

Office of the Sheriff

Newsletter



April 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS & DATES

April 9th

SML Business Expo
Eastlake Church, Bedford
3pm - 7pm



April 14th - 20th

National
Telecommunicators Week

April 15th

SUMMER UNIFORM
SWITCHOVER



NEW FACES AT THE OFFICE



REVES RUSSELL

Deputy Reves Russell was sworn in on March 28th, 2024 and has been assigned to the Patrol Division.

Deputy Russell is the son of Deputy Bobby Russell and is excited to begin his law enforcement career at the Office of the Sheriff!

Welcome, Reves!

NOT SO NEW FACES AT THE OFFICE

Celebrating Milestones in April 2024

While we recognize members for their 5-year service milestones at our annual awards banquets, we don't want to discount the annual milestones that are just as important!

Thank you all for your service!

- Deputy John Lavinder - 39 years of service
- Sergeant Jesse Ramsey - 18 years of service
- Lieutenant Joe Knight - 13 years of service
- Investigator Tim Burton - 13 years of service
- SRO Suzanne Moses - 13 years of service
- Deputy Johana Grantham - 11 years of service
- EPC Chad Sacra - 11 years with FCSO after retirement
- Investigator Justin Crawford - 10 years of service
- Deputy Brian Hall - 6 years of service

RETIREMENTS CELEBRATED FOR LONG TIME OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF MEMBERS



In March 2024, a Retirement Celebration was held for two long time members of the Office of the Sheriff. The celebration featured plaque presentations, well wishes, stories from the past, and fellowship.

Congratulations to Ken Holland and Richard Hudson on an incredible tenure here at the Office of the Sheriff. Throughout the years, you've both exemplified integrity and unwavering commitment to our community and this office. Congratulations on your well-deserved retirements!



Captain Ken Holland

25 years of service

**Master Deputy
Richard Hudson**

32 years of service



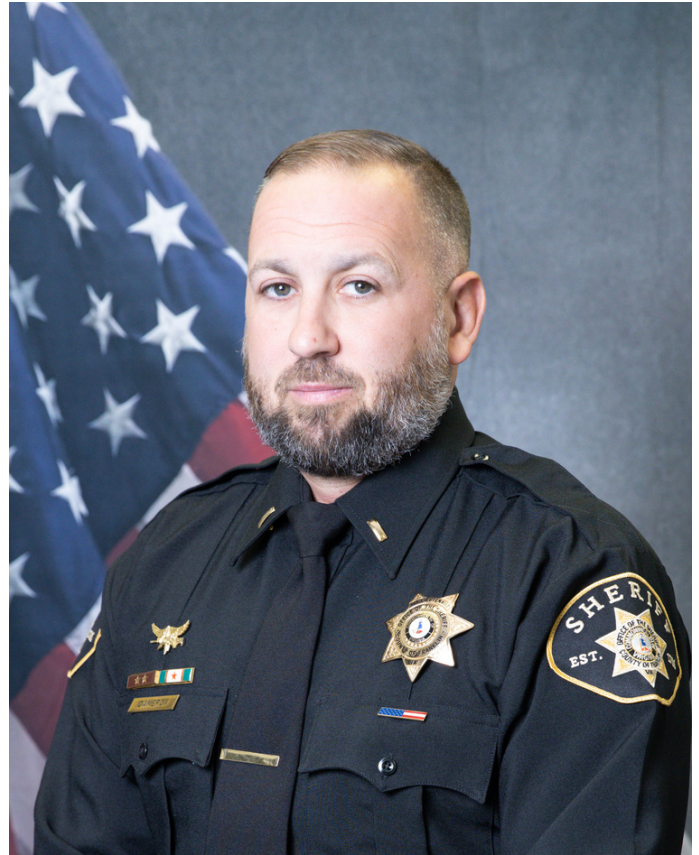
FBI-LEEDA TRILOGY COMPLETION



The Office of the Sheriff would like to congratulate Captain JP Nolen and Captain Terry Dameron on their successful completion of the Leadership Trilogy through FBI-LEEDA.

The FBI-LEEDA Trilogy consists of three advanced leadership courses: Supervisor, Command and Executive. Each course is one week long in length, totaling more than 100 hours of professional leadership development once completed!

Congratulations, Captains!



WHILE WE ARE AT IT...

LETS RECOGNIZE SHINING STAR PRESENTATIONS



In March 2024, Sheriff Overton presented the following members with Shining Star Awards for commendations received from the public or their peers:

Lieutenant Joe Knight
Lieutenant Justin Hylton
Investigator Austin Kenny



These members were recognized for their hard work stemming from a high-profile drug case that began in 2018. The extensive case stretched in 2023 with two individuals receiving federal indictments on drug distribution charges.

Thank you, to each of you, for your continued commitment to protecting and serving this community with professionalism!

DEPUTY VISITS TRINITY ECUMENICAL PRE-SCHOOL



Deputy Johnny Huddleston recently stopped by the pre-school class at Trinity Ecumenical Parish in Westlake to interact with the class and answer some great questions that the students had!

RECOGNITION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



The Office of the Sheriff is proud to have each of these ladies serving with us and for our community every day!! Thank you!

FUTURE OFFICERS IN TRAINING



During the week of March 7th, local schools celebrated “Read Across America Week” and two students at Dudley Elementary dressed up as their future career. SRO Suzanne Moses is pictured with the two students at Dudley!

ST. PATTY’S DAY SWEETS DONATED TO MEMBERS

A local community member dropped off some sweet treats to kick off the St. Patty’s Day weekend!

Cops and donuts - what more could we ask for??



CALLAWAY AND HENRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS GET SPECIAL VISITS FROM THEIR SRO'S



Students at Callaway and Henry Elementary Schools got special visits from their School Resource Officer to talk about being a community helper! SRO Wooldridge and SRO Mitchell shared insights on keeping the school safe, explaining some of their daily duties, and showcasing some of the tools and equipment that they use for the job.

The kiddos love these types of interactions. Our SRO's are about more than just safety in the schools - it's a relationship building that can last a lifetime!

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF EASTER EGG EVENT



On Sunday, March 24th, the Office of the Sheriff E911 Center held it's annual Easter Egg Event for members and their families. There were plenty of eggs to hunt, games to play, and snacks to get sugared up on! The Easter Bunny made an appearance and stayed for the duration of the event too!

Thank you to all who organized and put on this event for our members' kiddos!

