



LARIMER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Ten Larimer County Jail employees and a patrol deputy were given Lifesaving Awards by Larimer County Sheriff Justin Smith last night at the agency's annual awards ceremony. The awards stem from three separate suicide incidents where Sheriff's personnel were able to save the lives of the people in distress. Sheriff Smith said all of the personnel demonstrated alertness, responsibility and remained calm and professional.

Awards were also given for distinguished and meritorious service to the Larimer County Sheriff's Office in addition to two unit commendations. Recipients of Sheriff's Commendations awarded throughout the year were also acknowledged.

One highlight of the evening was a surprise appearance by retired Undersheriff Ern Hudson who was presented with a special retirement commission by Larimer County Sheriff Justin Smith.

Lifesaving Award: Granted to an employee who takes direct action and saves the life of another person who would have died if immediate action had not been taken.

Corporal Ed Maynard	Deputy Travis Kerr	Deputy Brian Nowling
Nurse Amanda Jarman	Deputy Ryan Greene	Corporal John Hartecker
Nurse Ashley Myers	Nurse Meredith Dole	Medical Assistant Phillip Conner
Deputy Joe Pugliese	Deputy Thomas Hagerman	

Distinguished Service Award: Awarded to an employee for sustained superior performance, over and above their normal duties, that was extremely beneficial to the community and reflected positively on the agency.

Deputy Earl Fawcett	Deputy Jeff Armentrout	Investigator Margaret Johanson (HG)
Sergeant Ian Stewart (HG)	Lieutenant Robert Cook (HG)	Deputy Paul Sims (HG)
Deputy Jack Newton (HG)	Deputy Shane Stephenson (HG)	Lieutenant Michael Brooks (HG)

HG = Honor Guard

Meritorious Service Award: Awarded for a specific incident or accomplishment which an employee performed in an outstanding manner, resulting in positive recognition for the employee and the agency.

Deputy Drew Weber	Investigator Jonathan Cox	Investigator Kevin Maul
Deputy Mitch Lindner (2)	Explorer Ben Gurwin	Corporal Dan Gilliam
Sergeant Lucinda Gordon	Investigations Unit (29 individuals)	Deputy Jackie Knudsen
Corporal Brian Peranteaux		

Unit Commendation: An award to an entire division, section, unit, or platoon to recognize an outstanding job or accomplishment by a team of individuals.

Patrol Honor Guard