

# Ohio State Highway Patrol

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### **Patrol remembers fallen officers and support personnel**

COLUMBUS – Today the Ohio State Highway Patrol recognized and honored its 38 officers, and five support personnel, killed in the line of duty since the Division's establishment in 1933. Family members of the fallen personnel and former and current Patrol employees joined together in observance of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

During the afternoon ceremony, those in attendance recognized Tpr. Jack Holland II who passed away in August of last year after a severe reaction to a yellow jacket sting while on duty.

“Part of remembering what the individuals named on our memorial stood for, is recognizing their positive contributions to the safety and security of others,” said Colonel Richard H. Collins, Patrol Superintendent. “Across Ohio at this very moment, the legacy of our friends who were lost is being honored by Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers through their courageous actions to keep the citizens of Ohio safe.”

Nationally, 2007 was one of the deadliest years for U.S. law enforcement in nearly two decades with 181 officers killed in the line of duty.

The black granite memorial, in its natural and beautiful setting in the landscaped Academy courtyard, is engraved with the name of each officer killed in the line of duty since the Patrol's inception in 1933. For more information on the Patrol's fallen officers, visit the Patrol's Web site at [www.statepatrol.ohio.gov/aboutus/memory.html](http://www.statepatrol.ohio.gov/aboutus/memory.html).

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