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The Nebraska State Patrol's New Bell 407 Helicopter.



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Dear Citizens of Nebraska:

The accomplishments of the Nebraska State Patrol in 2006 are a credit to the hard work and dedication of our employees, both sworn and civilian. Our mission to protect the public was carried out through a number of innovative projects and historic milestones.

The Nebraska State Patrol was fortunate to replace its only helicopter, a 28 year-old Jet Ranger helicopter, with a new Bell 407. The new Bell 407 has many modern features. It is equipped with a video/FLIR for down-linking, weather radar, and a Traffic Collision Avoidance and Detection System. The enhanced technology has already assisted with various missions.

In the later part of July, one event changed and almost destroyed parts of western Nebraska. The Nebraska State Patrol, along with other local, state and federal agencies, were challenged by large wildfires started by turbulent weather. Through cooperative efforts of all agencies involved, there were no injuries or loss of life.

Through various enforcement initiatives and efforts, fatalities were down by 3% in 2006 as compared to 2005. There was also a 20% decrease in rollover accidents in 2006 compared to 2005. We believe a major contributor to these decreases was the utilization of our three rollover simulators. The rollover simulators have been, and continue to be, used by local schools and civic groups to help educate the public about the importance of buckling up.

As the agency continues to evolve, one thing that remains a constant with the Nebraska State Patrol is its promise to serve the public with honesty, professionalism, and distinction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Tuma".

Bryan J. Tuma, Colonel
Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety



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Introduction

The Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) is Nebraska's only statewide full-service law enforcement agency. Serving Nebraska since 1937, NSP officers perform a wide variety of responsibilities. Those responsibilities include working with communities to improve public safety, enforcing traffic laws and drug laws, investigating crimes, and enforcing the laws and regulations pertaining to motor carriers.

Pro Bono Publico is the NSP's motto and is Latin meaning "*for the good of the public.*" It is a motto we strive for as we provide you with the highest quality of law enforcement and service.

During its 69-year history, the NSP has attained and accepted numerous duties and responsibilities. We are a nationally accredited law enforcement agency dedicated to serving the citizens of Nebraska.

There are six troop area offices; one each in Lincoln, Omaha, Norfolk, Grand Island, North Platte and Scottsbluff. State Headquarters is also located in Lincoln. More than 700 employees provide field, investigative, administrative, and support services to Nebraskans.

The 2006 annual report summarizes the many activities and achievements the NSP has been involved in during this calendar year. It also reflects the services provided to more than one million citizens and visitors to the State of Nebraska.



Nebraska State Patrol Mission Statement

The Mission of the Nebraska State Patrol is to exemplify our values by providing the highest quality of law enforcement and service to the citizens. Through innovation and cooperation, we strive to promote and maintain the spirit of teamwork that is the tradition of the Nebraska State Patrol.

Nebraska State Patrol Value Statement

The Nebraska State Patrol is committed to professional public service reflecting recognition of the inherent value of each individual in our society. Our officers strive to earn and maintain trust, respect, and confidence by exemplifying the belief that the freedoms, rights, and dignity of all citizens must be protected and preserved. To this end, we pledge ourselves to the highest standards of morality, fairness, honesty, dedication, professionalism, and courage.

Nebraska State Patrol Management Philosophy

The Nebraska State Patrol expects to be a lead agency in addressing issues and concepts confronting Nebraska law enforcement agencies.

As such, Nebraska State Patrol personnel are encouraged to identify issues in their respective communities and actively participate in resolving them.

The agency will focus on initiatives to enhance the leadership qualities of individual employees, and to strengthen the agency's commitment to assist others.

Pro Bono Publico
“For the Good of the Public”

Core Values

The Nebraska State Patrol's (NSP) Core Values are introduced to every new recruit as they begin their career and training at the NSP Training Academy in Grand Island. Each morning after the flag lowering ceremony, the class chants the core values which are incorporated into the Call for Service.

*"I am preparing to be a sworn officer of the Nebraska State Patrol, who is a **self disciplined** soldier of the law. I must serve **honestly, professionally,** and if necessary, lay down my life as others have done before me. It is my duty to enforce the law equally, be **safe, pay attention to detail,** and act with a **sense of urgency.** Furthermore, it's my duty to **adapt** to all situations and be of service to anyone who is in danger or distress. I am **performance driven, team oriented,** and I will conduct myself in such a manner that the honor and tradition of the Nebraska State Patrol will be upheld."*



Western Nebraska Devastated by Wildfires

In the later part of July, 2006, weather conditions causing wildfires destroyed large areas of western Nebraska.

The first fires were started by lightening on July 26 in Dawes County. These fires were classified by the Fire Management Team as the *Chadron Complex Fires*, and were actually three distinct fires: the *Spotted Tail Fire* which was located approximately ten miles south and east of Chadron; the *Robert's Fire* located ten miles southwest of the Chadron National Forest; and the *Dead Horse Fire* located in the National forest. The fires burned approximately 27,500 acres, and destroyed three homes south of Chadron. As the fires approached the town of Chadron on July 28, local residents were evacuated, but fortunately the fires were contained and did not reach the town.

A second fire began on July 27, also caused by lightening, in an area in Sioux County near the town of Harrison. These fires were classified as the *Sioux Complex Fires* and were primarily two fires located east of Harrison and north and south of Route 20. These individual fires were classified as the *Thayer and Rudloff Fires* which burned approximately 38,000 acres of scrub pines and cedar trees, mostly in rural areas in very rugged canyons. The fires were brought under control on August 2, destroying one home and a bed and breakfast facility.

The Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) assisted the Dawes and Sioux County areas, along with other local, state, and federal agencies twenty-four hours a day from July 28 through August 2 with traffic control, evacuations, and notification of residents in the rural areas. Statewide resources including sworn and civilian personnel, two NSP aircraft, and the Mobile Command Post (MCP) unit were also utilized.



Superintendent's Office

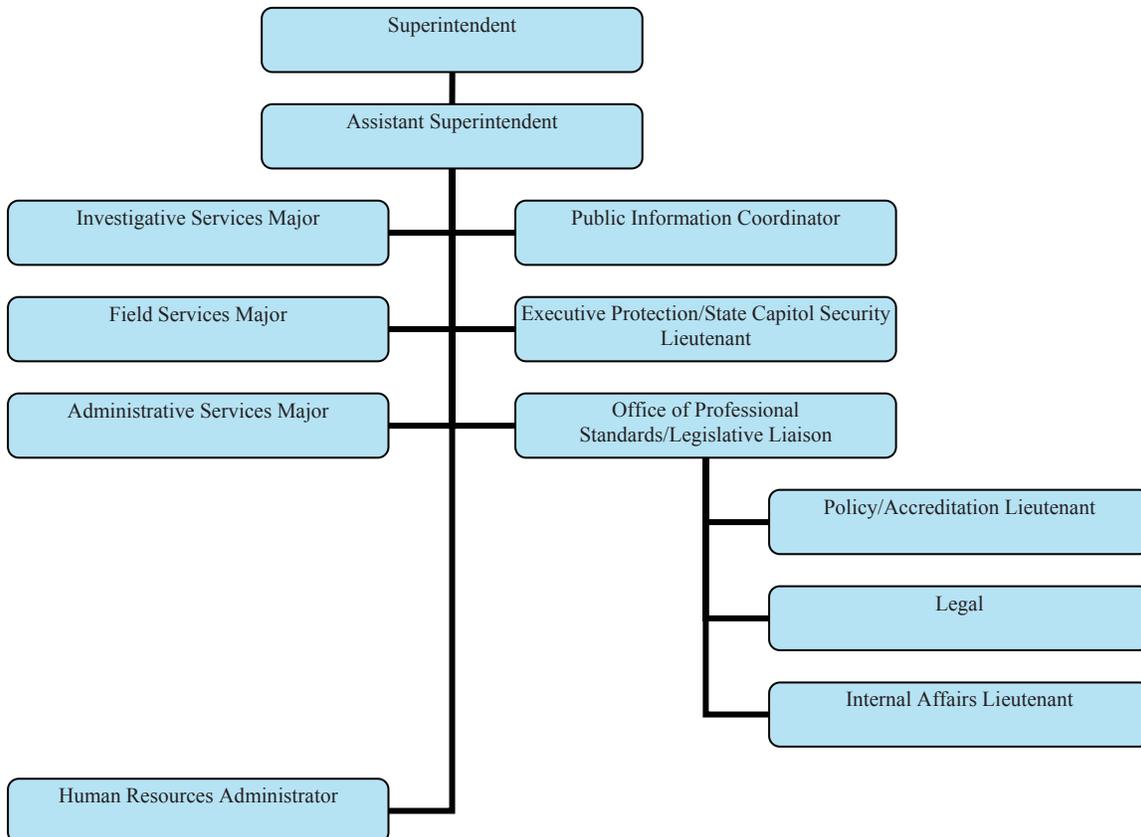
The Superintendent of the Nebraska State Patrol, Colonel Bryan Tuma, is responsible for all agencies goals and objectives, policies and procedures, and the organizational structure. He is assisted by the Assistant Superintendent, Lieutenant Colonel Darrell Fisher, who directly oversees the divisions of Field, Investigative and Administrative Services. In addition, Lieutenant Colonel Fisher oversees the divisions of Public Information, Professional Standards/Legislative Liaison, and the Divisions of Executive Protection/State Capitol Security, and Human Resources.



Colonel Bryan Tuma
Superintendent



Lieutenant Colonel Darrell Fisher
Assistant Superintendent



Executive Protection/State Capitol Security Divisions

Executive Protection Division

The Nebraska State Patrol's (NSP) Executive Protection Division provides security to Governor Dave Heineman and the members of his family. Members of this division travel with the Governor to numerous sites and events throughout the State of Nebraska. Out-of-state trips, as well as two visits to Cuba over the past two years were made to promote and sell Nebraska products.

During the highly contested Governor's race in 2006, members of the division often found themselves traveling from one end of the State to the other, sometimes on a daily basis, for campaigning purposes with the Governor. In addition to numerous sporting events, charity events, and speaking engagements, visits from President Bush and Vice President Cheney over the past two years have impacted heavy work schedules.



The First Lady and Governor visit with a member of our armed forces at a Nebraska home football game.



Division members and their families enjoyed a brunch with the Governor, First Lady, and their son, Sam.

State Capitol Security Division

A large responsibility of the State Capitol Security Division personnel is to tour all 24 state buildings to ensure everything is secure. When officers tour each building, they use a device called a digitool. Most buildings have digitool buttons that record the time, date, and identify the officer who touched the button with the digitool device. This is a safeguard for ensuring that all buildings are inspected.

State Capitol Security has recently purchased a new tool called the Contronics Touring System (CTS). It performs much like the digitool; however, is smaller, making it easier to carry. The new system is capable of storing more information and allows the officer to tour more buildings before having to download the information into a database.

State Capitol Security officers are also responsible for enforcing parking in state parking garages and state parking lots. A Mobile Data Terminal (MDT), and Portable Data Assistant (PDA) were recently purchased for use in one of the patrol vehicles. The MDT and PDA include the Traffic Recording and Criminal Software (TraCS) systems that records parking violations. The MDT is a computer system mounted in the vehicle, whereas the PDA is handheld and electronically prints the ticket out on a printer in the patrol vehicle. When a vehicle is found in violation, the officer enters all of the information about the vehicle into a computer system. A copy of the ticket is then printed. The MDT and PDA systems have enhanced the parking enforcement process.

