



## Cottonwood Police Department Press Release

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### **Media Day-Law Enforcement Hero's Statue**

On Friday, May 16, starting at 10 AM, all Media outlets are invited to attend the Law Enforcement Hero's Statue Media Day unveiling in advance of the public unveiling which will take place the following morning. This time is set aside for members of the media so that photographs, interviews, and detailed information about the statue can be gathered in advance of the public unveiling. Please come join us for this special occasion. The Media Day unveiling will begin at 10 AM sharp at the front Police Entrance of the Public Safety Building, 199 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

### **Public Invitation to the Law Enforcement Hero's Statue unveiling:**

On Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10:30 AM, the Cottonwood Police Department would like to invite all members of the public to the unveiling of the Law Enforcement Hero's Statue at the Cottonwood Police Department located at 199 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street in Cottonwood. The unveiling coincides with National Police Week in which the Nation takes time to honor the sacrifices made by Police Officers across North America. The local "Hero's" statue, paid for with funds from local businesses as well as private donations, is being erected to honor these Officers as well. "Most family members of fallen officer's cannot always travel across the country to Washington D.C. to participate in the Police Week activities", says Chief Jody Fanning. "We hope our small monument here in Cottonwood, which will represent all fallen officers, will give those family members a chance to reflect on the sacrifices made by their loved ones". Although Cottonwood Police Department has never lost an Officer in the line of duty, the statue will stand in remembrance of Police Officers nationwide who pay the ultimate sacrifice. Please come join us.

### **Plane slides to a stop as landing gear fails.**

A small single engine plane was attempting to land on runway 14 at the Cottonwood Airport early Friday evening when the planes landing gear failed (collapsed) as the plane "touched down", causing the plane to slide on its body for approximately 493 feet before stopping.

The plane sustained heavy damage. The pilot stated that he locked the landing gear and that the green light indicating that the landing gear was locked came on. The pilot said that as he touched down the landing gear collapsed causing the plane to slide down the runway.

The plane was then lifted off the ground by Automotive Services. While the plane was off the ground they put the landing gear down. The plane was then placed back on the ground and towed to the hanger area. The pilot was not injured during the incident.