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2013 Florida Law Enforcement Challenge Awards



Hundreds of law enforcement officers from across the state arrived at the Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel on July 19, 2013, for the annual Florida Law Enforcement Challenge awards ceremony. This year's event was one of the largest to date with hundreds of law enforcement agencies participating in the Florida Motor Unit Challenge, Florida DUI Challenge, Florida Click It or Ticket Challenge, and the Florida Law Enforcement Challenge programs.

The event was kicked off by the posting of colors by the Florida Highway Patrol Honor Guard and the National Anthem performed by Florida Law Enforcement Liaison Juan Cardona. Followed by brief comments from National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Regional Staff Member Sandy Richardson, Southwest Florida LEL Larry Coggins kicked off the ceremony with the award for the Traffic Officer of the Year award for top traffic safety officer in Florida. This year there were over one-hundred nominations for this award! Nominees were received from various municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies who were proud to showcase their top officer in regards to traffic safety and enforcement. This year's Traffic Officer of the Year is **Officer Ray DeJesus** of the **North Miami Police Department**.



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Officer Ray DeJesus

Florida Motor Unit Challenge

In its sixth year, the Florida Motor Unit Challenge has proven that enforcement saves lives! This annual competition between motor units throughout Florida is conducted in November and December. This year's Motor Unit Challenge not only had record results for overall activity by the hundreds of motor units who participated, but in a year to year analysis, crashes and crash related fatalities dropped 15%. These units competed against their previous year's activity for the same time frame with an emphasis on improving enforcement and decreasing crashes, injuries, and deaths. The Top 20 Motor Units that placed were awarded traffic safety equipment for use in education and enforcement within their community.

Top 20 Motor Units

- 1 – Florida Highway Patrol Troop E
- 2 – Altamonte Springs Police Department
- 3 – Naples Police Department
- 4 – South Daytona Beach Police Department
- 5 – Hallandale Beach Police Department
- 6 – Largo Police Department
- 7 – New Smyrna Beach Police Department
- 8 – North Miami Department
- 9 – Volusia County Sheriff's Office
- 10 – Davie Police Department
- 11 – Leon County Sheriff's Office
- 12 – Lee County Sheriff's Office
- 13 – Clay County Sheriff's Office
- 14 – Florida State University Police Department
- 15 – Tallahassee Police Department
- 16 – Osceola County Sheriff's Office
- 17 – University of Florida Police Department
- 18 – Florida Highway Patrol Troop D
- 19 – Indian River County Sheriff's Office
- 20 – Florida Highway Patrol Troop C

The top ten winners were allowed to draw a key from a bowl and attempted to crank up a fully equipped 2013 Harley Davidson Police Motor Cycle. The winning agency was the **Altamonte Springs Police Department!**



Florida Click It or Ticket Challenge

In its fourth year, the Click It or Ticket Challenge allowed law enforcement agencies of like patrol size to compete against one another in three separate two week waves in November, March, and May to raise safety belt usage, increase the awareness and education of occupant protection, and reduce traffic crash injuries and deaths related to safety belt usage. Each agency that placed in their category was awarded traffic safety equipment for use in education and enforcement within their community.

Category 1 - 1 to 8 officers

First Place - Waldo Park Police Department
 Second Place – Howey-In-The-Hills Police Dept.
 Third Place - Bonifay Police Department

Category 2 - 9 to 16 officers

First Place – Biscayne Park Police Department
 Second Place – Fruitland Park Police Dept.
 Third Place – Kenneth City Police Department

Category 3 - 17 to 24 officers

First Place – Marianna Police Department
 Second Place -Alachua Police Department
 Third Place – Starke Police Department

Category 4 -25 to 40 officers

First Place – Tarpon Springs Police Department
 Second Place –Mount Dora Police Department
 Third Place – Madison County Sheriff's Office

Category 5 - 41 to 75 officers

First Place – Crestview Police Department
 Second Place – Green Acres Police Dept.
 Third Place – Winter Park Police Department

Category 6 - 76 to 150 officers

First Place – North Miami Police Department
 Second Place – Aventura Police Department
 Third Place –Kissimmee Police Department

