



FAUQUIER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HOSTS INAUGURAL AWARDS CEREMONY

On January 9, National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office recognized more than three dozen staff members and civilians in an inaugural awards ceremony and luncheon at Stoneridge Events Center in Warrenton.

Of the eight award categories, the **Lifesaving Award** had the highest number of recipients with 15. Each of the following people made quick decisions, relying on their extensive training and prudent judgment to save an individual person's



Communications:
Sheriff Mosier, Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Comm. Supervisor Allison Marshall, Dispatcher Melissa Thorpe, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, Dispatcher Joe Murphy, BOS Rick Gerhardt, Dispatcher Samantha Ashby, Chief Deputy Robert Wilcox

life. Congratulations to MDS Alex Armstrong, MDS James Arrington, MDS Brian Colbert, Corporal John Coppage, Deputy Creston Irby, DFC Eric Smith, MDS Chris Snyder, Sergeant Mike Spillars, Deputy Aaron Vescovi, Detective Shane Jacobs, Corporal Matthew Cackowski, MDS Kevin Jacobs, Deputy James Rannebarger, Renee Settle, and Karen Smallwood.

Two senior first line supervisors received the **Sheriff Star for Excellence**, which recognizes superior job knowledge, devotion to duty, and dedication to the community and the agency. Congratulations to Lieutenant Sean Healy and 1st Sergeant Darrell Shores.



Community Service:
Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, FCPS Network Analyst Tracie Reavis and FCPS Asst. Superintendent Janice Bourne, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, BOS Rick Gerhardt

Three individuals were honored with **Distinguished Service** for their sustained exemplary performance. While their actions were within the scope of normal responsibilities, they were performed in a manner warranting

special recognition. Awardees were selected based on their demeanor, productivity, consistency, judgment, appearance, attitude, and dedication to the goals of the agency. Congratulations to MDS Alex Armstrong, MDS Scott Staples, and Captain Ray Acors.



Lifesaving:
Sheriff Mosier, Deputy James Arrington, Deputy Chris Snyder, Deputy Alex Armstrong, Deputy Matthew Cackowski, Sgt. Mike Spillars, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, Detective Shane Jacobs, Deputy Aaron Vescovi, Delegate Michael Webert, Deputy James Rannebarger, BOS Rick Gerhardt, Deputy Shane Jacobs, Deputy Brian Colbert, Chief Deputy Robert Wilcox, Senator Jill Vogel

Similarly, two civilians were honored with **Meritorious Service** for their sustained exemplary performance within the scope of normal responsibilities, but performed in a manner deserving special recognition. These two women were chosen based



Community Service:
Moira Satre, Capt. Ray Acors, Betty Ramsburg, Caroline Folker

on the same criteria for the Distinguished Service award. Congratulations to Allison Marshall and Patty Polizzi.

Two staff members and a special operations unit (S.O.U.) were recognized for **Meritorious Action** for demonstrating exemplary action in response to a specific situation or emergency, or as part of a routine event. Congratulations to Detectives Candyce Shaw and Justin Schmitt, as well as S.O.U. members Sergeant John Sealock, and Detectives John Thorpe and Jonathan Waddell.

Eight people were recognized for their **Community Service** efforts, which had a direct impact on the public or its institutions. Congratulations to Lieutenant Rick Macwelch, Patty Polizzi, Janice Bourne, Tracie Reavis, Betty Ramsburg, Caroline Folker, Moira Satre, and Rusty Crowe.

Commendations were awarded to seven people for acts that either contributed to the accomplishment of Sheriff's Office goals or warranted special recognition in the public interest. Congratulations to Corporal William Kemper, MDS Earl Lewis, Sergeant Chris Myers, Betsy Irons, Kellye Stephens, Amber Ripple, and Kristi Koglin.



Commendations:
Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Sgt. Chris Myers, MDS Earl Lewis, Corporal William Kemper, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, BOS Rick Gerhardt

Last but not least, three individuals were recognized for excellence in **Communications**. Samantha Ashby was named communications manager of the year, while Joseph Murphy was named communications supervisor of the year, and Melissa Thorpe was named communications officer of the year.



Meritorious Action:
Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Detective Candyce Shaw, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, BOS Rick Gerhardt

Senator Vogel shared an anecdote that demonstrated how the Sheriff's Office staff goes above and beyond the call of duty to serve. When her four-year-old daughter wrote a letter to Santa, she went with her to the post office to mail it. She never expected to receive a response, but she did! Part of it said, "Sheriff Bob was letting me know what a joy you are when you are around."

Sheriff Mosier offered brief remarks, noting the honor he has felt since taking on the position just over a year ago. He shared that he met with each member of the Sheriff's office to ask them what he could do to improve things within the organization. The top response was to receive more recognition, and this inaugural awards ceremony was a wonderful step in that direction. Thank you, Sheriff Mosier, and to all of your staff, for continuing to provide outstanding service. 🍷

~ Nancy Griffin-Bonnaire

Distinguished Service:
Sheriff Mosier, Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Deputy Scott Staples, Captain Ray Acors, Deputy Alex Armstrong, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel and BOS Rick Gerhardt. Chief Deputy Robert Wilcox



Commendations:
Sheriff Mosier, Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Crime Analyst Kristi Koglin and Dispatcher Amber Ripple, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, BOS Rick Gerhardt. Chief Deputy Robert Wilcox.



Meritorious Action:
Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Detective Justin Schmitt, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, BOS Rick Gerhardt



Meritorious Service:
Sheriff Mosier, Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Patty Polizzi and Allison Marshall, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, BOS Rick Gerhardt, Chief Deputy Robert Wilcox



Sheriff Star for Excellence:
Delegate Michael Webert, 1st Sgt. Eddie Wines accepting the award for 1st Sgt. Darrell Shores, Lt. Sean Healy, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel and BOS Rick Gerhardt. Senator Jill Vogel



Community Service:
Delegate Michael Webert, Senator Jill Vogel, Patty Polizzi, BOS Mary Leigh McDaniel, Lt. Rick MacWelch, BOS Rick Gerhardt