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President's Message

A Stand Alone, and Stand-Up Guy

By Gary Delagnes,
 SFPOA President

When Kevin Martin retired in November, I immediately asked Marty Halloran to assume the role of vice president. He agreed to do so, and has again risen to the occasion, showing unquestioned loyalty to this organization and providing me tremendous counsel on a variety of issues. He is stubborn, cantankerous, and at times argumentative, but my admiration and respect for Marty has never wavered, and it makes it much easier to leave this office knowing that he will be stepping in to lead this organization forward.

Marty knows the tasks ahead will be difficult. He comes into the presidency at a time when there will likely be more bad news than good. Pension and health care issues remain in the forefront, and additional compensation for some of the highest paid police officers in the country will not be likely in the immediate future. That said, I assure the membership that nobody is more prepared to lead the way than Marty Halloran. I appeal to all of you to lend him your support, encouragement, and confidence.

I first met Marty Halloran in the mid 1990's when he was appointed to the Community Services Committee at the POA. I later had the opportunity to work with him in the Narcotics Division for about 10 years.

Marty and I both possessed somewhat quirky personalities, and we were both stubborn and set in our ways. We also both enjoyed the taste of a good beer, and shared an undying loyalty to our fellow police officers.

While I realized that Marty was a Sacred Heart graduate and would never be able to attain the intellectual qualities of a St. Ignatius graduate, I also saw



qualities in Marty that made him and Kevin Martin my first two choices to join me on the Executive Board when I assumed office in 2004.

First of all, his loyalty to his fellow officer and the POA was unquestioned.

Secondly, after working with him in Narcotics all of those years, I have never seen a more organized, focused, and professional officer.

His chronologicals were impeccable, and when given a task — usually one that nobody else wanted — Marty

never complained, and just did the job.

He was the first one through the door on a search warrant, and also the first one to volunteer to come in early or stay late to help out another cop.

He was the guy I would go to for help when writing a search warrant, and his professionalism was respected by all.

The other thing I admired about Marty was his ability to say "no." Without a doubt, the toughest thing we have to do at the POA is sometimes tell a member we cannot help him or her, and while Marty is one of the most compassionate people I have ever known, he can also make the tough decisions sometimes needed when running a union.

While serving as Treasurer of the POA, Marty was instrumental in stabilizing our financial situation and has established the POA as an economically viable organization with a net worth of over \$12 million. Together, he and I have made tough decisions about the future of our organization, including the real estate transaction

involving the sale of our properties at 7th and Bryant Streets, as well as the purchase of the property at 2nd and Townsend Streets and its subsequent lease arrangement. Marty did this with no formal training. He achieved all of this on behalf of the membership using good old-fashioned common sense and sound judgment.

He knows the organization backwards and forwards and for the past three months he has been establishing crucial relationships with the Mayor, The Board of Supervisors, and essential media. One of Marty's apprehensions about taking the job is that he will miss the gratification of performing his daily, routine police work. Policing San Francisco was long ago decided as his chosen profession. He loves the job, and he loves this city. But, he will step-up for the good of the membership if he knows that the members support him and are confident that he will always have their best interest at heart. I thank Marty for his service and his loyalty, and I cannot think of a better successor to lead the SFPOA.

New SFPOA Public Relations Campaign

In an ongoing effort to highlight the fine work of the SFPD, the POA is launching our next television commercial spot, along with billboard advertising.

We have established a new public relations website.

Please visit the new site at www.sfcitycops.com to view the current and previous television commercial spots of our members. You may also visit our other

POA Website at www.sfpoa.org



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2012 Dispatcher of the Year

By Lorrie Serna, Swing Shift DEM

Selected by her peers at the Department of Emergency Management (DEM), Cori is recognized and honored based on her outstanding service remaining calm and poised while assisting San Francisco Police Officers during a high speed chase involving a suicidal male who was firing shots at the officers. This commendable effort is indicative of the quality of work she produces on a daily basis. For nine years she has dedicated herself as a dependable dispatcher serving the citizens, visitors and field units of this city. Her contributions reflect professionalism and integrity. Cori will be honored at DEM during National Telecommunicators Week on Tuesday, April 9 at her 12:50 line up, followed by a visit to the Board of Supervisors meeting for a Proclamation.



