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Earlier this month, February 9th and 10th, the Harrison County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Explorer Post 327 competed in the 2018 BSA Winterfest in Gatlinburg, TN. This was the first time that the Harrison County Explorers attended this or any other competition of this caliber.

The team that travelled consisted of Explorer Sergeant Armond Lett, Explorers Debra Leach, James Harrier, Christopher Swinford, Jeremiah Phillips and Natali Plouffe. The explorers were chaperoned by Sergeant Luther Leach, Deputy Michael Williams and Deputy Kristy Rushing.

The Explorers competed in events that included traffic stops, interview and interrogation, tactical fitness, written examinations, crime scene investigation, drug identification and Uniform Inspection. The team placed in the top 10 in 3 of the categories.

We, at the Harrison County Sheriff's Office, are very proud of our Explorers and their accomplishments in their first competition. These young men and women represented the Harrison County Sheriff's Office and citizens of Harrison County well and deserve to be recognized.

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Approved for Release: _____

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi