# ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

# City of Rock Falls Police Department

# Annual Report

# Calendar year 2017

# Rock Falls Police Department

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January 7th, 2018

Mayor and City Council
City of Rock Falls
603 W. 10th st
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Dear Mayor and City Council,

I am pleased to present you with the 2017 Rock Falls Police Department annual report. The information provided Contains an overview of the staff accomplishments as well as a variety of statistical data to inform you, the Mayor, City Council, and our community.

A number of highlights occurred in 2017, not the least of which was participating on the consolidation board to help make consolidating with Sterling a reality. The Consolidated Dispatch is up and running with a great deal of success.

Rock Falls Police strives to keep up with demand, and as a result of higher case loads for our investigators we have trained and implemented a third full time Detective. This will help us to solve and close more cases than we were able to in 2016. Our Rock Falls Police Department Facebook now has over 4,200 likes and the community has become quite helpful in regards to sharing and giving feedback. In addition to social media, Safe Passage initiative has brought a level of success unparalleled from other programs. With over 50 people placed into treatment, we are helping the substance abuse crisis from another more positive level.

Training remains a high priority. We accomplished over 1600 hours of training in 2017.

Rock Falls Police Department strives to ever expand our bond with the community, and the relationships and partnerships we've developed over time.

Sincerely,

Tammy J. Nelson
Chief of Police

# ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

updated 11-1-2017

| Badge | Name | Date of Hire | Years of service |
|---|---|---|---|
| 900 | Chief Tammy Nelson | 1/1/1993 | 25 |
| 901 | Cmdr. Doug Coppotelli | 12/28/1998 | 19 |
| 902 | Cmdr. Jay Koett | 7/29/1991 | 26 |
| 905 | Det. Sgt. Dave Pilgrim | 8/29/2001 | 16 |
| 906 | Sgt Mark Davis | 3/9/1998 | 19 |
| 908 | Sgt. Doug Wolber | 6/12/2006 | 11 |
| 909 | Sgt. Jeremy Vondra | 12/29/2003 | 13 |
| 904 | Sgt. Chad Hermes | 1/2/2014 | 4 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| 915 | Det Soliel Signer | 4/5/2013 | 4 |
| | | | |
| 921 | Ofc Jonathan Cater | 2/11/2008 | 9 |
| 922 | | | |
| 923 | Ofc Jarrett Ludwig | 5/3/2010 | 7 |
| 924 | Ofc Betony Kilberg | 9/26/2011 | 6 |
| 925 | Ofc Matt Mckanna | 12/15/2014 | 3 |
| 926 | Ofc Dustin Sugars | 3/28/2016 | 2 |
| 927 | Ofc Nick Nolte | 1/3/2017 | 2 |
| 928 | Ofc Jim Hollaway | 6/22/1998 | 19 |
| 929 | Ofc David Gottemoller | 3/27/2017 | 1 |
| 931 | Ofc Ethan Riley | 7/31/2017 | 1 |
| 932 | Ofc. Ryan McKanna | 3/30/2015 | 3 |
| 935 | Ofc. Elise Dusek | 3/30/2015 | 3 |
| 930 | Ofc Kari Anderson | 11/17/2017 | 1 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| 960 | CSO. Amy Stoeckel | 9/19/2006 | 11 |
| 981 | TC Pam Henderson | 9/13/2004 | 12 |
| 984 | Records Joy Colberg | 9/6/2011 | 6 |
| | | | |

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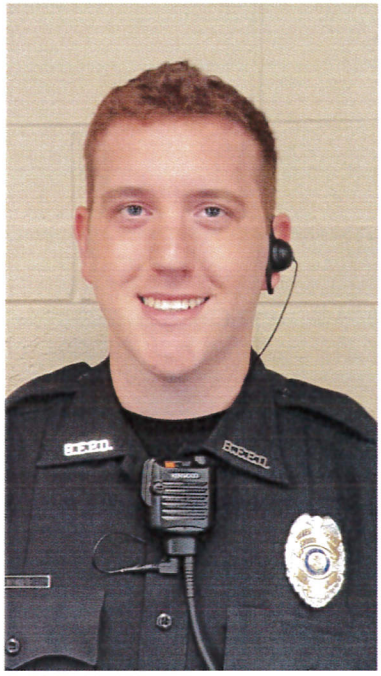
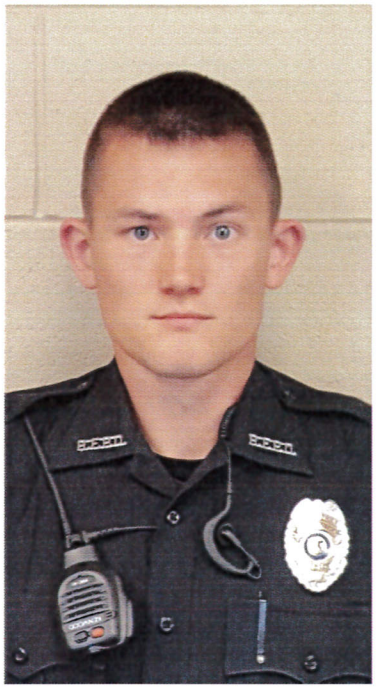
# ASSIGNMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

Officer Nick Nolte hired January 3rd, 2017.



