

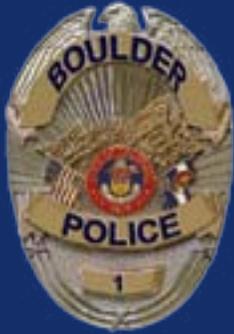
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## Detective Jack Gardner Receives 2012 Beth Haynes Memorial Award

The Beth Haynes Memorial Award, considered one of the most prestigious awards in Boulder County, is presented each year to a member of law enforcement who has distinguished him or herself in the area of service to domestic violence victims.

This year the award went to Detective Jack Gardner, a detective currently in the Boulder Police Department's Major Crimes Unit, formerly a member of the Detective Section's Family Crimes Unit.

Three Boulder police detectives,

along with Commander Kim Stewart, submitted nominations on Gardner's behalf this year. (None of them knew the others were nominating him). This was Gardner's fourth nomination, and he says receiving it meant even more to him now that he's moved out of the Family Crimes Unit. "It means a lot to me to be selected by my peers and partner agencies," says Gardner. "It means I was recognized for the body of work that I've done over the years, and it's a special honor. It

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Detective Jack Gardner, with his son, Ben, and his daughter, Kayla, at the award ceremony. Kayla is holding Jack's new "Avengers: Captain America" lunchbox, which he received along with his award.

# END OF AN ERA: JOE PURA RETIRES AFTER 45 YEARS

Joe Pura is about to head into a new chapter of his life: retirement! It's hard to believe that after 45 years at the Boulder Police Department, Joe's last day will be December 28th. Joe started his law enforcement career in Winnipeg, Canada. He was a homicide detective there when he applied for an opening at BPD back in 1967. He got the job, headed to patrol (initially assigned to detectives) and worked his way up through the ranks as a corporal, sergeant, captain and deputy chief. He's been our "chief" finance guru since about 1980.

His most memorable case during his four decades of service? Arresting a man named Glenn Thomas Stapleton, also known as the Capitol Hill Rapist. He was responsible for approximately 100 rapes in Denver, ten in Boulder and confessed to two homicides.

From Chief Mark Beckner: "Joe has been an icon at the Boulder PD and we will not realize his real value until he is gone. He is taking with him a wealth of historical information on the budget and budgeting process. I have appreciated Joe's work ethic and willingness to do whatever it was we asked of him. He has been an outstanding budget manager. We wish him a wonderful retirement. He's earned it."

*Do you have a question you'd like to see answered in an upcoming edition? Email your question to Kim Kobel at [KobelK@boulder.colorado.gov](mailto:KobelK@boulder.colorado.gov)*



Patrolman Joe Pura and Cadet Mike Root, in June 1969 ride along. (Photo courtesy of Daily Camera).

## BEHIND THE BADGE

### OFFICER & BPOA PRESIDENT

NAME: RICH DENIG

ASSIGNMENT: PRESIDENTIAL DUTIES

YEARS ON THE FORCE: 24

Officer Rich Denig started his law enforcement career in Greeley, CO before joining the Boulder Police Department in 1988. Police work wasn't his initial choice - he was in college and working full-time in the technology field (StorageTek) when his former brother-in-law (the police chief in Fort Morgan) invited him on several ride-alongs, which piqued his interest in police work.

Denig hit the streets in Boulder as a patrol officer, and spent five years as a Narcotics Detective. He was part of the University Hill team and the SWAT team, and still remembers the riots of the late 1990's. "It was a huge party, that turned into a bonfire in the street, that turned into a full-blown riot," said Denig. "There was stuff coming out of the air - soup cans, rocks the size of softballs. It was our first encounter with that level of violence in a mass setting, since the original Mall Crawl days."



Denig is a firearms instructor, officer survival instructor, municipal court marshal and the ride-along coordinator.

In 2004, he was elected President of the Boulder Police Officer's Association. He recently won re-election for another two-year term and is starting his 9th year as BPOA president.

He's married to Tracy, and they have two daughters, two granddaughters and a cat named Gabby...which he inherited from his mom.

# Safety First for Teens Class

## Helps kids build relationships with police, fire

For 17 years, the Boulder Police Department has hosted a 5-week class called Safety First for Teens. The class is taught in a fun environment that's geared toward developmentally disabled kids. Through role playing and other exercises, the teens learn skills that might help them in an emergency. For example, skills like how to call 9-1-1 and how to relay important information like their address and summary of what's going on. That may seem basic to most of us, but it can be a real challenge for people who may have trouble communicating clearly because of developmental or physical issues.

