



# Police Beat



## SCPD Crime Prevention Newsletter

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September of 2019 saw the move from 211 N Riverside Ave to a new state of the art police facility at 1515 W. Main Street. Come join us as we celebrate the grand opening of our new police station with an OPEN HOUSE. Bring the kids and meet McGruff the crime dog, take a tour, meet the chief and the officers who proudly serve you 24/7/365.

### Open House-Saturday November 9th 10am-12pm



N.C.P.C.

## Welcome to the New St Charles Police Department

*"We protect and serve our community with respect and a commitment to excellence."*

# 211 N RIVERSIDE AVE



# 1985-2019



If you liked the old building.....

N.C.P.C.



# 1515 W MAIN ST



You're going to the new one! 



# September 2019



# Deputy Chief Steve Bedell



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Thank you for your dedicated service to the City of St. Charles for the last 30 years. You have served the citizens well, and we wish you happiness and success in your retirement.



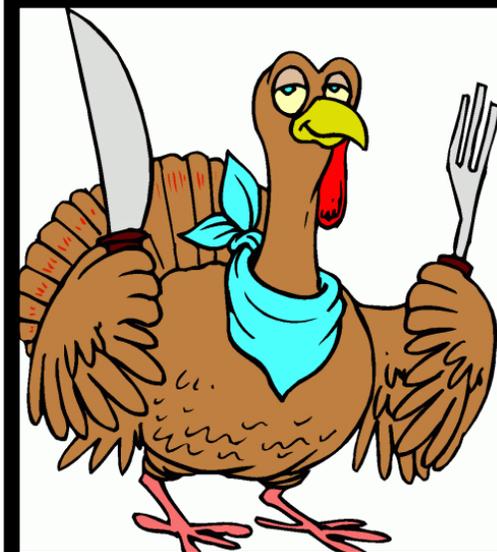
# Congratulations



# Happy Holidays St Charles!



- ⇒ Try to avoid using masks which can obstruct your vision when trick or treating. Non-toxic face paint might be an option.
- ⇒ Cross streets at corners-use signals and crosswalks
- ⇒ Never enter a stranger's car or house
- ⇒ Remain alert—be aware of your surroundings
- ⇒ Use reflective-fire resistant materials on your costume and/or carry glow sticks so that you're more visible
- ⇒ Do not eat treats until they are inspected by your parents



- ⇒ Remain present in the house while the turkey/meal is cooking
- ⇒ Make sure the food is cooked properly
- ⇒ Keep children away from the stove, hot liquids, knives, etc
- ⇒ Make sure smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are working. Keep fresh batteries in them and test them often
- ⇒ If traveling to a loved ones house, be mindful of the weather and travel conditions
- ⇒ Eat slowly to avoid choking hazards
- ⇒ Drink responsibly-use a ride share agency if need be



- ⇒ When shopping-park in well lit areas only
- ⇒ Don't leave your purse or gifts in plain view. Place them in the trunk instead
- ⇒ Avoid carrying large amounts of cash
- ⇒ Be aware of your surroundings. Avoid preoccupation with your cell phone
- ⇒ Lock your house and car doors. The vast majority of vehicle burglaries occur to unlocked vehicles
- ⇒ Never leave a child in a vehicle-even if you're only going into the store for "a minute."
- ⇒ Keep your purse/wallet close to your body at all times

# THANK YOU !

## To All Who Have Served Our Country



### Happy Veterans Day



### November 11th



Did you know the St. Charles Police Department has several state-certified officers that will inspect your child safety seats? The state and the city take child passenger protection extremely seriously, and all inspectors go through a three-day class to be certified. Officers will inspect everything from infant to booster seats to make sure that your initial installation is correct.

Appointments may be made by calling Community Service Officer Ryan Beeter at (630) 443-3865 Monday through Wednesday between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and Thursdays and Fridays between 2:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. or via email at [rbeeter@stcharlesil.gov](mailto:rbeeter@stcharlesil.gov)



# Scam Awareness



## Online Dating Scams

### Here's how they work:

You meet someone special on a dating website. Soon he wants to move off the dating site to email or phone calls. He tells you he loves you, but he lives far away — maybe for business, or because he's in the military.

Then he asks for money. He might say it's for a plane ticket to visit you. Or emergency surgery. Or something else urgent.

Scammers, both male and female, make fake dating profiles, sometimes using photos of other people — even stolen pictures of real military personnel. They build relationships — some even fake wedding plans — before they disappear with your money.

### Here's what you can do:

- 1. Stop. Don't send money.** Never wire money, put money on a prepaid debit card, or send cash to an online love interest. You won't get it back.
- 2. Pass this information on to a friend.** You may not have gotten one of these calls, but chances are you know someone who will get one — if they haven't already.

Source: [WWW.FTC.GOV](http://WWW.FTC.GOV)

The Federal Trade Commission website has valuable information about this popular scam as well as many others. Educating the public about these scams is a great crime prevention tool. Please take advantage of this valuable resource.



# Congratulations to...

Commander Chuck Pierce for his recent promotion to Deputy Chief of Operations!



Sergeant Richard Clark for his promotion to Commander of Special Services!



Detective Robert Vicicondi for his promotion to Sergeant!



Commander Eric Majewski is now the Commander of Investigations!



## 3rd Quarter Police Reports

The following stats represent the number of reports taken by the police department for the period July 1 through September 30 2019

Commercial Burglary - 1	7
Residential Burglary - 3	2
Burglary from Motor Vehicle - 7	25
Retail Theft - 35	53
Criminal Damage to Property - 25	24
DUI (alcohol and drugs) - 28	24
	2nd Qtr



**Police Chief  
James Keegan**



## POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTACT LIST

Main Number .....	630-377-4435
Chief of Police James Keegan .....	630-762-6960
Deputy Chief of Administration Erik Mahan.....	630-443-3841
Deputy Chief of Operations Chuck Pierce .....	630-443-3827
Commander of Investigations Eric Majewski.....	630-443-6941
Commander of Patrol Michael Griesbaum.....	630-443-3821
Commander of Special Services Richard Clark.....	630-443-3721
Traffic Safety Officer Ben Devol.....	630-443-3837
Crime Prevention Officer Jim Burden.....	630-443-3835
Community Service Officer Ryan Beeter.....	630-443-3865

### Crime Prevention Notices

*From July 2019 through September 2019*

*St Charles police officers issued*

**1,172 CRIME PREVENTION NOTICES**

*For such things as open garage doors and unlocked vehicles*

**Please Close and Lock Your Doors**