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## **PSA – Awards Ceremony**

March 5, 2019

Join us at the Public Safety Commissioners' Meeting, Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 7:30 pm at the New Garden Township Municipal Building located at 299 Starr Road for our annual Award and Recognition Ceremony. The Southern Chester County Regional Police Department is recognizing several police officers and a civilian for their exceptional work in 2018!

### **2018 Meritorious Service Award Recipient: Mr. Irvin Stone Lieberman**

Our first recognition of the evening, is only the second time we have bestowed this prestigious award; the Meritorious Service Award. And, while it is normally reserved for law enforcement personnel whom have acted with distinguishable and conspicuous acts that by their nature have safeguarded our community, this year we are recognizing a civilian, whose voice resonated with a heartfelt care and concern across southern Chester County.



Our assertion, is that the Meritorious Award by its definition fits our recipient, whose voice framed and influenced many decisions impacting our communities, to include his adamant support of regional policing. Whether you agreed or disagreed with his opinions, which were published weekly in the Chester County Press until his death, his was a voice distinguishable, conspicuous and courageous among a crowd and by his lifetime of acts served to make our communities a safer place to live.

Unfortunately, our recognition is posthumous; Mr. Irvin Stone Lieberman, affectionally known as "Uncle Irv" passed away on December 29, 2018. Please join Irv Lieberman's family for this prestigious and solemn recognition.

### **2018 DUI Enforcement Award Recipients:**

The second recognition of the evening, is a 9-year tradition originally influenced by the Mothers Against Drunk Driving advocacy group---our annual DUI Enforcement Award. The Southern Chester County Regional Police Department

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distinguishes this enforcement and its police officers whom proactively enforce this behavior which makes our community a safer place.

There is no debate, their hard work has made the communities of New Garden Township and West Grove Borough a safer place to live and travel. In 2018, the police department experienced a **65%** increase in DUI arrests of which **29%** of the incidents involved a controlled substance, such as marijuana or opioids.

The below listed police officers will receive a DUI Enforcement Award ribbon for their 2018 enforcement efforts.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Year Award



**Police Officer  
Gregory Blue**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Award



**Police Officer  
Stephen Syska**



**Police Officer  
Raymond Sullivan**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Award



**Police Officer  
Benjamin Brown**



**Police Officer  
Jeremy O'Neill**

### Lifetime Award



**PFC Ryan Kushner**

### 2018 Commissioners Award: Police Officer Raymond Sullivan

Our final recognition of the evening, is our most prestigious award to a police officer for conspicuous and exceptional work during the year noted.

Our 2018 Commissioners Award recipient is Police Officer Raymond Sullivan. While there were many exceptional acts of performance, one stands out among the rest. On April 10, 2018 Officer Sullivan responded to a report of "suspicious condition." Upon arriving at the scene within minutes, which was a location bordering a jurisdiction not covered by the Regional Department, Officer Sullivan quickly



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assessed that a residential burglary was in-progress. His quick and decisive actions resulted in the capture of multiple actors which were later turned over to the law enforcement jurisdictional authority.

This type of call can be anything from a benign event to a deadly encounter. Police officers are required to act and process events quickly with sparse information, use their training, observations and instincts to make decisions on how to act while keeping themselves and others safe. This courageous conduct is guided by our first core value, **Human Life!**

From being a leader in traffic and DUI enforcement to the many supervisory notations, Officer Sullivan stood above and beyond his peers in 2018--- *conspicuous and exceptional* indeed.

The public is encouraged to join the celebration; invite your family and friends to help us recognize our police officers for outstanding work! A small reception will follow the ceremony.

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