Officer David Gottemoller hired March 27th, 2017.



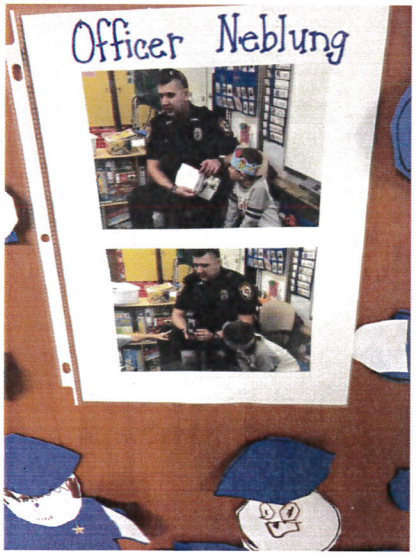
Officer Ethan Riley hired July 31,2017.

Officer Kari Anderson hired November 17th, 2017.

# RESIGNATIONS

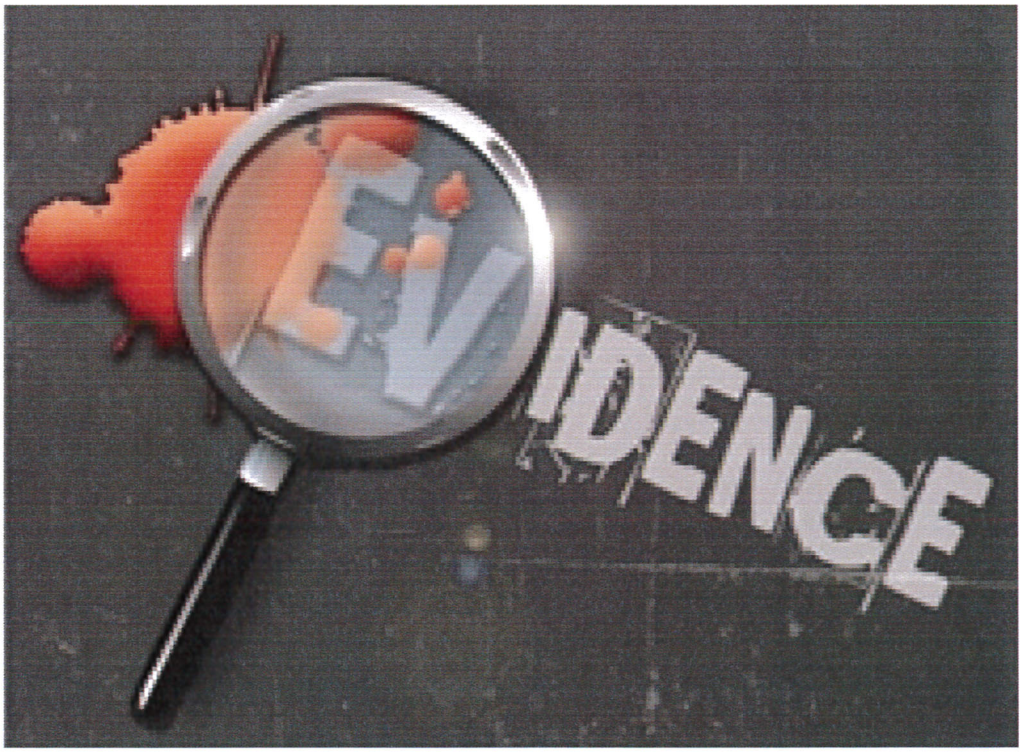
Officer Scott Allspaugh resigned to take a job at Savanna PD. He had 3 years of service.

K-9 Nero was retired in 2017, with 8 years of dedicated service.




Officer Nick Neblung resigned in 2017. He had 2 years of service.

# INVESTIGATIONS-2017




*Sergeant David Pilgrim*

*Detective Soliel Deets*

*Detective Elise Dusek: (will be assigned in February).*

# Rock Falls Police Department

## Investigations Division

2017 Year-End Report

**Personnel:**

Detective Sergeant Dave Pilgrim
Detective Julia Soliel Deets (Blackhawk Area Task Force - primary assignment)

**Overview:**

Throughout 2017 more than 120 cases were referred to the Investigations Division. Investigation of these cases resulted in 15 felony arrests/arrest warrants and more than 15 search warrants or the issuance of other court orders (subpoena, etc.). Sex Offenses and Burglary were the most common types of cases referred to the Detectives. More than 20 interviews were conducted at April House Child Advocacy Center in reference to child abuse and sexual abuse.

