



# Run For The Wall Returns May 25 & 26



Wytheville will again welcome Run For The Wall to our community on **May 25 & 26**. The traditional “Welcome Home Ceremony” will begin at the group’s approximate arrival of **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25**, in Withers Park. Citizens are encouraged to attend as the group arrives via Exit 70 and Fourth Street.

On **Thursday (May 26)** morning, students of Spiller Elementary School will provide a musical welcome program beginning at **9 a.m.** in Withers Park. Run For The Wall will depart with a Main Street parade at approximately 10 a.m.



Run For the Wall is a **three-route, 12-day**, across the United States journey to raise awareness concerning the POW/MIAs from all wars who have never returned home. Beginning in California, the goal destination is the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC.



For more information about the organization, visit [www.RFTW.org](http://www.RFTW.org).

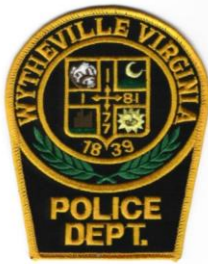


## Memorial Day Ceremony Sunday, May 29 at Withers Park

Rural Retreat native and local health care professional LTC Etthan Miller will be the guest speaker at the annual Wall of Honor Memorial Day Ceremony at Withers Park. The ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 29, 2016, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

### Town of Wytheville 2015 - Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The Town of Wytheville 2015 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is now available online by accessing one of the following links: <http://www.wytheville.org/townoffice/pdf2016/Wytheville%202015%20CCR.pdf> or <http://www.wytheville.org/townoffice/publicnotices.php>. A paper copy of the report may be obtained by calling Bret Cockram, Water Plant Superintendent at 276-223-3322 or Trevor Hackler, Town Engineer at 276-223-3342.



# Wytheville Department of Public Safety

## MISSION STATEMENT



*The Wytheville Department of Public Safety exists for the purpose of safeguarding life and property and maintaining order in a professional manner that preserves a confidence in our democratic process. Each officer and employee shall be responsible for the observance of orders, proper performance of duty, and the maintenance of discipline on the part of members and employees assigned to their shift and for enforcement of the law, promotion of proper patrol, investigation of motor vehicle accident, necessary investigation of crime, and protection of life and property.*

*To fulfill its mission, the Wytheville Department of Public Safety is dedicated to providing a quality work environment and the development of its members through effective training and leadership.*

## 2015 Year End Traffic Enforcement and Accident Statistics

### Patrol Division Breakdowns of Traffic Summons/Arrests/Warrants Served for 2015:

Traffic Related Warrant Service	1,348
Accident Related Summons	68
Speed Violations	1,204
Reckless Driving (non-accident)	72
DUI/DUID Related Arrests	172
O/L Suspended/Revoked	190
Improper Equipment	188
Safety Belt/Child Safety Seat	196
Fail to Yield Right of Way	63
Fail to Obey Signs	200
All Other Traffic Violations	1,189
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,890</b>

### 2015 Crash Data

<b>Major Collisions:</b>	<b>100</b>		
<b>Minor Collisions:</b>	<b>360</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>460</b>		
<b>Deer Collisions (Major):</b>	<b>11</b>		
<b>Multi-Vehicle Collisions (Major):</b>	<b>6</b>		
<b>Parking Lot Collisions (Minor):</b>	<b>303</b>		
<b>Injuries:</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Fatalities:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Pedestrians:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Pedestrian Fatalities:</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Crash related Uniform Traffic Summons issued: 68</b>			

### Patrol Division Breakdown of Criminal Arrests/Warrants Served for 2015:

In 2015, there were a total of **1,121 criminal arrests made by the Patrol Division**. This included 180 arrests for alcohol, substance abuse, and disorderly conduct and 247 arrests for narcotic and drug violations. The drug related arrests were all generated from traffic violations. There were a total of **1,801 criminal warrants served by the Patrol Division**. The total criminal warrants served represent 1,749 individuals arrested for criminal activity which included multiple charges. This total includes **222 Felony Criminal Warrants served by the Patrol Division**.

### Parking Violations:

For 2015 there were **2,283 parking citations issued**.

Any citizen desiring additional information regarding the programs and activity of the Wytheville Department of Public Safety is encouraged to contact Chief Rick W. Arnold at anytime. Please leave a message if you do not get him personally and he will contact you back as soon as possible. He can be reached at 276-223-3310 or ricky@wytheville.org. The next group of information will detail the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2016, which will include crash and enforcement activity. The agency has officers that are available for crime prevention presentations and safety talks.

"I want to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Wytheville. Without your support, we cannot succeed in our task of providing a safer community."

*Chief Rick Arnold*