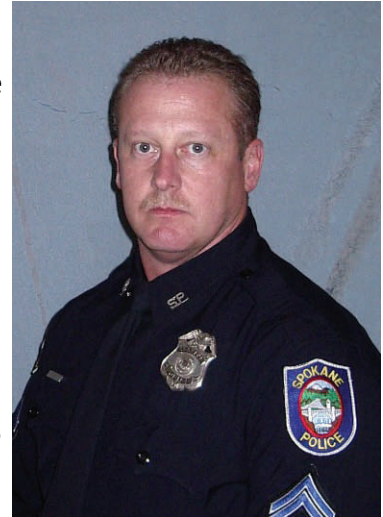


CORPORAL DAVE OVERHOFF



The Lifesaving Award is given to department personnel who, by their immediate actions, have saved a human life under unusual and/or extraordinary circumstances.



On June 2, 2004, at almost 11 p.m., Corporal Dave Overhoff spotted a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed in the area of Perry and Heroy. He stopped the vehicle and discovered that the driver was a young mother trying to get her 10-month-old baby to the hospital. The baby was blue and appeared to have stopped breathing. The mother had the baby in her arms, his head was tilted forward and he was not responsive. Cpl. Overhoff took the baby from the mother, laid him down on the back seat of the vehicle and opened his mouth and airway. The baby began to breathe again on his own. Cpl. Overhoff then requested medics, who transported the baby to the hospital. It was later learned that the baby had suffered a seizure due to having a high fever. He was treated and expected to recover fully.

Cpl. Overhoff quickly evaluated what originally appeared to be an enforcement situation and determined that this was instead an emergency situation that needed immediate action. He remained calm, called for medics, and was able to provide basic first aid that saved this child's life. Later, the baby's mother said that she firmly believes her child is alive and healthy due to Cpl. Overhoff's immediate actions.

There is no doubt that Cpl. Overhoff's actions saved the life of this child. His quick thinking and calm, clear-headed response are admirable and a positive reflection on him as well as this department.

Along with this document, Corporal Overhoff was issued the Lifesaving Bar, to be worn on his uniform. He was also awarded the Lifesaving Medal at our annual Employee Awards Ceremony, in February 2005.