The State Capitol Security Communications Center added a work space station and upgraded a television screen in their area in 2006, and the 501 Building Security Office was renovated with new floors, carpet, paint, and a new security window. More improvements are expected in the near future.

Human Resources Division

2006 Highlights

Applications Processed - Sworn Candidates	176
Sworn Applicants Interviewed	110
Sworn Candidates Graduated	25
Civilian Applications Processed	1,368
Civilians Hired	25
Vacancies Posted/Advertised	82
Promotions	44
Transfers	34
Resignations	23
Retirements	16
Classification Job Audits	16
New Positions Created	8
Grievances	2

During 2006, human resources personnel, Training Academy personnel, and various command officers worked together to develop a Lieutenant's Assessment Center. Forty eligible sergeant candidates competed in the Lieutenant's Assessment Center during the month of March. They now are eligible for competing for vacant lieutenant positions as they become open.

In June, the Human Resources Division personnel attended training sponsored by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, which addressed the development and administration of assessment centers. The remainder of the year was devoted to the development of curriculum for sworn and civilian in-service.

The Human Resources Division was restructured following the retirement of the human resources manager. Two human resources assistants, with human resources experience and state government knowledge, were hired. The Human Resources Division personnel continue to develop professionally and stay current on changing employment laws and issues.

Intern Program

The Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) Intern Program, a responsibility of the Human Resources Division, has partnered with the University of Nebraska, Doane, Wesleyan, Chadron, and Peru State colleges for the last 16 years. Each year NSP hires an intern coordinator who solicits interested students from the various colleges and universities to work in various divisions of the agency. The intern coordinator is a paid position that works in various NSP capacities for credit hours. This program has resulted in, at least, a dozen or more interns joining the sworn ranks of NSP over the years. During 2005/2006 21 interns volunteered a total of 139 hours more than what was required. The 21 interns received 3,359 credit hours from these sessions.

Internal Affairs Division

The Internal Affairs Division is responsible for ensuring the agency and its employees maintain the professional standards the citizens of Nebraska have come to expect from the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP). The primary purpose of the Internal Affairs Division is to investigate allegations of employee misconduct. These allegations can be from citizen complaints received from outside the agency or from internal sources. This division is also responsible for reviewing all officer-involved incidents regarding the use of force, firearm discharges, and unit accidents. There were more than 426 incidents reviewed or handled by the Internal Affairs Division during 2006. This is a 12% decrease from incidents reviewed and/or handled during 2005. The Internal Affairs Division lieutenant provides instruction to all new recruits at the Training Academy, as well as for sworn and civilian in-services.

Internal affairs investigations are strictly confidential, limiting the amount of information that can be made available for a public report. During 2006, 68 formal investigations were conducted. This was a 5% increase in the number of investigations conducted

compared to 2005. The allegations which resulted in a formal investigation included: 65 Founded, 25 Unfounded, 10 Not Sustained, six were within policy and one was accidental. It should be noted that a majority of formal investigations involve more than one allegation of misconduct. The Internal Affairs Division lieutenant ensures the agency's professionalism and integrity are major priorities.

Legal Division

The Legal Division of the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) consists of three full-time attorneys, one paralegal, and one part-time law clerk. One of the attorneys serves as a hearing officer for sex offender classification appeals and other administrative hearings, such as carrier enforcement compliance audit appeals and explosive permit denials. During this calendar year there were 141 hearings and 30 pre-hearing conferences. A number of these hearings also required the participation of one of the other attorneys or the senior certified law clerk to represent the agency. The Legal Division also handled 38 tort or miscellaneous claims against the State; settled 84 unit accident claims with insurance companies or individuals; processed 129 workers' compensation claims from agency employees; responded to 52 subpoenas; and handled 88 public record requests. A huge project, during 2006, which required the services of one of the attorney's was writing the regulations for, and assisting with, the implementation of Nebraska's new Concealed Handgun Permit Act. Other responsibilities handled by this division include contracts, leases, rules and regulations, arbitration hearings, major procurement issues, assistance to officers in the field, coordination with the Attorney General's office on civil suits involving the agency, employment issues, and training of officers in legal matters.

Office of Professional Standards Division

Legislative Liaison Division

The Legislative Liaison Division is a component of the Office of Professional Standards Division under the command of the Superintendent's Office. The purpose of the division is to serve as a liaison between the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) and the legislature.

The primary duties of the division include:

- Assist command administration in determining legislative priorities for the agency.
- Provide research and assistance to legislative committees on issues affecting the NSP.
- Monitor legislative bills that will affect law enforcement.
- Update agency personnel regarding new legislative bills.
- Collect and review recommendations from personnel for proposed legislation and revisions to existing laws.
- Serve as a member of the Legislative Liaison Group and work in cooperation with the Governor's Policy Research Office.

In 2006, during the Ninety-Ninth legislative session of the Nebraska unicameral, the NSP worked cooperatively with senators to sponsor four legislative bills. All four bills were successful and implemented into Nebraska law. They include:

- LB 1007. The bill updated references to federal law regarding carrier enforcement statutes.
- LB 1009. Allowed the use of buccal tissue, in addition to blood for the DNA database.
- LB 1146. Allowed for minimum records and supporting documentation of DNA tests to be kept by accredited labs to comply with accreditation standards when a person has not been implicated by the DNA in the commission of a particular crime.
- LB 1227. The bill updated language to comply with ATF requirements regarding record checks for firearms.

In June, July, and August of 2006, Legislative Bill Update Training was held in all six troop areas for sworn personnel. The training consisted of an overview of the Ninety-Ninth legislative session and discussion on 26 specific legislative bills that had an impact on our agency operations and personnel. The bills discussed covered a large number of subjects, including criminal offenses, the creation of the Concealed Handgun Permit Act, clandestine drug labs, retirement, Homeland Security, and vehicle registration.

Early Intervention Program

The Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) Early Intervention Program (EIP) began in 2004 and is coordinated by the Office of Professional Standards Division. The program seeks to identify employees who may require intervention to provide them a better opportunity to meet the agency's goals, its mission, and their own professional goals. The EIP identifies performance and behavioral concerns as soon as they develop to allow agency resources, if warranted, be implemented in an effort to have a positive influence regarding the concern.

During the calendar year 2006, the EIP received 27 referrals involving 25 employees.

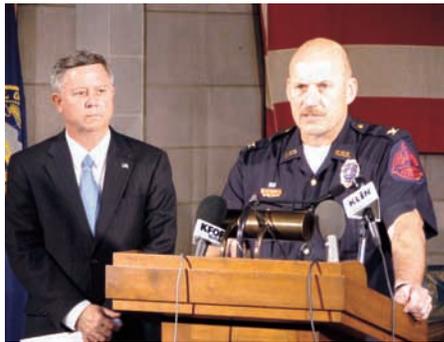
- Of these 27 referrals, the EIP Review Committee was requested to convene on two of the referrals. As a result, both employees are participating in the Plan of Action as set forth by the Committee.
- The remaining 25 referrals were reviewed by the employee's respective commander and determined to be within the normal course of duty, and no further action was warranted.

The EIP was a topic of instruction during the 2005-2006 annual in-service training at the NSP Training Academy. All sworn personnel were briefed on the purpose and policy regarding the program.

As required by NSP policy, an annual analysis of the EIP was completed and submitted to the Superintendent's Office. It included program statistics, as well as a policy recommendation to improve program effectiveness.

Public Information Office Division

From anti-meth to concealed handguns, the year 2006 brought with it several new laws. The effects of the State's Anti-Meth Law became evident during 2006 with a dramatic drop in the number of meth labs. The Public Information Office Coordinator completed numerous media requests for information and the command staff participated in a news conference with the Governor and Attorney General to tout the success of the new law.



Governor Heineman and Colonel Tuma discuss the success of the meth law at a press conference.

Lawmakers also established LB111-Jason's Law creating a Missing Person's Clearinghouse to be administered by the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP). A weekly list of missing and endangered children and adults is sent to media outlets. A news conference with the Governor, command staff, and the family of Jason Jolkowski (for whom the law is named) was held to draw attention to the new clearinghouse and to appeal to the public for help in providing pictures and information on those person's listed as missing.

In April, Governor Heineman signed the State's new Concealed Handgun Permit Act. The NSP was tasked with narrating the rules and regulations, establishing a training curriculum, and certifying instructors. Public hearings were held, news releases sent out, meetings were attended and a web page was dedicated to the Concealed Handgun Permit Act. The new law generated much interest and drew a myriad of questions. Countless hours were dedicated by many in preparation for permit applicants.

Forensic Audio/Video Unit

The Forensic Audio/Video Unit is a component of the Public Information Office Division which provides video and audio forensic analysis/clarification. During 2006, there were 64 cases submitted by approximately 30 different agencies, including the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP). Cases ranged from shoplifting and criminal mischief to homicide. The forensic audio/video specialist provided expert testimony on a case from Ogallala.

The Public Information Office Division produced 185 news releases, set up three news conferences, and participated in 64 forensic video/audio cases during 2006.

This is an example of a photo enhancement of a license plate.

Before



After



2006 Statewide Patrol Division Statistics

Miles Patrolled 1,325,771

Hazardous moving violations-citations and warnings issued:
(speeding not included)

Violate traffic signal	1,253
Hit and run	33
Motor vehicle homicide	6
Drive left of center	1,793
Passing violations	1,025
Following too close	2,735
Traffic control device/signal	51
Improper turn	1,003
Failure to signal	6,104
Careless driving	626
Reckless driving	103
Willful reckless driving	59

*Crash data for 2006 was not available at the time of publication.

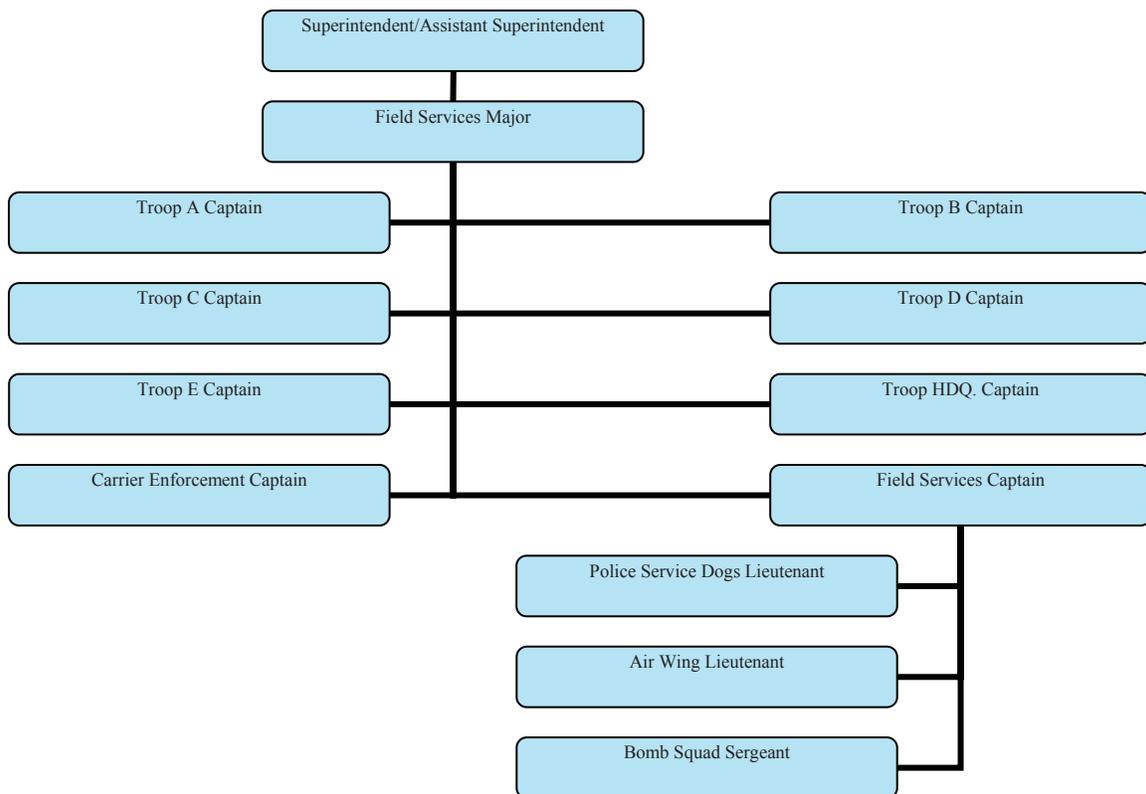


Field Services Division

The Field Services Division is under the command of Major Andy Anderson who oversees personnel in six troop area patrol offices that enforce traffic laws. He also oversees the Carrier Enforcement (CE) Division, which is responsible for the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle laws and regulations. Major Anderson is assisted by Captain Rod Getting. Captain Getting is responsible for the Bomb Squad, Police Service Dog, and Air Wing Divisions.



