

The Year in Review

2013

Central Lakes Search & Rescue

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Businesses, and Organizations that have supported us over the past year:

- Granite City Kennel Club
www.granitecitykennelclub.org
- Wright County AKC
www.wcmkc.homestead.org
- Stearns Vet Outlet
www.wedocows.com
- Runestone Operation Round-up
www.runestoneelectric.com
- American Kennel Club CAR Grant
www.akccar.org/givingback
- Itasca-Mantrap Optn Round-up
<http://www.itsasca-mantrap.com>



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CURRENT NEEDS:

- Gas cards for Searches
- Funds for Training Seminars
- Emergency Vet Fund



Giving made easier!

Consider sponsoring a Matching Funds Event through our GiveMN.org account!

Unit updates:

Busy Year!

CLSAR had one of the busiest search years we've ever experi-



Central Lakes SAR

enced. In one weekend alone, we helped coordinate K-9 teams for seven different searches. We could never do this without those who support us.

Thank you

Each year, we like to thank those people who give so much. With their help, we are able to update equipment, attend trainings, and respond to searches. Supporters such as Stearns Vet Outlet who donates Heartguard and Front-line each year, Granite City Kennel Club and Wright County AKC, and Operation Round-up who

provide financial support for us.



NAPWDA group photo

With the help of the AKC CAR grant, we were able to host the largest NAPWDA training we've ever had.

Saying Goodbye:

Balancing life with SAR isn't easy,



so we understand when someone says it is time to retire. It is just hard to say good bye to a team like Deb and K-9

Scout. We wish Deb the best as she embarks on a new adventure fostering for Patriot Assistance Dogs.

K-9 Ari retired this year at the age of eleven. He still



Retired

trains and attends events, but lets the younger dogs do the hard work of real searches.

Mission Ready:

Keeping our teams ready to go at



K-9 Ranger

a moments notice takes training and testing. This year K-9 Ranger recertified

for Cadaver under two different handlers, Chuck and Karla. K-9 Gussie and Karla recertified with North American Work Dog Association



K-9 Gussie

(NAPWDA), while K-9 Jael and Sharolyn recertified for water and land cadaver with NAPWDA.



K-9 Jael

News and Events

Deployments:

While 2012 started slowly, 2013 never seemed to quit. Almost every week the unit was being called to searches.



It is what we train for, but this year strained everyone

in search and rescue as time went on.

Please, keep SAR responders as well as the families of the missing in your thoughts and prayers.

It is never easy to lose someone for reasons you understand. It is infinitely harder when you don't know what happened or why.

News & Events:

We once again went to a number



of children's safety events. This year however

brought a very fun donation from PetSmart - stuffed animals we used to help teach kids about "Staying Found". What a won-

derful way to interact with children!

This year, CLSAR also decided to host a disaster training for our teams, bringing Robin Habeger from Iowa with her FEMA Task Force training and experience to expand our knowledge of USAR (Urban Search and Rescue).



K-9 Tempe at our USAR training