **Fridays, 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.** The range is located on LA 3127 in Killona behind the Nelson Colman Correctional Facility.

There will be two field days for individuals that have taken the course

online with the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The time for the field days are **8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will be held on Saturdays.**

To pre-register call (985) 783-1173. Further information may be obtained by contacting Lt. Ted Adams at (504) 201-5222. The dates for 2011 are listed below. ■

DATES FOR FULL CLASSES
Sept. 9th and 10th
Sept. 16 and 17th

DATES FOR THE FIELD DAYS
Oct. 8th



7.

TRIAD

Senior Day 2011

All St. Charles Parish Senior Citizens are invited to attend

OCTOBER 13, 2011 • 9:30 AM
JERUSALEM SHRINE CENTER IN DESTREHAN
1940 Ormond Blvd., Destrehan

Flu Shots will be available through
St. Charles Community Health Center.
No out of pocket expense with Medicare Card.
Without a Medicare Card cost is \$15.

FREE
Health Screening
Foot Screening
Give-a-ways
Door Prizes
Information
Entertainment
Lunch

For transportation call
985-783-6683
For more information call
Joyce Gullage
985-783-1355

Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Dedicated

In conjunction with the construction of the new St. Charles Parish Law Enforcement Complex, the St. Charles Parish Fraternal Order of Police erected a Fallen Heroes Memorial to honor the three St. Charles Parish Deputies who died in the line of duty. The FOP raised just over \$50,000 for the construction of the monument that stands in front of the new complex. The names of contributors are engraved into bricks that make up the Memorial's Legacy Walk. The memorial was dedicated May 19, 2011, with about 500 people in attendance.



Deputy James Allen Arterbury

Three short years after his law enforcement career began, Deputy James Allen Arterbury, 24, was killed while responding to a disturbance at a local bar.

On July 4, 1973, several subjects in the bar room jumped the deputy and a scuffle ensued. Deputy Arterbury was shot in the back with his own gun. He died several hours later at the St. Charles Parish Hospital.

James A. Arterbury was the second St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office officer to be killed in the line of duty. His memory is honored at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial on panel 4E-7.

Deputy Nelson Coleman

A 13-year veteran of the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Department, Deputy Nelson Coleman, 70, suffered a heart attack on Nov. 5, 1982.

While attempting to subdue a suspect wanted on a felony warrant, the deputy and suspect became embroiled in a scuffle. During the struggle, Deputy Coleman experienced severe chest pain and died.

His wife and three children survived Deputy Coleman. His memory is honored



Below: SCSO Honor Guard standing at attention.



Far left and above: Children presenting roses during roll call for fallen officers in Louisiana killed in the line of duty during 2010.



Left: Riderless Horse led by Sergeant Jimmy Robert, Jr.

at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial on panel 44W-18. In 2001, Sheriff Greg Champagne further honored Deputy Coleman, naming the parish's state-of-the-art correctional center in his memory: Nelson Coleman St. Charles Parish Correctional Center.

Sheriff Lewis Ory

Lewis Ory's 23-year tenure as sheriff of St. Charles Parish tragically ended on Jan. 26, 1903.

Sheriff Ory, 56, was attempting to arrest a fugitive from neighboring Jefferson

Parish when he was shot in the temple. He died instantly. According to a local newspaper account, a sheriff's posse hunted down the murderer. The suspect's body was found riddled with bullets. Lewis Ory was the first lawman, and only St. Charles Parish sheriff, to be killed in the line of duty.

His memory is honored at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial on panel 42E-20. ■

Service Pin Recipients Honored

Congratulations to the following personnel on receipt of the department's service pins. We are indeed fortunate to have employees dedicated to this agency and community by providing many years of faithful service. Thank you for sharing your talents and experience with us. ■



30 YEARS

Christine N. Carter
Jonathan A. Walsdorf

25 YEARS

Gibert R. Schmidt
Craig P. Petit

20 YEARS

Kori N. Hebert
Rodney J. Madere
Robert A. Touns
Christopher P. Zeller
Lisa D. Bautista

15 YEARS

Ruche J. Marino
Dale L. Cambre
Carla C. Johnson
Dolores G. Gassen
Chet A. Oubre
Joseph Petix Cardella
Gregory Charles Champagne
Sherry Louise Champagne
John J. Cornwell

10 YEARS

Jules G. Tarullo
Kevin S. Hollingsworth
Terence Sidney Bechet
Corey Cooper
Joseph B. Lemoine
Carrin M. Perry
Brad J. Poirier
James Michael Robertson
Robert Weber
Melinda Marie Toney
Clara Irene Daigle
Trisha A. Bergeron
Jeremy Duane Pitchford
David E. Ehrmann

10 YEARS (continued)

Bobby L. Goldman
Justin R. Gros
De Juan M. Hills
David Charles Jones
Barry L. Matherne
Jessica Jo Matherne
Sonia Dukes Walker

5 YEARS

Pink P. Duckworth
Gregory C. Cali
Jeff G. Watson
Tammy Saltaformaggio
Pamela B. Petit
Chantel Marie Morehouse
William Salvatore Marcianti
Leonard P. Brown
Jeffrey L. Hirsch
Thomas L. Plaisance
Jacob S. Long
Irvin H. Dares III
Kary Franklin
Willie Louis Jimerson
Edward George Beckendorf
Placide J. Boudreaux

SEND YOUR GIFT HOME

SCSO employees enthusiastically gave to the United Way of St. Charles in 2010 for the eleventh consecutive year, with contributions reaching \$11,587.12.

By designating the parish's United Way agency as the recipient of your pledge, you can ensure that neighbors like you will receive crucial services in their time of need.

Unless you designate St. Charles Parish, your gift will go to the parish in which your office campaign is held.

Please, send your gift home to the United Way of St. Charles.



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Want more information on the services or programs offered by the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office? Whether you're seeking a listing of departments, services, or a brief history of the agency, you can find it on the World Wide Web. Visit us today at: www.stcharlessheriff.org.

