

# MONMOUTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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# MCSO RECOGNIZES NATIONAL ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, a leader in the special needs community, acknowledged National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month in November by its dedication to locating individuals with Alzheimer's disease, through the Project Lifesaver Program. The program uses radio signals to track people with Alzheimer's disease and autism when they wander and become missing.

This lifesaving tool condition or illness that since it provides safety the Project Lifesaver

Project Lifesaver County in 2003 and autism in 2007 with the Human Services joining the 169 individuals on the adults and 138 juveniles in

In 2019 to date, Project and utilized in ten One of the most recent senior living community man who was a participant for families who have loved ones with a causes them to wander is a great benefit and security through participation in program.

was implemented in Monmouth expanded to include individuals with Monmouth County Department of partnership. There are currently Project Lifesaver program, 31 Monmouth County.

in Tinton of the program Lifesaver was activated missing person searches. rescues occurred at a Falls, when an elderly went missing. Through

Project Lifesaver's hand held tracking device, the man was located in under twenty minutes. The incident reinforces the significance of the Project Lifesaver program and what a critical tool it is when locating a missing individual. Each radio transmitter worn by an individual has a unique frequency. Should the client become missing, the sheriff's office has ten receivers with which to track the missing individual. The range for the radio receiver is one mile on the ground, one quarter mile when roof mounted and five to seven miles in a helicopter.

> NOVEMBER IS ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

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#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

Did You Know that the 99<sup>th</sup> Basic Recruit Class and the 50<sup>th</sup> SLEO II class will graduate from the Monmouth County Police Academy on Dec. 17?



#### **CONTACT US**

Cynthia Scott Phone: 732-431-6400 x1113 Email: cscott@mcsonj.org According to Project Lifesaver, the program is in all fifty states and has performed 3,739 rescues. Even though we recognize National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month throughout November, it's vital to note that the law enforcement community

is committed to a c k n o w l e d g i n g this disease year round in an effort to maintain the safety of individuals and spare families a lot of grief when locating a loved one who goes missing.



## LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTINUES TO BE IN THE FOREFRONT OF SAFETY FOR SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNITIES

Sheriff Golden, a strong advocate in the special needs community, couldn't be more proud of law enforcement's continued efforts to ensure the safety of individuals.

The week of Nov. 23, members of the MCSO's Law Enforcement Division attended in service training led by Special Needs Outreach Coordinator Fran Hines. He discussed how to respond to and approach a situation involving an individual with special needs and reviewed the Project Lifesaver Program and the Monmouth County Special

Needs Registry, where families register loved ones with special needs, so first responders can respond in the safest and most efficient way.





# FRAN HINES SPEAKS AT CAREGIVER SYMPOSIUM

Fran Hines was also a featured speaker at the Virtual Caregiver Symposium on Nov. 12 hosted by Alzheimer's Association of Greater New Jersey, the Delaware Valley and Greater PA. The program provided an opportunity for caregivers to connect with professionals to enhance caregiver skills, learn

about new stress management techniques, safety, support, communication strategies and discussed the challenges of caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's Disease.

Hines spoke about the training provided for first responders when dealing with an individual with Alzheimer's Disease, the modifications that should be made to the home to ensure safety and the difficulties of caring for individuals during COVID-19.

Sheriff Golden thanks Fran Hines for his participation and is proud of this great work that keep Monmouth County in the forefront of Alzheimer's Awareness.



## HURRICANE SEASON COMES TO AN END

Nov. 30 marked the last day of Hurricane Season. While New Jersey fared well with the exception of remnants from Isaias and Fay, other areas were hit hard. Of the 30 named storms, 12 struck the US coastline. The MCSO's thoughts remain with those who dealt with and continue to deal with the devastation in the Gulf Coast which suffered the most damage, particularly Louisiana.



Even though the season is over, Sheriff Golden says it's important to always have a plan, be prepared, stay informed and Know Your Zone www.mcsonj.org/ready. Also, download the MCSO App for the latest emergency weather related information.

> MONMOUTH COUNTY COASTAL EVACUATION ZONES

# **GREAT JOB TO MARINE 1**

Now that the weather is changing with colder temperatures and increased winds, Sheriff Golden reminds boaters to please stay safe and always take the proper precautions. On Nov. 17, the MCSO's Marine #1 responded to a kayaker in distress from the wind and rain in the Raritan Bay between Keyport and Keansburg. Upon arrival the crew was able to rescue the 49 year old boater from the water, who was treated by the crew for early onset of hypothermia and transported to Keyport marina for evaluation by Keyport EMS.

Great job to crew members S/Os Doug Stout, William Hector, Pedro Rosado and Dan Royale. The MCSO commends them for their quick response and actions for bringing this individual to safety.

Tuesday, November 17, 2020



God bless you for helping and saving my husband. Thank you all for your service.



4:50 PM

### CODE BLUE

There were a few very brisk days in Nov. and pursuant to state law, Monmouth County issued a Code Blue Alert which went into effect Nov. 17 through Nov. 19. If anyone is in need of assistance during a CODE BLUE alert please call NJ 2-1-1.



## SHERIFF PROUD TO ADMINISTER DATH OF OFFICE





Sheriff Golden was proud to administer the oath of office to members of the Monmouth County Correctional Division on Nov. 2, which included Shawn Reece who was promoted to captain and Thomas Campagnolo and Jonathan Gual who were both promoted to lieutenants.

The MCSO congratulates all for their dedication in maintaining safety, and, the highest level of standards at the Monmouth County Correctional Institution.



# MCSO LENDS A HAND IN TIME OF NEED

Sheriff Golden and the MCSO are always happy to lend a helping hand to organizations that do so much for residents in our communities. That's why staff from the Monmouth County Correctional Institution were pleased to recently donate and deliver over 450 prepacked meals to Lunch Break in Red Bank

The MCSO is proud to stand beside this exceptional community organization whose mission is to provide food, clothing and life skills to those in need. Thanks for all you do in Monmouth County and beyond.





## MCSO HONORS VETS ON Veteran's day

Sheriff Golden honored all who have served and serving on Veteran's Day and is proud that the MCSO can support our vets all year through the Veteran's Service Council, which provides resources and community outreach efforts to support and enhance much needed services for our veterans.

#### METHODS OF INSTRUCTION HELD AT THE MCSO



Congrats to the 19 members of law enforcement who completed Methods of Instruction at the MCSO on Nov. 25. Undersheriff Ted Freeman along with Public Safety Telecommunicator Kristin Aras, Public Information Officer Cynthia Scott, S/O Iliana Santos and Supervisor of Communications John Cuccia led the class through six days of training. All received their police training certifications and are now equipped and prepared to instruct fellow members of law enforcement at police academies. Sheriff Golden commends all for their hard work.



## SHERIFF GOLDEN URGES SAFETY THROUGHOUT THE HOLIDAY SEASON

With holiday shopping in full swing, Sheriff Golden reminds all to take proper safety precautions and not leave the items you bought in plain view. Please practice these tips to avoid becoming a victim.





- Park your car in well-lit areas of shopping center parking lots.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Limit the number of trips back to your car.
- Don't leave packages exposed in your car. Lock them in your trunk.
- Have keys ready before you get in your car.
- Don't shop alone; especially at night.
- Look in your car before entering – do not enter if something does not seem right.
- ELFS Enter the car, Lock the doors, Fasten Seatbelts

# TIS THE SEASON TO BE GRATEFUL

During this season of giving lets remember all that we have to be grateful for and thank our first responders and healthcare workers who have worked tirelessly the past nine months.

