



MEDIA ADVISORY FOR THURSDAY, SEPT. 16, 2016

State Juvenile Detention Officer and Her Union To Recognize Fellow Judicial and Court Officers for Saving Her Life

Hartford Juvenile Detention Officer (JDO) Frankie Williams might be not alive but for the heroic actions of her fellow state criminal justice employees.

Tonight, Sept. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Red Rock Tavern in Hartford, Williams and her union, AFSCME Local 749, will honor Giovanni Gagliardi (a shift supervisor at Hartford Juvenile Detention) and Sgt. Mark Burgess (a marshal at the Hartford Juvenile Courthouse) for their life-saving actions.

On June 15, 2016, Williams fell ill and passed out at the Hartford Juvenile Courthouse, where she was monitoring a juvenile awaiting hearing. Gagliardi responded immediately and found that Williams not breathing and she had no pulse.

Gagliardi and arrived with the AED/Defibrillator and continued CPR until EMS arrived and transported Williams to a local hospital where she made a full recovery.

JDO Frankie Williams will be giving both SS Gagliardi and Sgt. Burgess a plaque from AFSCME Local 749 thanking them for saving her life and their dedication to the State of Connecticut Judicial Branch.

Local 749 Life-Saver Award Presentation

Thursday, Sept. 15, 2016

6:30 p.m.

Red Rock Tavern, 369 Capitol Ave., Hartford, CT

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