



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **St. Mary's County Deputies and Correctional Officers Participate in 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Hospice Run & Fun Walk**

On Sunday, April 17, 2010, several St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Deputies and Correctional Officers participated in the St. Mary's County Hospice 5K Run. This is the 15<sup>th</sup> year for the St. Mary's County Hospice Run & Fun Walk, whose purpose is to raise money to provide in-home care, comfort and support to terminally ill patients and their families in St. Mary's County.

The deputies participated in memory of St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Corporal Keith Fretwell, and competed for the "Keith Fretwell Memorial Team Trophy", which was added by St. Mary's County Hospice in 2000. The Fretwell Trophy is an annual award in honor and memory of Corporal Keith Fretwell who lost his battle to cancer on March 24, 1999 at the age of 33.

Corporal Fretwell was a highly regarded and well-respected deputy with the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office, and was a long-time member of the Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department. Corporal Fretwell served his community admirably and was a strong supporter of St. Mary's Hospice, having participated in the first three Annual Hospice Runs.

The Fretwell Trophy competition is open to all law enforcement agencies, groups, and affiliations as well as fire/rescue organizations. The trophy is presented to the top finishing law enforcement or fire/rescue team participating in the 5K run.

Of note are five deputies who participated in the hospice run from Patrol Squad 1A. Those dedicated deputies ran the race directly after completing their midnight shift and then returned to work later that same evening for their next midnight shift.

Sheriff Timothy K. Cameron and the men and women of the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office would like to congratulate "Team Fretwell" for their loyalty, dedication and a job well done!



(Pictured from left to right back row) Deputy Will Thompson, Deputy Jean Vezzosi, Deputy Matt Rogers, Deputy Matt Roger's brother Bart Rogers. (Left to right front row) Deputy Michael Licausi, Deputy Kevin Meyer, Sergeant Eric Walker and Deputy Elizabeth Croyle. Sergeant Kristen Morazes from the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division also participated in the run but is not in the photograph.)