Category 7 -151 to 250 officers

First Place – Lakeland Police Department
 Second Place – Port St. Lucie Police Dept.
 Third Place – Sarasota Police Department

Category 8 – 251 – 500 officers

First Place - Charlotte County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Manatee County Sheriff's Off.
 Third Place - Volusia County Sheriff's Office

Category 9 - 501+ officers

First Place - Orange County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
 Third Place – Polk County Sheriff's Office

Category10 - Florida Highway Patrol

First Place - Troop D
 Second Place - Troop F
 Third Place - Troop C

The first place winner in each category was allowed to draw a key from a bowl an attempted to start a fully 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe with emergency equipment by Whelen, and graphics by Trilogy Creative, to be used solely for Safety Belt education and enforcement. The winning agency was the **Tarpon Springs Police Department!**



Florida DUI Challenge

In its third year, the DUI Challenge allowed law enforcement agencies of like patrol size to compete against one another during 2012, to increase DUI patrols and check-points, increase the awareness and education of DUI related crashes, and reduce traffic crash injuries and deaths related to impaired driving. Each agency that placed in their category was awarded traffic safety equipment for use in education and enforcement within their community.

Category 1 - 1 to 8 officers

First Place – Dunnellon Police Department
 Second Place – Bonifay Police Department
 Third Place – Lake Hamilton Police Dept.

Category 2 - 9 to 16 officers

First Place – Biscayne Park Police Dept.
 Second Place – Kenneth City Police Dept.
 Third Place – Madison Police Department

Category 3 - 17 to 24 officers

First Place – Gulf Breeze Police Department
 Second Place – Bradford County Sheriff's Off.
 Third Place – Bay Harbor Islands Police Dept

Category 4 -25 to 40 officers

First Place – Fernandina Beach Police Dept.
 Second Place – University of South Florida PD
 Third Place – Atlantic Beach Police Dept.

Category 5 - 41 to 75 officers

First Place – Winter Park Police Department
 Second Place – Maitland Police Department
 Third Place – Temple Terrace Police Dept.

Category 6 - 76 to 150 officers

First Place – North Miami Police Department
 Second Place – Apopka Police Department
 Third Place – Largo Police Department

Category 7 -151 to 250 officers

First Place – Martin County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Lake County Sheriff's Office
 Third Place – St Johns County Sheriff's Office

Category 8 – 251 – 500 officers

First Place - Osceola County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Gainesville Police Department
 Third Place – Charlotte County Sheriff's Office

Category 9 - 500 + officers

First Place – Polk County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Lee County Sheriff's Office
 Third Place – Jacksonville Sheriff's Office

Category 10 - Florida Highway Patrol

First Place - Troop D
 Second Place - Troop A
 Third Place - Troop B

The first place winner in each category was allowed to draw a key from a bowl and attempted to start a fully equipped 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe with emergency equipment by Whelen, graphics by Trilogy Creative, and Intoxilyzer and Printer by CMI to be used solely to be used for DUI enforcement and prevention. The winning agency was the **Osceola County Sheriff's Office!**



Florida Law Enforcement Challenge

The grand finale of the ceremony was the Florida Law Enforcement Challenge awards presentation. This challenge allows law enforcement agencies of like patrol officer size to compete against each other for their overall traffic education and enforcement program. Each agency that placed in their category was awarded traffic safety equipment for use in education and enforcement within their community.

Category 1 - 1 to 8 officers

First Place – Dunnellon Police Department
 Second Place –Waldo Police Department
 Third Place – South Palm Beach Police Department & Lake Hamilton Police Department

Category 2 - 9 to 16 officers

First Place – Biscayne Park Police Dept.
 Second Place - Springfield Police Department
 Third Place –Midway Police Department

Category 3 - 17 to 24 officers

First Place – Gulf Breeze Police Department
 Second Place –Starke Police Department
 Third Place – Treasure Island Police Dept.

Category 4 -25 to 40 officers

First Place – Madison County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place –Bradford County Sheriff's Off
 Third Place – Hendry County Sheriff's Office

Category 5 - 41 to 75 officers

First Place – Temple Terrace Police Dept.
 Second Place – Winter Park Police Dept.
 Third Place - Clermont Police Department

Category 6 - 76 to 150 officers

First Place – North Miami Police Department
 Second Place – Aventura Police Department
 Third Place –Indian River County Sheriff's Off.

