

City of Newburgh

Press Release

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City of Newburgh Police Hold 2006 Awards Ceremony

The City of Newburgh Police Department honored their own in a formal awards ceremony held on May 18 at City Hall. The Hudson Valley Regional Police Pipe & Drum Corps preceded the honorees into the City Council Chamber for the 4 p.m. event. The following awards were given:

Years of service:

5 years of continuous service - Detective Thomas Nafey, Police Officer John Buckley, Police Officer Kenneth Brune, Police Officer Michael Loscerbo, Police Officer Christina Morrison, Police Officer Jeffrey Perez

10 years of continuous service - Sergeant Donald Bruce Campbell, Sergeant Charles Jackson, Detective Peter Vancura, Police Officer Richard Carrion, Police Officer John Koptula, Police Officer John Perez.

15 years of continuous service - Lieutenant Patrick Arnold, Sergeant Joseph Lee, Detective David Hasbrouck, Detective Timothy Napoli, Police Officer Gary Liano, Police Officer Michael Miller

Military service award:

Given to officers who served in our Armed Force, during recognized times of military conflict.

Sergeant Charles Jackson (Army-Desert Storm, Desert Shield), Sergeant Frank Labrada (Army-Enduring Freedom), Sergeant Thomas Murphy (Navy-Gulf War), Detective Roberta Goodman (Air Force-Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom / currently on active duty), Police Officer Nicholas Cardinale (Army -Enduring Freedom), Police Officer Richard Hammer (Marine Corps-Desert Shield, Desert Storm), Police Officer Howard Ladlee (Army-Desert Storm, Desert Shield), Police Officer Jamal Lewis (Army-Enduring Freedom), Police Officer Eugene O'Toole (Army-Enduring Freedom), Police Officer Michael Pitt (Air Force-Desert Storm), Police Officer Batiste Tucker (Air Force-Desert Storm, Desert Shield)

Unit Citation:

City of Newburgh Police Department Detective Division
City of Newburgh Police Department Community Response Team
City of Newburgh Police Department Proactive Arrest Team
City of Newburgh Police Department SWAT Team

Excellent Police Duty:

Awarded to any member who, in the line of police duty, is responsible for an intelligent act, which materially contributes to a valuable police accomplishment, or any member who performs a task in an exemplary manner, thereby displaying alertness, efficiency and dedication. Included in this subdivision will be any police investigation performed by any member of the department, that is deemed extraordinary in nature, and where he/she acted above the norm or scope of his/her position in the department.

Sergeant Donald Bruce Campbell, Sergeant William Rose, Sergeant Timothy Toomey, Detective Jason Albrechtsen, Detective Thomas Nafey, Detective Peter Vancura, Detective Aaron Weaver (2), Detective Paul Weber, Detective Frank Leonard Zapka, Police Officer John Buckley (2), Police Officer Steven Bunt (2), Police Officer Joseph Cortez (2), Police Officer Thomas Douglass, Police Officer Erik Eltz (2), Police Officer Anthony Giudice, Police Officer Curtis Hahne, Police Officer Richard Hammer, Police Officer Kevin Lahar (2), Police Officer William Lahar (2), Police Officer Michael Loscerbo, Police Officer Eugene O'Toole, Police Officer Joseph Rose, Police Officer Joseph Rutigliano, Police Officer Vincent Spampinato-TNPD, Police Officer John Staton, Police Officer Robert Vasta

Meritorious Police Duty:

Awarded to any member who distinguishes himself/herself meritoriously by taking appropriate action in an unusual or hazardous circumstance where the member is responsible for bringing the incident to a successful conclusion. There must be an element of risk involved.

Sergeant William Alan Anderson, Detective Roberta Goodman, Senior Investigator Aniello Mascato-NYSP, Detective Christopher Swenson, Detective Aaron Weaver, Police Officer John Buckley, Police Officer Kevin Burns, Police Officer Erik Eltz, Police Officer Richard Hammer, Police Officer Kevin Lahar, Police Officer William Lahar, Police Officer Michael Loscerbo, Police Officer Eric Sickler, Police Officer John Staton (2), Police Officer Joseph Rutigliano

Bronze Star:

Awarded for an act involving personal danger in the intelligent performance of duty or for a highly credible, unusual departmental accomplishment performed under adverse conditions.

Sergeant Frank Labrada

“We are very proud of the dedicated men and women of the City of Newburgh Police Department,” said City Manager Jean-Ann McGrane. “Their exemplary performance in the line of duty and their demonstrated commitment to this community have earned them a well-deserved reputation as one of the finest police forces in New York State.”

“It is an honor and a pleasure for me to work with this fine team,” said Chief Eric Paolilli. “In the course of day-to-day police business, we often don’t have time to tell our officers how much their hard work, their courage, and their dedication means. This awards ceremony offers us an opportunity to congratulate them and recognize all that they do.”