Major Andy Anderson



Field Services Highlights

Troop A - Omaha

With new construction and technology advances requiring significant law enforcement presence and research, Troop A supervisors looked proactively at activities that could reduce alcohol-related incidents on the roadways in the Omaha troop area. The development of a Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) grant from the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety allowed Troop A to increase patrols during specific times, and days of the week, in an effort to remove impaired drivers from the roadways. The grant hours involved ten troopers working overtime to watch for drivers who exhibited signs of impairment. During the first five months of 2006, troopers arrested an additional 45 intoxicated drivers, cited eight parties for minor in possession and made ten arrests for active warrants. The work in developing this grant, as well as the efforts of the troopers who participated, made the roadways safer in Troop A.

Troop A was involved in the Project 7th Grade Program which is centered on preventing drug use and abuse by young children. This program was developed with middle and high school students and parents in Washington County. A total of 640 kits were provided free of charge to parents of students in the schools. While the kits were developed to allow parents to test their children at home for possible drug use and abuse, the main focus of the program was to educate the students and parents on the dangers of drugs, and what to do should they come into contact with them. Presentations were held by a member of the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) in the schools during events where parents were present. A planned expansion of this program into the schools in Dodge County and rural Douglas County will continue in 2007.

Troop A continued with traffic incident management issues with the planning and insight in the building of the Nebraska Department of Road's District Two Operations Center. This facility, pictured below, is attached to the NSP Troop A Headquarters.



This facility will house the NSP Troop A's dispatchers, as well as roadway management staff from the Nebraska Department of Roads. The goal of this joint operation is to have a proactive approach to traffic incidents and to utilize technology to productively move

traffic in the metropolitan area. The anticipated operational date of this facility for the NSP patrol dispatchers is February, 2007.

Troop B - Norfolk

The primary goal in Troop B during 2006 was to reduce fatality crashes. During 2005, there were 42 fatalities in Troop B. This number decreased to 35 during 2006. This significant reduction in fatalities was accomplished, in part, through scheduling several selective enforcements. Troopers switched days off and their schedules in order to target several long stretches of roadways at various times during the summer high traffic volume periods. These selective enforcements allow motorists to see a high number of marked units producing more attentive and safer drivers.

As the only statewide law enforcement agency, troopers provide assistance to local law enforcement in a variety of areas that include calls for service, technical assistance, and training. Troop B provided Active Shooter Training in several locations across the troop area in 2006. The objective of the training was to provide all allied agencies a method of response should an area school or businesses suffer from an incident such as Columbine. The training was quite successful with more than 100 law enforcement officers participating.

Other significant events in Troop B during 2006 that brought local and national attention include:

- On April 9, as a result of pending immigration legislation, a march was planned through the city of Schuyler by approximately 1,500 local people. Troopers from Troop B, Troop B communications specialists, Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) Air Wing personnel, and Headquarters Troop personnel assisted the Schuyler Police Department. As a result of this joint venture, an orderly march and demonstration occurred. A second immigration march occurred the following day on April 10, in South Sioux City. Troopers again assisted local law enforcement with traffic and crowd control. This march included approximately 5,000 participants. The events drew national attention.



- The Omaha Tribal Police Department requested assistance on July 6 for a homicide. Ten troopers responded, including a police service dog unit, and investigative services personnel. A manhunt throughout the evening hours resulted in the arrest of the suspect.

Troop C – Grand Island

Vice President Dick Cheney was in Grand Island on June 26 for a fundraising event. On November 1, Troop C command staff received notice that President Bush was planning to visit Grand Island on November 5.

For both visits, Troop C personnel provided traffic control for the motorcade route. The presidential motorcade, unlike the Vice President's motorcade, required that traffic be stopped in both directions along the route as the motorcade passed. Officers from surrounding police and sheriff departments assisted with traffic control. Members of the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) Air Wing, Police Service Dog, Investigative Services, and Executive Protection Divisions, as well as hazardous device technicians, were called to assist.

The visits for both the President and Vice President were well orchestrated with positive comments received from the secret service for the assistance provided by NSP personnel. It was an honor to play a part in the security for the President and Vice President of the United States.



On July 15, the 19th Annual Cruise Night was held in Kearney, Nebraska. Every year this event brings in more people with increased problems with traffic volume, alcohol violations and, as a direct result of alcohol consumption, fights and disturbances.

Hundreds of hot rods, classics, and other cars cruise up and down the two or three main streets. Thousands of people sit in lawn chairs along the curbs and terraces. With the event growing every year, public safety is a primary concern. Local law enforcement has taken a proactive approach to ensure public safety.

During the 2006 event, more than 30 overtime hours were worked to support the Kearney Police Department and the Buffalo County Sheriff's Office. A selective enforcement

operation began at 9:00 P.M. and continued through the early morning hours of July 16. Troopers cited 14 juveniles for Minor in Possession of Alcohol. One person was cited for Driving Under Suspension and two others were cited for resisting arrest. In addition, citations were issued for a variety of other offenses that included speeding, open container, littering and impeding traffic. There were more than 50 contacts made by troopers. The number of juveniles cited for alcohol violations more than doubled from 2005.

Troop C ensures our roadways are safe and they focus on taking impaired drivers off the roads. There were 417 impaired driving arrests during 2006, compared to 375 arrests in 2005. Also during 2006, there were five driving while intoxicated checkpoints conducted across the Troop C area.

Troop D – North Platte

Following are the 2006 highlights of events in the Troop D area:

- On May 2, troopers were called to assist the McCook Police Department with a barricaded suspect who had been involved in a domestic altercation. The suspect was threatening police from his residence in southwest McCook. At one point, the suspect fired a shotgun blast through a window in the direction of police officers.

When troopers arrived at the scene, a plan was developed to lure the suspect outside the residence. Once outside, a trooper, assigned to the Troop D Special Weapons and Tactical (SWAT) Team, attempted to subdue the suspect with less-lethal ammunition. The suspect, however, would not step away from his loaded shotgun. Troopers fired several less-lethal rounds at the suspect striking him a total of five times. The suspect turned and immediately fled back into the residence. After a very brief negotiation, the suspect came out of the residence and surrendered. He was taken into custody without any further resistance.

- On June 6, Troop D Headquarters was notified that the U.S. Marshal's Service in Illinois was tracking a suspect involved in a multiple shooting that had occurred in Illinois the previous evening. The incident had left one person critically wounded. Based on information received from a cell phone, the U.S. Marshal's Service believed the suspect to be near Grand Island on Interstate 80. A few minutes later, troopers spotted the suspect's vehicle westbound on Interstate 80 just east of the Elm Creek interchange.

After attempts to stop the suspect failed, a mechanical tire deflator was deployed. Troopers were successful in deflating the tires on the suspect's vehicle and after a short distance, the vehicle came to rest on the shoulder of Interstate 80, just east of Lexington. Troopers ordered the suspect to get out of the vehicle. When the suspect got out, he produced a .38 caliber handgun. After a very short period of negotiation, the suspect raised the handgun and fired at the troopers. Troopers returned fire, killing the suspect. Further investigation revealed that the suspect was in the country illegally.

and was wanted in the shooting death of his wife in Atlanta, Georgia, some years prior.

- On the evening of May 17, a vehicle was stopped for possible drunk driving west of Ogallala. After fumbling for paperwork and his license, the driver sped away from the traffic stop. A short pursuit ensued, but ended when the driver gained some distance on the trooper due to dusty county roads and the fact that his vehicle had no tail lamps. The suspect abandoned the stolen pickup and fled on foot into a wheat field. The suspect eluded officers despite a three-hour search and an attempted break-in at a rural Keith County residence.

The next afternoon, the suspect was spotted hitchhiking three miles west of Ogallala. The suspect ran north of the Interstate into a wooded area adjacent the Platte River, and again escaped capture despite an intensive search by troopers and officers from allied agencies with the aid of aircraft.

Believing there was more motivating the suspect's flight than the previous evening's events, a follow-up investigation revealed that the suspect was wanted for questioning in a 20 year-old homicide by Wyoming authorities. Additional follow-up led to apprehension of the suspect in Little Sioux, Iowa, on May 24. Shortly after his return and incarceration in Ogallala, the Wyoming authorities obtained a DNA sample from the suspect. The sample matched the evidence in the 20 year-old homicide case and the suspect was ultimately convicted of the offense.

Troop E - Scottsbluff

In March, July, and December of 2006, the Troop E Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team was deployed to three separate incidents.

In March, the SWAT Team assisted the Deuel County Sheriff's Office with an armed and barricaded subject who had shot the Deuel County Sheriff. After several hours of negotiations, the suspect shot himself in the home. The suspect was taken to the hospital and later died of his wounds.

In July, the Troop E SWAT Team assisted Troop D SWAT Team with an armed suspect who was holding a citizen hostage along Interstate 80. After several hours of negotiations, the suspect was shot by an NSP sniper. The hostage was rescued unharmed.

Again in December, the Troop E SWAT Team assisted the Cheyenne County Sheriff's Office with an armed and barricaded suspect. After several hours of attempting to talk to the suspect, he emerged from the home and fired at SWAT members. The suspect was shot and killed.



Troop E SWAT Team.

In October, Scottsbluff troopers responded to a report of a mountain lion sighting near the Scottsbluff High School and a daycare facility. Troopers assisted in monitoring the lion and tracking its movements. Nebraska Game and Parks officers determined the lion was a danger to local citizens. Due to the safety concern, the lion was shot. It was later discovered that the lion was a juvenile male cat weighing approximately 85 pounds.



Headquarters Troop - Lincoln

A major snow storm on March 20 nearly engulfed most of the State of Nebraska. Interstate 80 was closed for a 24-hour period from Lincoln to the Nebraska/Wyoming state-line. Troopers rescued stranded motorists and provided traffic control for several days following the storm.

