



Beloit Fire Department Investigator, Lt. Keith Lynn, is pleased to announce that his partner, Glory, a 2 year old yellow lab, is a semi-finalist in the American Humane Association Hero Dog Awards, which recognizes notable canines such as law enforcement dogs, therapy dogs and pets that do extraordinary things.



Arson is a crime that affects everybody. Dogs like Glory help combat the problem. Glory is a nationally certified accelerant detection K-9 through the State Farm Insurance Arson Dog Program. State Farm Insurance partnered with the Main State Criminal Justice Academy in 1993 to train dogs to sniff out minute traces of over 60 petroleum based accelerants to help combat the growing problem of intentionally set fires. There are 300 teams in the United States and Canada. Lt. Lynn and Glory are the only State Farm sponsored team in Wisconsin.

Glory's keen sense of smell can narrow down a fire's origin and help Lynn determine which evidence should be sent to the crime lab. With the assistance of Glory, Lynn can confirm or rule out the possibility of arson in a matter of minutes. Without K-9 assistance, an investigation could take a week or longer for as investigators sift through the debris.

Eight finalists (1 per category) will be selected by the public and a panel of judges. Your votes are worth money- If Glory win this round and become a finalist, \$1500.00 goes to Project Paws Alive.

The voting runs through noon EST on June 30th. It is only a short window of time for this round of voting, so we are once again calling on all of you to help Glory make it to the finals and win some cash for Project Paws Alive.

Here's the link to the semi-final voting:



<http://www.herodogawards.org/vote/?nominee=89977786>