Corinina Cruz

More Telecommunication News on page 12.

Minutes of the March 13, 2013 SFPOA Board Meeting*

- Sergeant-at-Arms Valdez called the meeting to order at 1205 hours and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Secretary Montoya conducted the roll call of the Board of Directors and Executive Board.
- Rep. Lyons (TTF) made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 2013 Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Rep. Sorgie (Co G) and passed by voice vote without opposition.
- Vice President Halloran talked about the upcoming POA event where members of our armed forces will be recognized at the Paragon Restaurant on April 4, 2013. To date only five POA members have responded to the RSVP request. In the event more members do not respond to this limited seating event, the event will be cancelled. Please look for the posters at your respective assignment.
- Vice President Halloran addressed recent Face Book postings from an active member indicating that the POA is being investigated by Federal Authorities. There is absolutely no merit to this allegation or rumor.
- Vice President Halloran thanked Rep. Frost (Inv) for Chairing the recent POA Blood Drive. To date, this is the largest turn out ever by those who donated blood.
- Vice President Halloran reminded members that the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on Saturday March 16, 2013 at 1100 hours. Any member marching in uniform shall wear their Class "A" or Class "AA" uniform and meet at Market Street and 2nd Street.
- President Delagnes announced the POA is in the final stages of meeting with the Department and City over the P-1 process. In order to be efficient we have also included discussions regarding a P-2 process for the Honda Unit and Mounted Unit during these meetings.
- President Delagnes announced that based on the actuaries provided to the SFERS, employee retirement contributions will increase by 1.5% effective July 1, 2013 (Current 10.5% increase to 12%). This contribution rate is based on the Cities contribution rate of 24.82%.
- President Delagnes announced that the POA has scheduled a set of meetings with the City to discuss a possible contract extension.
- President Delagnes announced that discussions involving health care are on going.
- On behalf of the POA, President Delagnes presented SFPD Chaplain Father Mike Healy with a used vehicle for his personal use. This vehicle is the vehicle that the POA was leasing for recent retiree Steve Johnson. Rather than sell the vehicle, it was determined that it would be donated to Father Healy as a token of appreciation from the entire membership for the work Father Healy does for and on the behalf of our members.
- Vice President Halloran talked about current and future POA PR projects. Vice President Halloran then showed the Board of Directors the current PSA involving Officer Steve Gritsch and Office Matt Cloud of Bayview Station. This PSA and previous PSA's can be viewed at www.sfcitycops.com.
- Vice President Halloran provided each board member with a copy of the monthly profit and loss sheet.
- Rep. Moylan (TTF) reminded the Board of the upcoming fundraiser for the Westbrook Family. The fundraiser will be held on Sunday April 21, 2013. Contact your representative for the time and location.
- President Delagnes thanked Rep. Kirwan (Airport) for his 10 years of service representing the SFPOA on the CCLEA Board of Directors. Rep. Kirwan is stepping down at the end of his term later this year. Rep. Kirwan was instrumental in assisting President Delagnes with the success of adding Inspector Brian Olcomendy's (Deceased) name to the walls of honor in Washington DC and Sacramento which will occur during police memorial week this May 2013.
- Meeting adjourned at 1335 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tony Montoya
POA Secretary

* These minutes will not be adopted by the Board of Directors until the next General Membership meeting. Corrections and amendments might be made prior to a vote to enter the minutes into the permanent record. All corrections and/or amendments will be published in the succeeding issue of the Journal.

Board of Directors Meeting Roll Call March 13, 2013

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	Kevin Rector	P		Reynaldo Serrano	P
			Retired	Ray Allen	P

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Calendar of Events

Mark your calendars for the following meetings and events by the POA and its friends and supporters. All dates and times are subject to last minute changes, so always contact the event coordinator to confirm dates and times. If you have an event you would like posted on our calendar, contact the editor at journal@sfpoa.org.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings or Events