Detectives assisted other agencies more than 25 times throughout the year on various investigations and the Detectives were called out, after regular hours, 20 times.

The Investigations Division took in over 325 individual exhibits of evidence in 2017.

Background investigations were conducted on 6 police officer applicants and 1 firefighter applicant.

In late 2016, Detective Deets was assigned to the Blackhawk Area Task Force as her primary assignment. All drug activity reports are directed to her for follow-up and investigation. In 2017, the Investigations Division received more than 25 reports of alleged drug activity.

**Major cases:**

April: Detectives responded to a shooting at The Cooler which resulted in 4 people being seriously injured by gunfire. This investigation required the Detectives to travel to South Carolina to conduct interviews and collect evidence and ultimately resulted in the arrest of Seth T. Wallace of Dillon, SC. Wallace is charged with 4 counts of Aggravated Battery (Class X Felony) and is awaiting trial.

July: Burglary at Gieson Motorsports. This investigation resulted in the arrest of two individuals for Burglary and Felony Theft as well as the recovery of two stolen motorcycles valued at over $10,000. They are currently awaiting trial.

# ROCK FALLS POLICE TRAINING 2017

## 2017 schedule and training hours

| Class | Officers | | Date/Hours |
|---|---|---|---|
| **JANUARY** | | | |
| Brady and it's progeny | Nelson | | 1/16/2017 |
| | Coppotelli | | 3.5 hours |
| FTO school | M. Mckanna | | 02/23-02/27 |
| | R. Mckanna | | 40 hours |
| | Allspaugh | | |
| **FEBRUARY** | | | |
| Range instructor | Wolber | | 02/20-02/25 |
| | Davis | | 40 hours |
| STFS Refresher | Davis | Wolber | 2/28/2017 |
| | Kilberg | | 4 hours |
| | M. Mckanna | | |
| **MARCH** | | | |
| ILEAS | Coppo | Koett | 03/12-03/14 |
| Haz Mat Bloodbourne | Hermes | Ludwig | 3/20/2017 |
| | Dusek | Vondra | 4 1/2 Hours |
| | Hollaway | R. Mckanna | |
| | Pilgrim | Deets | |
| CPR refresher | Nelson | Wolber | 3/21/2017 |
| | Ludwig | Koett | 2 1/2 hours |
| | Allspaugh | M. Mckanna | |
| | Vondra | Hollaway | |
| | R. McKanr | Coppo | |

| Class | Officers | | Date/Hours |
|---|---|---|---|
| **APRIL** | | | |
| SFST refresher | Vondra | Hollaway | 4/12/2017 |
| | R. Mckanna | | 41/2 hours |
| CPR refresher | Davis | Pilgrim | 4/27/2001 |
| | Deets | Sugars | 3 hours |
| | Kilberg | Hermes | |
| | Dusek | | |
| Deadly force investigations | Koett | | 4/27/2017 |
| | | | 4 hours |
| Shining Star conf. | Nelson | | 16 hours |
| | Pilgrim | | 4/18/2019 |
| **MAY** | | | |
| **JUNE** | | | |
| **JULY** | | | |
| **AUGUST** | | | |

| Class | Officers | Date/Hours |
|---|---|---|

## SEPTEMBER

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Juvenile class refresher | Dusek<br>Hermes<br>Jarrett | 9/8/2017<br>8hours |
| Mental health first aide | Davis Wolber<br>Sugars Cater | 9/21/2017<br>8 hours |
| New Detective | Dusek | 09/25-0928<br>40 hours |

## OCTOBER

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Legal tips for PO's | Cater<br>Hollaway<br>Nolte | 10/6/2017<br>8 hours |
| The bulletproof mind | Pilgrim | 10/11/2017<br>4 hours |
| M16 A1/A2 refresher | Nolte<br>Gottemoller | 10/18/2017<br>8hours |
| DUI refresher | Allspaugh<br>Cater | 10/24/2018<br>6 hours |

## NOVEMBER

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 911 conference | Coppotelli | 11/05-11/08<br>32 hours |
| BA certification | Gottemoller | 11/06-11/07<br>16hours |

| Class | Officers | | Date/Hours |
|---|---|---|---|
| Acting patrol officer in charge | Cater<br>Ludwig | | 11/09-11/10<br>16 hours |
| Use of force decision making | Coppotelli | Hollaway | 9-Nov |
| | R. Mckann | Nolte | 4 hours |
| | Gottemolle | Hermes | |
| | Nelson | Koett | |
| | Deets | Cater | |
| | Davis | M. Mckanna | |
| | Kilberg | Wolber | |
| | Sugars | | |
| Mandatory firearms training | Anderson | | 11/18 -11/19<br>20 hours |

