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SHERIFF'S OFFICE BELOVED K-9 WHO HAS A NOSE FOR SNIFFING OUT CRIME & MELTS HEARTS THROUGHOUT MONMOUTH COUNTY RETIRES

Monmouth County: For nearly ten years K-9 Skye has certainly been barking up the right tree as one of the most valuable Bloodhounds in the State of New Jersey, with a nose for sniffing out crime. After serving the residents of Monmouth County since 2014, Skye is hanging up her harness. On Friday Dec.15, Sheriff Shaun Golden and the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office celebrated Skye and Sgt. Kurt Kroeper's years of success, with her walkout on the trail to retirement.

"Skye had an exceptional career and made a great impact in the fight against crime in Monmouth County and beyond," said Sheriff Shaun Golden. "Sgt. Kroeper and Skye were called into service more than 1000 times. Through tracking and trailing, the team assisted the sheriff's office and local police departments in apprehending criminals and locating missing persons, such as children and individuals with Alzheimer's disease. We thank Skye for her tremendous loyalty, service and dedication to the job. She will be missed."

Skye came from Southern Pride Bloodhounds in Northern New Jersey, was trained by bloodhound instructors at the Ocean County Sheriff's Office and earned national certification by the Police Bloodhound Association in North Carolina.

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In addition to her commitment to combatting crime, Skye participated in record breaking K-9 demonstrations in Monmouth County, had her picture taken with more people than Santa and no doubt has melted many hearts.

"Skye gave her best to Monmouth County and I'm grateful to the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office for providing me and Skye with this great opportunity," said Sgt Kurt Kroeper. "She was an outstanding partner and member of our K-9 Unit. I look forward to Skye living out the rest of her years with me and enjoying long walks while watching the sunrise and set."

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