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MONMOUTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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SUMMER SEASON KICKOFF

Monmouth County's annual tourism kickoff to the summer was held in Avon on May 25 and I was pleased to join the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners, the Monmouth County Clerk and local officials to discuss the upcoming summer season.

We are all looking forward to a great summer as COVID restrictions have been eased. Topics that were discussed at the event included the opening of beaches for the summer, traffic, the restaurant industry, employment and safety. As always, safety is the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office top priority. Law enforcement will be out patrolling areas on foot, by bike and in vehicles, and, looks forward to working with the public as the season gets underway.



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As our lives get back to normal with outdoors gatherings, barbeques and parties, please do not drink and drive. Before going out, designate a driver who will not consume any alcohol. If you are impaired, call an Uber, a cab, a sober friend or family member. If you don't have a ride, stay where you are. If you see someone about to get behind the wheel, or on a motorcycle, after they have been drinking, offer to find them a ride or alert your nearest law enforcement agency.

For the many beachgoers, please follow the proper precautions when swimming. Make sure your children know how to swim before entering the water, swim when lifeguards are on duty and never swim alone. Avoid rip currents, and if you get caught in one, swim parallel to the shore. Also know the weather forecast when swimming in the ocean and be aware of rough surf and signs telling you not to swim. In addition, if you are boating out on the waterways, it's important to practice safe boating tips. The MCSO Marine 1, along with partners in law enforcement will be patrolling the shore areas throughout the season in an effort to ensure safety and respond to critical water related incidents.

Let's all enjoy the season and think safety at the shore this summer.

BOATING SAFETY TIPS

- Have a checklist and follow it prior to departure.
- Operate at a safe speed, be aware of your surroundings, and stay clear of large vessels.
- Make sure there is more than one person who can handle operations of the boat.
- Be sure that all know how to swim.
- Wear a life jacket properly.
- Do not consume alcohol prior to or while out on a vessel. It is illegal to operate a boat with a blood alcohol level of .08 or higher which could result in mandatory loss of boating and driving privileges.

DID YOU KNOW

Did You Know Hurricane Seasons begins June 1st and ends Novembers 30th?

Please Plan, Prepare and Stay Informed.



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SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING

Whether you are at the beach, parks or traveling this summer, Sheriff Golden and the MCSO continue to remind all that if you See Something Say Something. Report suspicious activity to police. If it's an emergency call 911.



SEE SOMETHING
SAY SOMETHING



**REPORT SUSPICIOUS
ACTIVITY TO POLICE**

SLEO 1 CLASS BEGINS

Special Law Enforcement Officers, SLEO, Class I completed two weeks of training at the Monmouth County Police Academy. These recruits have an important role in public safety throughout the summer, particularly in our shore area as the busy season gets underway.

Sheriff Golden and the MCSO wish all recruits the best of luck as they embark on careers as public safety professionals.



ACTIVE SHOOTER DRILL CONDUCTED

An active shooter training exercise with County and local law enforcement, EMS and fire departments in the Bayshore Region was held on May 26 at Raritan High School in Hazlet in an effort to plan and be at the ready in the event an emergency were to occur.

The exercise was conducted to test and improve response and to see how well our municipal and county-level agencies collaborate with one other during the stress of a realistic simulation. The training will help strengthen the coordination and communication between public safety agencies across the region.

Sheriff Golden thanks all the participants of the Bayshore Monmouth County Active Shooter Partnership, which included law enforcement agencies in Hazlet, Aberdeen, Keyport, Atlantic Highlands, Brookdale Community College, Highlands, Holmdel, Keansburg, Matawan, Middletown, Union Beach, fire departments of Hazlet and Holmdel, EMS agencies from the Bayshore Region, the Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management, the Monmouth County Fire Marshal's Office, the Monmouth County Police Chiefs Association, the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office, the MCSO and the Monmouth County Emergency Response Team (MOCERT).



NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

There was no better way to kick off National Police Week in Monmouth County on May 9, than the ride to Washington DC as part of the Police Unity Tour. Sheriff Golden and the MCSO were proud to assist riders as the tour began in Eatontown. Members of law enforcement will also participate in the ride in October.

National Police Week was May 9 - 15. The MCSO paid tribute to all of the brave men and women who died in the line of duty and honored those who are serving or have served. We thank all for their hard work in protecting the public especially during these challenging times, as they go beyond the call of duty, and, will never forget those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Thank you for your service.



THANK YOU
TO ALL WHO SERVE
NATIONAL POLICE WEEK
MAY 9 - 15, 2021

A special acknowledgement to the MCSO sworn staff.

Whether they work in the courthouse, warrant/fugitive bureau, probation, civil process, the K-9 Unit or the Monmouth County Correctional Institution, these men and women take pride in their work and proudly demonstrate a commitment to law enforcement every day.

MCSO SHERIFF'S OFFICERS REMEMBERED

A touching ceremony was held outside the Monmouth County Police Academy on May 28 in remembrance of the thirteen officers of the MCSO who passed away over the years. Members of law enforcement and family members gathered by the flag pole where a wreath was placed in a tribute to all. Sheriff Golden and the MCSO are grateful to those dedicated servants who have gone before us.