**DECEMBER**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Madatory firearms training | Anderson | | 12/02-12/03<br>20 hours |
| Legal tips for police officer | Cater | Wolber | 12/14/2017 |
| | M. mckanna | | 8 hours |
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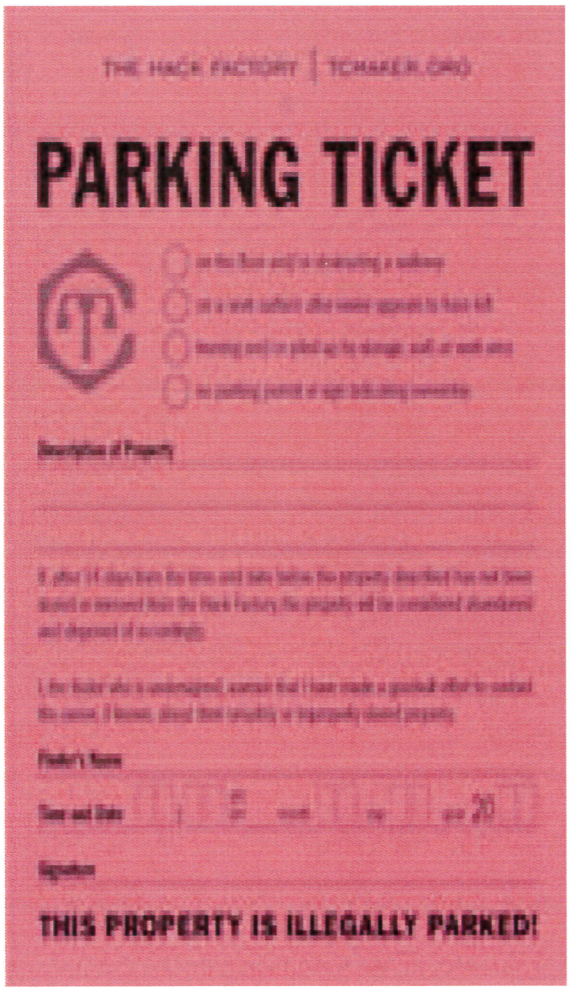
# City Citations and Fines/MSI

# 2017 report



01/08/2018

# *Offense Violation List Summary*

From: 1/1/2017 To: 12/31/2017

*MOVE*
CITY OF ROCK FALLS

Report Options: Dispo=ALL; Offense=ALL; Order=ViolationAddress;

| *Offense* | *Violation(s)* | *Ticket Due* | *Total Paid* |
|---|---|---|---|
| 101 DOG RUNNING AT LARGE-1ST OFFENSE | 1 | $0.00 | $75.00 |
| 102 DOG RUNNING AT LARGE-2ND OFFENSE | 2 | $750.00 | $0.00 |
| 104 BARKING DOG | 1 | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| 121 TRASH,JUNK,RATS,ODORS,UNLICENSED VEHICL/TOPPER | 185 | $10,975.00 | $3,225.00 |
| 122 WEEDS | 22 | $1,285.00 | $440.00 |
| 123 DEPOSITING MATERIALS ON STREET(GRASS,LEAVES,SNOW,ICE) | 13 | $275.00 | $500.00 |
| 126 PROHIBITED SALE OF TOBACCO TO MINOR | 3 | $75.00 | $100.00 |
| 128 UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF TOBACCO BY A MINOR | 2 | $75.00 | $50.00 |
| 129 UNLAWFUL BURNING | 7 | $300.00 | $200.00 |
| 133 OFF STREET PARKING/FRONT YARD | 3 | $75.00 | $175.00 |
| 137 POSSESSION/CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL BY A MINOR | 8 | $750.00 | $925.00 |
| 144 DISOBEYING POLICE OFFICER | 1 | $0.00 | $125.00 |
| 247 CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY UNDER $300 | 3 | $0.00 | $300.00 |
| 253 DISORDERLY CONDUCT | 11 | $775.00 | $725.00 |
| 258 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA W/ UNDER 10 GRAMS CANNABIS | 10 | $500.00 | $600.00 |
| 259 POSSESSION OF CANNABIS UNDER 10 GRAMS | 16 | $1,550.00 | $500.00 |
| 260 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA | 16 | $1,970.00 | $630.00 |
| 262 RETAIL THEFT (UNDER $150) | 27 | $3,375.00 | $1,425.00 |
| 275 VEHICLES FOR SALE ON STREET | 2 | $0.00 | $100.00 |
| 276 SEMI PARKING RESTRICTIONS | 5 | $375.00 | $0.00 |
| 277 RV PARKING RESTRICTIONS | 14 | $925.00 | $100.00 |
| 278 ENCROACHMENTS OF STREETS/SIDEWALKS | 6 | $225.00 | $150.00 |
| 280 DEPOSITING MATERIALS ON STREET | 6 | $100.00 | $350.00 |
| 283 TREES OBSTRUCTING VIEW ON STREET/SIDEWALK | 8 | $600.00 | $50.00 |
| 285 RUNAWAY | 2 | $225.00 | $100.00 |
| 286 LITTERING | 1 | $0.00 | $50.00 |
| 288 CURFEW | 8 | $450.00 | $250.00 |
| 289 TRUANCY | 56 | $5,990.00 | $1,075.00 |
| 294 HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS GRASS | 60 | $6,100.00 | $1,525.00 |
| 295 TRESSPASS | 1 | $100.00 | $0.00 |
| 298 CONTAINERS REQUIRED | 3 | $50.00 | $100.00 |
| 300 FAILURE TO REMOVE INOPERABLE VEHICLE | 73 | $4,015.00 | $1,185.00 |
| 301 METER DAMAGE/REPLACE | 5 | $500.00 | $0.00 |
| 302 OPEN BURNING | 2 | $0.00 | $100.00 |
| **Grand Totals:** | **583** | **$42,385.00** | **$15,130.00** |

