

PALM BEACH COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE

RIC L. BRADSHAW, SHERIFF



INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

District 8 - Wellington

TO: Wellington Public Safety Committee
(Via Chain of Command)

DATE: May 17, 2017

FROM: Sergeant Alfred Stickley # 4275 *AS*

SUBJECT: Top Cop Nomination – Deputy Marie Steakin #7071

Deputy Marie Steakin has been employed by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office for over fifteen years. Although she began her career with PBSO working as a civilian employee in the main jail (day shift), Deputy Steakin spent her nights attending the Police Service Aide Academy and became a Community Service Aide with PBSO. Soon after, she attended the Palm Beach County Police Academy and became a sworn Deputy with PBSO and has been assigned to District 8 (Village of Wellington) for the past six years.

Deputy Steakin's daily duty assignment is Front Desk Deputy for the District. This may not sound "Important" but Deputy Steakin, for all intents and purposes, is the "Face" of PBSO for our Wellington residents. When a resident needs to speak with a Deputy she is available to assist them. Deputy Steakin has proven herself to be a dedicated and experienced investigator who often goes above and beyond the initial report writing to ensure her cases are solved, and when necessary, arrests are made.

For instance, this past month a Wellington resident came to the district to report he was a victim of a phone scam. He answered an advertisement to purchase a BMW from an online site and wired \$18,500.00 to the bank account of the seller. The victim soon realized it was a scam and he came into the district. Deputy Steakin wasted no time in contacting the banks involved and had a hold placed on the funds. Due to her quick response the funds were intercepted and the victim was able to recover all of the \$18,500.00.

Aside from her office duties, Deputy Steakin also assists road patrol as a traffic unit or zone deputy when needed. District Deputies often contact her with questions regarding traffic crashes and she regularly assists them with their reports and diagrams. Deputy Steakin also assists the District's Detective Unit when necessary as she has the ability to handle complex cases including burglaries, frauds and thefts.

Based on the aforementioned and for her many other achievements, Deputy Marie Steakin is hereby nominated for the "Top Cop" award for District 8 – Wellington.

Thank you for your consideration and please, feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance to you in this regard.

Personal Information:

Wellington Home Owner/Resident

Divorced, Four Children,

Two Grandchildren

Six years assigned to District 8 - Wellington