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#### Over Labor Day Weekend

(PIKESVILLE, MD) - The Maryland State Police increased enforcement of speed, seatbelt and DUI laws over the Labor Day weekend.

Between Aug. 31 and Sept. 3, Maryland State Police responded to 2,402 calls for service, initiated 7,395 traffic stops, issued 4,967 citations and 4,624 warnings, made 90 DUI arrests, 65 warrant arrests, 38 adult arrests and 26 CDS adult arrests.

As part of the initiative, the State Police Impaired Driving Reduction Effort team (SPIDRE) and troopers representing all 23 barracks statewide were out in force focusing efforts on impaired, distracted, and aggressive drivers and conducted sobriety checkpoints. Troopers also participated with local law enforcement in the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" enforcement campaign from Aug. 17 to Sept 3.

In addition, Operation Beltway Blitz took place over Labor Day weekend, which concentrated efforts on the Capital Beltway (I-495) area.

As troopers continue to support the Maryland Department of Transportation's campaign "Toward Zero Deaths," motorists need to be aware of the dangers of alcohol and remember to not drive impaired.



#### Never Forget: Maryland State Police Remember The Victims of the 9/11 Attacks

The United States Naval Academy recognized all members of the Maryland State Police who have served since the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

Major Sean Morris, Capt. Michael Gelormino, Lt. Patrick Metzger, Lt. Patrick McAllister, Lt. Robert Connolly, Master Trooper David Whipp and MSP Pilot and Navy Commander Jenny Tinjum were among those who attended the ceremony. Lt. McCallister and Lt. Metzger were among the MPs who responded with the National Guard to the Pentagon from Sept. 11-12, 2001.



USNA Commandant Robert B. Chadwick delivered a speech that included thanking the members of the Maryland State Police, both sworn and civilian, along with those from the military who were serving on 9/11 and since that fateful day. He presented a plaque to the Maryland State Police, which read:

"In recognition of outstanding performance by the men and women serving both as civilians and sworn members of law enforcement and as a member of the US Military during the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. Your actions reinforced the finest traditions of military service as well as law enforcement within the State of Maryland." – United States Naval Academy Midshipmen Action Group, September 11, 2018



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#### Bel Air Barrack Responds To Swift Water **Rescues In Harford County**

#### Safety Tip of the Month

Following the simple advice of "Turn Around, Don't Drown," could save lives during flash flooding conditions. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than half of flood-related deaths occur when a vehicle is driven into hazardous flood water.

dozen swift water rescue calls after several inches

(BEL AIR, Md.) —

Maryland State Police

responded to about two

of rain fell in Harford County on Aug. 31.

Troopers also participated in search efforts to locate two individuals who died after being swept away by swift water on Aug. 31. Daniel Samis, 67, of Abingdon, Md. was located in his vehicle, in water about a quarter of a mile from where he was last seen on the Broad Run Bridge in the area of Rt. partment, Harford

136 and Iames Run. The body of Melissa Lehew, 34, of Darlington, Md., was located in water on Labor Day. She was a good Samaritan who had tried to help Mr. Samis.

Those who assisted in these search efforts included the Maryland Criminal Enforcement Division and K9 unit. In addition, the Maryland Natural Resources ty Police Department, Baltimore Police De-

County Department of Emergency Services, Bay Area Rescue K9. Chesapeake Search and Rescue and Mid-Atlantic D.O.G.S. Search and Rescue are also assisting in these search efforts.

Flash floods can come quickly and without State Police Dive Team, warning during times of excessive rainfall. According to the NOAA, it takes just 12 inches of rushing water to strand Police, Baltimore Coun- a small vehicle, while 24 inches of fast flowing water can carry away most vehicles.

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# Trooper Honored As Charm City Hero For Work In The Community

(PIKESVILLE, Md.) — A Maryland state trooper was recently recognized as a Charm City Hero for work he has done in the community.

Sgt. Michael A. Jones, who is assigned to the Licensing Division, was one of two people to receive the honor as part of Charm City Run's Run to Remember Hero Campaign. In its fourth year, the Hero Campaign recognizes individuals in the community who do great things each and every day to help keep our communities safe and inspire many to be the best they can be.