Event	Location	Date & Time	Coordinator
<i>Meeting,</i> Veteran Police Officers Association	Pacific Rod & Gun Club 520 John Muir Drive, SF	Second Tues. of Every Month, 11:00 am	Larry Barsetti (415) 566-5985 larry175@ix.netcom.com
<i>Meeting,</i> Widows & Orphans Aid Association	Hall of Justice, Room 150, (Traffic Co. Assembly Room)	Second Tues. of Every Month, 1:45 pm	Joe Reilly (415) 681-3660 woasfpolice@gmail.com
<i>Meeting,</i> American Legion SF Police-Fire Post	War Memorial Building 410 Van Ness Ave., SF	Second Tues. of Every Month, 6:00 pm	Greg Corrales (415) 759-1076
POA Board of Directors Meeting	POA Building	Third Wed. of Every Month, Noon	POA Office (415) 861-5060
<i>Meeting,</i> Retired Employees of CCSF	Irish Cultural Center	Second Wed. of Every Month, 11:00 am	Reyna Kuk (415) 681-5949
<i>Retiree Range Re-qualification</i>	SFPD Pistol Range	First Fri. of each Month, 0730 – 1130	Range Staff (415) 587-2274
<i>Meeting.</i> First Responders Peer Support (Not AA)	St. Andrews Church 1600 Santa Lucia Ave., San Bruno	Tuesdays 7 – 8:30 PM	Greg Collaco (650) 455-2840

Specially Scheduled Events

POA Armed Forces Appreciation Night	Paragon Restaurant 701 2nd Street, SF	Thursday, April 4, 2013 6:00 pm	POA Office (415) 861-5060
SFPD Ironman/ Ironwoman Competition	5th Floor Gym, HOJ	Wednesday April 17 Various Times	Tony Landi (415) 759-3100
Memorial Service honoring Gale Wright	Duggan's Mortuary Daly City	Saturday, April 20, 2013 3:00 pm	
Off. Tom Westbrook Family Fundraiser	Ruby Skye Restaurant 420 Mason Street, SF	Sunday, April 21, 2013 5:00 pm	www.cccpoa.org
North Bay Retiree Luncheon	The Villa Restaurant 3901 Montgomery Dr., Santa Rosa	Thursday April 25, 2011, 11:30 am	Steve Bosshard (707) 480-9495
841 Ellis Reunion Dinner (Old Co. E)	City Forest Lodge, 245 Laguna Honda Blvd., SF	Thursday April 25, 2013. 6:00 pm	Pete Siragusa (415) 320-2569
Peace Officer Memorial Ceremony	Capitol Mall, Sacramento	May 5 and 6, 2013 Various Times/Events	www.camemorial.org
Retirement Celebration Honoring Liam Frost	SF Italian Athletic Club	Wednesday May 8, 2013 5:30 pm	Dom Panina (415) 860-6142 1630 Stockton St., SF
Retirement Celebration Honoring Inspector Jeff Levin	Italian-American Athletic Club 1630 Stockton St., SF	Friday May 10, 2013 5:30 pm	Marty Halloran (415) 861-5060
Retirement Celebration Honoring Sgt. Patrick Mullins	Irish Cultural Center SF	Friday, May 17, 2013 6:00 pm	Kim D'Arcy (415) 602-8297
Emerald Society Honoring Capt. Joe Garrity, Jerry Cassidy & Thomas Cunnane	Irish Cultural Center, SF	Saturday, May 18, 2013 6:30 pm	Jennifer O'Keefe (415) 613-8360
Charity Wheelchair Basketball Game SFPD v. GS Road Warriors	City College, Ocean Campus	Saturday, June 1, 2013 noon	Chief's Office (415) 553-1551
Hazy Golf Tournament Benefitting Hazelhofer Education Fund	Presidio Golf Course Arguello Gate, SF	Monday, June 24, 2013 11:00 am	Kathy Buckley (See notice on page 26)
SF Giants Law Enforcement Appreciation Night	AT&T Park, SF	Tuesday, July 23, 2013 6:00 pm	(See notice on page 23)

San Francisco Police Officers' Association Announces Annual Jeff Barker Scholarship Awards Program

The SFPOA is about to embark on its annual scholarship awards for your college bound dependents by offering a series of scholarships to dependents of SFPOA members, both active, retired and deceased who have held continuous SFPOA membership for more than one year prior to dependent's application.