# Offense Summary

From : 1/1/2017 - To : 12/31/2017



TYPE=ALL OFFENSE=ALL

| *Number* | *Description* | *Total* | *Amount Due* | *Amount Paid* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 107 | TIME LIMIT PARKING | 6 | $0.00 | $120.00 |
| 108 | 48 HOUR PARKING | 13 | $350.00 | $140.00 |
| 110 | 3 HOUR PARKING | 4 | $250.00 | $60.00 |
| 111 | PROHIBITED PARKING AREA | 58 | $1,530.00 | $940.00 |
| 112 | NO PARKING 2AM TO 5AM | 20 | $770.00 | $380.00 |
| 115 | NO PARKING IN ALLEY | 2 | $0.00 | $40.00 |
| 118 | HANDICAPPED PARKING | 3 | $750.00 | $0.00 |
| 119 | FIRE LANE & HYDRANT PARKING | 6 | $300.00 | $200.00 |
| 149 | EXPIRED REGISTRATION PLATES/STICKER | 27 | $3,350.00 | $1,550.00 |
| 165 | FAILURE TO USE PARKING LIGHTS WHILE IN HIGHWAY | 1 | $0.00 | $50.00 |
| 188 | LOUD MUFFLER | 1 | $0.00 | $75.00 |
| 190 | NO DL ON PERSON | 1 | $0.00 | $75.00 |
| 197 | NO SEAT BELT | 1 | $75.00 | $0.00 |
| 199 | NO VALID DL (LESS THAN 1 YR) | 6 | $750.00 | $400.00 |
| 200 | NO VALID REGISTRATION | 5 | $75.00 | $300.00 |
| 234 | TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING | 10 | $500.00 | $675.00 |
| 241 | UNLAWFUL USE OF CELL PHONE - UNDER AGE 19 / SCHO | 2 | $75.00 | $75.00 |
| 287 | PARKKING WRONG DIRECTION | 8 | $500.00 | $120.00 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Total Offenses:** | **18** | **Total Tickets & Amount:** | **174** | **$9,275.00** | **$5,200.00** |

# *OFFENSES AND ARREST*

# 2017 REPORT

## ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT
## MAJORITY OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

| TYPE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Deceptive Practices, Fraud, Forgery | 187 | 170 | 140 |
| Criminal Damage to Property | 164 | 178 | 147 |
| Criminal Trespass to Vehicle, Land, Residence | 38 | 40 | 102 |
| Unlawful Use of Weapon, Weapon Calls | 5 | 6 | 4 |
| Criminal Sexual Abuse, Misdemeanor Sex Charges | 22 | 16 | 13 |
| Child Neglect, Child Abuse, Endangering the life of a child | 31 | 18 | 10 |
| Runaways, Curfew, Minors Requiring Authorative Intervention | 103 | 113 | 119 |
| Reckless Driving | 147 | 114 | 101 |
| Disorderly Conduct, Telephone Harassment | 621 | 591 | 654 |
| Fireworks | 45 | 46 | 43 |
| Domestic Violence, Domestic Battery, Visitation Violations | 316 | 298 | 352 |
| Warrant Arrests, In-state and Out of State | 279 | 249 | 281 |
| Assist Other Agencies, City Departments | 1722 | 1827 | 648 |
| Alarms (Burglary, Hold Up, Bank, Smoke, Fire) | 179 | 164 | 162 |
| Suspicious Auto, Noise, Persons | 693 | 506 | 494 |
| Fingerprinting | 48 | 44 | 58 |
| Animal Calls (Dog, Strays, Bites, other) | 419 | 351 | 224 |
| Mental Health Problems (Suicides, Attempts, Assists) | 51 | 66 | 96 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sex Offender Registration | 198 | 197 | 215 |

## ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT
## MAJORITY OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

