

# 2010 VOLUNTEER AWARDS CEREMONY



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 2011**  
**City Council Chambers**

## LEONARD LEMAY AWARD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



### JOE MARTINEZ



Joe Martinez has been a Senior Volunteer since August of 1990. During the past 20 plus years Joe has volunteered 15426 hours. Joe married his wife Jan (another person up for Saint Hood) in October of 1969. Joe worked for the USAF from 1951 to 1976 as a mechanic when an injury ended his ability work as a mechanic. He reentered the work force briefly then turned to volunteering.

Prior to him joining the Senior Volunteer Program, Joe volunteered with the Inland Northwest Red Cross. Joe has training in front line leadership, mass care, Hazmat response, damage assessment, radiation accidents, and administering to small disasters.

Joe has done most every task the seniors do over the past 20 years. Joe works at all community events. He has worked with McGruff, car seat safety checks, employee celebration functions, and he is the current radar trailer expert. Joe does vacation home checks and delivers intra-department mail.

One of Joe's most important jobs is to council the Sergeant on everything from world and local events, home remodeling, marital relationships, religion, raising children, money, crime, pets, health, the human condition, and anything else he can think of; Joe pretty much knows everything!

Joe always seems to be in charge. Joe knows what tasks he is suppose to be doing and carries them out. Joe supports the Spokane Police Department and this community in everything he does. The Spokane Police Department is a better place to be due to Joe's dedication and support.

**Thank you Joe for all you do!**

## SENIOR VOLUNTEER AWARDS



### IN MEMORY—RUTH BERGLUND



Ruth began volunteering with the Senior Volunteers in July 31, 1996. During the past 14 plus years, Ruth has volunteered over 7500 hours which was an average of 50 hours per month. Ruth was born on December 18, 1910 in Baggs, WY. Imagine what life was like in Wyoming in 1910. Ruth truly was a Pioneer Woman!

Ruth passed away on November 23, 2010 just 25 days from her 99 birthday. Volunteering was who she was. We will miss her passion for life and her passion to serve others.

**Thanks for all you gave to us, Ruth!**

### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD—GENE LALIBERTE

Gene has been with the Senior Volunteers since November of 1990. During the past 20 plus years Gene has donated approximately 40,800 hours which is an average of over 1900 hours per year. He is truly and inspiration to everyone he has contact with.

Gene passed away on Friday February 18, 2011; he was 91. Gene was also going to be presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award, which read as follows:

November 1990 thru January 2011 and beyond. 40800 hours volunteered and growing. Your dedication and leadership motivates us all! Your thoughtfulness and compassion are timeless! You are an inspiration to volunteers everywhere! You are an inspiration to everyone!



**Thanks for all you gave to us, Gene!**

## SENIOR VOLUNTEER AWARDS



### SWAT GIRL AWARDS



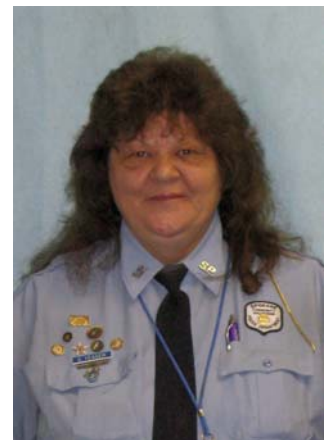
**Rosemary Hiller**  
Volunteer since  
May 1995



**Kate Padilla**  
Volunteer since  
February 2005



**Linda Wallick**  
Volunteer since  
August 2003



**Gayle Yeager**  
Volunteer since  
January 2005

### PERSEVERANCE AND COMMITMENT AWARD—HAZEL VERCRUYSSSE



Hazel has been with the Senior Volunteers since April of 1989. During the past 21 plus years Hazel has donated over 18192 hours.

In 2010, Hazel donated 672 hours. Hazel donates her time doing vacation home checks, intra-department mail delivery, community events, McGruff events, car seat checks, and employee celebration functions. Hazel's application for Saint Hood is being process for having to put up with and deal with Joe Martinez.

**Thanks for all you do Hazel!**

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## IRON MAN AWARDS



**Norm Evans**  
Volunteer since  
January 2001

During the past 10 plus years, Norm has donated over 14,500 hours which is an average of over 134 hours per month. In 2010, Norm donated 1240 hours, working the front desk and with SIU.

