

LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Community Outreach Newsletter



9/11 Memorial held at St. John XXIII Catholic Church.

Lee County Sheriff Carmine Marceno's Community Response Unit alongside members of the LCSO Honor Guard, Bomb Squad, and ATSU, proudly participated in the Knights of Columbus 25th Anniversary 9/11 Memorial held at St. John XXIII Catholic Church. Members of Fort Myers Fire Department and Fort Myers Police Department joined the ceremony, along with retired first responders from New York and communities across the country, united in remembrance of those who lost their lives and those who answered the call on September 11, 2001. Twenty-five years later, we continue to honor their courage, sacrifice, and service—and ensure that we never forget.

Join Us For A

BENEFIT RIDE

for



\$30 PER RIDER
\$10 PER PASSENGER

 **Special Olympics**
Florida

SATURDAY 14 NOVEMBER	FROM HARLEY DAVIDSON FORT MYERS TO ST. JAMES CITY	REGISTRATION 9:00AM KICKSTANDS UP 11:00AM	SCAN TO REGISTER 
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TEEN DRIVER CHALLENGE 2026

This two-day course teaches techniques and life saving skills used by professional drivers in a "hands-on" driving environment. Students learn vehicle dynamics, safe driving practices and responsible decision making through the classroom and driving exercises.



SCAN CODE TO REGISTER

TEEN DRIVER CHALLENGE
A PROGRAM OF THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

~ TEENS AGED 15-19

~ POSSESS A VALID FL PERMIT OR DRIVER'S LICENSE

~ MINIMUM OF 60 HOURS OF DRIVING EXPERIENCE



Evangelical Christian Academy Hosts Community Helpers

Members of the Lee County Sheriff's Office Community Response Unit (CRU), Crisis Care K9 Unit and the Robot Dog from the Advanced Technology Unit had an incredible time connecting with over 200 enthusiastic second graders at Evangelical Christian School during their Community Helpers Event. Alongside our dedicated partners from South Trail Fire & Rescue Station #61 and Lee Health, our teams shared vital personal safety tips and gave students an up-close look at a real fire engine. The highlight of the day was undoubtedly the warm reception for Crisis K9 Valor, who brought endless smiles and comfort to the classroom. We are grateful for strong community partnerships that allow us to inspire, educate, and support our youngest community members together.



Kimmie's Recovery Zone's Party in the Park

On September 12th, Kimmie's Recovery Zone held its annual Party in the Park at The Lake Kennedy Center in Cape Coral. The event was a chance for families and friends to come together to remember lives lost to addiction, find love and support for those dealing with the loss and help for individuals still struggling with addiction.

KIDS DAY!

A Time of Imagination & Fun!

The last Saturday of every month
from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Come join us for face painting and crafts,
with pizza from Luigi's Pizza e Pasta and ice cream
from Dairy Queen at the WINK Playland!

10801 Corkscrew Road • Estero, FL 33928

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LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
SHERIFF CARMINE MARCENO



ARE YOU READY?

**RESPOND WITH EMPOWERMENT AND
AWARENESS TO DEFEND YOURSELF**

A FREE WOMEN'S BASIC SELF DEFENSE COURSE

**LEARN: SITUATIONAL AWARENESS, CRISIS REHEARSAL, CONFIDENCE,
CONFRONTATIONAL SKILLS, DEFENSIVE & SAFETY TACTICS**

DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

TIME: 4:00 TO 6:00 PM

**LOCATION: 9918 GULF COAST
MAIN STREET, #B120,
FORT MYERS, FL 33913**

**TO REGISTER: EMAIL
CLONG@SHERIFFLEEFL.ORG**



REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED



Taste of Latinos Annual Event

LCSO members and CRU were proud to participate in the fifth annual Taste of Latino Festival at Centennial Park in downtown Fort Myers, organized by Jolie Gonzalez-Padilla. The event brought together approximately 400 people to celebrate Latino culture, diversity, and our community.

Our team was there to connect with families and attendees, with the Bomb Squad, Bearcat, and ice cream truck helping make the event fun and welcoming for everyone.

We were also proud to celebrate Lieutenant Leidy Cruz, who was nominated for the Latina Leader Award. It was a great opportunity to connect with vendors, meet community members and leaders, and build new relationships.



LCSO Youth Boxing Program

The Lee County Sheriff's Office Youth Boxing Program is designed to create a strong foundation of athletic and motivational skills that can be applied in and out of the ring. Our boxing program helps youth improve agility, speed, quickness, balance, and hand-eye coordination and is conveniently located at the Lee County Sheriff's Office Community Outreach Center at Gulf Coast Town Center, 9918 Gulf Coast Main Street, #B120, Fort Myers, FL 33913.



Coffee, Conversation & Community!

The Lee County Sheriff's Office had a great time joining our community for Coffee with a Cop, hosted by Target at Market Square! Our deputies enjoyed connecting with community members over a cup of coffee, answering questions, and building relationships beyond the badge. We were also happy to have Crisis Care K9 Rollie in attendance! Rollie was definitely a fan favorite and brought plenty of smiles to the event. Thank you to Target for hosting and to everyone who stopped by to say hello. We're proud to be part of a community that values connection, conversation, and looks out for one another.

Mid-Autumn Festival hosted by the Southwest Florida Chinese Association

Lakes Park was full of culture, community, and celebration! The Lee County Sheriff's Office Ice Cream Response Team joined in on the fun, handing out free ice cream while families enjoyed delicious cultural food, live musical performances, arts and crafts, and so much more!

It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate traditions, experience the culture, and spend time with members of our community.

Thank you to the Southwest Florida Chinese Association for bringing everyone together for such a fun and memorable celebration!

