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LIEUTENANT WINS GOLD AND SILVER IN POLICE AND FIRE GAMES

(Palm Bay)--Lieutenant Jim Rogers brought home gold and silver medals for two individual cycling events at the 2010 Florida Police and Fire Games held in Port St. Lucie this week. Lt. Rogers, who was competing among approximately 70 other cyclists from around the state and 12 within his age group, won silver in the 40-mile road race and gold in the Criterium (circuit lap course) event. The competition was the beginning of Lt. Rogers preparation to train for the 2011 World Police and Fire Games to be held in New York City in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the September 11th terrorist attacks. Rogers hopes his success will encourage other officers to compete and represent Palm Bay, Brevard County and the State of Florida at the event. "It's more than just competition, it's about promoting fitness for law enforcement officers," Rogers said. Rogers has been road cycling since 2004.

The World Police and Fire Games will be held August 26-September 5, 2011 and Rogers anticipates leading a team of Palm Bay officers and others to compete in the cycling events. As many as 20,000 full time firefighters and law enforcement personnel from 70 different countries are expected to compete in 65 sports.

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