

a Proud Salute to our community Guardians

Introducing Brian Paulsen

Brian Paulsen became a police officer in Nebraska in 1984 and progressed through the ranks until becoming Chief of Police in July 1999. I held instructorships in many areas: Defensive Tactics, Firearms, Less Lethal force to name a few. I received an Associate's Degree from Metro Community College, Bachelor of Science in Police Administration from Bellevue University and Masters Degree in Forensic Science from Nebraska Wesleyan University.

I worked security at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta Georgia and was the Front Gate supervisor at the College World Series in Omaha. I've attended meetings held by the International Chiefs of Police on the topics of Rural Law Enforcement and The National Law Enforcement Leadership Initiative on Violence against Women. I sit on a few boards within our community to include the Yankton Prison Community Relations Board, United Way, Drug Free Yankton and Human Service Advisory Board.

I am married with 3 children, members of the Sacred Heart Parish. Jody works for Sacred Heart Parish, Jake is a recent graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan and has taken a job at Ameritas Financial, Madelyn is finishing her freshman year at Hartington Cedar Catholic and Quinn is finishing the 6th Grade at Sacred Heart School.

My interests are reading and DIY projects around the house. I am a fan of Nebraska football and Atlanta Braves baseball. In my spare time I am a novice Fly-fisherman and I enjoy hunting and the outdoors.



New Yankton Police Chief Brian Paulsen was sworn into office by Circuit Judge Glen Eng earlier this week. The former chief of the Plattsmouth (Neb.) Police Department began his duties in Yankton at the beginning of June. Paulsen said he wants the department to be proactive and community-minded with its law enforcement efforts. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)

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