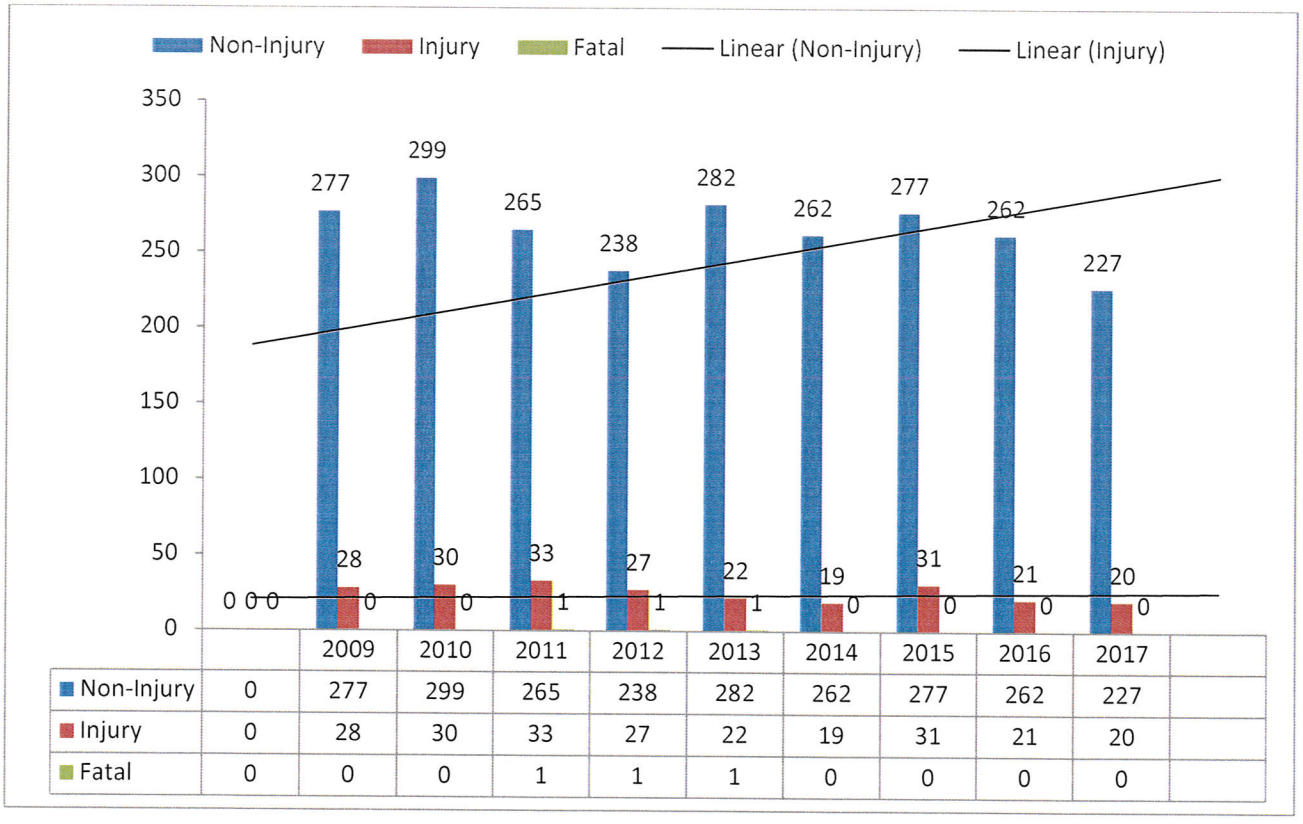
| TYPE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Motorists Assists, Traffic Control, Escorts | 348 | 308 | 192 |
| Vehicle Lock Outs | 321 | 309 | 311 |
| Civil Complaints | 482 | 408 | 391 |
| Public Complaints | 320 | 263 | 267 |
| Medical Assists | 83 | 108 | 175 |
| Follow Up to Calls, Investigations | 2194 | 1677 | 274 |
| Ordinances | 857 | 725 | 757 |

# ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

# TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

| YEAR | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Non Injury | 277 | 299 | 265 | 238 | 282 | 262 | 277 | 262 | 227 |
| Injury | 28 | 30 | 33 | 27 | 22 | 19 | 31 | 21 | 20 |
| Fatal | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **TOTALS** | **305** | **329** | **299** | **266** | **305** | **281** | **308** | **283** | **247** |




| | | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Non-Injury | 0 | 277 | 299 | 265 | 238 | 282 | 262 | 277 | 262 | 227 |
| Injury | 0 | 28 | 30 | 33 | 27 | 22 | 19 | 31 | 21 | 20 |
| Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

# ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT
## PART 1 OFFENSES
## 2017

**Part 1 OFFENSES:**

Those crimes that were chosen as an index, by the Federal government, to determine the Crime rate nationwide.