Other role playing exercises include teaching the kids how to interact safely with strangers. "We'll get on a bus with them and pretend to be strangers who are asking for things that are risky, like borrowing \$20 or trying to get their home address," says Officer Ed Quayle, a Community Resource Officer/instructor and member of BPD's Bomb Squad. "It's important that kids know how to interact with law enforcement and fire fighters. Sometimes the uniforms can be intimidating, and spending time in class helps them get used to us and see us as people they can trust."

Quayle took the extra step recently of giving a personal tour of the Public Safety Building to 16-year-old Boulder High School freshman Jess Lawhead. He visited Dispatch, the Detective Unit got to sit behind the wheel of a patrol car.

"He sent that picture to all his out-of-state relatives. He's proud of the photo and will share it with anyone," says Anastasia Lawhead. "His dad and I were glad he was in the front seat, and not the back!"

Lawhead works for the Association for Community Living, which is an advocacy organization for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. She's been involved with the Safety First class in the past, helping with classroom support. "We want our loved ones to be safe and secure in the community, and that's developed through relationships with people like police and fire fighters, bus drivers, neighbors and friends. The more someone is known, the safer they are."



Jess Lawhead, a 16-year-old freshman at Boulder High School, tours the Public Safety Building with Officer Ed Quayle. (Photo courtesy of Brett Adamek).

## Holiday Safety Tips

If you're out shopping this holiday season, here are some things to keep in mind to prevent criminals from making you their next target:

Be aware of your surroundings. Stay alert.

Take only the cash/credit cards you will need.

Shopping with a friend or a small group of friends is safer, and more fun.

Don't overload yourself with packages. Keep valuables out of sight & in the trunk.

Make sure keys are in your hand before you head to your car. Do you remember where you parked?

Wait until you're close to your car before you use your remote to unlock it. Unlocking it from far away telegraphs where you're heading.

If you see someone acting suspicious, go back to the store, alert security/police, and ask for an escort to your car.

Con artists may work in pairs and try to distract you as they steal your packages, wallet or purse.

### Serious crimes, 2011

Murder	2
Manslaughter	0
Rape	31
Robbery	38
Aggravated Assault	196
Burglary	473
Larceny	1,924
Vehicle theft	121
Arson	55
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,840</b>

# WANTED: JAWAD KHOUIR



Jawad Khourir, DOB 3/15/1981 is wanted on a warrant for failing to appear at his sentencing for his convictions on charges of Sexual Assault, Felony Menacing plus several other charges.

Khourir also goes by the name "Jawad Chafik." He's a white male, 5'05" tall, weighs 140 pounds and has brown hair and brown eyes. He is a citizen of Morocco. His last known address was in Boulder, CO. His present whereabouts are unknown.

If you have any information about Jawad Khourir, please contact Detective Jack Gardner at 303-441-1851.

## Beth Haynes Memorial Award, continued...

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keeps Beth's memory alive and it's more special when someone from our department is presented with it."

Working with victims of domestic violence can be difficult, since victims are often reluctant to move forward on their cases. "The victims are often in personal relationships with their perpetrators. They depend on that person for their livelihood, they have children together, and it's complicated," says Gardner.

He works to develop rapport and a trusting relationship, and becomes their advocate. "It takes trust in order to convince them about what was in their best interest. They're vulnerable, afraid, and there's a lot at stake for them," he added.

The award is named for Boulder Police Officer Beth Haynes, the 26-year-old officer who gave her life protecting others during a domestic violence call in 1994. She was fatally shot by the suspect and died before paramedics could get her to the hospital. The suspect killed himself on the doorstep of his estranged girlfriend's home, after being wounded in an exchange of gunfire with Haynes.

Commander Kim Stewart and Officer Beth Haynes were friends, and Stewart is proud that this year's award recipient is a member of the Boulder Police Department. "Beth believed in her duty as an officer. She gave her life to protect innocent victims and knowing Beth, she wouldn't have made any other decision. I'm proud that Jack has been honored with the Beth Haynes Memorial Award."

### Additional contact information:

#### Emergency Assistance — 24 hours

Police 911  
Fire 911  
Medical 911  
Mental Health 303-447-1665  
Rocky Mountain Poison Center  
1-800-222-1222  
Xcel Energy/Electrical outage  
1-800-895-1999  
Xcel Energy /Gas leak or odor  
1-800-895-2999

#### Non-Emergency Assistance

Police 303-441-3333  
Fire 303-441-3333  
Medical 303-441-3333  
Police Records 303-441-3300  
Professional Standards  
303-441-3312  
Public Works 303-441-3249  
Paramedics

#### Community Police Center

303-413-7324  
Located on 16th Street, just south of  
Pearl St.  
Staffed Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.  
to 5 p.m.

