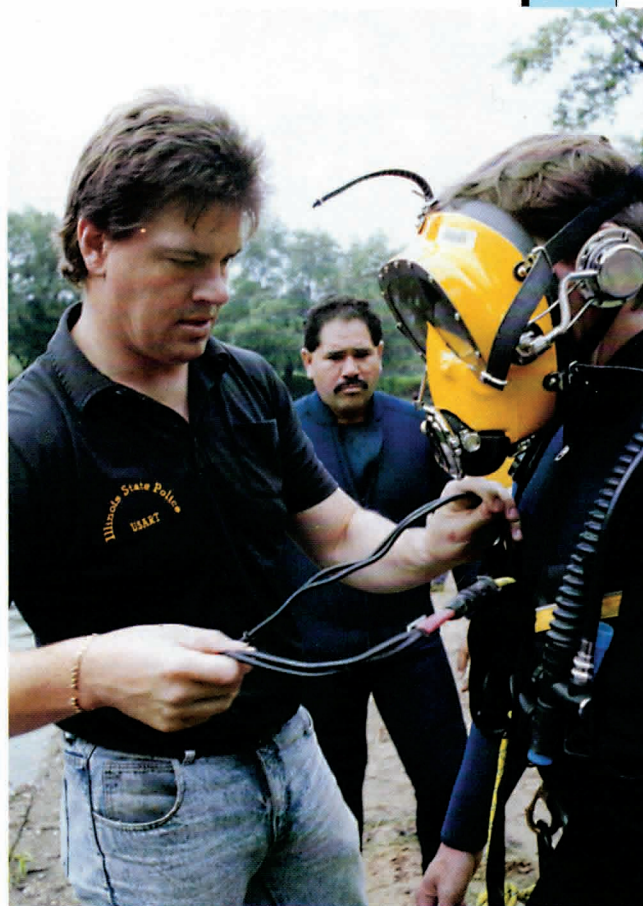


1990s

- Terrance W. Gainer was appointed Director of the Illinois State Police in 1991.
- The Illinois General Assembly passed the Early Retirement Incentive in July 1991 for both code and sworn personnel. Two-hundred and fifty employees took advantage of early retirement.
- Executive Order Number 1 of 1993 by Governor Jim Edgar reorganized the divisions within the Department of State Police. The divisions of State Troopers and Criminal Investigation were combined as the Division of Operations.
- In March 1995, the Bureau of Identification moved from Division of Forensic Services and Identification to the Division of Administration to consolidate all Illinois State Police functions relating to criminal justice information and data management. The Gang Crimes Unit was also created.



With air pumped into his diving suit through hoses, the early ISP diver recovered a rifle pitched into a canal.



Sgt. Jim Creighton checks out one of the members of the ISP's USART (Underwater Search and Recovery Team) which retrieved evidence and searched for drowning victims during the 80's and 90's.



High above the Mississippi River, Capt. Wayne Watson (center) and the chiefs of the Alton fire department and police department try to talk a jumper to safety, July, 1992. The man, a suspect in a murder investigation, was convinced to surrender after five hours. Watson handled more than 130 such incidents.

Real old timers might be able to remember when combatting the sale of illicit drugs wasn't one of the major roles of law enforcement officers; but for the past four decades, the unlawful sale and use of marijuana, cocaine, crack, heroine, and hosts of other substances have been prime targets for police throughout the nation. That's been especially true in Illinois where a network of interstate highways make the state one of the central supply routes for the drug trade.

The ISP has maintained a number of successful programs to attack the drug trade – Cash Crop, to spot and eradicate illegally-grown or wild marijuana – Valkyrie, to stop the flow of drugs over Illinois highways – MEG units and local enforcement groups, to halt street-level drug traffic.



District 7 agents make a pyre of poached pot.



The millionaires club. District 11's aggressive Valkyrie squad has racked up some truly impressive seizure's. Thanks a million – \$1,498,750, to be exact. Lt. Col. Randy Rushing congratulates Tpr. Bob Eisenbarger and Sgt. Bob Dunn (Dist. 11) on the major seizure of drug funds.



October 7, 1989 District 1 officers raided a farm whose owner had been cultivating marijuana in a sophisticated and heavily-guarded operation and seized 3,000 pounds of pot with an estimated street value of \$3.5 million; 22 assorted handguns, shotguns, and rifles; \$4,000 U.S.C.; various ATVs, snowmobiles, and farm implements. The two subjects arrested were subsequently convicted and their 235.16 acre farm was confiscated. Picture in the farm's drying room, (front to rear, left to right): Tpr. Tony Heindel, Tpr. Robert Seas (Dist. 16), Tpr. Michael Hooks (Dist. 1), Lt. Pat Carrigan (Dist. 16), Tpr. John L. Clark, Sgt. John Simonton, M/Sgt. Thomas Shippert, Sgt. Dave Bartels (Dist 1), Sgt. Lee Files (Dist. 16).



District 11's Valkyrie squad weighs in with 120 kilos of cocaine, worth about \$12 million. Front, left to right, Tpr. Doug Hemminhaus and Sgt. Mike Hartmann; rear, M/Sgt. Charlie Kosek, Sgt. Bob Dunn, Tpr. John Wasmuth.



District 10 officers display some notable seizures



King Tut. The flashy jewelry was all draped over a 5'6" pusher in East St. Louis. His arrest lightened him of other tools of his trade – a cellular phone, pager, and piece.

