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AWARDS

An awards banquet luncheon held on December 5, 2013, was sponsored by the Ravalli, Missoula, Mineral Counties DUI Task Forces and the Ravalli County Prevention Coalition as a combined effort for recognition for those who were nominated for these awards by members of the public or their peers.

Trooper Pat Heaney received an award for his diligence with DUI enforcement from the Ravalli County DUI Task Force. Trooper Darlene Lee received an award from the Mineral County DUI Task Force for her work with the 25 Alive course. Troopers Rocky Bailey and Tamra Winchell received awards from the Ravalli County Prevention Coalition for going the extra mile with their DUI and seat belt safety education efforts. Trooper Tom Gill was also present to make a Saved by the Belt award presentation to Trevor Erickson of Deer Lodge.



In July of 2013, Trooper Richard Hader was presented with the VFW National Law Enforcement Award by the Missoula VFW.



On Thursday, December 19, 2013, in the lobby of the Yellowstone County Courthouse at the annual Angel Tree ceremony, Trooper Darvin Mees was presented with the Yellowstone County DUI Task Force Award of Merit for his efforts in the area of DUI enforcement (48 arrests) and drug enforcement (50 arrests), as well as his work as a Drug Recognition Expert and recertification of the Intoxilizer as a Senior Operator. Trooper Mees is a multiple recipient of this award. Pictured are Trooper Mees and his wife, Yellowstone Deputy County Attorney Julie Mees.



At a DOJ all staff meeting in December of 2013, Troopers Joseph DeJong, Sam Goodmoot, Scott Waddell, and Don Lee were recognized by Attorney General Tim Fox. Last fall, Trooper DeJong stopped a vehicle near Stanford for speeding. The driver was wanted in



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Virginia for three pipe bombing incidents. A pursuit ensued involving the four troopers, during which the driver threw numerous pipe bombs at them. Despite this, the troopers continued to bravely pursue the driver until finally apprehending him. The driver was subsequently convicted of seven counts of attempted deliberate homicide.

DISPATCH

CSO Audrey Anderson received a fifteen year retirement gift from the Patrol in October of 2013.



patch, care of Angie Vose, 1956 Mt. Major Street, Fort Harrison, Helena, MT 59636. In the back row from left to right are: Emily Campbell, Brandy Bickhart, Angie Vose, Deanna Campbell, and Will Campbell. In the front row from left to right are: Tanner Campbell and Dominic Campbell.

Halloween 2013 at the MHP communications center.



CSO Julie Massengale.

Deanna Campbell, wife of MHP dispatcher Will Campbell, and mom of MHP dispatcher Brandy Bickhart, recently underwent surgery in Seattle for a benign brain tumor. MHP Dispatch sent an e-mail to all DOJ employees asking for donations to help the Campbell family with travel and lodging expenses for their extended stay in Seattle. Over \$1,400 has been donated thus far by

MHP/DOJ employees, and another \$1,000 was donated by the Association of Public Safety Communication Officials. Deanna (who works for MDOT) and Will were grateful and touched by everyone's kindness. The Campbells are back home, and Deanna continues to recover. Donations are still being accepted. If you'd like to help, please send your contributions to MHP Dis-



CSO Rachel Glinsmann and son Karson.



SO Avery Johnson, along with daughter Emily and son Evan.



CSO Will Campbell, along with sons Tanner and Dominic.

Sergeant Drew Knapp presented CSO Diana Lindstrand with a certificate of appreciation for nine years of service to the communications center from August 16, 2004, to August 16, 2013.



DISTRICT 8 RANGE DAY

District VIII held a range day near Chester on May 28, 2013, which included a barbeque, complete with dirty fingers in the pickle jar.



NEW FTO'S

On July 30, 2013, fifteen new field training officers were announced. Congratulations to each of them.

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| Oliverson, Dave | Rhodes, Mike |
| Amundson, Dan | Sulages, Jim |
| Wolfe, Elias | Lofton, Cherie |
| Rice, Jeremy | Snider, Jeremiah |
| Baggs, Dave | Novak, Drew |
| Kloster, Adam | Arnold, Dan |
| Andersen, Shad | Wickum, Lacie |
| Schneider, James | |

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GOLF TOURNAMENT

AMT 2014 Annual Meeting and Golf Tournament

August 9 & 10, 2014
Lewistown, MT

The Annual Meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on Saturday, August 9, at Crabtree Coffee, 618 W. Main Street.

18 holes of play will start at 10 a.m. at Pine Meadows (old Elks).

Dinner is at 7 p.m. on Saturday, August 9, at Brooks Market, corner of 2nd and Main.

A second 18 holes of play will commence at 9 a.m. on Sunday, August 10, at Judith Shadows.

Send no money, pay all at the door.

It will be a weekend to remember!
(Or possibly forget.)

Lodging suggestions:

Calvert Hotel (406) 535-5411

Yogo Inn (406) 535-8721

B & B Motel (406) 535-5496

Super 8 (406) 538-2581

Others available. Reserve yours now!

For questions, please contact Trooper Jason Grover in Lewistown.

IRON HORSE RODEO

On July 18, 2013, Sergeant Craig Baum (MHP 132) and Trooper Shane Warehime (MHP 347) prepared the Mobile Impaired Driver Assessment Center (MIDAC) for its annual deployment to the Iron Horse Rodeo in Red Lodge, Carbon County.



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HOPE PROJECT

On November 8, 2013, Troopers Toby Baukema and Justin Moran presented Montana Hope Project wish recipient Joslynn Baker, 8, with a check for spending money and a camera to preserve many happy memories while on her trip to Disney World and SeaWorld. Photo by Larry Mayer of the Billings Gazette.



K-9 TRAINING

In July of 2013, Sergeant Kelly Mantooth and his K-9 partner Tika trained in the lot of headquarters, with Captain Jason Hildenstab playing the role of the suspect.



BEST WISHES

In November of 2013, retired Trooper Ron Kunkel of Belt was hospitalized in Great Falls, and we send our best wishes to him for a quick recovery.

PROMOTIONS

On September 26, 2013, Attorney General Tim Fox appointed Lieutenant Colonel Tom Butler as chief of the Montana Highway Patrol. The appointment to chief is accompanied by a promotion to the rank of colonel.

Colonel Butler, a native of Clancy, is a graduate of Montana State University and has been with MHP since 1992. He rose through the ranks in the field, and from 2005 to 2009 commanded the Patrol's Bozeman district. In 2009, he was promoted to the rank of major and placed in charge of Patrol operations. Colonel Butler has overseen the Patrol's budget and technology infrastructure upgrades, taken the lead on legislative issues of importance to the law enforcement community, and has worked closely with the Attorney General's Office to expand the 24/7 Sobriety Program. During his years in the field and at headquarters, Colonel Butler has developed strong working relationships with the federal, state, county, and city law enforcement agencies that MHP works with on a regular basis. "Since taking office nine months ago, I've seen clearly that Tom Butler is a proven leader and administrator," Attorney General Fox said. "He tackles challenges head-on and gets the job done. He is the right person to take the helm of Montana's premier law enforcement agency."

"It has been an honor to work for the Montana Highway Patrol for the past twenty-two years," Colonel Butler said. "Its best asset is the great employees who do extremely important work daily for the citizens of Montana, and I am privileged and humbled by the opportunity to work with them to move the agency into the future."

Congratulations, Colonel Butler!

TAKING ONE FOR THE TEAM

During Fall Management in Helena on October 2, 2013, District I Commander Captain Jim Kitchin took one for the team when he sported the rival Montana State University Bobcat jacket, as a result of a friendly annual wager



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regarding the winner of the previous year's Cat-Griz game.

BULL ELK

Major JV Moody submitted this photo of his son, Jess, who shot this bull elk on his 15th birthday near Big Timber.



MYSTERY RANCH

Mystery Ranch Backpacks in Bozeman (www.mysteryranch.com) donated 30 backpacks to the troopers of District VII, to be used as the troopers see fit while on duty. Many of these packs are being used as "go bags" by the troops who received them. In return, the Montana Highway Patrol presented a framed MHP photograph and thank you letter to Mystery Ranch Backpacks for their generous donation. Pictured from left to right are Ryan Krueger, Trooper Brad Moore, Founder of Mystery Ranch Dana Gleason, and Sergeant Marvin Reddick.



RETIREES

After over twenty-one years of service to the citizens of Montana, Trooper Roger Dundas (MHP 184) has retired. His dates of service were June 30, 1992, until November 25, 2013. Roger and his wife Dottie have relocated to Port

Angeles, Washington.

On August 30, 2013, Colonel Kenton Hickethier announced his retirement, which was effective on September 30, 2013.

On July 10, 2013, Captain Brad Sangray retired after over twenty-two years of service to the citizens of Montana.

Trooper Martin Shrock (MHP 258) retired after twenty years of service from December 20, 1993, until December 23, 2013.

Trooper Ed Sievers (MHP 201) retired after serving for more than twenty-one years. His dates of service were June 9, 1992, to November 29, 2013.

Sergeant Scott Tenney retired on July 26, 2013. His dates of sworn service were June 30, 1989, to July 26, 2013. He most recently had been serving as a management analyst. He returned to the Patrol on August 5, 2013, as a civilian employee and is responsible for the same duties he had previously been assigned.

Trooper Scott Zarske of Lincoln retired in July of 2013.

SERVICE STARS



In September of 2013, Detachment 113 held a meeting at which Trooper Rocky Bailey received his fourth longevity star for twenty years of service, and Trooper Pat Heaney received his first

longevity star for five years of service. Pictured with each trooper are Captain Jim Kitchin and Sergeant Ken Breidenbach, presenting their respective star clusters.

In August of 2013, District III Commander Captain Gary Becker presented Sergeant Mark Wilfore with his ten year service stars and Sergeant Jay Nelson with his fifteen year service stars.



On December 5, 2013, Trooper Chan Barry (MHP 302) was presented with his five year service star by Colonel Tom Butler.



On November 7, 2013, District IV Commander Captain Keith Edgell presented Trooper Aaron Freivalds (MHP 300) with his five year service star and letter of congratulations.

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On Wednesday, November 13, 2013, District IV Commander Captain Keith Edgell presented Trooper Todd Hagenbuch (MHP 163) with his five year star and letter of congratulations.



District IV Commander Captain Keith Edgell presented Trooper Brian Sampson (MHP 290) with his twenty year service stars on December 10, 2013.

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District VIII Commander Captain Duane Bowers presented Trooper Humiston (MHP 183) with his five year star and letter of congratulations in Shelby on July 25, 2013.



District VIII Commander Captain Duane Bowers presented Trooper Melton (MHP 287) with his five year star and letter of congratulations in Shelby on July 25, 2013.

District VIII Commander Captain Duane Bowers presented Sergeant Jason Wickum with his ten year stars and letter of congratulations in Havre on July 31, 2013. □

