The first Thursday of June is the date for the annual Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. This is the largest grass roots fundraiser for Special Olympics and there are some pretty amazing numbers with the partnership between the athletes and law enforcement.

In an average year more that 85,000 law enforcement officers from around the world participate in this event raising more that $50 Million dollars a year and over $500 million since its founding in Kansas in 1981. Officers from 35 nations, 12 Canadian Providence and all 50 States participate in this event. Locally we had officers from Kenosha County and Rock County start the run on Wednesday Night. The leg in Whitewater, WI occurred on Thursday morning and included officers from UW-Whitewater Police Services, City of Whitewater, Walworth County, Rock County, Kenosha County, UW-Parkside and some I am sure I forgot.

If you missed your chance to run with us, there are several other events coming up this Summer. In July, Fort Atkinson will have the regional Bocce Tournament. There is also Over the Edge events allowing people to rappel down Miller Park (July) or Lambeau Field (August). There are also several Cop on a Roof Top events occurring in August, so I hope to see you at one of these events.

### Remembering Fallen Heroes

**Ofc. Steve Hanekamp**

Each Year during the week in which May 15 falls, we recognize the services and sacrifices of United States Law Enforcement during a week commonly titled, National Police Week. This year National Police Week occurred May 10 thru May 16. National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

So far this year 63 officers have lost their lives protecting citizens of this country. Wisconsin had one line of duty death so far in 2015. But it was one too many. Trooper Trevor Casper was shot and killed in Fond du Lac while attempting to apprehend a bank robbery and murder suspect. This was Trooper Caspers first day of solo patrol after graduating the police academy just 3 months earlier and now having completed field training.

So often Police are looked upon by citizens as the tough enforcer of the law. Remember that police officers are people just like you and officers are just doing their job to protect the citizens of this country. So take a minute to thank a police officer.
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Lines School Law Enforcement Lunch

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

International Police Mountain Bike Training Course

Summer on the Mall