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INFORMATION RELEASE

On December 15, 2023, the Randolph County Sheriff's Office held their awards program with Sheriff Greg Seabolt recognizing the recipients.

Our **Community Partners of the Year Award** winners were **Dark Intentions Window Tinting and Signs, S & S Auto Body Repair, and Octave Marketing Agency.**

Dark Intentions has been an important part of keeping our equipment, K9s, and deputies cool inside of a patrol car. They are a full-service family-owned company with 28 years of experience located in Asheboro. They specialize in automotive, commercial, residential, and dealership window tinting, automobile customization and signs. They also specialize in custom accessories for automobiles, motorcycles, and more. Their goal has always been to provide excellent customer service, quick turnaround times, and professionalism. Their dedication to quality work and customer service has earned them a reputation for producing superior results. They realize that their work represents their business.



S & S Auto Body Repair is an important partner in keeping our patrol cars on the road and up to performance standards after minor and major auto body damage.

S&S Auto was started in 1982 by owners Todd Smith and his father Doug Smith. This family-owned business has always stood by its quality work no matter how big or small the job. With over 40 years in the auto body business, their knowledge and customer service are second to none. With

quick turnaround times and dedication to detail, the Sheriff's Office is proud to partner with Todd and the S&S Auto Team. They realize that their work represents their business.



Octave Marketing Agency – We worked with local company Octave Marketing for a little over a year to develop a top-notch recruitment video. We appreciate their time, fresh perspective, experienced approach to marketing and the dedication they put into the project at NO COST to the Sheriff's Office or the citizens of Randolph County. They realize that their finished product represents their business.



Congratulations and Thank You to Dark Intentions, S & S Auto Body and Octave Marketing!

Life Saving Awards: awarded to officers in appreciation for the prompt and unselfish act of rendering aid and assistance to a fellow citizen or law enforcement officer that resulted in the saving of a life.

Detention Center:

February 26, 2023

- Detention Officer James Gibson
- Detention Officer Brandon Cox
- Detention Sgt. Sean Craven
- RN April Hughes



Courthouse:

August 2, 2023

- Former Dep. Michael Bullis - retired
- Dep. Chase Trogdon
- Dep. Emily Aljets
- Probation Officer Shantonia Coleman



Patrol:

April 4, 2023

- Dep. Brenton Douglas

June 2, 2023

- Sgt. Jessie Thacker
- Dep. Rami Amer



SRO:

December 1, 2023

- Dep. Jeremiah Harrelson



Top Gun Awards:

- Det. Justin Carter - First Place Male (100 average)



- Dep. Corina Bowles –First Place Female (98 average) - Not present



- Patrol Shift D – First Place (accepted by Lt. Goodnight on behalf of the team – 94.8 average)



Officer of the Year Awards by division - Sheriff Seabolt recognized the following division officers and civilian employees for their dedication, exemplary performance and professional conduct in 2023, chosen by their fellow employees.



Bailiff Division – Lt. Nathan Hollingsworth



Civil Division – Cpl. Neill Blackmon



Civilian – Heather Tilley



Criminal Interdiction Teams – Sgt. Cody Jordan



Criminal Investigations Division – Detective Sgt. Brittany Beck



Fleet Maintenance – Roger Parris (not present)



Patrol Division – Senior Patrol Luke Wible



School Resource Unit – Cpl. Randy White



Detention Center – tie: Lt. Michael Hogan and Lt. Rob Polito



Detention Center Admin/Maintenance – 1st. Lt. Cynthia Hayworth



Transportation / House Arrest – Deputy Troy Albright



Volunteer Service Awards –
Bud Kauffman, Chris Dorsett, Ken Rhodes, Debbie Wise,
Stella Kearns and Ed Collins (not present)



Sheriff's Commendation 2023 Award is selected from the division winners, in recognition of outstanding policing or investigatory ability, consistent high levels of commitment and professionalism, or where the individual's actions are far beyond what would normally be expected. This year's Commendation Award is in memory of Sheriff Robert Mason.
Robert Russell Mason 1932-1989

– Sheriff of Randolph County 1978-1989. Sheriff Mason died on September 15, 1989, while in office serving the third year of his third term.

Mason, a 6'7" Korean War Veteran, came out of the Army in 1953 and joined the Asheboro Police Department in 1954, where he served for 23 years and rose through the ranks from a beat patrolman, a sergeant, a lieutenant, a captain, and the Assistant Police Chief. He also served more than 20 years with the NC National Guard until January 1983.

He was elected as Sheriff in 1978, in his second bid for the office, defeating then-Sheriff Carl Moore. He was subsequently re-elected in 1982 and 1986.

An article published in the Courier-Tribune following his death stated that he had inherited an organization comprised of 52 ill-equipped deputies – men and women who supplied their own guns – 28 high mileage patrol cars in varying degrees of maintenance with staggering maintenance costs, and a 43-year-old jail that did double duty as a police station. Drawing on his military and police background, he immediately established a chain of command in the department.

Shortly after taking office, the county jail was renovated, and the department headquarters moved into what was the former Health Department located on North Cox St. and named the Pugh Law Enforcement Building.

By 1989, Sheriff Mason had increased the office manpower to 75 deputies, all outfitted with the most modern crime control devices at that time, and more than doubled the number of patrol cars on the street to 69. During the years of his service, the fleet increased in number, but operational costs went down. They were traded before they needed major repairs.

Some of the programs implemented during his time as Sheriff were a vice and narcotics unit, civil division, crime scene and evidence processing unit, emergency response team, a drug awareness resistance education program (D.A.R.E.) in the Randolph County and Asheboro schools, and a widespread Community Watch network.

According to other law enforcement officials at the time of his death, “Robert Mason was a Sheriff who did a lot for law enforcement in Randolph County.”

Selected as the overall Officer of the Year for the **2023 Sheriff’s Commendation Award** in memory of Sheriff Robert Mason is Det. Sgt. Brittany Beck.

