

The Spotlight

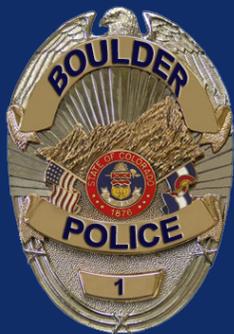


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Get to Know New Commanders: Kerry Yamaguchi & Greg LeFebre

Kerry Yamaguchi, one of our newest commanders, was promoted on December 8, 2014. Chief Testa assigned him to our Support and Staff Services Division where he will oversee officer and staff training, the Property and Evidence division, personnel and victim services.

Kerry began his career with the Boulder Police Department (BPD) in 1991 and was promoted to sergeant in 1998. He has served in many different capacities including patrol, narcotics,

detectives (major crimes) and in professional standards.

When asked what his biggest challenge has been since being promoted, he responded “Learning the details of my areas of responsibilities and finding out how I can best help my workgroup achieve by making sure they have enough resources and support.”

Kerry is a Colorado native and graduated from CU with a bachelor’s degree in mathematics. He resides in Erie

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Patty Yamaguchi and Tammy LeFebre pin new badges on Kerry Yamaguchi and Greg LeFebre, who were both promoted from sergeant to commander in 2014.

SNOW REMOVAL: MAKING IT SAFE

Boulder is a community filled with families and professionals enjoying all the events, education, shopping, and working hard every day.

As one of the most transit-diverse communities in the state, with residents walking, biking and taking advantage of our mass transit stops year round, snow and ice on the sidewalks poses a real safety hazard should it not be removed in a timely manner.

- Residents on corner lots need to clear the sidewalks on both the front, side, and sometimes walks behind the property as well as the pedestrian paths leading to the street.
- The entire width of the sidewalks or a width of 5' for wider walks is required to be cleared.
- Clear snow before it is walked on excessively to prevent packed snow and ice that is much harder to remove.
- Throw shoveled snow onto the yard verses the street. This provides more water for the yard as snow melts and



In Boulder, snowy sidewalks must be cleared within 24 hours after the last snowfall.

will help to keep the gutter clear so melt off can flow and not collect on sidewalks to refreeze.

- Please consider helping those in need in your community to clear their walks by calling the Boulder County Care Connect at 303-443-1933 and becoming a valued volunteer.

BEHIND THE BADGE

SENIOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT ANALYST

NAME: DUANE CASMEY

ASSIGNMENT: "IT GURU"

YEARS AT THE PD: 14

Duane Casmey is the Information Technology go-to guy at the Boulder Police Department and Boulder Fire-Rescue, and we keep him very busy with everything from fixing modems on the MDC's (the mobile data computers in police and fire vehicles) to re-imaging new laptops to clearing up bugs on slow-running desktops. He also staffs the city's IT Help Desk and supports IT in a number of other capacities.

Usually we'll see him as a blur heading down the hallway – often moving at a speed considered too fast for conditions (he'd get a ticket if he were driving) as he flies toward whatever new computer emergency has just arisen. And although he isn't out on the streets with officers or firefighters, he's still involved when there are emergencies like floods or wildfires. We count on him to keep us connected.

Duane was an accountant before changing careers and going



into IT. "Accounting was too boring," he said. "With IT, I do something different every single day. I'm a problem solver and I enjoy the challenges; every day is fluid."

Duane has three children: Corbin (16), Jackson (18) and Sean (24). When Duane isn't working, he spends time working out at the gym, riding his road bike and skiing – he tries to ski between 30-to-60 days a year. On winter weekends, you'll find him on the slopes at Eldora, teaching kids how to ski. "Most of the kids can't even walk in their ski boots when they begin their lesson. It's really gratifying when, at the end of the day, they're downhill skiers!"

Sorority Names Community Service Award for Officer Andrew Kirshbaum

Another successful partnership has been developed by members of the Neighborhood Impact Team (NIT) and the sororities and fraternities on University Hill.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority was so impressed with NIT officer Andrew Kirshbaum that they created a special award and named it in his honor for his work as the sorority's police liaison.

It's called the Kirshbaum-Clement Award, and it will be awarded annually to one member of the sorority who distinguishes herself in her efforts of service either to the sorority or one of its members; philanthropy or community service or another notable cause.

