# **TOSSPD Quarterly**

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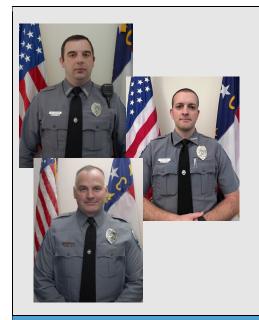
### EYE IN THE SKY!

The Southern Shores Police Department is excited to announce that we have added a drone to our resources! A drone is a great tool for law enforcement to aid in searches of missing or wanted persons, ariel views of traffic crash and crime scenes as well as a means of monitoring traffic issues. SPOs Jamie Hines and Zach Eanes have completed training and received certification by the Federal Aviation Administration. We believe this will be a great asset to the department and to the town. If you have any questions about the use of drones in our town, feel free to contact SPO Hines or Eanes at <a href="mailto:infopd@southernshores-nc.gov">infopd@southernshores-nc.gov</a> or call 252-261-3331.



## **OFFICER OF THE YEAR 2020**

SPO Zachary R. Eanes was awarded the title of Officer of the Year for 2020. He was nominated by and voted for the honor by his peers in the department recognizing his hard work above and beyond expectations. Congratulations and thank you SPO Eanes!



#### **SOUTHERN SHORES HAS NEW OFFICERS!**

The latter part of 2021 has seen many changes to the Southern Shores Police Department. Sgt. George Farrow retired and MPO Jeremy Hemilright left us to work elsewhere while we gained three new officers. Please welcome Richard Deaner, Thomas Long and Rick Newell. Officer Deaner comes to us from West Virginia and is a seasoned officer that was looking for a change of pace. Officer Long comes to us from the Dare County Sheriff's Office and was looking for new opportunities. Officer Newell is retired from law enforcement in upstate New York but just couldn't stay away and being acquainted with Chief Kole, we snapped him up. We are so glad to have experienced officers to come to our department with experience and training but willing and eager to learn something new and become part of the Southern Shores family. If you see them out and about, please introduce yourself and get to know these great officers!

#### THE FALL FESTIVAL IS BACK!

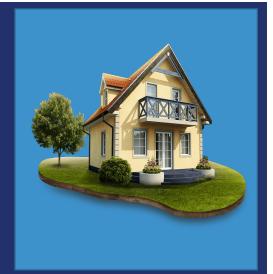
Once again, Kitty Hawk Elementary School hosted its annual Fall Festival and the Southern Shores Police Department was on hand for games, giveaways and fun, fun, fun! We offered child fingerprinting, as usual, and had police cars on hand for the kids to see close up. We had bicycles again to raffle off. (As you can see, SRO Tracy Mann demonstrated her awesome bike skills!) We sure have missed out on these gatherings the last couple of years. Hopefully, we are getting back to normal. We enjoyed seeing everyone there!





# House Checks...

Are you going out of town? Will your house be empty for an extended period of time? Did you know that the Southern Shores Police Department offers residence checks for those homes that will be empty more than a couple of days? Officers will routinely check your house to make sure that it is safe and secure. If you go to the department website at www.tosspd.com, you will find a residence check form which can be filled out and emailed to us at <a href="mailto:information.">information.</a> or you can call us at 252-261-3331 for further information.



#### SOUTHERN SHORES NOW HAS BODY CAMS

Officers are now wearing body cameras in addition to the cameras already installed in each patrol car. In the age of cell phones, every person has a camera at their disposal but not all aspects of police interaction are recorded. Many departments are implementing body cameras as a way of, not only protecting the officers, but the public as well. There are two sides to every story and with cameras at multiple angles, we can truly say that we have full disclosure. Videos from body cameras are routinely used as evidence in court cases as well as pertinent evidence in department complaints. Body cameras are an essential tool in modern law enforcement.



#### SGT. GEORGE M. FARROW RETIRES!

George Farrow retired from law enforcement in October 2021 with 25 years of law enforcement. George is a native of Hatteras, NC and after graduating high school, he joined the United States Air Force in which he served 10 years before leaving military service as a Staff Sergeant. After coming back to NC, George began working as a jailer with the Dare County Sheriff's Office in 1996. During this time, he was able to attend Basic Law Enforcement Training and begin his law enforcement career with the Manteo Police Department. George has also worked with DCSO as well as the Kill Devil Hills Police Department before spending his final 10 years with Southern Shores. During his career, George was able to earn his Advanced Law Enforcement Certification, his Criminal Investigator's Certificate, complete NCJA Management Development Program as well as his General and Specialized Instructor Certification just to name a few. Southern Shores was lucky to have Sgt. Farrow as a member of its law enforcement family and we thank for his service. Congratulations George on this admirable lifetime achievement!