MONMOUTH COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL UNVEILED

The Monmouth County Law Enforcement Officers Memorial honoring the 22 members of law enforcement who died in the line of duty was unveiled during a ceremony outside the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office on May 20. Sheriff Golden was proud to pay tribute and remember all, as the new monument was dedicated to our fallen law enforcement heroes. This monument symbolizes the sacrifices of our officers from Monmouth County who will never be forgotten. The MCSO thanks the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners for their unwavering support of the law enforcement community. It is greatly appreciated.



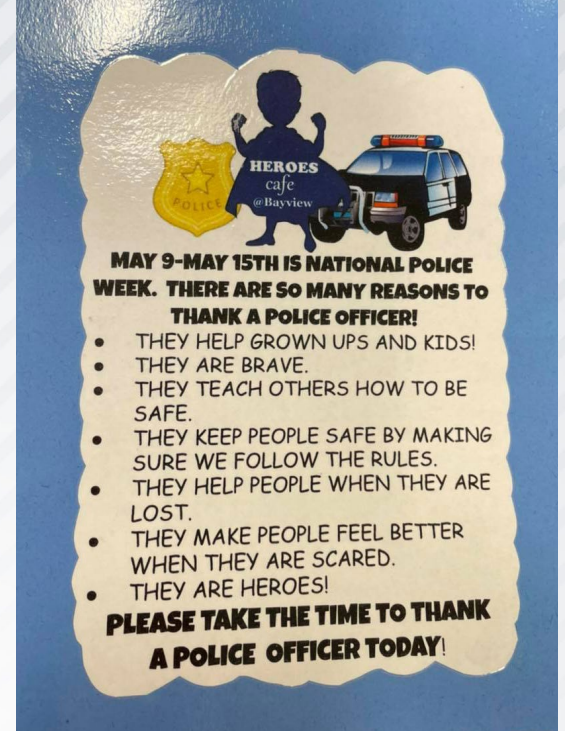
BEST OF LUCK TO FUTURE LEADERS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

As we honored and remembered our fallen heroes, it was important to wish all future leaders in law enforcement the very best as they embark on careers in public safety.

Sheriff Golden and the MCSO are proud of the of 100th Basic Course for Police Officers and the 51st Special Law Enforcement Officers Class who have been training at the Monmouth County Police Academy and graduate June 11. Best of luck and stay safe.



A HUGE THANKS TO STUDENTS OF BAYVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Sheriff Golden and the MCSO sent out a huge thank you to students of Bayview Elementary School in Middletown. Special needs students who run Heroes Café at the school presented sheriff's officers with a bunch of goodies to show their appreciation. MCSO is grateful for their kindness.

NATIONAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK

The MCSO was also proud to commemorate the fine correctional police officers of the Monmouth County Correctional Institution, during National Correctional Officers Week, May 2-8.

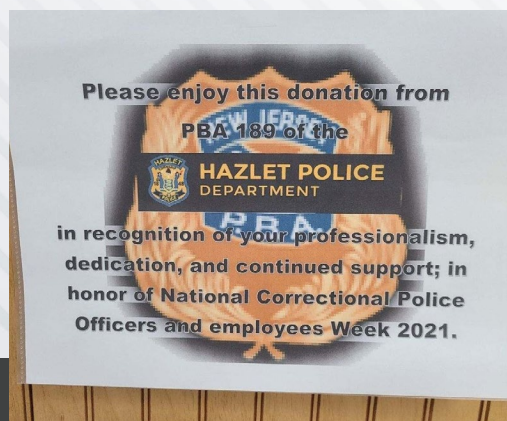
These corrections professionals are owed a tremendous debt of gratitude for their exceptional work in safeguarding lives and preserving peace in a correctional environment. There are many risks involved working as a correctional police officer that compromise safety and we thank all for their service, dedication and courage.

The Monmouth County Correctional Institution is nationally accredited in corrections and correctional healthcare.

In show of appreciation to our corrections officers, the PBA 189 of Hazlet Township PD donated lunch and dinner from Salernos Pizzeria in Hazlet. The Corrections Division thanks the PBA for their generosity.




THANK YOU
NATIONAL CORRECTIONAL
OFFICERS WEEK
MAY 2 - 8, 2021



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK

Hurricane Preparedness Week was May 9 – 15. The MCSO always stresses to plan, prepare and stay informed. That includes to Know Your Zone. Know Your Zone is designed to educate residents, businesses and visitors on the coastal evacuation zone in which they live, work or vacation. Sheriff Golden stresses that this information is particularly vital as we approach Hurricane Season which begins June 1.

KNOW YOUR ZONE!




MONMOUTH COUNTY COASTAL EVACUATION ZONES

A


B

C

D



MONMOUTH COUNTY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
MCSO.NJ.ORG/READY



Hurricane Preparedness **DEVELOP AN EVACUATION PLAN**



Find out today if you live in a hurricane evacuation zone and identify trusted sources for receiving evacuation orders. Plan for multiple options on where to go and how to get there. Have a go bag for supplies and a plan for your pets. Be prepared to leave immediately if ordered to evacuate.