There were 59 fatalities in Headquarters Troop in 2006 compared to 65 in 2005. One crash, near the Beaver Crossing Interchange on Interstate 80, involved eight individuals; four of these were fatalities. The driver of a westbound vehicle lost control due to icy road conditions, traveled through the median and struck an eastbound utility vehicle.

Personnel from the Headquarters Troop area provided traffic control for seven University of Nebraska home football games during 2006. On September 23 and 24, troopers conducted traffic control operations in the Lincoln area for the heavy traffic volume due

to the Guardians of Freedom Air Show in Lincoln, which featured the Blue Angels. This year's air show drew an estimated 300,000 visitors to the Capitol City. On September 23, troopers had double duty with the increased air show traffic and the traffic from the University of Nebraska home football game.

Troopers who work road patrol were issued 12 additional Traffic Recording and Criminal Software systems (TraCS) in 2006. This brought the total to 17 in Headquarters Troop. TraCS is installed onto laptop computers to issue electronic citations and warnings. The TraCS system will allow the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) to download trooper contacts into one central system rather than completing the task by-hand. Troopers in Headquarters Troop also received 23 new digital cameras in 2006. These cameras were purchased through the Lancaster County Stop Program and the Lancaster County Drug Board.



Trooper Dostal issues an electronic citation using TraCS.

Troopers seized more than 4,111 pounds of marijuana, six pounds of cocaine, and three pounds of methamphetamine in 2006. On June 2, troopers seized 623 pound of marijuana during a traffic stop on Interstate 80. These seizures led to other arrests throughout the United States.

Air Wing Unit

In 2006, the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) replaced its only helicopter, a 28 year-old Jet Ranger helicopter, with a new Bell 407. The new Bell 407 has many modern features and is equipped with a video/FLIR for down-linking, weather radar, and a Traffic Collision Avoidance and Detection System.



The NSP's new Bell 407 Helicopter.

In addition to their daily responsibilities of assisting the Divisions of Field Services, Investigative Services, and other federal, state and local agencies, the Air Wing Unit handles unique mutual aid assignments. Air Wing personnel were dispatched to the Storm Lake, Iowa, area to assist Iowa authorities in the apprehension of a subject who was involved in an attempted homicide during a drug deal. After several hours of searching by ground units, the helicopter located the subject hiding in a tree-line near the crime scene. A cooperative effort between the air and ground units assisted in the apprehension of the suspect.

The Air Wing Unit personnel also assisted Colorado and Nebraska law enforcement with several pursuits of stolen vehicles during 2006. All suspects were located by aircraft.

During the summer months of 2006, pilots spent several days and many flight hours covering the Valentine, Chadron, and Harrison wildfires. Air Wing personnel assisted the National Guard aircraft with communication and coordination during water drops and locating hot spots. They also served as a communications platform, and provided aerial surveys for damage assessments with fire officials and dignitaries.

As the demand for NSP airborne law enforcement services continues to increase, the division equipment, missions and capabilities continue to grow to meet the needs of Nebraska law enforcement.

Bomb Squad Unit

2006 was a year of opportunities for members of the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) Bomb Squad Unit. There were several activities, training, and events attended by members of the squad.



2006 NSP Bomb Squad: (l-r) Inv. C. Trevino, Sgt. L. Jacobsen, Sgt. J. McKinstry, Inv. J. Bergman, and Capt. R. Getting

- Explosive sweeps and stand-by security were conducted by bomb squad members for visits of both President Bush and Vice President Cheney in Grand Island.



- Assistance was provided to the Omaha Police Department for explosive sweeps during the College World Series.
- A research project was started with the ATF reference commercial display fireworks for further education of bomb squads, prosecutors, and the general public regarding the explosive power of these items.
- Homeland Security funds were secured for several pieces of new equipment for the bomb squad. As a result, a second robot platform will be purchased, new bomb suits will replace aging suits, and other needed equipment will be obtained through the grant.
- Two newly selected hazardous devices technicians continue to train and work with current technicians until they become certified through the FBI's Hazardous Devices School (HDS).



Statewide Calls for Service

During 2006, the number of statewide calls for service declined to 59; however, there were more explosive items handled in 2006 than in 2005.

Chemicals:	4 disposals	Blasting Caps:	107
Grenades:	21	Other Destructive Devices:	191
Other Ordinance:	89	Dynamite:	20 lbs.
Pipe Bombs:	10		

Explosive Related Training

During 2006, the bomb squad provided and received the following training:

- Hours of Explosive Instruction provided: 910
- Explosive Programs given: 11
- Combined Hours of Training Received: 440

Explosive Permits

The NSP is tasked with permitting the commercial explosive industry within the State. During 2006, the following permits were issued:

- Explosive User Permit: 182
- Explosive Storage Permit: 68
- Explosive Purchase Permit: 26

Carrier Enforcement Division

The Carrier Enforcement (CE) Division's primary function is the enforcement of state and federal laws as they relate to motor carriers. In 2006, troopers assigned to the CE Division performed the following functions:

Scale Operations

Trucks weighed – portable scales	23,946
Citations issued	15,227
Trucks weighed – permanent scales	1,122,005
Citations issued	16,144
Total trucks weighed	1,145,951
Total citations issued	31,371
Violation cards issued	9,847
Warnings issued	8,637
Field Interview contacts	310
Intelligence report contacts	2
Total non-citation contacts	8,949
Total Scale Operations Contacts	40,320

MCSAP Activity

Inspections performed

Hazardous materials	886
Level 1 inspections	8,266
Level 2 inspections	2,861
Level 3 inspections	17,037
Level 4 inspections	173
Level 5 inspections	197
CVE traffic enforcement inspections	2,061
Total inspections performed	28,534
Drivers placed out of service	3,034
Vehicles placed out of service	3,962

Carrier Enforcement Division Highlights

The CE Division continued statewide Metropolitan Aggressive Preventive Selectives (MAPS) in the larger communities during 2006. The MAPS team participated in 18 selective enforcements, and performed 938 surprise vehicle inspections on commercial vehicles that normally do not travel outside the cities, or pass through the weigh stations. Fines assessed during these selectives totaled \$66,490 and there were 391 vehicles placed out-of-service.

CE entered into a one-year contract with the Nebraska Broadcasters Association for public service announcements promoting seat belt usage by commercial motor vehicle drivers. The Nebraska Broadcasters Association represents radio stations throughout Nebraska who dedicate airtime to federal, state, and local government agencies at reduced rates. The participating Nebraska radio stations will broadcast these public service announcements statewide from November 1, 2006, through October 30, 2007. Affidavits of performance will be provided to the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) by the Nebraska Broadcaster's Association on a quarterly basis.

During 2006, the Traffic Recording and Criminal Software (TraCS) system was deployed division-wide. CE troopers electronically submit their summons, violations and warnings data to the NSP's SVW database. 16,762 citations and 10,389 violation/warning forms were generated using the E-Citation system during 2006.

The New Entrant Program received funding for an additional new entrant investigator. Audits by the investigators cleared approximately 150 carriers from the New Entrant Program. There were 1,029 safety audits completed during the year. An educational CD was developed with 2,000 handed out during safety audits and town hall meetings.

There are six weigh-in-motion systems located at three of the permanent scale sites. The scales located at Waverly I-80, North Platte I-80, and the Nebraska City Hwy 2 Expressway pre-screened 5,622,319 trucks for possible weight violations during 2006.



Police Service Dog Unit

During 2006, the Police Service Dog (PSD) Unit experienced several changes with the hiring and training of new personnel, moving a duty station, the unexpected death of a dog, and another dog diagnosed with cancer. Two other members of the Unit completed training to become PSD instructors. In addition to training four PSD teams for the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP), the PSD's lead trainer conducted certification courses for 15 other PSD teams from three other agencies in Nebraska, Iowa, and South Dakota.

For the first time in several years, the PSD Unit hosted a Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) Dog Course in Grand Island and Hastings. There were 18 PSD teams from across the state, including NSP teams, which attended classes for three days and participated in certification exercises. Those in attendance included three of the four PSD teaching judges whom are recognized by the International Congress of Police Service Dogs.

Despite the fact that several Unit members participated in training, there was an increase in overall activity in 2006 as compared to 2005. Of the 25 different categories monitored throughout the year, activity either increased or remained equal to 2005's activity in 18 of those 25 categories.

Notable significant statistics include:

Drug Sniffs	464
Explosive Sniffs	105
Physical Criminal Apprehensions	11
Self Generated Infrafractional Arrests	166
Self Generated Misdemeanor Arrests	196
Self Generated Felony Arrests	51

NSP PSD teams were instrumental in the seizure of:

US Currency	\$1,803,374
Marijuana	2,551 lbs.
Cocaine	36 lbs.
Methamphetamine	432 grams
Vehicles	13
Weapons	3
Paraphernalia Cases	130

The PSD Unit provided a PSD demonstration for the annual Boy's State Conference, which was attended by approximately 300 high school students from across Nebraska. The Unit continues to support local schools and civic groups and conducted 28 school sniffs for illegal contraband and 73 demonstrations during 2006.

There were several high profile events throughout the year in which PSD responded which included: presidential visits from President Bush and former President Clinton, Afghanistan President Karzai, the 2006 College World Series, the 2006 NCAA Women's Volleyball Tournament, Comstock Festival, and several events attended by Nebraska Governor Heinemann.

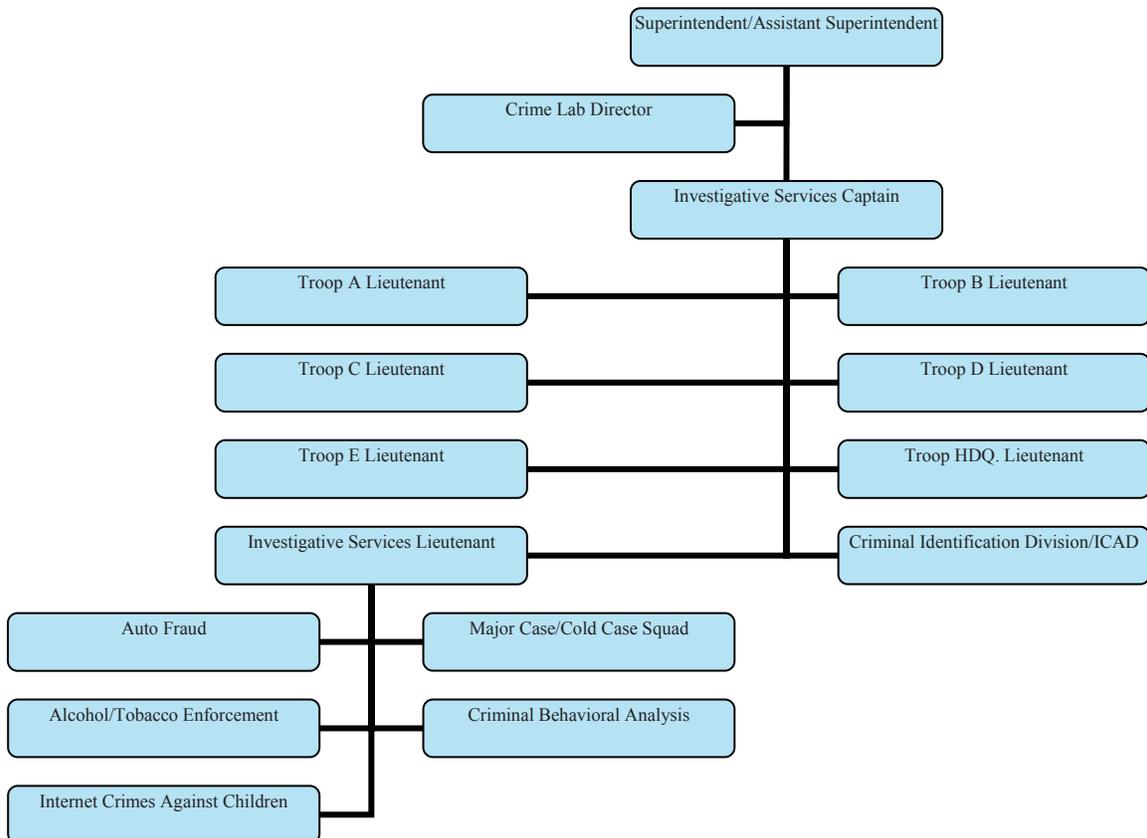
Members of the PSD Unit were also present at three officer involved shootings during 2006, either in the capacity of a PSD handler or a SWAT team member.

