

2024 SMSW Short video

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The people we're honoring tonight epitomize the qualities we all look up to.

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Courage, tenacity, generosity, excellence, sense of purpose, and the drive to pursue it.

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The desire to become their very best while striving to achieve the best for others.

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Their stories are diverse and unique and important.

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I think we also find them moving and inspiring.

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Our sheriff Foster, thank you so very much for all you have done to keep our community safe.

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Because in your position when you leave for work, as I remember a spouse saying to me one day, we don't know if you'll return.

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I don't have a job like that.

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You do, and yet you continue to do it, and you've done it for decades.

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Thank you for continuing to serve Captain Days.

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Congratulations.

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No one would have ever believed that Someone Like You would be in the road that you're in.

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You stand.

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We stand on the shoulders of of giants.

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You know excellence comes in every package.

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Excellence comes in every color.

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Excellence comes in every gender.

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So we want to congratulate Captain Days for matter of fact for what she does, but also for just keeping us safe.

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You're a captain in the Navy, but for us, you would be a full bird, Colonel.

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What an honor it is to honor you, Captain.

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And I got the chance to shake the hand of of Mr.

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Gregory Robinson.

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And after I shook his hand, I felt smarter.

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I was smarter already.

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I was able to remember the Pythagoras theory.

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I mean I never knew it but I know it now because I touched his hand.

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He is a brilliant man and I just wanted to to to congratulate him and thank him for the work that he does in math and science.

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I went to law school because I was told there would be no math.

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So thank you for what you do and and you you've done a a great job.

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And then finally I want to thank and congratulate Dr.

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Irma Freeman who has paved the way for a lot of little black girls to know that you can be a dentist.

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She was the 1st dentist to graduate from what is now BCU Dr.

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Freeman.

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We know we can because we see that you've done it.

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You've paved the way for us.

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And so we we say yes, we can.

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And so I want to join Speaker Scott, Lieutenant Governor Sears and saying congratulations on a job well done and a well deserved award.

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You've earned it.

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We're also proud of you, which is the reason why we're here.

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All the people who've come to join in to celebrate with you makes you know that each of them are proud of you, love you and respect you as we do.