

# E-Brief 2023

Excellence.....

Innovation.....

Teamwork .....

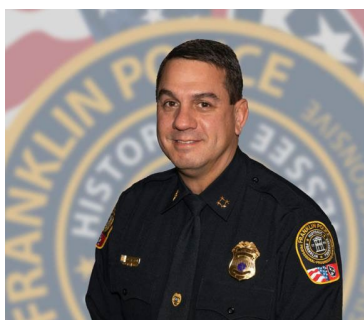
Integrity .....

Action-Oriented



*Friday, June 23, 2023*

We have a few heroes in our midst this week! **JP Taylor and Tami Crowe** from the **Franklin Police Department**:



*(From the Williamson Herald)* The Franklin Fire Department has identified **Franklin Police Deputy Chief J.P. Taylor** as one of the good Samaritans who helped a couple escape a house fire on Lewisburg Avenue last week. The house belongs to former Franklin Mayor Lillian Stewart, who escaped the fire unharmed along with her husband. Taylor was driving to work at the time when he saw smoke and was advised over his police radio that it was coming from 201 Lewisburg Ave. When he pulled over to the residence, two women who were already on-scene told him people were still in the

house. When he entered the house, he saw others already escorting a woman out of the back door. Another man, who Taylor does not know the name of but presumes was the next-door neighbor of the couple, told him that a man was still in his bedroom getting dressed. "I went to the back bedroom, and there was a gentleman getting his robe on and I told him, 'Hey, the house is on fire. We need to get up and get out,'" Taylor recounted. "Then, I peeked out the back door because I knew the fire was in the back corner, right above the room he was in. I could see it was fully engulfed." Taylor told the presumed neighbor to take the man out of the house through the front door while he scoured the residence to make sure everybody had gotten out. Despite his heroic actions, Taylor praised the people on-scene before him, saying that "what the other people did prior to me getting there was truly impressive because they were the ones that alerted them and got them up." Read more in the **Williamson Herald**

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*(From the Williamson Herald)* **Franklin Master Police Officer Tami Crowe** said she was just doing her job when recently presented with the **Life Saving Award** for saving a man's life. MPO Crowe had just begun her evening shift when she responded to a drug overdose call. "I was the first person to arrive," she said. "I was there before EMS arrived. The father of the victim said he thought his son overdosed." Crowe administered Narcan and proceeded to administer CPR until he started breathing and EMS arrived. "I don't think I'm a hero, but I do work with a lot of [heroes]," she said. According to Crowe, she's

worked with a lot of overdoses. Helping people is what she does; whether it's a civilian or a fellow officer in crisis, Crowe uses both her training and her instincts to assist them through their

crisis. Read more in the **Williamson Herald** [https://www.williamsonherald.com/franklin-master-police-officer-receives-lifesaving-award/article\\_1b60d5b4-10cc-11ee-9e74-af41c4624791.html](https://www.williamsonherald.com/franklin-master-police-officer-receives-lifesaving-award/article_1b60d5b4-10cc-11ee-9e74-af41c4624791.html)



**Franklin Fire and Police Departments** teamed up for two recent educational events for young people. The first was **Drone Camp** with drone pilots **Daniel Donegan** with Fire and **Scott Savage** with Police. The camp introduced young people to career opportunities with unmanned aerial systems and gave them hands-on flight time.

Learn more about FFD’s drone program here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vitV1brjyZQ>.

The second was to help Boy Scout Troop 157 earn safety-related merit badges. Firefighter **Geoff Manfre** and Police Officers **Ryan Howell** and **John Tuck** spoke about fire and poison prevention, and substance use and abuse consequences on Wednesday at Station 5. The troop leader and parents were all very appreciative. The troop leader took time to call Fire HQ and express her thanks to Firefighter Manfre, who is a Boy Scouts of America-approved and trained merit badge counselor and coordinated the program. Another parent wrote, “Thank you and your team for helping our troop! The things they learn in BSA will be used throughout their lives! You guys are great!!!”

**WCS & CTE Drone Summer Camp**

Careers in aviation, commercial drone piloting and drone photography/film are taking off! The Drone Summer Camp introduced students to career opportunities with unmanned aerial systems. Students got hands-on flight time with drones in numerous situations.

Over the past several months the **BNS Municipal Inspection Officer team led by Ben Onisa, Neighborhood Resources Supervisor**, working closely with our **Police Department Leadership, Lt. Joann Willhite and Lt. Sam Greer, and many other key team members**, started working on ways that our two departments could work together and better understand what each other’s roles are, and how open lines of communication and information sharing would make us all more efficient in dealing with many issues that overlap between **Code Enforcement operations and Police operations**. This week was the culmination of this effort. The BNS team made presentations to both Patrol day shifts at Police Headquarters which resulted in some very good dialogue and information sharing during these meetings. This effort has turned out to be a big success and everyone that attended learned who and where to go to better serve our community. These issues are not life and death issues, but they do make a big difference in our citizen’s lives on a daily basis. This process has opened the door for further dialogue and process improvements for years to come! **A great way to improve interdepartmental cooperation!**



**A big thank you to everyone who participated in these meetings!**

**MOVIE IN THE PARK TONIGHT:** Bring your chairs and blankets and watch **Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark** under the Franklin night sky tonight, Friday, June 23rd, at 8:00 at **Pinkerton Park!** There will be a limited supply of free snacks and beverages.

**Wellness Events from the Human Resource Department:**

This week's **Walk with the Mayor for Men's Health** happened rain or shine. A little more than a dozen showed up to walk around Eastern Flank Park. The Human Resource Department provided some good snacks after the walk. Thank you to everyone who participated and worked to make this event special and bring awareness to men's health.

**COMING NEXT WEEK!**

We will also have a **financial literacy lunch and learn** on June 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 – 12:30 in the City Hall training room, covering the topic of home ownership. Lunch will be provided to attendees. Please sign up [here](#).

We will continue accepting nominations for the **2nd Quarter of the Employee of the Quarter 2023 Program until June 30th**. You can submit paper nominations by coming into the Human Resource Department within City Hall or via email by filling out the attached nomination form.

As a reminder, the guidelines are as follows:



- **Any employee** can be nominated
- HR will accept unlimited nominations during the nomination window for each quarter
- **Nomination forms** are attached and will also be available on *Inside the City*
- **Two employees will be selected per quarter** by a committee made up of your peers!
- Completed nomination forms can be emailed to [nomination@franklintn.gov](mailto:nomination@franklintn.gov) or by dropping off the form in the HR Office.

Let's acknowledge and recognize those who are doing a great job at the **City of Franklin!** Contact **Cara Rives** if you have questions.

That's it for now. Have a great weekend and thanks for *all* you do!



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