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Sheriff's Office Announces 2009 Deputy of the Year

Sheriff Tony Thompson announces the 2009 Deputy of the Year has been awarded to Deputy Joseph Schmidt.

Deputy Schmidt was recognized for his service as a sniper on the SWAT team, the coordinator of the newly created Inmate Worker Program, a program coordinator for the newly introduced Sheriff's Office website (www.bhcsso.org), and for his overall professionalism, bearing and selfless service to the Black Hawk County Sheriff's Office.

"Deputy Joe Schmidt has given of his personal time, energy and expertise to aid our Sheriff's Office in improving the quality of service we provide to the citizens of Black Hawk County. He is a true professional, and it is certainly my pleasure and honor to recognize him with this award." said Sheriff Tony Thompson, during the recognition ceremony at the Black Hawk County Law Enforcement Association's Christmas party.

Deputy Schmidt has been with the Sheriff's Office since January 7th, 2002 and is currently assigned to the Jail Services Division.

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