

Police alumni honor officer

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Wisconsin Rapids Police Sgt. Brian Krzykowski was caught by surprise Wednesday.

Each year, the Wisconsin Rapids Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association takes nominations from the public and chooses an officer of the year. This year, Krzykowski was selected from the 11 officers nominated.

"I didn't expect it," Krzykowski said. "I just do what I like to do and try to do it to the best of my ability."

Krzykowski, who has been with the Wisconsin Rapids Police Department for about 13 years, said he is fortunate to work with officers who are dedicated to their jobs and administrators who support their efforts.

When he was given the award, Krzykowski said he would accept it on behalf of all the officers in the department.

Hard work, dedication and his efforts to bring the SafeAssured ID program to Wisconsin Rapids were cited in nomination letters as the reasons Krzykowski deserved the award.

The identification program gives parents the opportunity to make complete records of children that can help find them in an emergency.

Krzykowski's wife, Heather, and 4-year-old daughter, Madeline, were present Wednesday when he received the award. Heather Krzykowski said her husband deserves the honor, even though he's humble about it.

"He's a great guy, a great husband and a great officer," she said.

Madeline wasn't sure what to make of the attention her father was receiving, but she was glad to help him eat the cake and unwrap the gifts that went with the award.

Wisconsin Rapids Police Chief Kurt Heuer said Krzykowski should be proud to be selected.

"He's very deserving," Heuer said. "We're very proud of the things he brings to our department and the things he's doing in the community."

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