Investigative Services Division

The Investigative Services Division is under the command of Major David Sankey. The division enforces the Nebraska criminal codes, along with serving allied agencies and the citizens of Nebraska. Major Sankey directly oversees the Crime Lab. Major Sankey is assisted by Captain Mark Funkhouser who oversees the following units of the Investigative Services Division: Criminal and Drug Investigations, Alcohol/Tobacco Enforcement, Sex Offender Registry, Internet Crimes Against Children, Criminal Behavioral Analysis, Intelligence/Criminal Identification, Auto Fraud, and the Major Case/Cold Case Squad.



Major David Sankey



Investigative Services Division Highlights

Troop A - Omaha

During 2006, there was a 10% increase in investigative cases compared to 2005. Programs presented to the public and private businesses ranged from drug awareness, internet crimes, and responsible Alcohol Sales Training Program. There were more than 1,400 attendees at these presentations.

The Commercial Interdiction Unit (CIU) generated investigations within and outside of Nebraska. During 2006, there were more than \$166,000 in currency, 763 pounds of marijuana, two pounds of cocaine, five and a half pounds of methamphetamine, and heroin seized. Arrests resulted in 13 federal indictments and 51 felony state charges. During standard interdiction efforts, CIU also located, identified, and arrested five individuals for homicide.

Investigators coordinated, or assisted, with other law enforcement agencies with 24 death investigations. One major case involved hundreds of hours assisting the Cass County Sheriffs Department with the murder of two rural Murdock residents. Two teens from Wisconsin have been convicted of homicide.

The Troop A Alcohol/Tobacco Unit experienced a 46% increase in liquor background investigations with 288 new applications in 2006. The Unit continued to work in the prevention of youth access to alcohol by providing the Responsible Alcohol Sales Training Program. This program was attended by more than 560 employees and managers of various liquor license establishments. The Unit also worked in cooperation with community groups and local law enforcement agencies to conduct alcohol compliance checks. These checks resulted with 585 businesses checked, where 52 were cited for selling alcohol to minors. Enforcement selectives were also conducted to target drinking minors and the adults who provide the alcohol. These efforts resulted in 169 people being cited with 239 various charges.

The III Corp Drug/Violent Crime Task Force, which includes three local officers and one NSP investigator, initiated 103 new drug distribution cases. These cases resulted in 187 felony state charges and nine federal indictments and arrests. The Unit seized more than 83 pounds of marijuana, approximately two and a half pounds of methamphetamine, several ounces of cocaine, and approximately 2,000 dosage units of pharmaceutical drugs being sold on the street; most of which were Oxycotin. Investigations resulted in 34 search warrants, two clan labs identified and dismantled, and the seizure of 14 firearms.

Troop B - Norfolk

From January 2004, through August 2006, a federal conspiracy investigation in Platte, Madison, Hall and Butler Counties resulted in eight individuals being indicted on state and federal charges. The charges included the distribution of methamphetamine, conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine, and firearms violations. Information obtained

indicated that one individual was responsible for the distribution of, at least, ten pounds of methamphetamine in the Platte County area.

A 66 year-old grandmother from Jacksonville, Florida, was arrested in Dakota County for the 1980 kidnapping of her four year-old granddaughter. The arrest was a result of a cooperative effort between the South Sioux City Police Department, the Dakota County Sheriff's Office, the Dakota County Attorney's Office and the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP). On August 3, 1980, the grandmother abducted her granddaughter from South Sioux City and fled the State. A criminal complaint was filed in 1983 and federal authorities were initially involved in the case. Several years later, federal agencies closed their files due to limited resources. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provided essential information which kept the case alive. The grandmother pled guilty to an amended charge of False Imprisonment in the First Degree, which is a Class IV Felony.

The Mercy Medical Child Advocacy Center and Iowa State Medical Examiners Office were both presented the Nebraska State Patrol's Public Service Award in recognition of their assistance to law enforcement and dedication to helping sexually and physically abused children in the Tri-State area. The Iowa State Medical Examiners Office was honored for the medical and legal services provided to law enforcement over the past 20 years.



On October 28, the Troop B Investigative Services Division assisted the Patrol Services Division by providing security with the return of the 189th Infantry from Iraq. Trooper Greg Lammers from Norfolk is a member of this infantry.

Troop C – Grand Island

During the week of July 28, as a participating agency in "Operation Byrne Drugs," the Troop C Drug Unit arrested 14 people for distribution of controlled substances, and seized 76 grams of methamphetamine, 1.75 lbs. of marijuana, \$8,500 in cash, and a sawed-off double barrel shotgun.

On October 8, a male individual from Valley County was kidnapped from his home at gunpoint by two men who then drove him to various locations where he was physically assaulted over a personal loan he had not repaid. The victim eventually escaped and was

shot at as he ran to a farmhouse for help. The two suspects were identified and arrested later the same day.

A burglary investigation on December 13, led to a search warrant being served at the home of a convicted felon, sex offender, in Loup City. Investigators, and assisting troopers, located and seized more than 500 pieces of women's items that were stolen from more than 30 women. Ammunition and 11 firearms were also seized. Due to the large quantity of evidence seized, it took more than two days to log all of the evidence. The suspect was charged with seven counts of Burglary, Felony Possession of Stolen Property and being a felon in possession of firearms.

Troop C's liquor investigator coordinated alcohol compliance checks on 338 licensees in 17 counties during 2006. She also assisted Hall County with six separate compliance selective enforcements with 234 licensee checks. Thirty-six license background investigations and 124 premise inspections was conducted during 2006.

Troop D – North Platte

The Minuteman Case

In May of 2006, Troop D Investigative Services personnel, along with the Central Nebraska Cooperative Operation for Drug Enforcement (CODE) Drug Taskforce, which includes the Dawson County Sheriff's Office, North Platte Police Department, Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), and the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), conducted a drug investigation in Lexington. The investigation involved the distribution of methamphetamine in the Troop D and Troop C areas.

During the month of September, an operation conducted over a 48-hour period, confirmed and identified the main subject and other individuals who were involved in the conspiracy investigation. During the investigation, approximately \$15,000 in buy money from the various CODE agencies was used to purchase methamphetamine.

Information concerning the investigation was forwarded to the United States Attorney's Office in Omaha for indictment and prosecution. As a result, the Grand Jury handed down indictments on 18 suspects.

Also in September, members of the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) Investigative Services Division, Patrol Division, Police Service Dog (PSD) Unit, along with the Dawson County Sheriff's Office, ICE, North Platte Police Department and DEA, conducted an operation in which 18 federal and two state arrest warrants were served. NSP also served two search warrants, and conducted several knock-and-talk searches as a result of information received from suspects at the time of arrest. Fourteen of the 18 suspects were arrested. There were two firearms, a scale, controlled substance residue, paraphernalia and more than \$7,000 in U.S. currency, including \$1,000 of NSP buy money seized.

By cooperation of all agencies involved, the dismantling of a large methamphetamine distribution network resulted. This investigation improved public safety in central Nebraska and seriously affected the availability of methamphetamine in the Troop D area.

January 1 Is Area's First Homicide of 2006

A shooting death in Arnold, Nebraska, occurred in the early morning hours on January 1. An altercation between several subjects resulted in the shooting death of the victim, who was on a three month leave as a security officer for an independent contractor in Iraq. The victim was talking with several subjects in a vehicle when he became agitated and pulled out a 9mm Glock. After a struggle for the gun, a shot was fired. The victim was transported to the Callaway Hospital before being flown to Good Samaritan Hospital where he was pronounced brain dead.

After the shooting the suspected shooter fled the scene in his Jeep. The suspect called the Custer County Communications Center and requested to talk to the Custer County Sheriff reference an assault with a gun that occurred in Arnold. He wrecked his Jeep approximately five miles southeast of Arnold.



A trooper arrived at the scene of the crash and obtained the suspects cellular phone number. Contact was made with the suspect who advised the trooper that he was armed and no one should try and apprehend him.

One of the NSP's aircraft, equipped with the FLIR (infrared), located a hot spot in a tree row three-eighths of a mile from his wrecked vehicle. The Troop D Special Weapons and Tactical (SWAT) Team was guided to the location of the hot spot. The SWAT Team made verbal contact with the suspect. The suspect questioned the SWAT Team as to how many members were present and what extent of firepower they were carrying. After the suspect learned what firepower the troopers were carrying, he decided to surrender. When the suspect was taken into custody by the SWAT Team, they learned that he was wearing body armor. Investigators located additional body armor and ammunition in his vehicle.

The suspect pled guilty and was sentenced from 10 to 16 years for Manslaughter, with 12 to 20 consecutive years for the use of a weapon to commit a felony.

Troop E - Scottsbluff

Troop E Investigative Services Division received a tip on January 5 from Larimer County, Colorado, regarding a suspect wanted by their agency for possession of stolen guns. When the suspect was arrested, he was in possession of numerous stolen weapons.



One of the numerous weapons seized.

On February 5, the Investigative Services Division investigated a police officer involved shooting in Alliance. The suspect approached two Alliance police officers with a knife in each hand. After refusing to drop the knives, he was shot by the officers. The suspect survived the shooting.

During a counterfeit case in Chadron, a suspect was arrested by the Troop E Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team and federal agents for manufacturing \$50 and \$100 dollar bills.

Headquarters Troop - Lincoln

The Headquarters Investigative Services Division initiated 454 new cases in 2006. Of these cases, there were 169 arrests and 3,981 reports. Officers also gave 68 programs to 1,416 attendees.

During the year, the Criminal Unit assisted other law enforcement agencies on 128 cases, including six homicides, 21 death investigations (suicide/accidental), six investigations for the Attorney General's Office, ten bomb call-outs, and 50 polygraphs.

In January, investigators processed the scene of a possible homicide in rural Daykin. The investigation determined the victim's ex-girlfriend, wearing camouflage clothing, waited in the victim's house for a period of time during the night; then shot the victim while he was lying in bed and dragged him to an outbuilding. The suspect plead guilty to Second Degree Murder.

