



Hanover County Sheriff's Office
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**OFFICER OF THE MONTH
MARCH 2005**

DEPUTY ROBERT L. NELSON

During the month of March, Deputy Robert L. Nelson has been selected as Officer of the Month.

During March, Deputy Nelson prepared a lesson plan and conducted roll call training on the issue of littering in the community and how it affects the overall perception of the community; information based on O. W. Wilson's Broken Windows Theory. While preparing his training presentation, he contacted the Virginia Department of Transportation about the issues and obtained appropriate contact numbers for deputies to use when they observe littering problems.

Also during March, this officer served on an evaluation team to revamp the performance evaluation process. This team has spent a considerable amount of hours reviewing current evaluations and making suggestions for performance standards and rating of officers in the performance of their duties. Additionally, Deputy Nelson's teaching skills have also been used at the Basic Law Enforcement Academy hosted by Hanover County Sheriff's Office to teach patrol techniques to new recruits.

Deputy Nelson came from the Henrico Division of Police after 14 years experience and has been with Hanover County Sheriff's Office since July of 2002. He is currently assigned to the Day Shift of the Uniform Patrol Division. For his many contributions to the department and for his outstanding performance to the community and to his peers, he is awarded the honor of *Officer of the Month for March 2005*.

Robert is married and resides with his wife and children in Hanover County.

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