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FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #31 NAME 2008 OFFICER OF THE YEAR

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department's Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #31, held its Annual Police Officers Award Banquet on Friday, February 6, 2009.

Officers throughout the year were rewarded for their individual efforts, however Detective Charles Morrow was chosen as the 2008 Officer of the Year.

Detective Morrow has been a fugitive Detective for over 20 years. During this time, he has established close working relationships with several local, state, and federal agencies. Detective Morrow is not only utilized on a local level, but also on an national and international level.

During 2008, Chuck Morrow was awarded Officer of the Month two times. He received the award in April of 2008 for capturing six dangerous criminals that were wanted by the Broward Sheriff's Office. He also received the award in June of 2008 for his efforts in taking down an eight-man robbery ring. In total throughout 2008, Detective Morrow was able to apprehend 142 fugitives wanted for violent crimes ranging from murder, rape, bank robbery, kidnapping, and weapons charges.

Some examples of some of those arrests include:

- The arrest of a fugitive, who was featured on America's Most Wanted, that was on the run for over 23 years for killing two people and shooting a third victim. This fugitive was located in the Bahamas.
- The arrest of a fugitive who committed a double murder in Minnesota and for an armed robbery and murder in Broward County.
- Several other fugitives that committed murder and aggravated battery.

Detective Morrow's commitment to hunting down violent fugitives is nothing short of incredible. His relationships with various law enforcement agencies and members of the community have led to a positive impact in apprehending P.R.# 2009-025 www.FLPD.org OR# N/A dangerous individuals. His efforts and continuing dedication has earned him the distinction of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department's Officer of the Year for 2008.

Join us in congratulating Detective Chuck Morrow on a job well done!

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