



Denver Police Department Newsletter

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FROM CHIEF PAZEN:

This summer has been filled with new opportunities and growth. Having met with most of the units, it is encouraging to see the enthusiasm and dedication of our officers. I look forward to continuing with the advancements we have made while moving forward.

A priority for me as Chief is the health and wellbeing of all DPD employees, as we cannot take proper care of others if we don't take care of ourselves.

Therefore, I encourage everyone to familiarize yourself with our Resiliency and Wellness program and take meaningful steps towards living your best life.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:



The memorial for Denver Police officers killed in the line-of-duty is accessible and open for all to visit in the plaza outside our Police Administration Building, and honors fallen officers from Officer John Phillips' murder in 1889, to Officer Celena Hollis' murder in 2012.

Our memorial belongs to all of us and is currently managed by the Denver Police Officers Foundation (DPOF). As its official caretaker, the DPOF strives to protect the memorial's panels and the upkeep of its base. Fresh flowers and tributes are always welcome, but please do not attach anything, temporary or permanent, to the panels. If you have any ideas or suggestions for making our memorial more appealing, please contact Detective JC Tyus (Retired DPD) at 303-940-1424, Lieutenant Ken Chavez (President of the DPOF Board), or a DPOF board member (<https://denverpoliceofficersfoundation.com>).

- Article submitted by Officer Veith

OFFICERS BEING AWESOME:

On Friday, July 27, 2018, Sergeant Troy Zimmerman was conducting traffic control outside of Coors Field when a car pulled up and the driver explained to the sergeant that his wife was in labor. Sergeant Zimmerman went to the passenger side of the vehicle to assess the laboring woman's condition and found that the baby's head was visible.



Sergeant Zimmerman called for emergency medical services to respond then jumped into action and delivered the baby boy. Sergeant Zimmerman then handed the baby to his mother and checked his vitals. After the baby cried and was breathing, Sergeant Zimmerman turned his attention to the woman, who was bleeding heavily. He then proceeded to help her until paramedics arrived to transport mom and son.



In July, Avalee was at Children's Hospital Colorado for a long list of procedures. While waiting to be admitted, she was approached by DPD Officer Sean Kelly. Officer Kelly stuck around to hang out with Avalee.

The pair chatted, did arts and crafts together, and before he left her so she could be treated, Officer Kelly made sure she had a Denver Police sticker. Her mom reported that Officer Kelly's kindness not only brightened up an otherwise very serious day for the young girl, but that as Avalee was being put under anesthesia, she pointed to her sticker and smiled.

Thank you, Officer Kelly for reminding us that it does not take much to have a positive and long-lasting impact on someone.

EVENTS & REMINDERS:

~ Sept. 11, Memorial sign dedication for fallen Officers Schneider and Day

~ Sept. 12, SWAT Volleyball Match Civic Center Park

~ Stay up-to-date by checking the event section on SharePoint