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## **Officer Elliott receives Casey Elliott Memorial “City’s Finest” Award**

Xenia, Ohio (September 6, 2018) – The Xenia Police Division (XPD) held its 27th Annual Police Awards Ceremony recently at the Xenia Police Training Center. Among those honored and receiving the department’s highest honor was Officer David Elliott who received the Casey Elliott Memorial “City’s Finest” Award.

The Casey Elliott “City’s Finest” Award was named after C.K. Elliott, who joined the Xenia Police Division as a patrol officer in 1943. He ultimately rose to become Police Captain and then Acting Police Chief. Two days upon retiring, he went on to serve as bailiff in Municipal Court. His career serving the citizens of Xenia totaled 35 years and the Ohio Senate passed a resolution for him calling him a “truly outstanding Ohioan.” The Casey Elliott Memorial “City’s Finest” Award was set up by the Elliott family in recognition of police officers who distinguish themselves through an outstanding accomplishment, bravery or humanitarian service in police work.

Officer David Elliott, a 4-year veteran, was recognized for his dedication for his years of law enforcement as well as his dedication for the Xenia Police Division. He recently graduated as a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and is very involved in teaching police cadets in the local academies. He serves as a field-training officer, bike patrol officer, training officer, and a member of the SWAT team. He has won various awards with the police division as well as the 2017 MADD award for his relentless pursuit of removing impaired drivers from our streets. Chief Person states, “Officer David Elliot exemplifies the proud tradition of the “City’s Finest Award” winners. Officer Elliot shows a passion for protecting and serving this community and a desire to excel at any task presented to him.”

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This year the Police Division presented over 30 commendations. The following officers and communications operators were recognized: Officer Fred Barker, Officer Andy Bishop, Officer Jarrod Cecil, Detective Holly Clay, Officer David Elliott, Sergeant Gary Johnson, Officer Rudy Jones, Detective Marc Margorias, Officer Christopher Reed, Officer Tim Roop, Officer Noah Sebastinas, Sergeant Steve Shaw, Officer Chad Shelley, Detective Doug Sparks, Officer Rob Swihart, Officer Terry Zoerb, Communications Operator Lindsey Barrera, Communications Operator Bambi Branchfield, Communications Operator Cari Helling, and Communications Operator Jacob Schuck.

Leadership Awards were presented to Officer Matt Foubert, Detective Matt Miller and Officer Chad Roelker for their continued outstanding leadership within the organization.

The Silver Shield Commendation was presented to Officer David Elliott for the highest level of overall patrol operations within the patrol section.

The Meritorious Service Awards was presented to Sergeant Lon Etchison, Officer David Elliott and Officer Bob Stouffer for an act which involved saving a life.

The Distinguished Service Award was presented to Officer Rob Swihart and Officer David Elliott for an act which resulted in a significant risk to their life.

The Outstanding Support Service Award was presented to Pam Caudill for her professionalism, self-initiative, and work and ethical standards, as well as her excellent work record over the past year.

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