Norm works in many other areas of the SPD. Norm signs up for all community events and is also one of the first to respond when there is a critical incident.

**Thanks for all you do Norm!**

During the past 13 years Wayne has donated 16943 hours. In 2010, Wayne donated 1444 hours.

Wayne continues to volunteer with the Senior Fraud Specialist Team doing evidence and property recovery. Wayne is at most major community events, and he never hesitates to come out on emergencies when called.

**Thanks for all you do Wayne!**



**Wayne Lythgoe**  
Volunteer since  
December 1997

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## IRON MAN AWARDS



**Ray Ripley**  
Volunteer since  
October 1997

During the past 13 plus years Ray has donated over 8700 hours. In 2010 Ray dealt with some health issues and he still volunteered 1015 hours. Ray enters stolen gun information for the SPD and ATF.

Ray also helps with the never ending number of abandoned autos. He handles all school zone complaints, criminal notices to landlords, volunteer call outs, community special events and he helps records clear back logged report notices to victims. Ray is always doing something new for someone.

**Thanks for all you do Ray!**

During the past 15 plus years, Bill has donated over 12416 hours. In 2010 Bill donated 1166 hours.

Bill continues to volunteer with the Senior Fraud Specialist Team doing evidence and property recovery. In his spare time Bill works as McGruff and is at all major community events. Bill never hesitates to come out on emergencies when called.

**Thanks for all you do Bill!**



**Bill Saylor**  
Volunteer since  
September 1995

## SENIOR VOLUNTEER AWARDS



### SENIOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR MARLA MCDONALD



Marla McDonald started with the Senior Volunteers in July of 2009. She has volunteered over 660 hours in the past 18 months. During the move from the Public Safety Building to the new Gardner Building Marla was working in support of the investigative clerical staff. Marla filled in extensively while some members of the staff were dealing with health issues. Her dedication meant an almost seamless transition.

**Thanks for all you do Marla!**

## CO-OP AWARDS



### ROOKIE OF THE YEAR BRANDON LYNCH



Brandon has been a CO-OP since February of 2010. During the past year Brandon has volunteered 847 hours. Brandon volunteers an average of 80 plus hours per month. He is attending EWU in the Criminal Justice Program.

In 2010 Brandon has worked hard as a CO-OP. He is currently working as an FTO and is a Level II CO-OP and is one of four CO-OP Sergeants. He is responsible too, as a trainer for new CO-OPs in the program.

For only being in the program for one year, Brandon has been very impressive. He is always looking to expand his responsibilities; many will have to wait until he becomes a full time Police Officer.

**Thanks for all you do, Brandon!**

# CO-OP AWARDS



## EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP



**Jon Graham**

Jon started as an Explorer in November of 2003 where he volunteered 1344 hours over three years. He returned as a CO-OP in February of 2009. Jon donated over 892 hours in 2010.

Jon is currently working and attending school while volunteering. He is one of two CO-OP Lieutenants. Jon is an FTO and Level II CO-OP. Jon's work in the program is exemplary given his outside schedule. This is directly related to Jon's dedication and commitment.

**Thanks for all you do, Jon!**

Brad joined the CO-OPs in November of 2009. Brad is a student at SCC in the Law Enforcement program. Brad also works for Safeway to support his school habit. Brad is a CO-OP Sergeant and is a Level II CO-OP.

Brad works hard at whatever he does. He is always looking to improve and seems to enjoy the constant counseling sessions I have with some of the other members of the program.

**Thanks for all you do Brad!**



**Brad Zook**

Kyle started with the CO-OPs in March of 2008. He volunteered 1050 hours in 2010. Kyle has volunteered 2003 hours over that past three years. Kyle is currently the Captain of the CO-OPs. He is a FTO and Level II CO-OP. He coordinates training efforts with the CO-OPS to make sure that the CO-OPs have quality training and opportunities to get into the field and support patrol.

Kyle's dedication and support of the CO-OPs have brought us many recruits. Kyle graduated from EWU in the spring of 2010. He works two part time jobs, one with Safeway and also with District 81 Security. Kyle's work with the CO-OPs is in addition to very hectic home, and work schedule. Kyle is an excellent leader.