In April, the Pawnee County Sheriff reported a possible homicide at a residence in rural Pawnee County. Investigators discovered a body inside a well at an abandoned farmstead. The victim had made a report to the Sheriff's Office the day prior reference

fraudulent checks being written on his bank account. A suspect was arrested the same day the body was discovered and confessed to the murder.

NSP investigators assisted the Nebraska Department of Corrections investigators on cases involving prisoner-on-prisoner assaults, staff involved crimes, and other criminal activity during 2006.

The Drug Unit worked 83 new cases; 38 marijuana, 33 methamphetamine, three other narcotics, and nine pharmaceuticals. These totaled 1,316 grams in controlled substances. Seventy-two of these were felony cases.

The Headquarters Troop Area has 20% of all retail liquor licenses issued in the State. One inspection resulted in a business being cited for illegally selling more than \$3,500 worth of alcohol on credit to consumers. There were 341 gallons of wine, 117 gallons of distilled spirits, and 117 gallons of beer from a 2005 case destroyed. The case involved a retail licensee who illegally imported more than \$30,000 (wholesale value) of alcohol into Nebraska.



Alcohol illegally imported into Nebraska.

Alcohol/Tobacco Enforcement Unit

The Alcohol/Tobacco Enforcement Unit of the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) has served as the primary enforcement arm for the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission since 1986. There has been a 25% increase in the total number of liquor licenses in Nebraska since that time. Many of the liquor investigators are primarily responsible for enforcing all provisions of the Nebraska Liquor Control Act, which is designed to regulate, license or prohibit the manufacture, distribution, sale, and traffic of alcoholic liquor.

There were more than 898 tobacco compliance checks during 2006. The tobacco non-compliance rate for Nebraska in 2006 was 14.7%. This is a decrease from 10.7% in 2005, and falls within the goal set by the federal government for Nebraska. A detailed report on tobacco compliance checks may be found on the Health and Human Services website at <http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/sua/synar.htm>.

Approximately 1,500 alcohol compliance checks were conducted by NSP officers in cooperation with local law enforcement agencies and local alcohol access coalitions. The State average for non-compliant locations was 16%. Locations whose employees requested identification from underage cooperating individuals saw a compliance rate of more than 98%.

Investigators assigned to the Unit also conducted more than 66 training programs statewide to local law enforcement, civic groups, retail liquor license holders and their employees regarding alcohol and tobacco laws. More than 2,200 individuals attended these training sessions.

During 2006, the Unit worked alcohol selective enforcement activities at several events ranging from outdoor concerts, rodeos, local celebrations and festivals. During the two Comstock music festivals, there were more than 600 law enforcement contacts.

Auto Fraud Unit

The Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) Auto Fraud Unit conducts investigations on odometer fraud, title fraud, forgery, altering of vehicle identification numbers, equipment thefts, along with dealer violations. The Unit investigated 49 cases leading to the arrest of 15 suspects. One major case the Unit investigated involved a new car dealership that was using false names and addresses on more than 200 titles. By using the false names and addresses, the dealership received more than \$550,000 of dealer incentives from General Motors.

The Auto Fraud Unit is also responsible for overseeing the Certified Title Inspection Program for the State of Nebraska. Certified title inspection training sessions were provided to all 93 county sheriffs and their personnel. Eleven training sessions were conducted with 115 attendees who received certification. The NSP database list of certified inspectors now contains approximately 1,300 names.

In 2006, the Unit continued to be a primary resource for the local police departments, and sheriff offices across the State for vehicle identification and case investigations. The Unit continued to host intelligence sharing meetings throughout the year in Omaha for local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, as well as for special investigators from several of the major insurance companies.

Crime Laboratory

The Crime Laboratory is responsible for the forensic analysis of evidence relating to criminal cases. The Lincoln laboratory site is a full service forensic laboratory organized in three units performing analyses in the following areas:

1. Biology Unit: Serology Examination, DNA Examination, Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) Databank
2. Chemistry Unit: Trace Evidence Analysis, Drug Chemistry, Toxicology
3. Physical Sciences Unit: Latent Print Examination, Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) Database, Firearms/Toolmarks Examination, National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) Database, Questioned Document Examination

In the course of analyzing submitted evidence in the DNA, latent fingerprints, and firearms sections, results that meet certain criteria are entered into three database systems (CODIS, AFIS, and NIBIN). A database match is considered a “cold hit” when the items matched were not previously suspected of being related. In 2006, there were 23 cold hits. The AFIS database produced 14 of the 23 cold hits in 2006.

In July, Nebraska State Statute Section 29-4103 was amended to add the collection of DNA sample from those convicted of felony robbery and residential burglary for inclusion in the State DNA database. A law allowing for the collection of buccal swab samples, instead of a blood sample, for submission also went into effect in July. In 2006, there were 1,066 convicted offender DNA samples submitted for testing and entry into CODIS. Of these samples, approximately 300 blood samples were collected and the remaining samples were collected as buccal swabs.

The Crime Laboratory purchased, and implemented, a new Laboratory Information Management System called the BEAST. The BEAST tracks and records case information, chain of custody, sample analysis, generates reports and links the Lincoln and North Platte lab locations together. The system is a valuable tool for maintaining evidence integrity and control, which is absolutely essential in the law enforcement community. The program will ultimately allow the lab to bar-code evidence, interface analytical instruments, utilize electronic signature capture and allow agencies to perform web-based submission and case status monitoring.

The Satellite Laboratory, located in North Platte, performs analysis in the areas of latent print examination and drug chemistry. Several pieces of new equipment were purchased to enhance the processing of evidence and analysis such as a new gas chromatograph for use in drug analysis, a new binocular microscope with a camera attachment was obtained allowing us to photograph evidence viewed under magnification, a new ATR attachment to allow the drug section to obtain infrared spectra of substances easier than they could in the past, a damper was installed on the fume hood to allow it to run 24-hours a day and for better ventilation, and new digital picture enhancement equipment for both latent labs to capture and store prints from evidence analyzed at the labs.

Criminal Behavioral Analysis Unit

The Behavioral Analysis Unit worked closely in 2006 with the Executive Protection Division. Many cases were jointly reviewed and worked. The highly publicized political campaigns brought a lot of public interest and inappropriate communications toward public officials. This type of communication is of special interest, and proper handling of each situation is paramount. The Unit also assisted other agencies in violent crime investigations by providing services such as crime analysis, personality assessment, investigative strategies, interview strategies, search warrant affidavits, profiling, statement analysis and many other services.

The Unit provided training opportunities in threat assessment, profiling, stalking, workplace violence, school violence, equivocal death analysis, statement analysis, rape, and child molesters. Training was provided to law enforcement, public and community organizations, as well as educational institutions, including colleges and universities.

Photo Lab

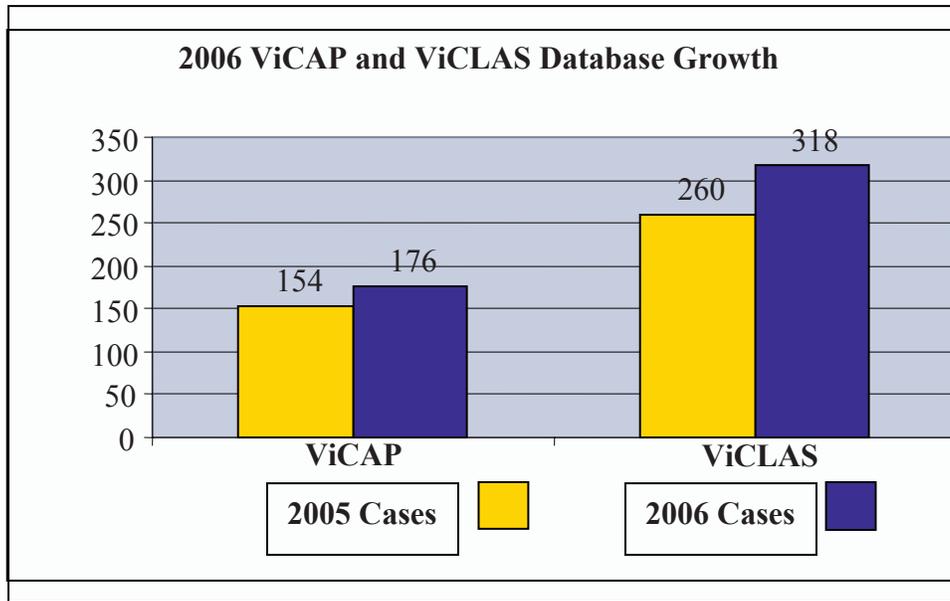
During 2006, the Photo Lab experienced a large increase in work involving digital photography and a decrease in 35mm (negatives) photography. This trend is expected to continue as technology moves toward digital photography and as older equipment (35mm cameras) are replaced with digital cameras. The Photo Lab personnel provided instruction to agency employees in the use of digital and 35mm cameras. Due to the lack of proper equipment for digital photography production, many projects were outsourced to private companies. Efforts continue toward replacing the outdated equipment with a state-of-the-art processor.

Crime Analysis

The Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP) was streamlined by an upgrade in 2006. This upgrade allows for more detailed sexual assault case information, storage of photographs associated with cases, and includes a report form that can be E-mailed or accessed on-line. This facilitates sending and receiving reports and cases to and from investigators. Access to Law Enforcement Online (LEO), a law enforcement online resource, was also granted. LEO is a secured website provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for law enforcement where members can directly and securely share case, agency and training information. One advantage of this access for the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) ViCAP is that cases can be exported to the FBI more efficiently, as well as receiving cases to be imported to our database. The cases NSP sends to ViCAP will be downloaded into the national database as well.

The Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System (ViCLAS) is also undergoing an upgrade. The new version has the ability to store case-related photos, as well as provide mapping capabilities for any series of cases being reviewed. A new case report form has been developed which can be accessed through E-mail or on-line.

The databases for both programs have been steadily growing with older and newer cases. Investigators have added cases to the databases for utilization for comparison and analysis. Other law enforcement agencies have requested case comparisons to see if there are any related crimes. The increase in contributions and requests for case analysis with the new state-of-the-art technology will contribute to crime analysis in the coming years.



Criminal Identification Division

Thanks, in part, to federal grant funding geared towards improving all states' criminal history record databases and integrated systems, the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) has been able to continue to focus on updating and replacing outdated systems, improve the tracking and accuracy of criminal history information, and provide a technological environment for leading edge connectivity between local, state and federal criminal justice agencies.

The Nebraska Concealed Handgun Permit Act became law on January 1, 2007. In order for the citizens of Nebraska to complete the necessary handgun training and begin applying for the permit on January 3, 2007, the NSP began the process of certifying training instructors in November, 2006. A handful of instructors had been certified by the end of the year and by the end of January, 2007, 15 organizations were listed on the website offering certified training.

The legislature approximated 19,500 Nebraskans would apply for a concealed handgun permit in 2007. As of January 31, 2007, 346 applications had been received by the Criminal Identification Division (CID). It is expected that numbers will increase significantly as more instructors become certified resulting in more class availability.

