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LAW ENFORCEMENT RECRUITS GRADUATE MONMOUTH COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY

Freehold: Sheriff Shaun Golden is pleased to announce the graduation of 21 newly sworn law enforcement officers from the Monmouth County Police Academy. On December 12, 14 recruits of the 97th Basic Course for Police Officers and 7 recruits from the 48th Basic Course for Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers received their police training commission certifications during a ceremony.

“These fine men and one woman have demonstrated their commitment to law enforcement by successfully completing this intense training,” said Sheriff Shaun Golden, whose agency runs the Monmouth County Police Academy. “That is a great privilege, since there is no higher responsibility, than maintaining public safety. I’m proud of their accomplishments and commend all for a job well done.”

The Basic Course for Police Officers is a 20 week program with 780 hours of training. The Basic Course for Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers is a four month program and consists of approximately 600 hours of training with full police powers while on duty. Both classes are run through the Monmouth County Police Academy.

Recruits train in patrol concepts, defensive driving, professional development, weaponry and unarmed defense, criminal investigation, ethics, emergency medical care and physical training, along with a host of other courses.

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Upon successful completion of the police training commission approved curriculum, the officers are well prepared to serve their respective law enforcement agencies.

“Through their strong commitment and hard work, we can be sure that these graduates will serve our residents and communities well as they begin successful careers in law enforcement,” said Monmouth County Prosecutor Christopher J. Gramiccioni.

“These selfless men and women have committed their professional lives to serving in public safety and I applaud them,” said Freeholder Lillian G. Burry, liaison to the Monmouth County Sheriff’s Office and member of the Police Academy Board of Directors. “Their extensive training and personal character leave them well-prepared for a career in law enforcement and we are truly grateful for their efforts.”

Sheriff Golden, Prosecutor Gramiccioni and Chief Scott Paterson, Rumson PD, presented the recruits with their certificates.

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Award Recipients Included:

Academic Award

97th BCPO & 48th SLEO II Co-Mingled Class:
Mason B. Sheehan – Keansburg PD, 48th SLEO II

Marksmanship Award

97th BCPO & 48th SLEO II Co-Mingled Class:
Maurizio F. DeGrande – Freehold Borough PD, 97th BCPO

Physical Training Award

97th BCPO & 48th SLEO II Co-Mingled Class:
Alexander M. Pires – Carteret PD, 48th SLEO II

Traffic Officers Association Award

97th BCPO & 48th SLEO II Co-Mingled Class:
Eric L. Nelson – Toms River PD – 97th BCPO

Outstanding Trainee Award

97th BCPO & 48th SLEO II Co-Mingled Class:
Maurizio F. DeGrande – Freehold Borough PD, 97th BCPO

Merit Award

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Eric L. Nelson – Toms River PD – 97th BCPO