| OFFENSE | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Homicide | 0 | o | 0 |
| Criminal Sexual Assault | 14 | 9 | 5 |
| Robbery | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Agg. Assualt and Agg Battery | 32 | 30 | 26 |
| Burglary | 45 | 78 | 45 |
| Theft | 331 | 252 | 196 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 10 | 16 | 18 |
| Arson | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Possesion of Cannabis | 39 | 22 | 19 |
| Possession of Controlled Sub. | 11 | 6 | 3 |
| Drug Paraphernailia | 12 | 7 | 10 |
| Resisting a Police Officer | 7 | 6 | 4 |
| Obstructing Justice | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| **TOTALS** | **507** | **431** | **328** |

# ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT
## PART 1 ARRESTS
## 2017

**Part 1 ARRESTS**

Those crimes that were chosen as an index, by the Federal government, to determine the Crime rate nationwide.

| OFFENSE | ADULT | JUVENILE | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|
| Homicide | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Criminal Sexual Assault | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Robbery | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Agg. Assualt and Agg Battery | 29 | 5 | 34 |
| Burglary | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Theft | 27 | 5 | 32 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Arson | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Possesion of Cannabis | 14 | 3 | 17 |
| Possession of Controlled Sub. | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Drug Paraphernailia | 17 | 3 | 20 |
| Resisting a Police Officer | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| Obstructing Justice | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| | 107 | 18 | 125 |

# TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT FOR 2017

| CITATION TYPE | # |
|---|---|
| SPEEDING | 496 |
| D.W.I. | 40 |
| STOP SIGN | 95 |
| TRAFFIC LIGHT | 54 |
| FAILURE TO YIELD | 29 |
| HIT/RUN | 10 |
| LIGHTING | 12 |
| OTHER EQUIP. VIO. | 8 |
| MISC. MOVING | 28 |
| VEHICLE TO BE REG. | 133 |
| NO INSURANCE | 90 |
| OTHER | 20 |
| HEADLAMP | 116 |
| TAILLAMP | 33 |
| FAIL TO SIGNAL | 18 |
| FAIL TO SECURE/CHILD | 2 |
| NO D/L ON PERSON | 2 |
| IMPROPER LANE USAGE | 40 |
| DRIVING W/O LIGHTS | 26 |
| SUSP./REVOKED | 79 |
| FAILURE TO REDUCE SPEED | 33 |
| ILLEGAL TRANS OF ALCOHOL | 11 |
| NO SEAT BELT | 4 |
| IMPROPER TURN | 12 |
| NO DRIVERS LIC. | 41 |
| FLEEING/ELUDING POLICE | 2 |
| **TOTAL** | **1,443** |

# POLICE CAR INVENTORY-2017

*PATROL:*

*CAR #2: 2014 Interceptor SUV. Mileage: 89,014*

*CAR #3: 2014 Interceptor SUV. Mileage: 99,477*

*CAR#4: 2014 Interceptor SUV. Mileage: 92,760*

*CAR#5: 2014 Interceptor SUV. Mileage: 98,344*

*CAR#6: 2017 Interceptor SUV. Mileage: 16,767*

*CAR#7: 2017 Interceptor SUV. Mileage: 23,414*

*CAR#9: 2012 Ford Truck. Mileage: 57,843*

*ADMINISTRATION:*

*CAR#11: 2012 Chevy Impala. Mileage: 42,324*

*CAR#12: 2011 Chevy Impala. Mileage: 62,873*

*CAR#13: 2014 Chevy Impala. Mileage: 43,329*

*CAR#14: 2011 Chevy Impala. Mileage: 55,824*

*Car#15: 2014 Chevy Impala. Mileage: 35,576*

# ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

## YEAR END REPORT

In 2017 the Rock Falls Police Department responded to 14,086"calls for service", of those, 247 were motor vehicle accidents. The Department also received 2,774 Emergency 911 calls.

The unanticipated resignation of two Officers, and losing the K-9 to retirement put a brief burden on our overtime budget. In addition, we had one Officer deployed for most of 2017, and had two Officers with long term injuries. However, we have bounced back and hired four new Officers in 2017, and are preparing to add a third detective to keep up with the case load in investigations.

The Department experienced a shooting at the Cooler in April 2017. Using every resource we had and tenaciously investigating hundreds of leads, Our Department was able to make an arrest and close this case.

Whiteside County is currently experiencing a large substance abuse problem. For the last three years local Law Enforcement has addressed a growing number of Opiate and Meth users in our area. In 2017, we placed 24 people into treatment through the Safe Passage Initiative. This program allows local addicts to come into their Police Department and be placed into treatment for their addiction. We also have partnered with the Salvation Army, who with their staff does the case management for the addicts, for their first year after getting out of inpatient. We are closely monitoring the success rate of this new collaboration in hopes that fewer addicts fall back into their addiction.

We continue to strive to find ways to further connect, and build trust with the community we serve. In addition to PACT Camp, Halloween, Coffee with a cop, we also started up Operation Santa Claus in 2017, and was able to raise enough money to help out Five families and 11 kids. We look forward to 2018.