Qualified applicants will be limited to 2013 High School graduates with a "C" average or better. This presents a perfect opportunity for those creative students who may not have the opportunity to apply for other scholarships to do so now. Successful candidates will be judged on their scholastic records, extracurricular activities and local community involvement.

The scholarship finalists will be selected by the SFPOA Scholarship Committee. Awards will be presented by August 2013.

Take advantage of this opportunity to compete for the Scholarship Assistance Awards for the 2013 fall college semester.

Applications are available at the SFPOA office located at 800 Bryant St. 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103 (415)861-5060.

Pick up your application or mail the attached request for an application to the SFPOA.

Completed Applications must be returned to the SFPOA no later than May 17, 2013.

REQUEST FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Scholarship applications must be returned to the SFPOA no later than May 17, 2013. Applications received after that date will be returned.

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____

Name and Rank of SFPOA member who qualifies you as a scholarship applicant:

Assignment: _____ Ext. #: _____

Active: _____ Retired: _____ Deceased: _____

Your relationship to the SFPOA member who qualifies you as a scholarship applicant:

NOTE: This is not a scholarship application. It is a request form only. Applications must be obtained from the SFPOA at 800 Bryant St., 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103

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March 12, 2013

The monthly meeting of the March Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association was called to order by President Bob Mattox on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 1:50 pm, in room 150 at the Hall of Justice.

Roll Call of Officers:

President Robert Mattox, Vice President Al Luenow, Secretary Mark McDonough, Treasurer Dean Taylor, Trustees John Centurioni, John Keane, Harold Vance, and Joe Riley were present. Trustee Sally Foster was excused. President Mattox opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the minutes of the February 2013 meeting:

A motion made by Reilly, and seconded by Centurioni, to approve the February minutes passed without objection. The minutes were passed with the following correction. Under New Business, to pay Reilly and McDonough for the transition of Secretary in February. A motion was made by Luenow, and seconded by Centurioni.

Receiving Applications for New Members; Suspensions and Reinstatements:

Outgoing Secretary Joe Reilly and Trustee John Keane met with San Francisco Police Academy Class 235 and signed up several members. These members will be accepted after successfully completing their probationary status in the SFPD.

There were no suspensions or reinstatements.

Communications and Bills:

Treasurer Dean Taylor presented the Treasurer's Report and requested approval of payment of expenses, including approval of two benefit payments. A motion was made by Luenow, and seconded by Vance, to pay the bills and the benefits. The motion passed without objection.

Report of Visiting Committee:

None

Report of Trustees:

The Association received notice of one member death this past month.

John Julian Ruggiero, 95 years, a native of San Francisco, a graduate of Galileo High School, star #1414.

John was appointed to the Department as an emergency appointment to the Police Academy on May 1, 1949 at the age of 32. John was then assigned to Co. C on May 16, 1949 and was a permanent appointment on July 5, 1950.

On September 16, 1950, John was assigned to the Co. K Solo Motorcycle Unit where he was reportedly the first officer to ever wear a hard helmet in the history of the Motorcycle Unit of the San Francisco Police Department. John served our department honorably until February 23, 1964 where an on-duty injury forced him into retirement. John received a Department Commendation for his involvement in the arrest of five subjects who Burglarized a theatre.

John's parents were from the same town of Verbicaro in Italy, near Calabria. They were unaware of their same origin, and later met in San Francisco and married. John had a brother, Joe, who also worked for the SFPD, and a sister, Florence, whose husband was a Daly City Police Officer. John's niece, Arlene, married Bob Fife, now a retired Captain of the San Francisco Police Department.

John, who worked on the waterfront prior to his SFPD appointment, was a jack-of-all-trades with skill in woodwork, electrical, and automotive repair. John was a big fan of the Giants and 49ers, and is survived by his two daughters.

Report of Special Committee:

None

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

A plaque was ordered and will be given to Past President Matt Gardner to honor his year of service. Matt served as our President in 2012, and helped guide our transition toward technology in regard to accounting, and our membership roster.

Treasurer Taylor, Secretary Reilly, Marilyn Hardiman, and part time Asst. Monica Centurioni collaborated to input all our data to our computers.

A letter will be drafted and sent to the representatives of Wells Fargo expressing our thanks and appreciation for their hard work and successful business plan.

