

Police Heritage Museum, Inc.  
**Law Enforcement Awards Program**

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In cooperation with  
York County District Attorney's Office  
York County Chiefs of Police Association  
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**Introduction**

Part of the mission of the Police Heritage Museum is to promote a better understanding between law enforcement officers and the citizens they serve by demonstrating the role officers play in their communities' history and growth.

By establishing this awards program, the Police Heritage Museum hopes to meet its' mission by promoting the public trust and support of local law enforcement agencies by showcasing the achievements of local law enforcement officers. In addition, we hope to shed light on the community member wearing a law enforcement uniform.

**Awards**

\_\_\_\_\_The following awards are offered by the Police Heritage Museum, Inc.:

**Law Enforcement Officer of the Year** - recognizes a well-rounded law enforcement officer who has exceeded the duty requirements expected of his/her position and has demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service along with professional achievement.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Award of Valor** - recognizes local law enforcement officers for exceptional courage in a specific hazardous or life-threatening situation.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Citizen Award of Merit** - recognizes local citizens for actions taken at personal risk to prevent or stop the commission of a crime, assist or aid a law enforcement officer, or attempt to save or protect life and/or property.

**Nominations**

Only law enforcement officers that serve in a law enforcement agency operating in York County are eligible to be nominated. Officers from outside agencies that have served in York County *during calendar year 2009* (example: an officer from Harrisburg PD who performed undercover work in York County in 2009) are also eligible to be nominated.

Nominations for the Citizen Award of Merit shall be accepted recognizing citizens for an incident occurring within York County **during calendar year 2009.**

Nominations shall be accepted from the community, any law enforcement officer, agency or agency head.

To make a nomination, complete and return the nomination form. Nominations must be postmarked or received no later than **APRIL 5, 2010.**

**Nominations received after the deadline WILL NOT be considered.**

All nominating material shall become the property of the Police Heritage Museum, Inc. and will not be returned.

**Information supplied with the nomination should include:**

**Narrative:** In narrative form, state what makes this nominee a deserving candidate for the award. If appropriate, explain how the nominee's achievement or act had an impact on the community. *Narratives should be specific to the award.*

**Supporting Documentation:** In addition to the nomination form, attach any supporting documentation, including news clippings, etc.

**Photo Requested:** The Police Heritage Museum requests that a 5x7 or 8x10 photograph of the nominee, preferably in uniform, be submitted with the nomination, if available. Photograph will be used for promoting the award and for use on the museum's web site.

*Digital photographs may be emailed to [info@policeheritagemuseum.com](mailto:info@policeheritagemuseum.com)*

Please complete the nomination form in its entirety. The completed form, along with attachments, if any, shall be submitted to the awards committee and used to determine the recipient of the award.

Please see the nomination forms for criteria specific to each award.

**Judging**

A committee appointed by the Police Heritage Museum, Inc. will review all submissions and shall select recipient(s) from the nominations. The decision of the committee shall be final.

The information supplied with the nomination will be the only material used by the committee to determine eligibility. The committee may conduct additional investigation to verify or clarify information received.

The committee shall have the right to reject any submission that does not meet the established criteria, or submissions that are incomplete or inaccurate. Persons submitting nominations that are not awarded shall be notified in writing that their nomination has been rejected.

Final determination of eligibility shall be at the discretion of the Police Heritage Museum, Inc.

### **Presentation of Award**

A public awards ceremony will be held at a place and time designated by the Police Heritage Museum, Inc. Award recipients will be notified in advance to attend. The Law Enforcement Officer of the Year recipient will not be announced in advance.

*The awards ceremony is a televised event, and photographers will be present.* Please contact the Police Heritage Museum in advance if officers are nominated that cannot be photographed, so alternate arrangements can be made.

*Submit award nominations to:*

**Police Heritage Museum, Inc.  
Law Enforcement Awards Program  
P.O. Box 1941 - York, PA 17405**

**Police Heritage Museum, Inc.**  
**Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award**  
**Nomination Form**

**Criteria**

The Police Heritage Museum hopes to recognize a well-rounded law enforcement officer who has exceeded the duty requirements expected of his/her position and has also demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service along with professional achievement. Selection criteria will include:

- Significant achievements that go above and beyond the call of duty
- Outstanding acts of kindness or compassion or courage
- Consistency in day-to-day operations
- How the officer represents his/her agency and profession
- Community work the officer performs in his/her own time
- Performs in a manner, which reflects the highest standards of the profession

Law enforcement agencies may only nominate **ONE (1)** law enforcement officer from their department, unless prior approval is received from the Police Heritage Museum, Inc. to submit more than one nominee. The Police Heritage Museum, Inc. will only approve such requests when provided with compelling evidence to do so.

The Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award is not awarded for a specific incident, but rather for a pattern of service and achievement. Narratives describing a specific act or incident may be rejected or reclassified.

**Presentation of Award**

All nominees shall be recognized at the awards ceremony. Nominees not selected to receive the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award shall receive an appropriate certificate and/or award.

The Law Enforcement Officer of the Year will receive a personalized award. The officer's name will be placed on a permanent plaque to be displayed at the Police Heritage Museum site, and a plaque will be provided to the officer's agency for display at its offices. A donation of \$1,000 will be made to the Police Heritage Museum by MediaOnePA in the name of the award recipient.

