

LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Community Outreach Newsletter

A DAY OUT WITH DEPUTIES

The Tidewater Busy Bee Crafters Club spent a part of their day with Sergeant Noel and Staff Officer Bonollo as they shopped for materials at Michael's and JoAnn Fabric and Craft Stores, enjoyed lunch at Olive Garden and had an opportunity to visit a number of Lee County Sheriff's Office

Community Outreach Centers.

A day out with law enforcement officers from the Lee County Sheriff's Office provides residents and deputies with an opportunity to better understand one another and to ask relevant questions.



If you would like information regarding "A Day Out with Deputies," wish to schedule a visit for your group to one of our Community Outreach Centers or want to learn more about any of our

Community Outreach events or initiatives, please call us at 239-477-1CRU.

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LCDAS FALL PET-FEST

"Pet Fall Fest" is our opportunity to celebrate the upcoming holiday season with our friends at Lee County Domestic Animal Services.

In addition to hoping to match up homeless pets with loving owners, "Fall Pet Fest" offers a craft fair, bake sale, photos with Santa and so much more.



Should you be considering opening up your home and your heart to a homeless pet, please consider visiting Lee County Domestic Animal Services located at 5600 Banner Drive in Fort Myers.

At any time, you are likely to find a large variety of canines and felines, puppies, kittens, mixed-breed and pure-bred dogs...you name it!

THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN IS A COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY.

DRIVE CAUTIOUSLY AROUND AND NEAR SCHOOL BUSES.

WE'RE WATCHING...



FREE PET VACCINATIONS IN ST. JAMES CITY

The Lee County Sheriff's Office Community Response Unit, in conjunction with Lee County Domestic Animal Services, held a "Pet Vaccination Event" on Pine Island Road, just west of Stringfellow Road in St. James City.

Rather than the usual discounted vaccination schedule, Lee County Domestic Animal Services offered all



vaccines and microchipping at no cost whatsoever.

The four-hour event allowed families hit hard by both Ian and Idalia to ensure that their pets were

up-to-date on all of their vaccinations.

ROBBIE THE ROBODOG AT EDISON MALL

Much like every other canine, Robbie the RoboDog enjoys a good stroll and an opportunity to meet new people.



Several weeks back, we took Robbie for a saunter inside of Edison Mall in Fort Myers.

And, like the rest of us, Robbie found the delicious scent of Auntie Anne's and

Cinnabon more than he could resist.

Our robodog brings remarkable capabilities and technologies to the Lee County Sheriff's Office and Robbie cheerfully demonstrated some of his skills and abilities while cheerfully meeting and greeting holiday shoppers and retail store staff.

SWFL CRIME STOPPERS

The ability to anonymously submit tips regarding criminal activity dramatically assists law enforcement to resolve cases and to recover stolen items.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office Miromar Outlets Community Outreach Center frequently hosts staff and board member from Southwest Florida Crime Stoppers...providing them an opportunity to explain the tip-submission and reward process to residents and visitors.



Adults and children alike enjoy the cool "swag" that the Crime Stoppers folks distribute.

Remember...ALL tips submitted to the SWFL

Crime Stoppers Program are completely anonymous!

Residents and guests are encouraged to share information regarding any criminal activity, wanted fugitives, drug activity, etc. by calling 800-780-TIPS.

SWFL Crime Stoppers guarantees that calls are NOT recorded, there is NO Caller ID utilized and there is NO tracking of calls!

Help keep our community safe by calling!

CHRISTMAS TREE TENT AND TOY DRIVE

The Lee County Sheriff's Office Community Response Unit, Ice Cream Response Unit and Civilian Support Unit, in conjunction with the United Way Renunite Program staff, attended this year's Rotary Club of Bonita Springs Christmas Tree Tent and Toy Drive.



The Civilian Support Unit volunteers offered free child fingerprinting and the Ice Cream Response Unit dished out loads of ice cream to the many children on-hand.



Over 350 students and their families, from both Bonita Springs and Spring Creek Elementary Schools, benefitted from the event and were given toys collected by the

Rotary Club of Bonita Springs.

UNCOMMON FRIENDS FOUNDATION

The Lee County Sheriff's Office was happy to serve as a sponsor for the "A Very Burroughs Holiday Fundraising Event."

Uncommon Friends Foundation scholarships recognize deserving individuals who have a financial need, the



potential to succeed in school, and demonstrate the personal traits of the "uncommon friends;" Thomas Edison, Henry Ford, Harvey Firestone, Alexis Carrel and Charles Lindbergh.

Scholarship recipients demonstrate honesty, integrity,

self-control, courage, commitment, compassion, citizenship, respect, a sense of purpose, responsibility, spirit of adventure, perseverance, friendship and initiative. These scholarships are awarded to students in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades, and Hendry counties

BELL TOWER TREE LIGHTING

Over 300 ice cream cones were distributed to guests attending the annual Christmas tree lighting event held at Bell Tower.



Each year, the Lee County Sheriff's Office is on-hand to ensure that the Grinch behaves himself.

Santa spent time chatting with prospective gift-receivers and verified that they appeared on his "nice" list.

Additionally, the South Trail Fire Protection and Rescue Service was on hand to help store staff and guests ring in the holiday season at Bell Tower's Center Court.



DO THE RIGHT THING!

Sheriff Marceno is always looking for ways to further reward students that have chosen to "do the right thing."

"Do The Right Thing" is a national recognition program that honors students for positive behavior, inspirational efforts and good deeds throughout their school and community.

The sheriff dispatched the Lee County Sheriff's Office's Ice



Cream Response Truck to scoop up treats for our monthly "Do The Right Thing" award recipients at Gateway High School.

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“PAWS FOR THE NIGHT”

Among our favorite things are spending time with our neighbors and our furry friends.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office Coconut Point Community Outreach Center found an excellent way to do both...“Paws for the Night.”

Vendors and small business owners brought their wares to the event, offering guests an opportunity to do a bit of holiday shopping while mingling with pups.



Guests posed for holiday photos, generously donated to the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) and participated in a holiday costume contest judged by Coconut Point Mall management and Lee County Domestic Animal Services staff.



A DAY OUT AT BASS PRO SHOPS

Holiday season is an excellent opportunity for the Lee County Sheriff's Office Community Response Unit to engage and share information with seasonal guests and shoppers.

Outreach staff spent the day distributing information and “swag” to shoppers at Bass Pro Shops in Gulf Coast Town Center.

Approached by hundreds of guests, LCSO staff answered questions regarding seasonal security, upcoming events, volunteer opportunities at the Lee County Sheriff's Office and much more.



LET IT SNOW...

Few Floridians would pass up an opportunity to frolic in the snow and staff from the Lee County Sheriff's Office Cape Harbour Community Outreach Center joyfully participated in the “Holiday Magic” event at Fathoms Restaurant in Cape Coral.



Children (and adult children) enjoyed the snow slide, as well as making snowballs, while attending the Cape Harbour event.

LCSO Community Response Unit staff may have made a snowball or two while greeting guests and distributing sheriff's office swag.

Santa was on-hand discussing toy requests with children eager to learn if they were listed on Santa's “nice” list.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office Cape Harbour Community Outreach



Center is the newest addition to our growing group of outreach facilities. Serving the residents of Southeastern



Cape Coral, the center is located near the Chiquita Lock at 5858 Cape Harbour Drive, Suite 108 and open from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm every day.

YOUR EYES...YOUR EARS...YOUR TIPS MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Crime doesn't pay, but we do! Call with your tips.

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1-800-780-TIPS (8477)

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