According to those who nominated him, Sgt. Jones has a love of people and always wants to not only help them but motivate them to be their best. He owns BMS-FIT in Jessup, Md. where he combines a physical with a spiritual workout. This is a ministry and passion for him and it's completely free.



Sgt. Jones' work in the community goes far beyond his work as a state trooper as he helps people on his own time whenever he sees a need.

During a recent rain storm, Sgt. Jones stopped in the middle of a street and started pulling a downed tree apart limb by limb until he could pull it to the side of the road.

In another instance, Sgt. Jones once saw three homeless men on

the side of the road, went into a nearby 7-Eleven and came out with three bags of drinks and snacks for each one, as he also talked with each of them to see how they were doing.

Sgt. Jones received the award after being nominated by members of the community. He was then recognized as one of five finalists for the award before votes were cast by the public to select the two winners.

The Run to Remember was founded in 2002 to honor the extraordinary heroism, commitment and sacrifice of the victims, survivors and rescuers of the events of 9/11.

Since then, the race has raised more than \$400,000 for the Baltimore City Police Foundation and Baltimore City Fire Foundation. The organizations assist families who have lost loved ones in the line of duty.



#### Ravens, Ed Reed 'Passing It Forward' To Maryland State Police

(JESSUP, Md.) – Troopers and personnel at the Maryland State Police Special Operations Division and Waterloo Barrack received a surprise recently when members of the Baltimore Ravens, along with future Pro Football Hall of Famer Ed Reed stopped by for a visit.

> "I have a lot of respect for our first responders. These are people that are obviously going to get there first and be the ones to save a life."

> > -Ed Reed, former Ravens safety

The visit on Sept. 17 was part of the Ravens and Verizon's "Passing It Forward" program. Reed, who spent 11 of his 12 seasons with the Ravens, said he and the team visited Reed and the Ravens even brought the barrack as a way of showing support to first responders in the area.

As part of the visit, Reed toured the barrack, met with, shook hands and



posed for photos with troopers and others. Reed even had the opportunity to meet Muddy, a 4-year-old Labrador retriever who is a member of the Maryland State Police K-9 unit.

donuts, coffee and bagels from Dunkin' Donuts as a show of gratitude to the work done on a daily basis by Maryland State Police.

"I have a lot of respect for our first responders," Reed told WJZ-TV. "These are people that are obviously going to get there first and be the ones to save a life."

During the current football season, current and former Ravens players, cheerleaders, and team mascot Poe will surprise fans through random acts of kindness throughout the city.

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#### Maryland State Police Urge Motorists To Follow School Bus Safety Laws As Students Head Back To Class

As summer ends and students are now back in school, Maryland State Police are stressing school bus safety for motorists.

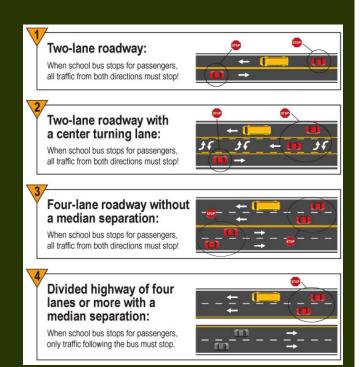
Troopers are reminding motorists to be on alert for school buses and not to ignore the red flashing lights when a bus is stopped. Those caught breaking the law by police can cost a driver a \$570 fine and a three-point penalty on their driver's license.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), from 2007 to 2016, there were 281 school-age children killed in school transportationrelated crashes: 58 were occupants of school transportation vehicles, 116 were occupants of other vehicles, 98 were pedestrians, eight were pedalcyclists and one was another non-occupant. Also, more school-age pedestri-

ans were killed from 6 to 7 a.m. and from 3 to 4 p.m. than any other hour of the day, according to the NHTSA.

The Maryland Highway Safety Office has compiled the following tips for sharing the road safely with school buses:

- When backing out of a driveway or leaving a garage, watch out for children walking or bicycling to school.
- When driving in neighborhoods with school zones, watch out for young people who may be thinking about getting to school, but may not be thinking about getting there safely.
- Slow down. Watch for children walking in the street, especially if there are no sidewalks in the neighborhood.
- Watch for children playing and congregat-



ing near bus stops.