Find out if you live in an evacuation zone



Plan several routes



Have a go bag for supplies



Plan for your pets



Follow evacuation orders if given

weather.gov/hurricane



MCSO RECOGNIZES EMS WEEK

Sheriff Golden and the MCSO recognized those who work in emergency medical services as EMS Week was celebrated May 16- 22. Emergency Medical Service providers are the most dedicated and committed group of people, made up mostly of volunteers who administer lifesaving efforts and emergency care. We thank all, locally and across the country, and give a special shout out to the NJ EMS Task Force. EMS workers were a vital part of the front line response throughout the pandemic and responded to daily emergencies.



MAY 16 - 22
EMS WEEK





INTERNATIONAL FIREFIGHTERS DAY



International
FIREFIGHTERS'
Day
May 4th



On May 4 we recognized the bravest as part of International Firefighters Day. Sheriff Golden and the MCSO thank all of the volunteer and paid firefighters throughout Monmouth County who courageously risk their lives to protect others.

We are proud of your bravery, courage and heroic efforts.

SHERIFF YOUTH WEEK 2021

Looking for a unique and great opportunity for teens with an interest in law enforcement? Well, look no further, the MCSO's Sheriff Youth Week will be held July 12-16. This innovative program allows high school aged students to explore interests in law enforcement through police academy training, physical fitness and instructional sessions. The class size is limited to 75 participants this year. Sheriff Golden looks forward to meeting and mentoring students who participate in the week long program, as many have moved on to become members of law enforcement.

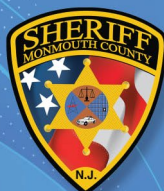
28th Annual SHERIFF YOUTH WEEK



The Sheriff Youth Week program offers a unique opportunity for young people to explore interests in law enforcement through police academy-style training, physical fitness and instructional sessions.

JULY 12-16, 2021

MONMOUTH COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER
2500 KOZLOSKI ROAD,
FREEHOLD, NJ



- Sheriff Youth Week is being held July 12- 16, 2021 from 7:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily.
- Each day's session begins and ends with one hour of rigorous exercise and drill.
- Cadets are taught by municipal, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies.
- Sheriff's Youth Week is free of charge and applications are accepted from Monmouth County high school-aged students (*graduated 8th grade going into high school, in high school or just graduated from high school*).
- For more information, please call Undersheriff Ted Freeman at (732) 431-6400 ext. 1110

NOTE: Background check will be done on all applicants

To download an application – go to www.monmouthsheriff.org, click on community outreach, click on Sheriff Youth Week, download the application and mail to Undersheriff Ted Freeman, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, 2500 Kozloski Road, Freehold, NJ 07728

Class size limited to 75 cadets

**MONMOUTH COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**
SHAUN GOLDEN, SHERIFF

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO WWII VET

The MCSO was proud to celebrate World War II Veteran Jack Sarnoff's 100th birthday at Brandywine Assisted Living in Englishtown, where he was presented with the Distinguished Service Medal of New Jersey, as a parade of first responder vehicles drove by. The MCSO was honored to be a part of this memorable event as a hero was celebrated. Sheriff Golden thanks Jack for his service and dedication to our country. Photos by the MCSO & MTTN TV, Manalapan Twp. Jack turned 100 on May 3, his celebration was May 1.



ACCOLADES GOING TO THE DOGS WITH SOME NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

A notable achievement by the MCSO's K-9 Unit as five of our teams achieved National Certification from the United States Police Canine Association, Inc. after competing in the trials held May 2 - 5. The USPCA has set the gold standard in K-9 training for 50 years and this is the first time in history that the MCSO has five nationally certified teams.

The teams that received national certification included: Sgt. David Lasko/K-9 Edge, S/O Kurt Kroeper/K-9 Gunner, S/O Michael Mindo/K-9 Tango, S/O Douglas Marino/K-9 Blue and S/O Devon Mockus/K-9 Harley

Individual team awards went to:

S/O Kurt Kroeper and Gunner/narcotics who came in 13th place overall in the nation & 3rd place in the "room" category overall in the nation.

Sgt. Lasko & S/O Kroeper came in 3rd place Top Department Team in the Nation.

Our newest K-9 team also earned bragging rights as S/O Elizabeth Imbriacco and K-9 Maggie received National Certification by the National Police Bloodhound Association. The trials took place in Maryland and Maggie had a pawsome experience impressing trainers.

Sheriff Golden is proud to have such a well established and highly trained K-9 unit who works year round to assist local police departments with narcotics detection, explosive detection and criminal or missing person searches.

Congrats to all!!



INMATE LABOR

The MCSO's Inmate Labor crew assisted Fire District 1 in Freehold Township to help prep firetrucks for the Memorial Day Parade. The Inmate Labor Program offers much needed assistance to towns, and helps lessen financial burdens they face due to budget constraints.



MCSO CELEBRATED MEMORIAL DAY

On Memorial Day, Sheriff Golden and the MCSO honored and remembered our heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice and saluted all of our veterans. Thank you all for your service.