

# **Sheriff's Safety Town recognizes KCS locomotive engineer for promoting rail safety education**

Tuesday, December 15, 2015

Stephen Prator Jr. received the Friends of Safety Town Award from the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office for serving his community by promoting rail safety education at Sheriff's Safety Town and through the Sheriff's Auxiliary Deputy Program.

Prator is a locomotive engineer for The Kansas City Southern Railway Company (KCS) and volunteer for Operation Lifesaver, Inc. He has presented the Operation Lifesaver program to 13 Sheriff's Auxiliary Deputy classes and volunteered over 100 hours to maintaining the railroad safety exhibit at Sheriff's Safety Town. The exhibit uses a functioning railroad crossing to teach children the importance of practicing safe habits around railroad tracks.

The award was presented at KCS' Shreveport Yard on North Lakeshore Drive. The presentation coincided with the KCS Holiday Express train visit to Shreveport, which was open to the public.

Cutline: Caddo Sheriff's Lt. Richard Corbett; Chris Knox, KCS Railway Terminal Superintendent; Stephen Prator Jr., KCS Railway locomotive engineer; and Shreveport Police Department Assistant Chief Wayne Smith gather for a photo after Prator Jr. was awarded the Friends of Safety Town Award for promoting rail safety education.

# Attachments

