

Saginaw Police Department Reserve Unit December 2016 Newsletter

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January Upcoming Details Martin Luther Walk, 16th Temple Event in January SBSO 3 Saturday, 28th

Happy Holidays

Reserve Applications
are located at:
saginawpolicereserve.com
Generally, applications are
only accepted from
individuals who reside in
Saginaw County. If you know
someone that would like to
be part of the reserve group,
We had one new application
but was not excepted.

Thanks for another great year!

Training – Taser familiarization is the next training currently scheduled for Sunday, January 8, 2017 at 5:00pm. However, that date could change depending on the officer giving that class. You will be notified of any changes. Sgt. Rick Thompson has replaced Jeff Madaj at the range. A request letter for that training has been sent.

Awards and Recognition Event: The 11th annual event went well and was very well attended. Most of the reserves were able to attend. It took place at the Ramada Inn complex which is an outstanding location for this type of event. This was a last minute change from the Temple Theater to The Ramada Inn. Tom McGarrity was, as always, able to pull it together to make this last minute change work. He worked with the staff at the Ramada to handle all of the event details such as the dinner menu, table settings, the wait staff, and placement of the podium. Our guest speaker, State Representative Vanessa Guerra of the 95th District, did an outstanding as this year's speaker and we appreciate her participation at our event. Chief Robert Ruth also did an outstanding job as the **MC** for this year's event. department officers attended the event and other guests included Jeanie Conger from Pride Inc. and her husband. This year's drawing included many donated items from the Temple Theater and SBSO group as well as many other local businesses. The total dollar value of this year's drawing prizes reached just over \$4000. We would like to thank all of those businesses and individuals that generously donated items for drawing.

Officer of the Year: Congratulations to Troy Northrop. Troy had taken part in many reserve events and contributed 295.1 hours in 2016. Mark Norton followed with 292 hours, Jason Flores was at 290 hours and Jason Beck had 252 hours. Combined that is 1,127.1 for 38% of the units 2957.1 total hours. The entire unit was outstanding in 2016.

Equipment Maintenance: The scooters will require new batteries this year. When we replace the batteries, they will need to be hooked to the trickle charge after each use. Batteries are about \$80 each and if not hooked to a charger, they will just continue to run down. The Mosquito Abatement program used the daily trickle charge method successfully for their equipment. We did get some work done on the trailers this fall but ran out of time and good weather. We will be able to do some work during the winter months and complete the work in the spring.

Promotions Reserve Troy Northrop was promoted from reserve officer to Reserve Sergeant and Reserves **John Lamblin** and **Jason Beck** were promoted to **Corporal**.

Teddy Bears: On Christmas Eve Day a small group of Saginaw Police Reserve Officers along with Michelle McCoy from Saginaw Team One Credit Union delivered Teddy Bears to children in the hospital who would not be able to be at home for Christmas Day. **Team One Credit Union** contributed the funds along with **KMS Agency** to purchase these teddy bears. Thank you for helping make this event a success!

