Incident: Police Volunteers Recognized

Details: At a recent ceremony, several Newport Police Volunteers were recognized for their 2008 contributions to the City. The following volunteers received the Presidential Volunteer Service Award:

- Gold Award: Wayde Dudley
- Silver Award: Barbara Dudley, Wayne Hill
- Bronze Award: Michael Larsen, Al Poshusta, Ron Thomas

These volunteers are among the twenty volunteers currently donating their skills and time to the Police Department for various activities. Volunteers assist with emergency preparedness, traffic safety, public education, research, public assistance, and special projects. Last year the value of volunteers' donated time to the City was more than $17,000.00. Chief Mark Miranda stated, “Our volunteers are a force multiplier for the Police Department. We could not accomplish as much without their valuable help.”

The President’s Council on Service and Civic Participation was established in 2003 to recognize the valuable contributions volunteers are making in our communities, and to encourage more people to serve. The Council created the President’s Volunteer Service Award program as a way to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service.

The Newport Police Department is always looking to recruit more volunteers. Please contact 541-574-3348 to ask for a volunteer application or to obtain more information.

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