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OCSO COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER OF YEAR ANNOUNCED



Kalyn Fields
Comm. Officer of 2010



Tony Rezzarday



Angie Barrow

It's National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week and Kalyn Fields has been selected as the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office "Communications Officer of the Year" for 2010.

Supervisor Vic Everett says Fields is conscientious, bright, and energetic.

She has assumed midnight shift supervisor duties on Fridays and Saturdays and Everett says Fields' performance has been outstanding.

Fields was also recognized today (April 15th) by Okaloosa Sheriff Larry Ashley for her work on April 18, 2010 when a woman called who heard noises outside her residence. Fields dispatched a patrol unit and back-up, multi-tasked through multiple calls, and kept tabs on this incident. Her prompt relays of information, while also handling other radio traffic, had a direct impact on deputies locating the suspect.

Other awards announced today include Communications Officer of the Quarter for Tony Rezzarday who helped lawmen locate a suicidal female calling from a cell phone in February 2011. His efforts assisted deputies in locating the woman and preventing her from harming herself.

Communications Officer/Acting Supervisor Angie Barrow was named Communications Officer of the 4th Quarter for 2010 for helping responders and a citizen on scene through a call involving an armed man who had shot himself.

Sheriff Larry Ashley said, "These individuals at our Communications Center save lives every day. They are such tremendous assets to our organization and our community. Their abilities and their daily contributions, under often extremely stressful situations, provide absolutely vital services."

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