

2005 Deputy Waterways Conservation Officers of the Year

Deputy waterways conservation officers (DWCOs) work with WCOs and perform mainly specialized law enforcement duties in protecting, conserving and enhancing our water resources. Their work also includes watercraft safety law enforcement. Deputies work long hours, often on weekends and holidays, and even though they receive a small allowance for some expenses, they are otherwise not compensated.

Any officer may nominate a deputy for this recognition. Regional committees of personnel in the Commission bureaus of Law Enforcement and Fisheries review the nominations and choose the winners. DWCOs receive plaques for these awards. The awards carry the distinction of the recipients knowing that they were selected by their peers.

For 2005 no DWCOs were nominated for this award in the Northeast Region.



photo-WCO Larry Barlong

DWCO Robert J. Liptock Jr. (left) is the Southwest Region's 2005 DWCO of the Year. Pictured with DWCO Liptock is Southwest Region Manager Emil Svetahor.



photo-Mary Wert

DWCO Gary R. Bullock (left) is the Southcentral Region's 2005 DWCO of the Year. Pictured with DWCO Bullock is Southcentral Region Manager Don Lawer.



photo-Assistant Regional Supervisor Raymond A. Bohan-chik

DWCO C. Stephen Mobley (right) is the Southeast Region's 2005 DWCO of the Year. Pictured with DWCO Mobley is Southeast Region Manager Jeff Bridi.



photo-WCO Tom Nunamacher

DWCO Jacqueline K. Carey is the Northcentral Region's 2005 DWCO of the Year. Pictured with DWCO Carey are Northcentral Region Manager Brian Burger (left) and Bureau of Law Enforcement Assistant to the Director Guy Bowersox.

photo: Regional Supervisor or Tom Edwards



DWCO Wendi D. Donachy is the Northwest Region's 2005 DWCO of the Year. Pictured with DWCO Donachy is Northwest Region Manager Bob Nestor.

Outstanding Service Award

photo: Regional Supervisor or Tom Edwards



Retiring DWCO Barry L. Gould (center), Northcentral Region, was given a Commission Outstanding Service Award for 23 years of service. DWCO Gould served with WCO Richard M. Valazak (left) in Jefferson County. Also pictured is Northcentral Region Supervisor Brian Burger.

Becoming a DWCO

DWCOs from a variety of backgrounds work with the Commission's Bureau of Law Enforcement for many different reasons. All DWCOs share a common commitment to saving lives on our waterways and to protecting, conserving and enhancing Pennsylvania's aquatic resources and environment for future generations. Many DWCOs use their training and experience to move on to other law enforcement occupations.

Anyone interested in learning more about DWCO positions should contact his or her nearest Commission regional headquarters. These headquarters are listed on the Commission's

Years of Service Certificates

During the regions' annual awards presentations, the Commission recognized the following DWCOs for length of service.

Northwest Region

- 5 years: Randolph G. Leight on, Benjamin J. Suchocki.
- 15 years: Bradley W. Donor.
- 20 years: Donald J. Cataldi, David F. Gustafson.
- 30 years: Duane M. English, Santo S. Pascuzzi.

Northeast Region

- 5 years: William A. Delonti, Theodore C. Smith Jr.
- 10 years: Jeanne P. Kropa, Steven K. Mason.
- 25 years: Albert P. Snyder.

Northcentral Region

- 5 years: Joseph A. Winhofer.

Southwest Region

- 5 years: Brad R. Kirsch.
- 10 years: Victor M. Luncinski Jr.
- 20 years: Paul V. Kovac, John B. Toki.
- 25 years: Charles W. Lutz Jr.

Southeast Region

- 5 years: Robert A. Boyle, Bradford C. Smith.
- 15 years: Denis E. Mora.
- 20 years: Albert G. Dillon, David F. Eichler.
- 30 years: Barry R. Clymer.

Southcentral Region

- 5 years: Christopher K. Skipper.
- 10 years: Gary R. Bullock, Loren W. Lustig.
- 15 years: Carl W. Books.

web site, www.fish.state.pa.us, and on page 7 of the 2006 *Pennsylvania Fishing Summary*.

If you are interested in becoming a fulltime waterways conservation officer, contact the Fish & Boat Commission at 717-705-7861, www.fish.state.pa.us or contact the State Civil Service Commission at 717-783-3058, www.scsc.state.pa.us.

