



The Port Hueneme Police Department is proud to announce that the 2010 "Supervisor of the Year," is Sergeant Eric Starna.

Sergeant Starna began his law enforcement career with the Orange County Sheriff's Department in 2000, where he worked until 2004.

In 2004 he was hired by the Oxnard Police Department where he was promoted to Senior Police Officer in 2007. In that capacity, he was the Beat Coordinator in charge of two large geographic beat areas.

In 2008 he was hired as a Sergeant for the Port Hueneme Police Department. Since joining the Port Hueneme Police Department, he has taken on the collateral assignment of directing, and coordinating the Department's Reserve Police Officer Program, and he is also in charge of the Department's Senior Police Officer Program. He also serves as the Department representative at the Port of Hueneme Security Meetings and is an integral part of the Department's Emergency Management Division.

Sergeant Starna graduated from Santa Clara High School in Oxnard and went on to attend Oxnard College where he obtained his Associate in Arts degree in 1995. He then attended and graduated with his Bachelor of Science degree from Long Beach State University and obtained his Masters Degree in Emergency Services Administration from Long Beach State University in 2004.

Sergeant Starna is also a Criminal Justice instructor at ITT Technical School.

Sergeant Starna has been described as someone who always has the Department's best interest at heart in everything he does. He has served to motivate his officers and promoted much stronger Team efforts by his Patrol Teams. His efforts have greatly increased productivity by the officers he supervises and the result has been a dramatic improvement in morale.

He is described as a hard worker who is extremely dedicated to this Department. He has been described as a leader and someone who leads by example. His open communication style has made him stand out as a supervisor who treats his team members as individuals and values their opinions.

He is an extremely energetic supervisor, who seems to thrive on multi-tasking.

During the two years with the Port Hueneme Police Department, Sergeant Starna implemented a computerized Shift Schedule system for the Patrol Division. He has also worked closely with Port of Hueneme Harbor Officials to obtain a License Plate Recognition Technology system.

Sergeant Starna has also attended numerous law enforcement training classes and brought back that information and shared it with his Patrol Teams

Sergeant Starna has participated in the Police Olympics and was awarded a gold Medal with the Orange County Sheriff's Baseball Team. He also serves as a coach for youth baseball.