# ***PACT CAMP 2017***

***Police and Children Together***

*In August of 2017, we had our 3rd annual PACT Camp. 23 children from low income housing, participated this year. We had a week packed with activities. WE went bowling, swimming, fishing, paddle boating, and went to the Zoo and the waterpark, in addition to many other activities.*

*Officer that participated this year were:* ***Chief Nelson, Sergeant Hermes, and Officers Dusek and McKanna.***

*We built strong bonds with the children during the week and enjoyed every minute of it. We look forward to next year. PACT camp was sponsored by the Whiteside County Housing Office.*

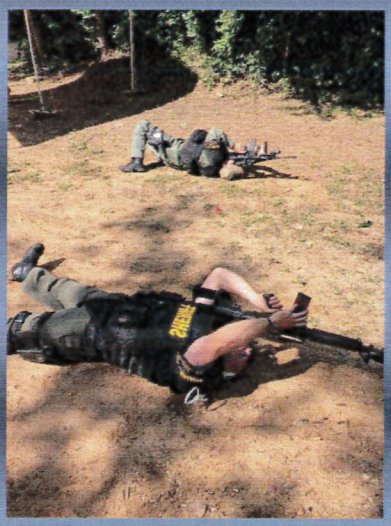
# HALLOWEEN 2017

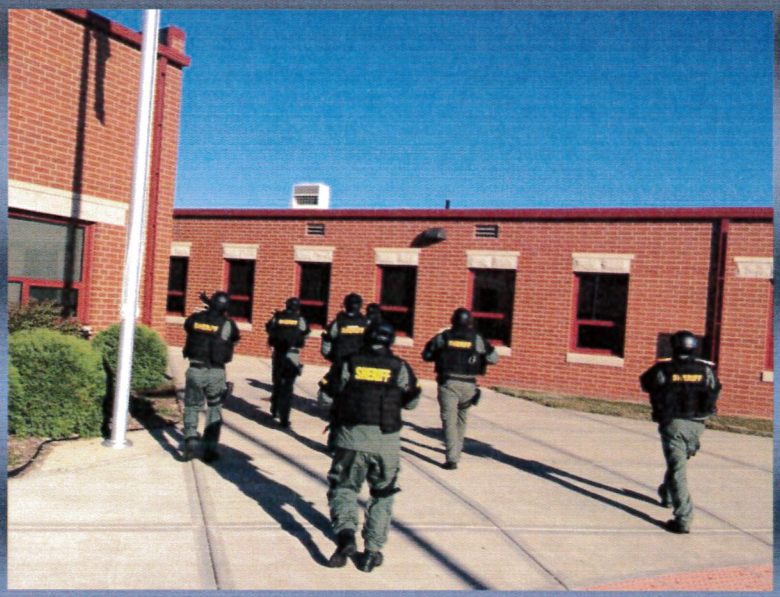
Over 600 trick or treaters came to grab some

candy and say hello to Lacey.

# SWAT TEAM

***In 2017 the Whiteside County SWAT team was called out 12 times. Four members of the Rock Falls Police Department are on the team. They participated in monthly training to sharpen their skills.***





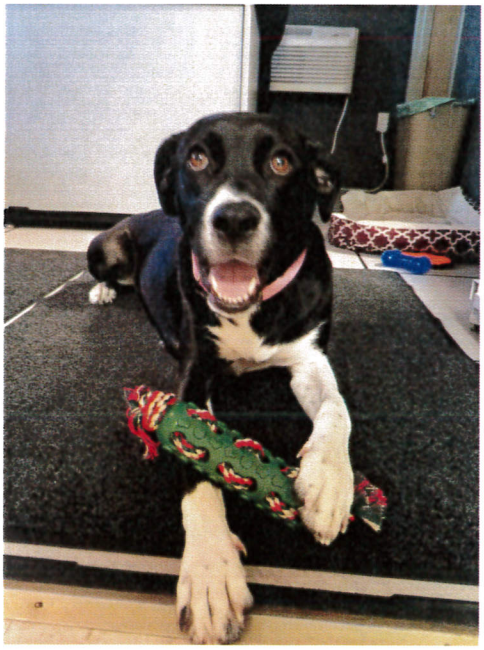
# OFFICER APPRECIATION PICNIC

In September 2017, Chief Nelson and Chief Morgan got together and had an Officer appreciation picnic for all of the Officers. Casey's catered the meal at no cost, and the weather was beautiful. Officers came and went for several hours as their schedule would allow.

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Senator Neil Anderson and State Representative Tony McCombie took time out of their day to stop in. They also met Lacey, Rock Falls Police Departments comfort dog.

# *COFFEE WITH A COP*

# LACEY

Lacey has had a great year. She has taken her job as Rock Falls Police Department's comfort dog very seriously. She has visited schools, retirement homes, businesses, and participated in PACT Camp and Halloween. She continues to give love wherever she goes.