

# Caddo deputy promoted; others recognized for service

Tuesday, August 19, 2014

Caddo Sheriff Steve Prator promoted Michael Taylor to the rank of sergeant during a ceremony today at the Sheriff's Office Re-Entry Facility.

Taylor will serve as a sergeant in Booking at the Caddo Correctional Center. He was hired by the Caddo Sheriff's Office in January 2008 and has served in Booking and Security.

Sheriff Prator also awarded the department's Lifesaving Award to Deputy Marcus Green for saving a woman who threatened to jump from the Cross Lake Bridge on June 23.

Green was in his patrol car when he saw the woman climb over the bridge rail. He returned to her location and approached the woman, who was distraught and crying. She told Deputy Green that she planned to jump. Deputy Green continued to talk with the woman and reassured her that he was there to help. When she turned to wipe her face, Deputy Green lunged forward and pulled her to safety.

Sheriff Prator also recognized 21 deputies for their years of service with the department. They are: Melvin Russell Jr., Keith Hall, Kenneth Fletcher, Marcus Clark, Joseph Fourcade, and Sonja Leonard, five years; Kirsten Crawford, LaWaunda LaCour, and Letitia Evans, 10 years; Aaron Cornelius, Kris Hill, Matt Purgerson, Carolyn Speed, and Linda Banks, 15 years; Charles Norcross, Jermaine Kelly, and Pam Melancon, 20 years; and Carl Townley, John Fourcade, Faith Yarbrough, and Bill Rehak, 30 years.

## Attachments

