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Rosetti Recognized as 2016 “Top Cop” by Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce

The Mississippi Agricultural and Livestock Theft Bureau (MALTB), the law enforcement division of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce, recently recognized Investigator Nick Rosetti of Biloxi, Miss., as the agency’s “Top Cop.” The 2016 Police Memorial and Appreciation Day luncheon was held during Police Memorial Week at the Mississippi Trade Mart on the State Fairgrounds.

Many officers from the Jackson metro area and federal and state law enforcement agencies recognized their bureau’s “Top Cop” at the luncheon. Those who lost their lives in the line of duty during the past year were also honored. The Mississippi Center for Police and Sheriffs joined together with Central Mississippi Crime Stoppers, Jackson Police Department, Hinds County Sheriff’s Office, Mississippi Office of Homeland Security and other organizations to host the event.

Prior to his recent retirement, Investigator Rosetti was in law enforcement with the MALTB for 23 years. He was assigned to investigate crimes in District 8, which covers the six coastal counties. Rosetti conducted numerous investigations such as timber, equipment and livestock theft, business burglaries and other operations. While working with the MALTB, he assisted multiple law enforcement agencies with arresting violators, and he presented many cases to grand juries.

The Mississippi Agricultural and Livestock Theft Bureau enforces laws to prevent the theft of livestock, timber and agricultural products and investigates all agricultural crimes.

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About the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce

Under the leadership of Commissioner Cindy Hyde-Smith, the mission of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce is to protect and promote agricultural-related businesses within the state and to promote Mississippi's products throughout both the state and the rest of the world for the benefit of all Mississippi citizens. This is accomplished through many bureaus and departments within the agency including the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum, Mississippi Farmers Market, Mississippi Agricultural and Livestock Theft Bureau, Bureau of Plant Industry, Market Development Division and Bureau of Regulatory Services. To learn more about MDAC, visit www.mdac.ms.gov.



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Nick Rosetti (right) was recently recognized by Barry Coward, Director of the Mississippi Agricultural and Livestock Theft Bureau (MALTB), as the 2016 “Top Cop” recipient for the bureau. MALTB is the law enforcement division of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce