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**THE AMERICAN LEGION**  
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It is with great pleasure the American Legion announces the recipients of the 2011 Police Officer of the Year and Paramedic of the Year. Chosen from a field of highly qualified individuals were Coeur d'Alene Police Detective Crystal Miller and Coeur d'Alene Firefighter Scott Dietrich.

The American Legion chooses to honor those in public service that exemplify "Outstanding service to their community". Detective Miller was chosen based on her work in investigating crimes against children including sex abuse cases, and internet pornography cases. She is also a youth mentor in her work as a Police Explorer Advisor. Her hard work ethic, professionalism, and knowledge of law enforcement investigations made her an ideal candidate for this honor.

Firefighter Scott Dietrich was chosen based on his work as an EMS Instructor and Firefighter Paramedic. He demonstrates exceptional dedication, work ethic, patient care, and customer service each and every day that he works. Dietrich also acts as a teacher/mentor to Paramedic Interns. He is well deserving of this award.

Both Miller and Dietrich will be presented with their awards on Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup> at our annual Department Convention at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, Idaho.