

2015 Award of Distinction Public Service

I would like to nominate Clerk Typist III Jamie L. Maddux for consideration for the 2015 Missouri State Employee Award of Distinction in the category of Public Service.

Ms. Maddux organized the collection of donations for Troop I officers assigned to the Ferguson Detail following the announcement of the verdict. Due to the amount of donations, not only were care packages prepared for every Troop I officer on the detail, but refreshments were also able to be provided for the next team of officers assigned to the protests. Due to Ms. Maddux's efforts, Troop I personnel assigned to the protests in Ferguson were able to enjoy that special touch of the holiday spirit.

Ms. Maddux's willingness to perform extra duties is what truly sets her apart from the average employee. Ms. Maddux is a member of the Cancer Gala Committee in Rolla. Through this committee, she is very active in raising money for the Joy of Caring Foundation. She not only participates in committee functions, but is a driving force behind their fundraising activities.

Ms. Maddux's efforts in supporting Missouri Special Olympics are a major factor in making her deserving of this award. Ms. Maddux organized and scheduled three Tip-a-Cop events at local Rolla restaurants, in which all donations and 10% of the restaurants' total revenue for the day were donated to Special Olympics. Ms. Maddux also organized the Troop I Torch Run and subsequent complimentary lunch in May 2014. The lunch was able to be provided free of charge to all participants due to Ms. Maddux's fundraising abilities. Ms. Maddux was also instrumental in organizing the "Polar Bear Plunge," which was held in Rolla during February 2014. This event proved to be a great success, having approximately 100 participants in the event and raising over \$14,000 for Special Olympics. Through her efforts, Troop I received an award from Special Olympics for the greatest increase in gross dollars raised for Region 6. Through all these combined efforts, Troop I raised \$18,805 for Special Olympics.

Ms. Maddux is routinely put in charge of organizing and decorating the troop for special events around the holidays. She took the initiative to design two Christmas trees honoring all of the fallen officers who have given the ultimate sacrifice. Each one of the trees is adorned with handcrafted ornaments displaying the fallen officers' names and information. One tree was proudly displayed in the lobby of the Troop I Headquarters, with the other tree being displayed at a local business in Rolla.

Ms. Maddux's work ethic, personal demeanor, and volunteer activities make her an excellent candidate for the Missouri State Employee Award of Distinction in the category of Public Service.