



## Upper Darby Township Police Department Office of the Superintendent of Police



**Date:** August 15, 2025

**To:** All Police Personnel

**From:** Timothy M. Bernhardt  
Superintendent of Police

**Subject:** Outstanding Employee – Second Quarter 2025

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After reviewing the nominations, the committee has selected **Officer Francis Connors #31** as the recipient.

Sergeant Michael DeHoratius #649 wrote in his nomination of Officer Francis Connors the following:

Officer Connors joined the Upper Darby Police Department in 2019 and was recently assigned to the 4<sup>th</sup> squad. Officer Connors, this quarter, has worked the Sector 1 car, handling a large call volume. Officer Connors has filled in as an early car, handling a large amount of the shift overlap calls as well. Officer Connors made 2 notable arrests this quarter.

On 05/30/2025 at 2000 hours, the Upper Darby Police Department was dispatched to an assault with the victim being pistol-whipped inside 450 S 69<sup>th</sup> Street. A description of the vehicle involved was broadcast, and Officer Connors located the vehicle traveling on Marshall Road. He initiated a vehicle stop, which resulted in the arrest of all 3 actors in the felony assault without incident.

On 06/23/2025 at 1925 hours, Officers were dispatched to the report of a subject with a gun at 69<sup>th</sup> and Market Street who had committed a theft in Springfield and had implied he had a firearm. Officer Connors arrived, and the male was pointed out by the victim, and a foot pursuit ensued. Officer Connors chased the male down, eventually taking him into custody a few blocks away. The male had numerous stolen items on his person and was charged accordingly. The male was also being investigated by Springfield Police for a rash of gym locker thefts, with the information provided to them by us following the arrest.

Because of your professionalism and dedication to duty, you are recognized as Outstanding Employee for the Second Quarter 2025.