- Be alert. Children arriving late for the bus may dart into the street without looking for traffic.
- Learn and obey the "alternately flashing warning light" system that school bus drivers use to alert motorists.
- 1. Yellow flashing lights indicate that the bus is preparing to load or unload children. Mo-

- torists should slow down and prepare to stop vehicles.
- 2. Red flashing lights and extended stop arms indicate the bus has stopped and that children are getting on or off. Motorists approaching from either direction must wait until the red lights stop flashing before proceeding.

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## Forensic Sciences Division Recognized During National Forensic Sciences Week

(PIKESVILLE, Md) — Governor Larry Hogan recognized the Maryland State Police' Forensic Sciences Division with a proclamation in recognition of its service to the community. The proclamation came during National Forensic Sciences Week, which took place Sept. 16-22.

The Forensic Science Division plays a vital role in investigating crimes around the state. The division analyzes everything from latent prints and impressions to drugs, toxicology, biological specimens, trace evidence and





questioned documents.

There are many different departments that work in the MSP Forensic Sciences Division to keep everything running smoothly.

Some of the departments include Central Receiving, Photography, Firearms/Toolmarks, Computer Support, Toxicology, and Biology Casework.

The division completed 13,113 cases in 2017, including 988 latent prints/impressions cases, 8,730 drug cases and 1,325 toxicology cases.

The division received 9.919 controlled \_dangerous substance cases, 678 firearms/toolmarks cases, and 1,080 toxicology cases in 2017.

Also, the division processed 620 crime scenes and assisted in 80 others in 2017. The most common crime scenes were burglary (31 %), followed by homicide (14%), assaults (11%) and vehicle thefts (9%).



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# Trooper Welcomed Home After Military Service in Afghanistan



(PIKESVILLE, Md.) —
Maryland State Police Superintendent Col. William Pallozzi recently recognized Sgt. Quinn Dobbins for his military service after he returned from his latest five-month tour in Afghanistan with the Army Reserves.

Sgt. Dobbins, who is now assigned to the North East opted to serve in the Barrack, served as an explosive ordinance disposal for the state police.

technician during his military tour.

Sgt. Dobbins was previously assigned to the Bel Air Barrack prior to being promoted while serving overseas. Col. Pallozzi, a former Army officer himself, has made it a priority to recognize and support fellow troopers who have opted to serve in the military while also working for the state police.

#### JFK Highway Barrack Hosts I-95 Safety Day In Cecil County

(PERRYVILLE, Md.) — The Maryland State Police, in partnership with the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, hosted the I-95 Safety Fair on September 22 at the JFK Memorial Highway Barrack in Perryville, Md.

The family-friendly event included exhibits and activities from the MSP Crime and SWAT Team, K-9 handlers, DUI simulator, MDTA motorcycle unit and more.

There was also complimentary hot dogs, chips and drinks for guests, who were asked to bring a non-perishable food item to donate.



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#### Prince Frederick Barrack Troopers Offer Seniors Active Shooting Response Training



(PRINCE FREDERICK, Md.) — Two troopers from the Maryland State Police Prince Frederick Barrack recently taught a group of senior citizens how to respond should they ever face an active shooter situation.

On Sept. 5, Sergeant West and Corporal Ruth taught a Civilian Response to an

Active Shooter Event, or CRASE, class to the senior citizens of the North Beach Senior Center. The CRASE class stresses the use of the "Avoid, Deny, Defend" model which gives citizens a three-step plan for survival to help them be better prepared in the event of an active shooter event.

#### MSP ICAC Investigators Help Teach Internet Safety Awareness

(EASTON, Md.) — Troopers assigned to the Criminal Enforcement Division on the Upper Shore, along with members of the Easton Police Department, attended a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children event at Kohl's in Easton, Md. to promote internet safety.

Investigators who are part of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force were on site Sept. 1 to talk to parents and children about how to be safe online. Investigators and Kohl's employees handed out pamphlets and answered questions from customers as they came into the store with their children. This event had a great turnout and several parents and children were informed on the importance of internet safety. To learn more about child safety, visit ww.missingkids.org or www.netsmartz.org



The Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) is comprised of police agencies from around the state. Its primary mission is to protect children from computer-facilitated sexual exploitation.