2006 Statistics

	Totals
Adults assigned State Identification Numbers (have Nebraska criminal records)	306,443
Total number of arrests processed by Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS)	646,166

Criminal history background requests processed in 2006:

Name based State of Nebraska background checks	94,943
Fingerprint based applicant nationwide background checks	21,665
Applicants:	
Bar Commission	310
Concealed Handgun Permit Instructors	20
Controlled Substance Prescriptions	1,298
Developmental Disability Services	3,932
Explosive Permits	30
Firefighters	96
Gaming	335
Grain Dealerships	20
Housing	388
Liquor Licensing	1,614
Private Investigators	63
Racing Commission	334
Real Estate Licensing	1,540
Teachers	1,490
Foster Parents	6,468
Adoptions	1,828
Law Enforcement	1,899

Firearms Criminal History Record Checks:

NICS submissions directly to FBI generated in Nebraska	51,221
Nebraska law enforcement generated NICS submissions	20,316
Nebraska State Patrol generated NICS submissions	540
Applications approved	453
Applications denied	87
Missing Persons Cases processed in 2006	6,064
Juveniles missing	4,860
Juveniles recovered	42
Juvenile reports cancelled	4,919
Missing Adults	1,204
Adults recovered	6
Adult reports cancelled	1,235

Intelligence/Crime Analysis Division

Facilitating the collection, evaluation, and dissemination processes of intelligence information by the Intelligence/Crime Analysis Division (I/CAD) continues to be a catalyst in the offensives undertaken by law enforcement officials to combat crimes

committed in Nebraska, as well as across the country. I/CAD initiated new projects to be used in conjunction with existing resources in order to provide strategic and tactical intelligence information to law enforcement officials statewide.

NSP DIVISIONS

TYPES	Drug	Criminal	Alcohol/Tobacco	Auto/Fraud	Traffic	Carrier
Attorney General	0	14	0	0	0	0
Backgrounds for Private Investigations	3	47	2	0	7	0
Case Investigations	593	903	216	46	1,862	104
Investigative Services	428	529	63	71	1,056	134
Liquor Applications	2	3	297	0	3	0
Liquor Administration	2	2	97	0	3	0
Polygraphs	45	157	0	0	0	0

The I/CAD staff assistants continued to publish the NSP Intelligence Bulletin. This Bulletin is published twice a month.

Other stats:

Troop Areas	A	B	C	D	E	H	I/CAD
Intelligence Info. Submissions	156	107	82	86	35	96	283
Field Interview Card Submissions	59	323	155	191	161	667	
LEIN Regions	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Law Enf. Intelligence Network Submissions	194	0	71	254	70	23	25

Three Crime Analysts support case investigations that include the offenses of domestic disturbance groups, homicide, domestic highway interdiction, and narcotics trafficking.

The Nebraska State Patrol worked 1,021 Drug Cases

Drugs Seized -			
Marijuana	11,355.77 lbs.	at \$300 a lb.	\$3,406,731.
Methamphetamines	36.45 lbs.	at \$5000 a lb.	\$182,250.
LSD	28 doses	at \$5.00 a dose	\$140.
Heroin	13 lbs.	at \$20,000 a lb.	\$260,000.
Cocaine	97.56 ounces	at \$500 an oz.	\$48,778.
Crack Cocaine	111.01 grams	at \$80 a gram	\$8,880.
Hashish	.21 ounces	at \$8000 a lb.	\$1,600.
Psilocybin (mushrooms)	52.62 ounces	at \$20 for 1/8 oz.	\$8,419.

TOTAL \$3,916,798.

Internet Crimes Against Children

During 2006, the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit saw a change in the on-line environment with increased use of social networking (Myspace) sites. This resulted in an increase of requests for public education programs. ICAC personnel provided public education to more than 110 groups which exceeded 800 attendees.

ICAC Task Force personnel investigated nine on-line enticement cases. The ICAC Unit successfully prosecuted cases in federal court related to on-line enticement and child pornography. These cases were adopted by the U.S. Attorney's Office who offered assistance in prosecutions of ICAC cases.

The ICAC Unit was involved in hundreds of case assists with various local, county and state law enforcement agencies. The Unit continued to lead the state in on-line child exploitation cases and agency assistance requests. The Unit trained more than 100 law enforcement officers with on-line investigative techniques, as well as ICAC investigations through local classes and the Attorney General's WEBSAFE Conference. The NSP computer forensics lab conducted more than 30 forensic exams in 2006. The majority of these cases were related to the possession of, and/or distribution of, child pornography. In addition, suicides, homicides and fraud cases were forensically examined.

The ICAC Unit continued to provide public education through ICAC personnel, NSP Community Service Officers, and public education videotapes. The ICAC Unit distributed safe-surfing mouse pads under a cooperative agreement with the Nebraska Attorney General's Office. In addition, ICAC personnel were interviewed by various media outlets relating to on-line safety.

Major Case/Cold Case Unit

This was the first full year of funding provided by the Solving Cold Cases Through DNA Grant administered by the National Institute of Justice. With the additional resources, the Cold Case Unit investigated 15 cold cases dating from 1969 to 2003. New DNA testing was performed on 11 of these cases that provided some promising results. The cases come from throughout the state, including five cases referred from other local agencies.

In addition to the new investigation and testing, the Cold Case Unit developed a training CD program that was distributed statewide. The presentation assists local law enforcement agencies in the investigation of cold cases and outlines the new technologies that are available.

Sex Offender Registry

The Nebraska State Patrol's (NSP) Sex Offender Registry (SOR) Unit developed a new philosophy in 2006. Their goal was to reduce the number of non-compliant offenders to below 6% through aggressive enforcement and education. This was done through more

field presence and investigation, to increasing the number of programs given to the public.

Statewide enforcement efforts have dramatically increased the number of new cases and arrests. In 2006, the NSP SOR opened 225 new cases in direct relation to non-compliant offenders. These cases resulted in 90 arrests and 100 compliance issues were settled.

The SOR is responsible for tracking 2,500 registered offenders in the State of Nebraska. This is accomplished through face-to-face compliance checks, and through an annual address verification of all offenders.

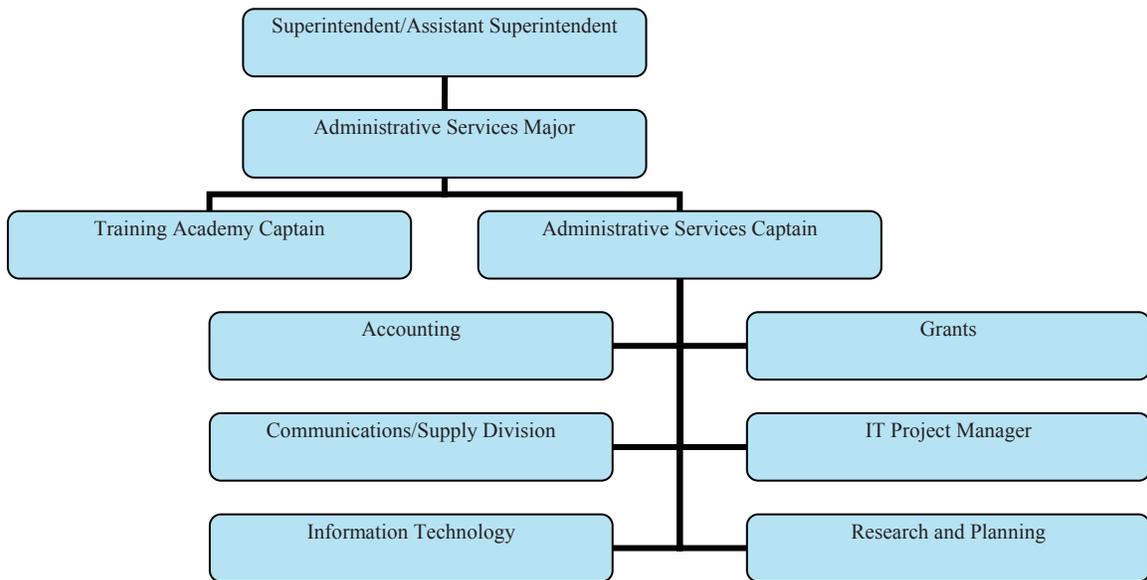
The NSP SOR is also responsible for community notification. There are approximately 7,000 agencies and groups notified on a daily basis on the location of sex offenders in their communities. This is done through the VINE system, E-mails, faxes, and phone calls. The general public is notified of all Level III offenders through the media and the internet.

Administrative Services Division

The Administrative Services Division is under the Command of Major Rhonda Lahm. Major Lahm oversees the Nebraska State Patrol's (NSP) Homeland Security efforts and the NSP Training Academy. Major Lahm is assisted by Captain Russell Stanczyk who oversees the divisions of Communication Operations, Research and Planning, Grants, Supply, Accounting, and Information Technology.



Major Rhonda Lahm



Finance and Accounting Division

The Finance and Accounting Division is responsible for handling and monitoring the financial affairs of the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP). The Finance and Accounting Division has been involved in operating the Human Resource and Accounting System for the State of Nebraska since it was implemented during early 2003. The Nebraska Information System (NIS) has changed the manner in which the State of Nebraska accounting systems process and store information. The new NIS System is a web-based accounting system, and has required employees to learn and develop many new processes and methods of dealing with the information flowing into and out of the system. One of the new processes and methods which have been utilized within NIS involved the Benefits Open Enrollment. The NSP was involved in the Employee Self Service Open Enrollment, in which most State employees signed up for their own benefit packages online through NIS. The NIS Program Office also completed the system upgrade during 2006. Once the upgrade was completed and the additional computer equipment was installed, the speed and efficiency with which NIS operated was improved considerably.

Communication Operations Unit

The Communication Operations Unit is responsible for radio, telephone, teletype, and automated data communications statewide.

Activity	Totals
Total teletype messages for all Nebraska law enforcement agencies	67,232,264
Average teletype messages for a day from all Nebraska law enforcement agencies	184,198
NSP troop areas:	
Total Messages sent	22,212,343
Total Messages received	45,019,921
NSP Messages sent	559,568
NSP Messages received	316,458
Number of positive identifications (Hits) – NCIC	1,297
Number of positive identifications (Hits) – NCIS	1,429
Incident Reports received	36,224
Number of Emergency Highway Help calls received	7,988

Grants Unit

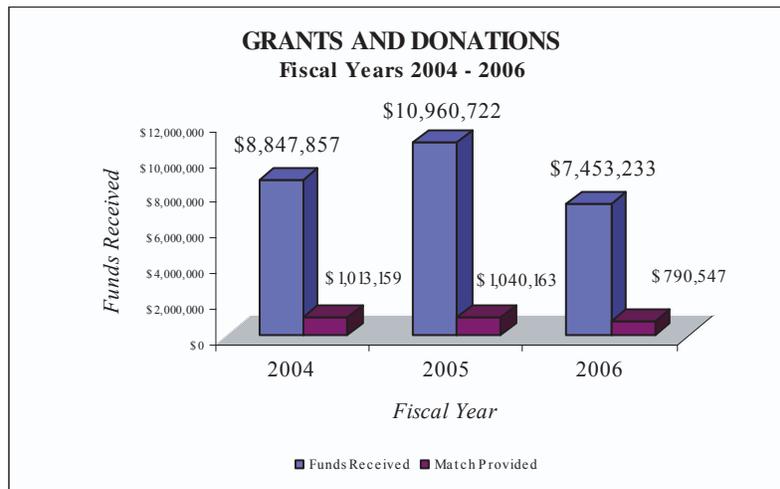
In 2006, the Grants Unit managed 67 new projects totaling \$7.5 million dollars. The majority of the funding originated from federal agencies such as the Departments of Justice, Transportation and Homeland Security. County Drug Boards, Diversion Programs and private gifts also brought a sizeable contribution to the agency.

