

QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH SEPTEMBER 2017



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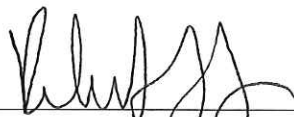
It is with great pleasure I announce that Animal Control Officer Steve Scherer has been selected as Employee of the Month for September 2017.

Steve Scherer was hired by the City of Quincy on August 21, 1980. On March 24, 2003 he joined the Quincy Police Department as an Animal Control Officer (ACO). ACO Scherer has completed both Levels 1 and 2 of the National Animal Control Association Training Academy. As an ACO his responsibilities are many, including investigating reports of animal abuse and neglect, animals running at large, the enforcement of other ordinances pertaining to domestic animals, and response to dangerous animals both domesticated and wild. ACO Scherer has repeatedly demonstrated that he is the right person for this job. In many ways he goes above and beyond what is expected of him to assist other members of the department in their responsibilities and ensuring they are safe.

ACO Scherer is a valuable member of the Quincy Police Department. He is the lone Animal Control Officer and is on call the vast majority of his off time. On many weekends ACO Scherer has been called in 5 or 6 times in one night for bats in a residence, recovered dogs, or other animal problems. Whenever ACO Scherer is called in he is always in a positive and upbeat mood and does his job without complaint. I know of no other employee that would be willing to be on call 24/7, get called out numerous times each night, and then do it with a smile. ACO Scherer is truly an anomaly in this sense and he does an amazing job. Even when called in on overtime status, ACO Scherer is quick to answer questions about different animal related issues and he is always helpful and informative.

This is but one example of the way ACO Scherer's hard work as an ACO benefits the police department and the community as a whole. He is always willing to help and is a pleasure to work with. ACO Scherer has a great personality, great work ethic and truly cares for the animals and their owners. He always has a positive attitude and gets the job done. ACO Scherer's services are sometimes overlooked and he should be recognized for his hard work.

Please join me in congratulating Mr. Steve Scherer as the Quincy Police Department's September 2017 Employee of the Month.



Robert A. Copley, Chief of Police