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Officer of the Month

The Greenwich Police Department would like to announce that Lieutenant James J. Heavey and Sergeant Louis Pannone have been selected as recipients for the Officer of the Month for May 2007.

On April 14, 2007, the Town of Greenwich experienced a Nor-easter storm that impacted the town with flooding conditions throughout the community and displaced a number of residents located in the Pemberwick and Cos Cob area due to rising waters from the Byram River, ponds and streams within the town's boundaries.

The heavy rainfall and rising water of the Byram River caused major flooding in the Pemberwick area and raised concerns about the Pemberwick Dam failing and endangering residents in the area.

Lieutenant Heavey and Sergeant Pannone, along with members of the Greenwich Fire Department, Department of Public Works, and Emergency Services responded to Monica Road in the Pemberwick area, and working as a unified group assisted in evacuating approximately fifty (50) residents from the flooded area to safety.

Subsequently, emergency personnel assisted in evacuating three (3) residents from Cos Cob Avenue who were transported to the emergency shelter at Eastern Middle School by medic unit.

Lieutenant Heavey and Sergeant Pannone initiated and coordinated the evacuation efforts to assist residents in the flooded areas of town to get to safety without sustaining any injuries.

Congratulations to Lieutenant Heavey and Sergeant Pannone for their outstanding commitment and dedication to protecting and safeguarding the residents of our community during the severe flooding.