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News Release

Tanya Burrus is Union County Telecommunicator of the Year

April 29, 2014, Monroe, NC – Union County Emergency Communications Telecommunicator Tanya Burrus has received the Sandy Marsh Award as Union County Telecommunicator of the Year. The award is given in memory of former county dispatcher Sandy Marsh who lost her battle with cancer last year.

The Telecommunicator of the Year is determined by peer votes and the award is presented to one person who has shown commitment to Emergency Communication's mission and excellence in service throughout the year. This is the second time Burrus has won the award.

"Through her commitment to service, Tanya has been an example to her peers through leadership and exceptional service to others," said Union County Emergency Communications Operation Manager Sharon Crook. "Her passion for helping others is inspiring and I am very proud to have her on our team."

Having no prior experience dispatching in a 911 center, Burrus started her career as a telecommunications officer in 2009. Through hard work, she rose to her current position as an assistant shift supervisor.

"Under the direction of our director Larry Brinker and our operations manager Sharon Crook, the department has experienced a lot of positive changes," Burrus said. "We have come a long way and have overcome many obstacles since I first started here in 2009. I'm glad to be a part of the leadership team, this department and the county as a whole."

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