



Town of Clayton Police Department Names Officer of the Year

Police work isn't about making the big arrest, being first to arrive at a crime scene, or seizing the most cash in a counterfeiting bust. It's about relentless work ethic, unwavering dependability, and the power to relate to and communicate with the people you serve no matter who they are or what their circumstances. It's those prized qualities that have earned Detective Brian Temple the Officer of the Year Award from Clayton Police Department.

For more than 13 years, Temple has served the department with the same steadfast dedication and diligence no matter what the assignment. He's been a patrol officer, traffic officer, motorcycle officer, and now serves as a detective. He has successfully worked numerous cases ranging from misdemeanors to serious felonies. He has been a member of the department's tactical team since it was formed and has countless hours of SWAT and investigative training.

"Strong interview skills are paramount to a detective's success and Temple communicates extremely well," said Chief R.W. Bridges. "His ability to relate to and communicate with a wide variety of people continues to be a huge asset for the department and has proven valuable on many occasions."



Each year the police department selects an Officer of the Year from among every sworn officer on the department. Numerous factors are considered during this selection and the employee who has proven their commitment to superior service to the community, exceptional work ethic, and dedication to their chosen profession, is selected.

The Town of Clayton's Officer of the Year will represent the department in various law enforcement and community events throughout 2014. We hope that everyone will congratulate Detective Temple on his accomplishment.