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MONTEREY POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES OFFICER AND PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Monterey Chief of Police Tim Shelby is proud to announce the selection of Sergeant Bill Clark as the Monterey Police Department's 2010 Officer of the Year and Crime Analyst Paula Johnson as our 2010 Professional Employee of the Year.

Sergeant Clark joined the Department in April 1989. After serving 4 years as a patrol officer, Sergeant Clark was selected to become a detective. There he demonstrated his tenacity, thoroughness, and innate ability to solve crime. He was soon elevated to a Senior Detective position and became a regionally-recognized expert in investigations, particularly those related to narcotics enforcement.

In 2006 Clark was promoted to sergeant. After a short period on patrol, he was assigned to Personnel and Training. In a very short time, Clark was selected to go back to the Detective Division, this time to lead our investigative efforts. Since that time, he has developed a competent and professional team of detectives committed to keeping Monterey a safe place in which to live, work and visit. Sergeant Clark also serves as a team leader on the Monterey Peninsula Regional Special Response Unit.

Crime Analyst Paula Johnson joined the Department in May 1988 as the Police Operations Coordinator. In that role she was responsible for providing support to management staff, Community Services and eventually, the investigations unit. Ms. Johnson was responsible for preparing our annual input for the Federal Bureau of Investigations Uniform Crime Report (UCR). The latter assignment piqued her curiosity regarding crime patterns and predictive measures.

In 1996 Paula began integrating crime analysis into her every day job function and in 1998, after receiving extensive training, was reclassified as the Department's Crime Intelligence Specialist. Her statistical analysis, intimate knowledge of our Records Management System, and ability to track and identify crime trends has proven to be a valuable resource for patrol staff, detectives, and management. Ms. Johnson has proven to be an integral member of the Monterey Police Department team.

Both will be recognized at the Police Department's Annual Awards event later this year as well as at upcoming recognition dinners through the Monterey County Peace Officers' Association.

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