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## 2019 & 2020 Lyle Wohlers Law Enforcement Luncheon RYAN FROST NAMED 2019 OFFICER OF THE YEAR ANDREW LORENZ NAMED 2020 OFFICER OF THE YEAR LAURA ALLEN NAMED 2019 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR ROBERT WISE NAMED 2020 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The 2019 & 2020 Lyle Wohlers Law Enforcement Luncheon was held on May 26, 2021, at the Blackstone Rivers Ranch in Idaho Springs. Corporal Ryan Frost was awarded the 2019 Officer of the Year, and Officer Andrew Lorenz was awarded the 2020 Officer of the Year. Laura Allen was awarded the 2019 Citizen of the Year, and Robert Wise was awarded the 2020 Citizen of the Year.



Ryan Frost, Corporal of the Idaho Springs Police Department was awarded the 2019 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, for his lifesaving actions on July, 15, 2019, by performing a chest thrust on a choking baby, un-lodging a chunk of apple, saving the life of that 7 month old baby.



Andrew Lorenz, Officer of the Empire Police Department was also nominated for the 2019 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, for his ability to de-escalate and defuse a tense situation with a mentally unstable resident of Empire, by using compassion and consideration for all involved.



Laura Allen was awarded the 2019 Law Enforcement Citizen of the Year, for providing professional and compassionate support to the families who have lost their loved ones, by assisting them find funeral homes and lodging during their stay in Clear Creek County. Laura even personally helped one family clean up the mess a loved one had left behind, allowing the family to be in a better place.



**Bob Wise** was also nominated for **the 2019 Law Enforcement Citizen of the Year,** for providing support and guidance to a young man by teaching him a new life skill that he enjoys, while also performing his Community Service hours.



Andrew Lorenz, Officer of the Empire Police Department was awarded the 2020 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, for his ability to build relationships based on mutual trust and respect with Empire's residents and visitors, and for his ongoing commitment mentoring an at-risk youth.



**Kyle Gould, Sergeant of the Clear Creek County Sheriff's Office** was also nominated for the **2020 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year,** for the professionalism and leadership he displayed managing the scene of a reported suicide on a moving Greyhound bus, involving 40+ passengers on the bus, and a multitude of first responders.



Damian Kissler, Deputy of the Clear Creek County Sheriff's Office was also nominated for the 2020 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, for the assistance he provided to the County Clerk and Recorder's Office, screening their customers to ensure they followed COVID requirements, and for providing security on many occasions with agitated and disgruntled customers.



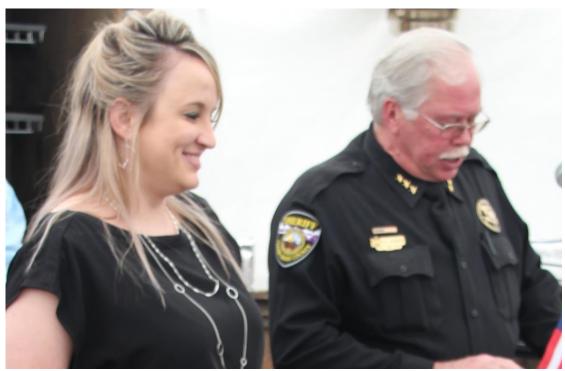
Robert Wise was awarded the 2020 Law Enforcement Citizen of the Year, for the positive guidance he has provided to a young man and his family in Empire, and enriching the entire community through his participation in the 2020 Santa Drive and Gift Exchange.



Clear Creek Communications (shown above - Sherri Calvert, Natalie Elmgreen, Amy Koon, Krystle Neves, Nathan Downing), (not shown - Christina Hillman, Katelyn Culp, Brianne Cameron, Tiffany Morrell, and Supervisor Tom Dale) were also nominated for the 2020 Law Enforcement Citizen of the Year, for providing essential services to the residents, visitors, and first responders during the COVID 19 pandemic.



Kimberlee Hill was also nominated for the 2020 Law Enforcement Citizen of the Year, for voluntarily reporting a suspicious incident she witnessed, resulting in the connection of these individuals to other crimes that had occurred within the Town of Georgetown.



Danielle Lewis was also nominated for the 2020 Law Enforcement Citizen of the Year, for her lifesaving actions on March 8, 2020, by checking on the welfare of a child, obtaining medical care, which saved that child's life, and for assisting Law Enforcement with the investigation of the child's physical and mental abuse.

In addition to the Officer and Citizen of the Year awards, the following awards were also presented: Idaho Springs Police Chief Nate Buseck presented Danielle Lewis a Lifesaving Commendation. Sheriff Rick Albers and Undersheriff Bruce Snelling presented Sergeant's Nick DiBiase and Kyle Gould with Medals of Valor. Sheriff Rick Albers presented Mike Sawyer a Sheriff's Commendation Award. Captain Glenn Hardey presented Detective Joel Buehrle and Deputy Travis Derington with Life Saving Awards. Captain Jeff Smith presented Deputies Greg Day and Danny Haglund with Life Saving Awards.



Danielle Lewis
Lifesaving Commendation



Sergeant Nick DiBiase Medal of Valor



Sergeant Kyle Gould Medal of Valor



Mike Sawyer Sheriff's Commendation



Deputy Travis Derington, Detective Joel Buehrle Life Saving Award



Deputy Greg Day, Deputy Danny Haglund Life Saving Award