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#### A Tribute To The Last Surviving Member Of The 30th Academy Class

Retired 1st Lieutenant Elwood E. Stacy has experienced more than most in his life. Over his 90 years. he has met Queen Elizabeth, served on a protective detail for President John F. Kennedy, investigated plane crashes and taught fellow law enforcement officers.

ble by the 28 years he served as a member of the Maryland State Police. Today, he is the last surviving member of the 30<sup>th</sup> Trooper Candidate Academy Class. Lt. Stacy was born on May 13, 1928 in Princess Anne in Somerset County and is the son of the late Ernest J. and Mary H. (Solum) Stacy.

He graduated from Washington High School in 1945 prior to entering the United States Navy on March 7, 1946, where he proudly served in the Pacific Theater of Operations at Pearl Harbor in Honolulu, Hawaii

until he was honorably discharged as seaman first class on November 13, 1948.

After being discharged from the Navy, time spent behind the wheel in the crop fields as a 13-year-old boy would serve Lt. Stacy well as he drove a tractor trailer for the family truck- assigned to the Easton All of that was made possi- ing business transporting and delivering Chesapeake transferred to Salisbury, Bay ovsters from the Lower Eastern Shore of Marvland to anywhere from Boston to Miami.

> Lt. Stacy began his Maryland State Police career in 1951 and trained at the Police Academy in Pikesville. His determination to succeed in this early endeavor was often chal- the North East Barrack, lenged as he hitchhiked and ferried his way across the Chesapeake Bay to visit family prior to the opening of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge in 1952. The trip was 129 miles each way at the time.



Upon graduating from the academy, Lt. Stacy was Barrack, and was later where he was promoted to as a polygraph operator trooper first class and served as a uniformed trooper and criminal investigator in Wicomico and Worcester counties for the next nine years.

He was promoted to corporal in 1960, and in 1961, was transferred to where he was assigned over the criminal units in charge of the detectives and later promoted to sergeant in September 1961.

Lt. Stacy was selected by headquarters to become a MSP polygraph examiner

in 1961 and after many hours of certified training at the National Center of Lie Detection in New York City he functioned and plain clothes detective.

On Dec. 8, 1963, Pan Am Flight 214, was hit by a lightning strike while in a holding pattern and crashed near Elkton, killing all 81 people on board.

Lt. Stacy was the lead MSP coordinator of volunteers providing essential information that would be used by the FBI and Medical Examiners.

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In 1969 he was promoted to detective sergeant and from 1961 to 1970, he performed over 1,000 polygraph examinations, where numerous serious and some highly publicized crimes were solved, four of which resulted in death row convictions.

Lt. Stacy was promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> lieutenant in 1971 and assigned to serve on Troop C Commander's Staff as the investigation coordinator in Cecil and Hartford counties, where he continued in this capacity until promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> lieutenant in 1976 and given command of JFK Highway Barrack until his retirement in 1979.

During his tenure Lt. Stacy received countless hours of continuing education and training and attended numerous seminars and schools with some of the more notable being Poly-Training, Harvard Associates School in Homicide Investigation, FBI courses in management and supervision, Abnormal Sex De-several states. viate and the Federal Bureau of Narcotics & Dangerous Drugs semi- Lt. Stacy was also asked to publicly nars.

well known as a gifted and well re-



spected law enforcement officer. investigator, polygraph examiner and interrogator. At the request of the governor, the superintendent of the MSP and other counties and states, Lt. Stacy was often asked to share his knowledge, background, expertise and closing techniques with other police departments from

share his experiences at schools and catching up with friends and family. with the FBI and various organiza-Throughout his career Lt. Stacy was tions. One particular speaking engagement resulted in Lt. Stacy turn-

ing over evidence that he had collected from a case of notoriety to the FBI for future use.

He was qualified as an expert marksman for 27 years and the recipient of numerous certificates, letters of commendations, recommendations and acknowledgments from both the MSP and public at large and he also received several Governor's Commendations for outstanding service.

Lt. Stacy led a storied career and during some of his assignments was privileged to shake hands with Queen Elizabeth, salute President Dwight D. Eisenhower, and less than one week prior to President Kennedy's assassination served on the protective detail at his last official ceremony, which was the dedication of the Northeastern Expressway & Delaware Turnpike, now the JFK Highway Portion of I-

Lt. Stacy currently resides in Salisbury where he still enjoys accidentfree driving after 74 years and also

-This article was written by Lt. Stacy's daughter, Diane.

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