

The Sheriff's

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Office of the Sheriff County of Monroe

SHERIFF PATRICK M. O'FLYNN

Holiday Edition 2015



MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF

We hope that you've been able to enjoy the holiday season with family and friends. I appreciate the sacrifices you make throughout the year to serve our community. Many of you have gone above and beyond in your duties to serve the people of this county. I look forward to coming to work everyday because of your continued progress and achievements to make us the highly respected agency we are. You've shown continued commitment not only to

to have a dedicated staff, and some of you have even shown life saving skills because of your training and dedication. As you go about your work I ask again that you keep our core values in mind. Respect, Integrity, Teamwork, and Excellence are values which guide us in our daily work. Since the last edition of this newsletter we've welcomed a new class of recruits to our jail, our court bureau, and the road patrol. I appreciate your willingness to serve and please know you are joining a special family of brothers and sisters in law enforcement. We are fortunate to have a talented staff of experienced and highly trained deputies. I wish you, your family, and friends a happy holiday season, and here's to our continued success in 2016.



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me and your immediate supervisors, but more importantly to the general public. I can't thank you enough for the hard work you display on a daily basis. While the achievements we've made are too numerous to count, I was delighted to recognize your work at our annual awards luncheon in September. We are fortunate

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SALVATION ARMY RED KETTLE CAMPAIGN

On Friday December 4, at the Four Corners of Main Street in Rochester, our deputies continued to show their generosity by volunteering as bell ringers for the Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Campaign. Monies raised will help provide food, shelter, and compassion to needy families.



Sergeant Karen Vargo and Deputy Frank Trinca



Chief Phil Gombatto, Sergeant Ron Prate



Corporal John Helfer, Major Doug Hart, Deputy Andrew Loughlen, and Major Judy Hart



CHRISTMAS BASKETS

We are grateful to the senior citizens in our community who help us give back to those less fortunate in the Monroe County area. For more than 30 years the Sheriff's Office has provided Christmas baskets to needy families. Many of the senior citizens who take part in this project are familiar with the Sheriff's Office, as they have participated in one of the many senior academies offered throughout the year. They learn all about the different areas of the Sheriff's Office and they always walk away impressed with our operation and the

professionalism that our men and women show on a daily basis. These seniors donate their time to wrap boxes that were delivered to needy families. These boxes are distributed as part of a holiday gift and food program. The donations are certainly appreciated. Joan Bigham of Rochester wrote to the Democrat and Chronicle to say, "The department delivered Christmas food baskets to the St. Charles Holiday Food Basket program this year; helping us provide food to those in need. We appreciate their generosity and Christmas spirit." The Sheriff's Office would also

like to thank the Monroe County Sheriff's Foundation for their generous donation to purchase several toys and food that were delivered as part of this program. Deputies visited; St. Francis Americana in the City of Rochester, Community Place in Rochester, St. Charles Borromeo in Greece, Faith Temple Apostolic Church in the City of Rochester, and the Sojourner House in the City of Rochester. More than 140 boxes of food were delivered helping more than 250 children in our area.



S.O.A.R.

Sheriff's Office Association Retirees (SOAR) want you! Are you preparing to retire or are you within two to three years from retirement? Are you sworn or civilian? If you are, you are invited to join a great social organization. SOAR membership is open to all retired and those who are near retirement. We meet four times a year to get together to see fellow employees for conversation and a meal.

We also try to keep tabs on contract issues both past and present. We stand in "Alliance" with all seven unions of the Sheriff's Office. Those of us who are retired can be there to answer questions for those of you who are planning to retire.

For more information contact:
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Retired Since Last Edition

Investigator Jonathan Tahara
 Investigator Michael Burnside
 Sergeant Nick Ange
 Sergeant Alfred DeRosa
 Sergeant Jeff Klein
 Corporal Gregg Gorcica
 Deputy Anthony Albertelli
 Deputy David Lipinczyk
 Deputy Gary Cecere
 Deputy Peter Pratt
 Deputy Dennis Cain
 Deputy Michael Connelie
 Deputy Tina Kraus
 Deputy Scott Nava
 Deputy Richard Pignato
 Deputy Richard Stirpe
 Deputy Peter Blauvelt
 Deputy Mark Sauln
 Deputy Thomas Doherty
 Deputy Andy Hildreth
 Deputy Daniel Legault
 Deputy Martin Ward
 Corporal Gregg Gorcica
 Deputy Gino Arbore
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Promoted Since Last Edition

Deputy Mike Shannon to Investigator



COURT DEPUTIES AT MONROE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

A number of Court Security Bureau deputies made frequent trips to Monroe Community Hospital right before Christmas to spread some holiday cheer with patients. Many of these patients go without a gift if it were not for the generosity of our employees. There were at least three separate trips to the hospital. Deputy Frank Trinca looked an awful lot like Santa Claus and deputies Russo and Haefner drew a striking resemblance to Mrs. Claus. Deputies Hartung, Mandell, MacDonald, Yohance, and Garcia all assisted with the delivery of gifts.



THE WAY WE WERE

Quartermaster Todd Allen, Agency Historian

"The Business of Being Sheriff"

While hunting on eBay for historical treasure, I found a "stamp-less envelope" from 1832. The envelope was prepaid by the sender as prior to the United States Post Office issuing stamps in 1847, letters were sent to recipients either prepaid or postage collect. I was fortunate to be the high bidder and acquired this antique. Now, on its face stamp-less envelopes have some collectability, but this one was addressed to Sheriff Ezra Parsons, our fifth Sheriff (b. 1798 – d. 1881). The envelope was actually a Court Order requiring Sheriff Parsons to collect the rather large sum of \$376.71 in funds or goods on behalf of Mr. Otis Loomier.

Sheriff Parsons was to obtain that sum or equal value in goods or lands from Mr. Amos Temple who apparently wronged Mr. Loomier thus winning that judgment.

On the document, in Sheriff Parson's own hand is the notation (paraphrasing) "I can find no goods within my bailiwick" (that can be applied to the judgment). So apparently, Mr. Loomier was out of luck.

This document, as it turns out, is the oldest article in our archives (184 years old).

I was pleased to donate this to our archives and it will soon be on display.

America in 1832

- The U.S. flag consisted of 24 stars.
- The President was Andrew Jackson.
- American Indians living on the East Coast begin to be relocated on what would be called the "Trail of Tears."
- Horatio Alger and Louisa May Alcott are born.
- Charles Carroll, the last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence, dies at the age of 95.

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