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Officer Chad Riffe receives promotion to Sergeant of Police

Lake in the Hills, IL – Lake in the Hills Police Department is proud to announce on Thursday, July 11, 2024, Officer Chad Riffe has been promoted to Sergeant of Police.

Sergeant Riffe was hired in late 2004, attending the University of Illinois Police Training Institute graduating in 2005 with the Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Award. This accolade along with Sergeant Riffe's commitment to excellence was just a small preview of things to come.

From the outset, Sergeant Riffe demonstrated a profound dedication to all aspects of law enforcement, quickly becoming a pivotal figure within the department. He has been heavily involved in numerous roles and responsibilities that showcase his multifaceted expertise. Just some of Sergeant Riffe's extensive contributions include being a recruitment officer where he has a crucial role building the future of the department and ensuring the department is staffed with capable and dedicated individuals. As an Officer in Charge, he displayed his outstanding leadership skills, overseeing and providing guidance to fellow officers. Being a training instructor, Sergeant Riffe has mentored numerous officers, ensuring they are well-prepared for the challenges of the job. Sergeant Riffe also imparts his knowledge and skills to new recruits, shaping the next generation of law enforcement professionals as a Police Training Officer (PTO). On the police department's tactical bicycle patrol, he highlights his versatility and commitment to innovative policing methods. Prior to his promotion, Sergeant Riffe was a Metropolitan Alliance of Police Union Representative. Serving for eleven years, Sergeant Riffe has been a steadfast advocate for his fellow officers.

Sergeant Riffe's career is decorated with numerous commendations and awards that reflect his exceptional performance and dedication to duty. Among these honors are the McHenry County Officer of the Year Nominee, Driving Under the Influence Enforcement Award, numerous lifesaving awards, and multiple unit citation awards.

Another strength of Sergeant Riffe's is his ability to foster positive relationships between the police and the public. His efforts in outreach and community policing have strengthened trust and cooperation, embodying

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the principles of modern, community-centric law enforcement. Sergeant Riffe can be found teaching children about bike safety, stopping by block parties, and teaching during community events. Throughout his career, Sergeant Riffe consistently demonstrates empathy, integrity, and a genuine drive to make a difference in the community.

As Sergeant Riffe steps into his new role, the police department and community can look forward to continued excellence and leadership. His vast experience, coupled with his enthusiasm and optimistic attitude ensures that he will be an outstanding leader and peer advisor. His promotion not only recognizes his past contributions but also signifies the potential for even greater impact in the future. Sergeant Riffe's career is an excellent example of a pathway of success, excellence, and service. As he continues into this new chapter, the police department celebrates his achievements and looks forward to the positive influence he will continue to have throughout our community.

“Sergeant Riffe brings a wealth of knowledge gained from his years of experience here at the Department,” said Lake in the Hills Police Chief Matthew Mannino. “I am pleased to have Sergeant Riffe joining our management team as a front-line supervisor in the Patrol Division, where he will be able to mentor our many new officers.”

Please join the police department in congratulating Sergeant Chad Riffe on his well-deserved promotion.



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