The majority of grant projects have a two-year lifespan with regular financial and programmatic reporting. It is the Grants Unit's responsibility to ensure project goals are

achieved and funds are expended according to grant guidelines. During any given year, the Unit administers more than 150 active projects.

In addition to being a recipient of grant funds, the Grants Unit awards funds (sub-grants) to other state and local governmental entities. Annually, nearly \$1,000,000 is awarded to approximately 30 other entities who meet eligibility requirements. For example, several state criminal justice and court offices, local police departments, sheriff’s offices, county attorney offices and county drug courts received funds during 2006. Through their participation, the subgrantees contributed to the overall success of the grant goals and objectives established by the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP).

Like many other law enforcement agencies, the NSP is experiencing a decrease in federal funds in the areas of drug and violent crime and homeland security. Within the NSP, the reductions specifically impact funding for projects such as drug task force funding (i.e. MULE) and interoperable communications.



Homeland Security

The State of Nebraska has been active in homeland security issues since 1999. The Governor’s Homeland Security Policy Group was formed to oversee the program with the Lieutenant Governor serving as the chairperson. Operating under the policy group are the State Planning, Exercising and Training Teams. Each team has a specific purpose to better the State’s response to terrorism. The Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) actively participates on each of these teams. A close working relationship has developed between state, local, county and federal agencies. All agencies involved in homeland security and natural emergency response in Nebraska meet, train, and exercise together on a regular basis creating open lines of communication.

During any emergency or event, the NSP has the primary responsibility for the protection of life and property. Those responsibilities include, but are not limited to, coordinating requests for law enforcement assistance, assessing law enforcement and security

requirements, coordinating resources, assisting in developing strategies, tracking resources and providing support for transportation issues. The NSP is prepared to respond to any event and coordinate with the necessary agencies. All emergency personnel have been trained in the federal National Incident Management System (NIMS).

A statewide functional exercise was held in November 2006, with the Nebraska Department of Agriculture as the lead agency. The exercise consisted of a terrorist deployment of a biological agent resulting in a case of foot and mouth disease (FMD) in Cherry County. The NSP was active in the functional exercise by providing security when requested, transporting samples to be tested, transporting medical equipment as needed, and gathering and providing intelligence information.

Information Technology Division

In its mission to provide Information Technology (IT) resources and support to the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP), the Division achieved the following major milestones:

- Working cooperatively, the Patrol and Carrier Enforcement Divisions and the Nebraska Crime Commission expanded deployment of the Traffic and Criminal System software (TraCs) to include portable scales and a number of traffic services units. In 2006, the NSP issued 34,395 electronic citations.
- Expanded the e-citation module of TraCs to include parking tickets and released the application to the State Capital Security Division.
- The agency's polygraph interview rooms were outfitted with a digital recording system allowing polygraph examiners to record polygraph examinations directly to DVD.
- Conducted an audit of all IT assets in the sergeant's offices statewide.
- Conducted a computer skills update class for dispatchers in preparation for the CAD (Computer Aided Dispatching) implementation.
- Conducted a basic computer use course for the new recruits.
- Conducted various basic computer use training sessions for in-service curriculums.
- Deployed a replacement fingerprint matching subsystem in the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) network.
- Consulted and participated in construction and relocation of Omaha (Troop A) dispatch office to new Traffic Management Center co-occupied by Department of Roads.
- Multiple Federal Motor Carrier software upgrades were performed throughout the year.
- In addition, IT deployed:
 - 1 New Server
 - 48 Replacement PC's
 - 26 New PC's
 - 4 Replacement Laptops
 - 18 New Laptops
 - 19 Replacement Printers

- 10 New Printers
- 3 New Projectors
- 4 New Scanners
- 2 Replacement Switches
- IT provides support for:
- More than 750 Users
- 43 Servers
- 398 PC's
- 201 Laptops
- 194 Laser and Inkjet Printers
- Dozens of Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) and custom applications.

Supply/Electronic Engineering Division

The mission of the Supply Division is to provide and direct the purchasing, issuing, and inventory of equipment and supplies for the agency.

The mission of the Electronic Engineering Division is to provide two-way radio communication and also to repair electronic and radio equipment for the agency.

- There were 98 new units issued.
- Provided surveillance equipment and installations for the Nebraska Law Enforcement Intelligent Network.
- Installed new audio loggers at each dispatch center.
- Provided instruction at the annual NeLEIN training.
- Provided 422 unit equipment repairs in the field.
- Installed mobile data terminals for TacCS in each troop area.
- Prepared bid specifications and secured contracts for duty jackets, flashlights, and raincoats.
- Expanded the installation of quarter cages with weapon locks.
- Acquired and supplied all items for Basic Recruit Training Camp.
- Constructed and provided training on mini-mobile command posts for Troops B and D.
- Processed 2,912 purchase orders.
- Prepared bid specifications for 2007 vehicles.
- Initiated a tracking system for general purposes and Investigative Services unit registrations.

2006 Nebraska State Patrol Special Awards

A total of 145 awards were presented to Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) personnel and private citizens during 2006.

Superintendent's Commendation Award

Established to bestow upon an employees for an exceptional act, service, or sustained excellence in performance of duties. Employees nominated should have distinguished themselves in the performance of their duty by exhibiting highly creditable or unusual actions or by furtherance of efficiency and/or performance reflecting credit to the law enforcement profession.

2006 recipients:

Trooper John Coover
Trooper Michael Henry

Investigator John Frederick
Crime Analyst Shelly Shepherd

Superintendent's Distinguished Service Award

This award recognizes personnel based on demonstrated excellence in work performance that may include actions in a particular event, or circumstance, that indicates a high degree of professional integrity, concern for the mission of the NSP, demonstrated diligence and perseverance, and/or accomplishment that reflects credit to an employee or group of employees and the NSP.

2006 recipients:

Captain Tom Parker
Lieutenant Norbert Liebig
Investigator Jamey Balthazor

Trooper Dan Astrones
Trooper Dan Thompson
Trooper Jeremiah Johnson

The following were also recognized with Distinguished Services Awards upon their retirement in 2006:

Captain Lloyd Peters (Retired)
Lieutenant Norbert Liebig (Retired)
Trooper David Collister (Retired)
Trooper Doug Miller (Retired)
Trooper Gary Klimek (Retired)
Trooper John Bral (Retired)
Trooper Kenneth Anderson (Retired)
Trooper Larry Wollenberg (Retired)
Investigator Dave Spiegel (Retired)
Investigator Dennis Ternus (Retired)
Investigator Gary Eng (Retired)

Investigator John Frederick (Retired)
Investigator Michael Zitterkopf (Retired)
Communications Specialist Supervisor
Gary Wegner (Retired)
Evidence Technician
Lloyd Hinze (Retired)
Information Technician Analyst
Bryce Wellnitz (Retired)
Personnel Manager
Karen Johnston (Retired)

Superintendent's Group Citation Award

Presented to a group of employees for outstanding achievement which greatly exceeds the normal demands of the department and which was performed in a manner above and beyond professional duty. This award exemplifies our motto of "Pro Bono Publico."

2006 recipients:

Trooper Stephen Rasgorshek
Trooper Tadam Knight

Investigator Mark Plowman
Investigator Richard Lutter

Superintendent's Unit Recognition Award

The Superintendent's Office may bestow the Superintendent's Unit Recognition Award upon a troop area, division, section, or other group of employees in recognition of outstanding public service under unusual circumstances.

2006 recipients:

Captain Tom Schwarten
Lieutenant Brenda Konfrst
Lieutenant Judy Bailey
Sergeant Alan Theobald
Sergeant Bryan Jones
Sergeant Dan Klimek
Sergeant Lonnie Connelly
Sergeant Tim Pickering
Trooper Donald Trimble
Trooper Eric Aho, Jr.
Trooper Jason Prante
Trooper Jason Scott

Trooper Kurt Frazey
Trooper Michael Rathe
Trooper Thomas Grove, Jr.
Trooper Toby Czapla
Investigator Alan Eberle, Jr.
Investigator Charles O'Callaghan
Investigator Eric Jones
Investigator Joel Bergman
Investigator Scott Haugaard
Investigator Tim Arney
Investigator Todd Wiley
Investigator Tom Meola

Life Saver Award

This award recognizes employees who initiate effort to preserve and protect life above and beyond their professional duty.

2006 recipients:

Trooper Cheryl Bontz

Trooper Curt Prohaska

Meritorious Service Award

This award is bestowed on an employee for an act of heroism calling for an outstanding degree of dedication and devotion above and beyond professional duty, and may include the protection of life or intervention under instances of personal risk.

2006 recipients:

Lieutenant Greg Vandenberg	Trooper John Wagner
Lieutenant Norbert Liebig	Trooper Michael Dowling
Sergeant Chris Pleiss	Trooper Shane Belgum
Sergeant Michael Gaudreault	Trooper Theodore Gans
Trooper Arthur Frerichs	Trooper Travis Sprenger
Trooper Kyle Diefenbaugh	

2006 Managers of the Year

Major Andy Anderson	Sergeant Kirk Hansel
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2006 Employees of the Year

Trooper Chuck Elley	Jason Hablitzel
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2006 Promotions

(Lincoln unless otherwise noted)

Ron Adams	Information Technician Infrastructure Support to Information Technician Infrastructure Support Analyst/Senior
Sara Baldwin	Criminal Identification Division Records Technician to Fingerprint Technician
Angela Bell	Evidence Technician to Fingerprint Technician
Nicole Carnes	Criminal Identification Division Record Technician to Administrative Assistant II
Wendy Clement	Staff Assistant to Administrative Assistant I
Jason Dean	Sergeant to Lieutenant in Traffic Services
Brian Edins	Investigator to Sergeant at North Platte
Shane Flynn	Investigator Clandestine Lab Coordinator to Sergeant Executive Protection
Mark Funkhouser	Lieutenant Investigative Services to Captain Investigative Services
Rodney Getting	Lieutenant Investigative Services to Captain Field Services Administration
Jonatan Guaita	Information Technician Infrastructure Support Analyst to Information Technician Support Analyst/Senior
Lisa Hernandez	Criminal Identification Division Administrative Assistant I to Administrative Assistant II

Linda Hormandl	Communication Specialist I to Communication Specialist II at North Platte
Michael Jahnke	Executive Protection Sergeant to Lieutenant Field Services
Clinton Kaspar	Electronic Technician/Senior to Electronic Design Specialist
Kevin Knorr	Sergeant Traffic Services to Lieutenant Investigative Services
Rhonda Lahm	Captain of Field Services to Major Administrative Services
Christine Langel	Criminal Identification Division Records Technician to Fingerprint Technician
Terry Pell	Information Technician Supervisor to Information Technician Manager
Katie Rector	Crime Lab Evidence Technician to Forensic Scientist
Danny Riens	Sergeant Carrier Enforcement to Lieutenant Carrier Enforcement
David Sankey	Captain to Major Investigative Services
Shane Smith	Business Systems Analyst to Information Technician Infrastructure Support Analyst at Carrier Enforcement
Russell Stanczyk	Lieutenant Traffic to Captain Administrative Services
Kurt Von Minden	Trooper Traffic Services David City to Sergeant Traffic Services Lincoln
Lynn Williams	Investigative Services Sergeant to Investigative Services Lieutenant in North Platte