In the case of a posthumous award, the award will be made in the name of the officer to a surviving spouse, child, or parents of such officer.

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**POLICE HERITAGE MUSEUM, INC.  
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD  
OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM**

<b>NOMINEE'S NAME</b>	
<b>CURRENT RANK</b>	

***BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION***

<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>	
<b>SPOUSE'S NAME (Optional)</b>	
<b>CHILDREN'S NAMES &amp; AGES (Optional)</b>	
<b>EDUCATION (High School, College)</b>	
<b>MILITARY SERVICE (Including Awards &amp; Citations)</b>	
<b>COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT</b>	

***LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY INFORMATION***

<b>AGENCY NAME</b>	
<b>AGENCY ADDRESS</b>	
<b>TELEPHONE</b>	
<b>AGENCY HEAD</b>	

***LAW ENFORCEMENT BACKGROUND***

<b>DATE OF HIRE</b>		<b>YEARS OF SERVICE</b>	
<b>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</b>			
<b>PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENTS</b>			
<b>PROMOTION DATES (If Applicable)</b>			
<b>PREVIOUS LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE</b>			
<b>LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARDS &amp; CITATIONS</b>			

***MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION***

<b>STATE SENATOR FOR AREA SERVED BY NOMINEE</b>	
<b>STATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR AREA SERVED BY NOMINEE</b>	
<b>ADDITIONAL BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION</b>	

**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD  
OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM**

**NARRATIVE**

**DESCRIPTION OF ACHIEVEMENT OR ACT:** In narrative form, state what makes this nominee a deserving candidate for the award. If appropriate, explain how the nominee's achievements or service had an impact on the community the nominee serves.

Check here if additional attachments are included.

I hereby nominate the above for the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award. I attest that the contents of this document, and any attachments, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Print Name:	Title:
Agency Name And Address:	Telephone:
Signature:	Date:

**Police Heritage Museum, Inc., Law Enforcement Awards Program, PO Box 1941, York, PA 17405**

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**Police Heritage Museum, Inc.**

**AWARD OF VALOR**

**Nomination Form**

**Criteria**

The Police Heritage Museum wishes to recognize local law enforcement officers for exceptional courage in a specific hazardous or life-threatening situation. Selection criteria will include:

Actions performed at considerable risk to the officer's safety or life  
Actions taken in an effort to save or protect life and/or property  
Significant action above and beyond the normal call of duty

The Award of Valor is awarded for a specific incident or act. Narratives describing more than one specific act or incident may be rejected or reclassified.

**Presentation of Award**

A public awards ceremony will be held at a place and time designated by the Police Heritage Museum, Inc. Award recipients will be notified in advance to attend.

All recipients shall be recognized at the awards ceremony. The Award of Valor recipients will receive an appropriate award and certificate.

In case of a posthumous award, the award will be made to a surviving spouse, child or parents of said recipient.

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**POLICE HERITAGE MUSEUM, INC.  
AWARD OF VALOR  
OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM**

<b>NAME</b>	
<b>RANK</b>	

***BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION***

<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>	
<b>SPOUSE'S NAME (Optional)</b>	
<b>CHILDREN'S NAMES &amp; AGES (Optional)</b>	
<b>EDUCATION</b>	
<b>MILITARY SERVICE (Including Awards &amp; Citations)</b>	
<b>COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT</b>	

***LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY INFORMATION***

<b>AGENCY NAME</b>	
<b>AGENCY ADDRESS</b>	
<b>TELEPHONE</b>	
<b>AGENCY HEAD</b>	

***LAW ENFORCEMENT BACKGROUND***

<b>DATE OF HIRE</b>		<b>YEARS OF SERVICE</b>	
<b>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</b>			
<b>PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENTS</b>			
<b>PROMOTION DATES (If Applicable)</b>			
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**AWARD OF VALOR  
OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM**

**NARRATIVE**

**DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:** In narrative form, describe the incident in which this nominee has been involved. Explain the hazards or risks to the nominee, and the consequences had the nominee not taken action.

*Check here if additional attachments are included.*

I hereby nominate the above for the Award of Valor. I attest that the contents of this document, and any attachments, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Agency Name And Address:	Telephone:
Signature:	Date:

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**Police Heritage Museum, Inc.**  
**CITIZEN AWARD OF MERIT**  
**Nomination Form**

**Criteria**

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- Prevent or stop the commission of a crime
- Assist or aid a law enforcement officer
- Attempt to save or protect life and/or property

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OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM**

<b>NAME OF NOMINEE</b>	
<b>ADDRESS</b>	
<b>TELEPHONE</b>	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>	
<b>EMPLOYER</b>	
<b>EDUCATION</b>	
<b>MILITARY SERVICE</b>	
<b>COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT</b>	
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>	
<b>SPOUSE'S NAME</b> <i>(Optional)</i>	
<b>CHILDREN'S NAMES &amp; AGES</b> <i>(Optional)</i>	
<b>STATE SENATOR FOR NOMINEE'S PLACE OF RESIDENCE</b>	
<b>STATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR NOMINEE'S PLACE OF RESIDENCE</b>	

**CITIZEN AWARD OF MERIT  
OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM**

**NARRATIVE**

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