Despite some initial skepticism about working more closely with the police department, Officer Kirshbaum was able to forge a strong relationship between sorority members and himself, becoming their "go-to guru" when they needed help or simply had questions and wanted advice.

The relationship has benefitted the police department too, as sorority members have sometimes provided us with valuable information related to cases we're investigating.

We're looking forward to building more relationships with students, University Hill residents and business owners.



Officer Andrew Kirshbaum with members of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority's Executive Board, at their Spring Formal event.

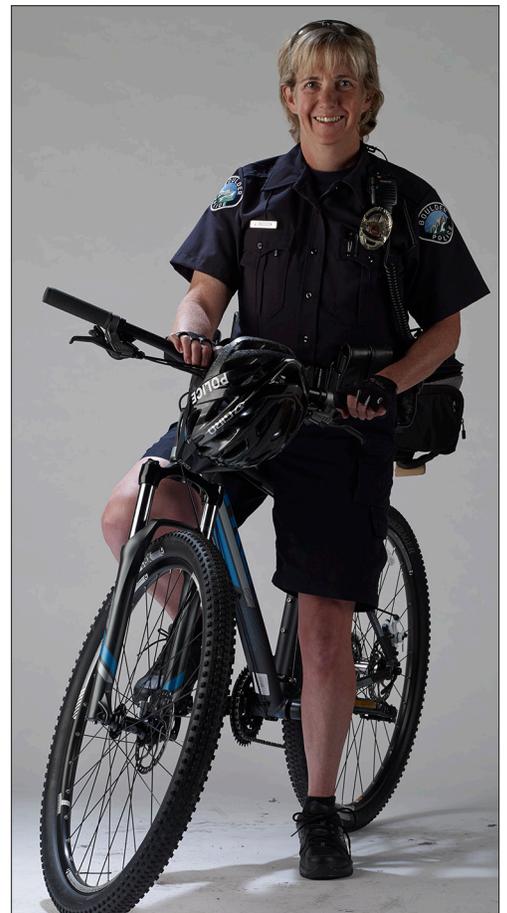
Firehouse Subs to Feature Officer Jenny Paddock on "Hero Cups"

Officer Jenny Paddock is a fixture in the downtown Boulder area – you've probably seen her patrolling around the municipal campus and the Pearl Street Mall, both on foot and on her bike.

Sometime this spring, her photo is going to be featured on the "Hero Cups" at Firehouse Subs. The Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation and the Ironman organizers chose Jenny after seeing her in a video for the Ironman Boulder event, and flew her to Florida for a professional photo shoot.

The photos are being printed onto Firehouse's to-go cups, and they feature pictures of people from law enforcement agencies and fire departments which received grants from the Firehouse Public Safety Foundation.

Jenny is pictured with one of the 12 new bikes the Boulder Police Department received, which were paid for by a \$12,000.00 grant from the foundation.



COPS FIGHTING CANCER



Officer Don Spicely poses for a photo with Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer at Children's Hospital in Aurora.

In December, Boulder police officers Don Spicely and Sue Barcklow joined officers from about 35 other law enforcement agencies to bring holiday cheer and wagons full of toys, stuffed animals and other goodies to cancer patients at Children's Hospital in Aurora.

It's a program which began 12 years ago, called the Long Blue Line. It's always quite a sight - about 250 officers drove in a motorcade to the hospital to distribute toys, hugs and lots of smiles. It's an event we look forward to participating in every year.

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with his wife Patty and they have two children. In his spare time, Kerry enjoys coaching youth sports, traveling with his family, photography and umpiring high school baseball and softball.

Also promoted to commander on December 8, 2014, Greg Lefebre took over our Traffic Division. He manages traffic enforcement, accident investigations and special events.

Greg joined BPD in 1992 after leaving the Wheat Ridge Police Department. At BPD, he spent time on the Target Crime Team, the Boulder County Drug Task Force, SWAT, patrol, detectives and alcohol enforcement. He was a sergeant for ten years before being promoted to commander.

Greg holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of Colorado. He resides in Denver with his wife of 28 years, Tammy, and has three daughters and one grandson. His hobbies include hunting, fishing and camping.

Greg was born in Wisconsin but has lived in Colorado since the age of ten, along with most of his extended family. He says the thing he loves most about policing is that there is something new and different almost every day.

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.

