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Officer Profile: Officer Bob Fritz

Officer Fritz began his law enforcement career with the Adrian Police Department and in 1992 joined the Worthington Police Department for his 20-year stint. Bob has worked as the juvenile officer and school resource officer for the last 15 years.

Officer Fritz will be retiring at the end of May. He has enjoyed working with youth teaching DARE for 5th and 7th grade students in the Worthington School District.

The highlight of Bob's career has been working with youth and being a positive role model and resource for not only them, but parents as well.

Bob and his wife Laurie, who plan on traveling after retirement, have two grown children, Megan 26 and Shawn 30.

Bob would like to thank the community and District 518 for allowing him to serve them.



Nixle Public Safety Alert System

The Worthington Police Department has kicked off an email alert and text message public safety system on our website using Nixle.

Nixle is a community information service dedicated to helping you stay connected to the information that matters most to you.

You can receive alerts for closed roads, weather alerts, safety alerts, missing persons, general notifications, special events, canvassing

witnesses for leads and other evidence.

This will allow the police department to more effectively communicate with the public.

If you are interested in signing up for this service, you can go to the front page of the City of Worthington Public Safety webpage to sign up or for more information.

<http://www.ci.worthington.mn.us/public-safety>

Sign up for alerts from the **Worthington Public Safety!** & other public safety agencies in your area.

Mobile Number:

Email Address:

Zip Code:

I accept the [Terms and Conditions](#) and [Privacy Policy](#).

Sign Up!

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National Police Week: May 13-19

National Police Week occurs each year during the week in which May 15 falls. National Police Week recognizes the service and sacrifice of U.S. law enforcement officers.

Established in 1962 by a joint resolution of Congress, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

The principal organizers of National Police Week are the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, the Fraternal Order of Police/Fraternal Order of Police Auxiliary and the Concerns of Police Survivors.

May 15 is designated as National Peace Officer Memorial Day. This day is one of only two days where federal law requires the American flag to be flown at half staff in remembrance of fallen officers.



National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial was dedicated on October 15, 1991 to honor the federal, state, and local law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the safety and protection of our nation and its people.

The monument features two curving 304 foot long blue-grey marble walls that sit on three acres of national park land in Washington, D.C.

At each entrance to the monument is a statue of an adult lion protecting its cubs. The sculptures, created by Raymond Kaskey, symbolize the protective role of law enforcement officers and convey the strength, courage, and valor that are the hallmarks of those who serve and protect. Each lion has an inspiring quote that captures the

spirit of the heroic men and women who are honored.

At the center of the memorial, there is an intricate paving pattern and a bronze medallion with the Memorial Fund logo: a blue shield with a red rose draped across it.

The memorial contains the names of 19,660 law enforcement officers who have given their lives in the line of duty since the first line of duty death in 1791.

The memorial contains the name of a Worthington Police Officer, Roy Robert Fitch. Officer Fitch was injured in the line of duty and died on June 19, 1938 after suffering a brain hemorrhage. Officer Fitch was fifty years old at the time of his death and left behind a wife and five children.



Quotes Under The Four Lions:

"It is not how these Officers died that made them heroes, it is how they lived."
Vivian Eney Cross, Survivor

"In valor there is hope."
Tacitus

"The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are as bold as lions."
Proverbs 28:1

"Carved on these walls is the story of America, of a continuing quest to preserve both democracy and decency, and to protect a national treasure that we call the American dream."
President George H.W. Bush



Scam Alert: Caller ID Spoofing

According to the consumer protection website, clarkhoward.com, the number of fraudulent calls that people receive involve caller id spoofing, which has surged over 50% to over one million calls.



Caller ID spoofing occurs when the caller changes the name that appears on your caller ID. The con artist can make your caller id read anything they want.

They can make the call look like it is coming from a family member, local bank, charity or law enforcement agency.

For example, con artists can pop up the name of your bank on your caller ID. If you would answer the call, they would tell you there is a problem with your account and they need to verify the information with you.

Unless you personally know the caller, do not give them any information over the telephone. Look up the telephone number of the bank and call them. Better yet, just stop by and talk to them in person.

Just remember that unless you initiate the telephone call; never give personal or financial information over the telephone regardless of who the caller states they are.



Law Enforcement Memorial Facts

- First police officer killed in the line of duty was killed in 1791
- During the last ten years a total of 1,799 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty which averages one death every 53 hours.
- In 2011, there were 163 law enforcement officers killed.
- There are 257 female officers listed on the Memorial, including eleven female officers who were killed in 2010.
- As of April 2012, Minnesota has lost 223 officers in the line of duty.
- Number of Worthington Police Officers listed on the Memorial – 1

Number of Worthington Police Officers killed in the line of duty: 1

Dumb Criminal of the Month

This month's dumb criminal of the month is an out of town resident.

Officers were called to a department store in Worthington for an adult male shoplifter. When officers arrived on the scene they found the male fitting the description and brought him back into the store.

After being questioned about shoplifting, the male stated that he usually shops at a different store and always uses the self-checkout. He said he also used the self-checkout tonight by scanning his items himself. He paid cash for the groceries with two \$100 bills and eight \$20s.

The problem with this scenario is that this department store does not have a self-checkout!

After explaining this fact to the gentleman, he said he must have forgotten to pay.

The male was then arrested and charged.

Text Anonymous Information

Send confidential tips to the
Buffalo Ridge Drug Task Force

Text 372DTF with your tip
Send to 847411 (tip411)

tip 411

100% Anonymous

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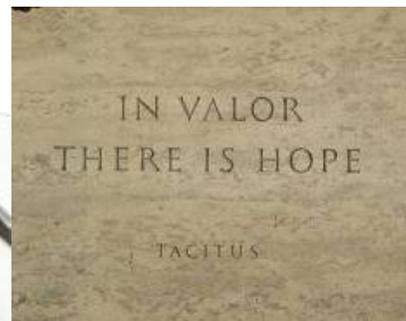
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www.ci.worthington.mn.us

In Remembrance



Mission Statement

Serving Worthington with honor and integrity by providing community oriented law enforcement and emergency services to all people.

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