

To Protect & Serve

Our Monthly Recognition of the Best of the Best

POLICE OFFICER OF THE MONTH

DET. WILLIAM BARKER

Detective William Barker is assigned to the Homicide Unit. His solid instincts and extensive experience enabled him to solve a murder in which the victim was a 17-month-old baby girl. The child had been tortured and killed while in foster care. The foster mother was eventually charged with the murder and nine counts of child abuse involving other children. Detective Barker remained committed to the case. Before making an arrest, Barker questioned both foster parents at length and videotaped interviews with the other children who lived in the home. Through his experience in Sex Crimes and his excellent relations with the Child Protection Team, Detective Barker determined the foster mother had beaten and drowned the baby in the bathtub. Detective Barker's perseverance and commitment to the Homicide Unit, as well as his ability to effectively interact with other law enforcement agencies, led to this arrest. Thank you, Detective Barker, for your outstanding performance. Congratulations on being selected the Police Officer of the Month.



RESERVE OFFICER OF THE MONTH

OFFICER BRIAN BRYANT

Reserve Officer Brian Bryant has been with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office since 1996. He is an essential part of the Reserve Aviation Unit. Officer Bryant exceeds all expectations with his volunteerism. He flies an exceptionally high number of flights every month and routinely alters his personal schedule in order to accommodate the department. His presence in the sky makes a difference. There have been numerous times in which his observant skills have aided in arrests or helped ground patrol units working the calls. Officer Bryant also administers the "Training and Certification" program for the reserve aviation unit. Thank you, Officer Bryant, for your positive attitude and strong commitment. Whether it is day or night, you are always available when we call. Congratulations on being selected the Reserve Officer of the Month.



CORRECTION OFFICER OF THE MONTH

OFFICER MICHAEL SCOTT CLARK

Officer Scott Clark is assigned to Human Resources as a Corrections Recruiter. Officer Clark actively searches for qualified candidates. He arranges each recruit's schedule. He makes sure they undergo a medical check-up, physical agility test, writing skills exam, psychological screening, polygraph and oral review board. Officer Clark works with the Northeast Florida Criminal Justice Training Center to place the qualified candidates in paid basic recruit classes. This process requires an eye for detail and solid organizational skills. Officer Clark has been very successful in filling our vacancies. In fact, the number of openings has dropped from 80 to 10 slots since he became the Corrections Recruiter. For the first time in a long time, Officer Clark has established a hiring waiting list for Correctional Officers. Thank you, Officer Clark, for your excellent efforts. You are an outstanding recruiter. Congratulations on being selected the Corrections Officer of the Month.



NON-SWORN SUPERVISOR OF THE MONTH

MR. RAY HELMS

Ray Helms manages the department's photo lab. He is an outstanding supervisor. Not only is Ray excellent in his regular work, he also willingly and cheerfully takes on additional tasks when requested. One of those extra jobs was the JSO Millennium Yearbook. Ray worked tirelessly to copy photos displayed on walls of the Police Memorial Building. He retrieved old photos from his files and always took additional photos when necessary. He helped coordinate a major photo of JSO personnel on the steps of the PMB. Ray was always ready to help with this project and his skills as a photographer were invaluable. Ray, thank you for your important contributions. You are a tremendous asset to the JSO. Congratulations on being chosen as the Non-Sworn Supervisor of the Month.



CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

PATRICIA McCULLOUGH

Ms. Patricia McCullough is assigned to the Planning and Research Unit. Ms. McCullough is in charge of organizing the Comp Stat presentation each month. She does an outstanding job compiling information from Patrol, Detective, Community Affairs, Organized Crime, Intelligence and Professional Standards. Patricia quickly converts the statistics into a superior PowerPoint presentation. Many times she has only a couple of days to turn the information around, but she always meets the deadline. The presentation usually consists of more than 200 slides. Patricia takes great pride in her work. She is always willing to make last minute changes without complaining. It is obvious that she makes Comp Stat her highest priority. Each presentation is excellent. Thank you, Patricia, for your outstanding performance and congratulations on being selected the Civilian Employee of the Month.



SWORN SUPERVISOR OF THE MONTH

SGT. KAREN RENCKLEY

Sgt. Karen Renckley is assigned to Patrol Zone 4 where she leads by example. Sgt. Renckley is excellent at coordinating and implementing large deployments. One example is the last Blue Squad Zone 4 COPS Plus Initiative. Her diligence, leadership and experience contributed to the success of this effort. She covered every aspect to make sure the operation ran smoothly. In fact, Sgt. Renckley even drove the COPS Bus many times during the initiative when there were no regular drivers available to return the bus at the end of each night. Sgt. Renckley is a strong supervisor who goes by the book, shows no favoritism and treats each member of the squad fairly and equally. Positive morale in the workplace is extremely important to her. She remembers each squad member's birthday and bakes them one of her special birthday cakes. Her background in law enforcement includes many commendations for her outstanding performance. Sgt. Renckley, thank you for your exceptional work. Congratulations on being selected the supervisor of the month.



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