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Dale Pflughaupt of Chesterton is Awarded the Community Service Award



Pictured Above (From Left): Dale Pflughaupt of Chesterton and David Cincoski, Chief of the Chesterton Police Department.

Indianapolis, IN (February 5, 2016) —The Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) held their annual awards ceremony last month during the IACP Mid-Winter Conference. Among the honorees, was Dale Pflughaupt of Chesterton, winner of the 2015 Community Service Award.

Indiana has a wealth of law enforcement professionals who go above and beyond the call of duty in pursuit of excellence. The IACP holds an annual awards ceremony in conjunction with the Mid-Winter Conference, to honor and promote excellence within the Indiana Law Enforcement community.

The Chesterton Police Department has had a reserve officer program since 1987. In 1993, Dale Pflughaupt applied to be a reserve officer with the Chesterton Police Department. Reserve officers are civilian personnel, who after completing statutory requirements and training, may obtain reserve officer status and function as a fully sworn police officer with no compensation.

Pflughaupt has now been a reserve officer for 22 years, serving just over 10,360 hours of service to the department, all without pay or compensation. This is more hours than any Reserve Officer has served to date and well above the minimum required amount of hours. During this time, Pflughaupt has supplemented the duty officers by adding an extra officer on the street when they come out for their shift. As a reserve officer Pflughaupt takes his own law enforcement actions, back up officers on their respective calls, and assists with a multitude of events that the Department is faced with. He is currently the second longest employee of the department.

David Cincoski, Chief of the Chesterton Police Department, nominated Pflughaupt for the 2015 Community Service Award stating, “Dale’s number of hours of service has increased officer safety, officer presence in the community, and due to his professionalism, the program has garnered a well-respected image in the community.”

In Pflughaupt’s service as a reserve officer, he has served in many capacities including: Emergency Response Team Member, currently 2nd in command of the reserve unit, selection and investigative board for new reserve applicants, and field training program for the training of new reserves.

To see all the award winners from the IACP Mid-Winter Conference, please visit www.iacop.org.

About the Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)

The Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police represents in excess of 95% of municipal law enforcement from around the state of Indiana and has been chartered since 1922. It and its sister foundation provide educational training and benefits to its nearly 500 members.

The mission of the Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police is to promote professionalism, training and networking for the law enforcement executive and to enhance public awareness of law enforcement and public safety issues.

The Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police is an individual member organization consisting of ten local districts within the State of Indiana. Each District has its own elected two-year representative on the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors develops policies and programs for the membership as a whole. To learn more about the IACP, please visit www.iacop.org.

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