Category 7 -151 to 250 officers

First Place – Coral Gables Police Department
 Second Place – Sarasota Police Department
 Third Place – Martin County Sheriff's Office & Cape Coral Police Department

Category 8 – 251 to 500 officers

First Place - Lake County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Sarasota County Sheriff's Off.
 Third Place – Charlotte County Sheriff's Office

Category 9 – 501 + officers

First Place – Lee County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Polk County Sheriff's Office
 Third Place – Miami Police Department

Category 10 - Florida Highway Patrol

First Place - Troop C
 Second Place - Troop K
 Third Place - Troop D

Category 11 - Universities

First Place – University of South
 Second Place - University of North Florida
 Third Place – Florida State University

Rookie Class

First Place – Kenneth City Police Department
 Second Place – Edgewood Police Department
 Third Place – Palmetto Police Department

Champions Class

First Place – Monroe County Sheriff's Office
 Second Place – Osceola County Sheriff's Off.
 Third Place – Tallahassee Police Department

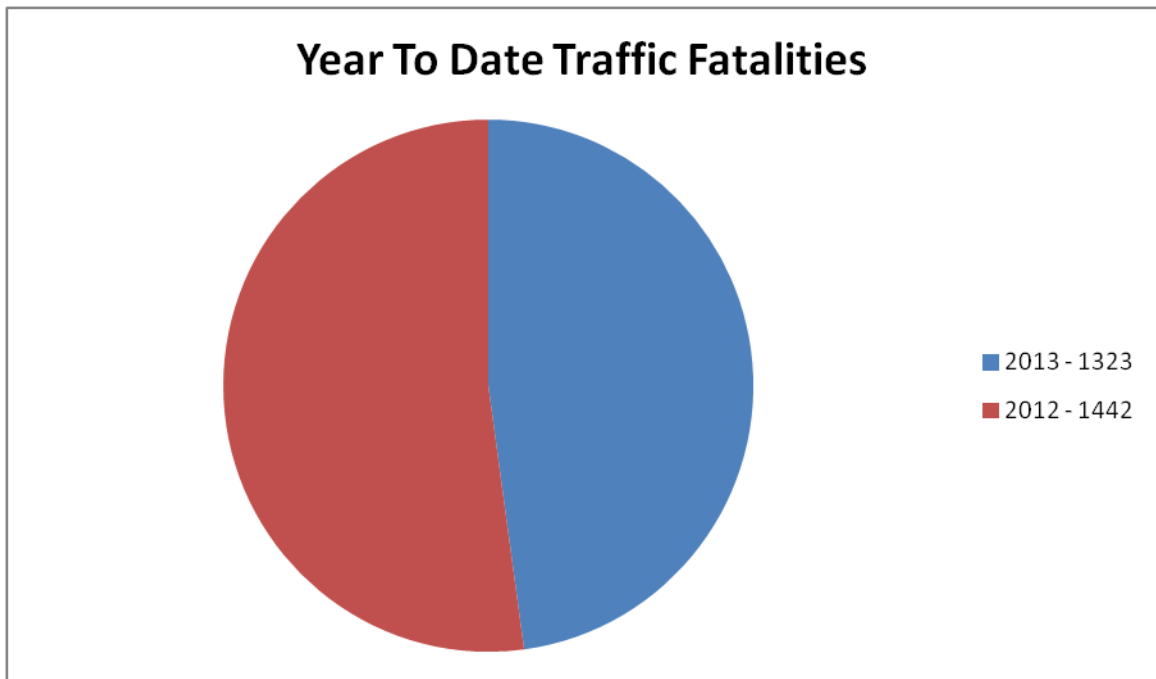


Florida Law Enforcement Challenge cont.

The first place winner in each category was allowed to draw a key from a bowl an attempted to start a fully equipped 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe with emergency equipment by Whelen and graphics by Trilogy Creative, to be used solely for traffic enforcement. The winning agency was the **Gulf Breeze Police Department!**

Daily Fatality Report

Year-to-Date Traffic Fatality report as of July 31, 2013, based on preliminary data supplied by the Florida Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles.



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