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LT. T. COLEMAN HONORED AS HOMETOWN HERO

WAKE FOREST, NC – September 2, 2008 – Wake Forest Police Lt. T. Coleman was recently recognized as a Hometown Hero by ElectriCities of North Carolina. The award was presented during the ElectriCities Annual Meeting banquet, held on August 8.

Hometown Hero awards are presented annually by ElectriCities to municipal employees who have made an outstanding effort to save a life in their community.

Earlier this year, Wake Forest Police Lieutenant Trent Coleman was eating at a Wake Forest-area restaurant when he noticed a woman at a nearby table showing signs of choking. The woman, who was having lunch with her children, stood up and began clutching her chest, attempting to signal to someone that she needed help. Lt. Coleman immediately rushed to her aid and performed the Heimlich Maneuver. He also called the local EMS to ensure the choking victim did not suffer any further injury. The woman was extremely appreciative of Lt. Coleman's quick action and later told him she was beginning to lose consciousness before he arrived. Without question, Lt. Coleman's response and quick action saved the woman's life.



Gastonia Mayor and ElectriCities Board member Jennie Stultz presented Lt. Coleman the Hometown Hero award.

“We are very proud of Lt. Coleman and are fortunate to have him serve as a member of our police force,” said Wake Forest Town Manager Mark Williams.

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Picture Caption

Lt. T. Coleman is shown with (from left to right) Mayor Vivian Jones; wife Shannon, and Town Manager Mark Williams