



Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

MEDIA RELEASE



AWARD OF MERIT PRESENTATION FOR VALOR

Village of Mariemont, July 8, 2013 – Chief Deputy Mark Schoonover, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, reports Sheriff Jim Neil and Police Chief Rick Hines, of the Mariemont Police Department, will jointly honor Deputy Nick Hoevel and Mariemont Lieutenant Tom Ostendarp with an Award of Merit for Valor. The presentation will take place July 8, 2013 at 7:00pm, during the Mariemont Council Meeting 6907 Wooster Pike. On June 11, 2013 both officers were dispatched to a report of possible drowning in the Little Miami River. When officers arrived at the river bank, they were told two people were still in the water that needed assistance. One swimmer was spotted hanging from a rope, both officers removed gun belts, entered the water and managed to assist the one swimmer back to safety. Unfortunately Otis Andrews was not located and presumed to have been swept away.

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