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Lombard Police Officer Honored with 2019 Award of Valor
from the Hundred Club of DuPage County

Lombard, IL – The Hundred Club of DuPage County will present Lombard Police Officer Daniel Herrera their 2019 Award of Valor during its Annual Meeting and Valor Awards Dinner on October 30, 2019 at the Lisle/Naperville Hilton. The dinner recognizes first responders for their acts of courage and heroism.

On January 14, 2019 at 8:25 P.M. Officer Daniel Herrera was on patrol and responded to a vehicle that drove onto the railroad tracks and got stuck on the tracks.

Officer Herrera arrived and observed that a 96 year old woman was inside the vehicle. The vehicles tires were over the tracks and the vehicle was stuck. The driver had her foot on the accelerator, but given that it was stuck, the tires were just spinning. Officer Herrera along with two other citizens ran to the woman's aid. The woman was confused and unable to walk do to being handicapped. Officer Herrera was able to communicate to a dispatch to stop the train and warn other officers responding that a train was approaching. This was to no avail.

Officer Herrera lifted the woman out of the car and carried her to safety. Within 30 seconds of carrying the woman to safety the train struck the vehicle. The woman did not suffer any injuries.

If not for Officer Herrera's selfless act and quick thinking there would have been a much different result that day. His bravery and forgoing of his own personal safety to save the life of this elderly driver was recognized by the Illinois House and Senate and deserves salute.

The 100 Club of DuPage County President, Lisa Savegnago, will present the Award of Valor to Police Officer Daniel Herrera during their 37th Annual Meeting and Valor Award Dinner on October 30, 2019.

“It is with great honor to bestow the 2019 Award of Valor to Officer Daniel Herrera” said Savegnago. “He put his life on the line, without hesitation and with courage, to save and protect the life of another. His courage, leadership and devotion to his duty and community is unmatched.”

About The Award of Valor

The 100 Club Award of Valor is a life-long honor of law enforcement officers and firefighters chosen by their peers for heroic actions above and beyond the normal expectations of their duties and their jobs.

About the 100 Club of DuPage County

The Hundred Club of DuPage County established in September 1982, is a private, non-profit charitable organization incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois. The Hundred Club of DuPage County offers assistance to families of law enforcement and firefighting personnel who have been killed, injured, or otherwise stricken while residing or working in the county. For more information about the Hundred Club of DuPage County, please visit www.hundredclubofdupage.org. There you can purchase tickets for the Annual Dinner and Awards Presentation.