**Kyle Trotchie**

**Thanks for all you do Kyle!**

## CO-OP AWARDS



### CO-OP OF THE YEAR GREG THOMPSON



Greg has been a CO-OP since November of 2009. Greg volunteered 777 hours in 2010. Greg is currently a student at Spokane EWU where he is studying Accounting and Business. Along with going to school full time, Greg works part time in the family business.

During 2010 Greg has been very active with the CO-OP program. Greg is one of four Corporals in the program, a Level II CO-OP and FTO. Greg assists training new CO-OPs out in the field supporting Patrol. Greg is an excellent CO-OP and will be an excellent law enforcement officer if he so chooses.

**Thanks for all you do Greg!**

# EXPLORER AWARDS



## ROOKIE OF THE YEAR ISAAC FOLEY



Issac has been an Explorer with our Post since July 2010. He has contributed 185 hours of service since then. He attended both the Summer Academy, where he was a Basic Explorer, and Winter Academy, where he was an Advanced Explorer. During Summer Academy, Isaac won 2nd place in the Male Physical Agility competition. Isaac shows a true passion for Explorers and he can always be counted on for any task.

Thanks for all you do Isaac!

## LEADERSHIP AWARD AUTUMN LADINES

Autumn has been an Explorer with our Post since January of 2009. This year she really stood out as a leader by taking on more responsibility within the Post. Autumn started out in 2010 as the Sergeant of the Post. She was promoted to Lieutenant by the end of the year.

She contributed 723 hours of service in 2010. Autumn is responsibly for writing up the Post Minutes after every meeting and she also writes articles for the Spokane Police Newsletter about what the Post's accomplishments. She attended both the summer and winter Academy as an Advanced Explorer. At the Summer Academy, Autumn won 3rd place Female Physical Agility. At the Winter Academy, she won 2nd place Female Physical Agility. She is a true leader!



Thanks for all you do Autumn!

## EXPLORER AWARDS



### EXPLORER OF THE YEAR

#### ALISHA FISKVIK



Alisha has been a member of the SPD Explorer Post since February of 2008. She contributed 541 hours in 2010. Alisha was Lieutenant for the Post for most of 2010 and was promoted to the rank of Captain, the highest rank in the post, at the end of the year.

Alisha oversees all of the activities of the Post and coordinates with the Explorers about important events. Alisha is a senior in high school, and is working on applications for college. She has a passion for law enforcement and wants to pursue this as a career. Alisha has done numerous ride alongs with patrol officers to get a real look at what police work is like.

She attended both Summer Academy and Winter Academy as an Advanced Explorer. At Summer Academy she won 3rd in Firearms, 1st in Female Physical Agility, and 3rd place Overall (combination of Academics, Firearms, and Physical Agility). At the Winter Academy she won 1st place Female Physical Agility and 3rd place Overall. She is always positive and is a great role model for other Explorers to look up to.

**Thanks for all you do Alisha!**

## RESERVE OFFICER AWARDS



### EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP

#### JON HALL



Jon has been a Reserve Officer since February 2007. Jon volunteered 514 hours in 2010. During the past four years Jon has volunteered a total of 2219 hours.

Jon is employed with a local copier company. Jon was promoted to Reserve Captain in April of 2009. The Reserve Captain works closely with the program coordinator and the unit Sergeant. The program coordinator position is currently vacant so Jon has been doing many of the tasks formally carried out by that officer.

Jon has been actively setting up training for the 2011 calendar year. Jon is also currently fulfilling the elements of the Level II Reserve Officer status. With the possibility of several new reserves coming into the program Jon's leadership will be very vital.

**Thanks for all you do Jon!**

## RESERVE OFFICER AWARDS



### RESERVE OFFICER OF THE YEAR RYAN AKINS



Ryan has been a Reserve Officer with the SPD since January 2009. Ryan donated 317 hours in 2010. Ryan came to the Reserve Officer program from the CO-OP program. Since July of 2007 Ryan has volunteered over 1440 hours.

Ryan works full time supporting his family at Safeway. Ryan is a dedicated Reserve Officer, doing his best to support Patrol when riding on a shift. Ryan is testing often to become a police officer with many LE Agencies. Ryan has the drive for excellence that will allow him to be the best Police officer he can be.

**Thanks for all you do Ryan!**