Good of the Association:

An invitation was extended to our board, through President Mattox, to attend a business presentation by J.P. Morgan.

Adjournment:

President Mattox set the next meeting for Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 1:45 pm in Room 150 at the Hall of Justice.

A moment of silence was observed for our deceased member. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45.

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Mark J. McDonough, Secretary

POLICE-FIRE Post 456 NEWS

By Greg Corrales

"The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive the Veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by their nation."

— George Washington

On April 4, 2013 the Police Officers Association is holding (or has held, depending on when this is published), an Armed Forces Appreciation Night, recognizing active and veteran military members who have served since Operation Desert Shield/Storm up to present day. San Francisco Police-Fire Post 456 of the American Legion would like to thank the POA for this deserving recognition of our officers on active duty and for recognizing some of our officers that are veterans. The POA has always been a strong supporter of American Legion Police-Fire Post 456 and veterans in general.

The American Legion is a mutual-aid veterans' organization including members of the United States armed forces. The organization was founded in 1919 by veterans returning from Europe after World War I, and was later chartered as an official American patriotic society under Title 36 of the United States Code. The organization is headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, and also has offices in Washington, DC. It is the country's largest veteran's organization with nearly 3 million members in over 14,000 Posts worldwide. In addition to organizing commemorative events and volunteer veteran support activities, the American Legion is active in issue-oriented U.S. politics. Its primary political activity is lobbying on behalf of the interests of ALL veterans and service members, including support for veterans benefits such as pensions and the Veterans Affairs hospital system.

I want to emphasize that the American Legion advocates for all veterans. My son recently completed six years service in the United States Marine Corps, leaving at the rank of captain. My son served three deployments in Iraq. Obviously, I am delighted with the warmth and respect that America has lavished on our veterans in recent years. They have really earned it. At the same time, I can't help having mixed emotions when I think back at how we Vietnam Vets were treated.

I must admit that I found the decision of the POA Executive Board to only honor recent veterans (relatively speaking) puzzling, but certainly honoring some veterans is better than honoring no veterans. I can only conclude that since the Vietnam War ended over forty years ago, many members of the Board weren't even born then. This affair is a good thing, and we are not angry at the exclusion of some vets, but I do feel compelled to mention a few things about being a Vietnam Vet.

58,282 American military were killed in action during the Vietnam War, 303,644 were wounded, 1,652 are still missing, and 119 died as prisoners



of war. Although surviving "The Nam" was a challenge, surviving coming home from "The Nam" was even more challenging. We were spat upon and we were asked how many babies we killed. Essentially, a large percentage of the country turned their backs on us. Fortunately, those of us who survived coming home have inured ourselves to the public's apathy toward our service, so the Executive Board's snub has been a cause of bemusement, rather than insult or anger. I would like to thank those members of the Board that opposed the snub and just offer a friendly observation from an old vet, it was a bad call.

Speaking of honors, ten-year-old Khalil Quarles of Baltimore wanted to grow up and enlist in the Army. When he was diagnosed with terminal cancer, his dream of becoming a soldier was shattered. However troops from the 200th Military Command at Fort Meade visited Khalil to swear him in as an honorary soldier. Captain Brandon Crawford led several soldiers in presenting the young boy with a uniform and a special flag plaque. Khalil was speechless. "This guy is tough," said Crawford. "That's why we're happy to induct him into the Army."

Ron White once memorized a deck of cards in 87 seconds. That's every card, every suit, in every position in the deck, in less than a minute and a half. White, a former reserve intelligence specialist first class, deployed to Afghanistan in 2007.

After visiting the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, on February 28 in Fort Worth, Texas, he built a temporary Afghanistan Memorial. From memory: About 2,200 names, handwritten in white, on a 50-foot-wide, 7-foot-tall wall. "It took me 11 hours," said White, a two-time national memory champion. "No bathroom breaks." The process began when he began memorizing the names from a book he carried everywhere. It was the largest memory project he'd ever undertaken. White finished the list, stepped away from the wall and saluted.

When owning a Hummer isn't enough, you can always go bigger. *The Wall Street Journal* reports that people with money to burn, and large garages, are investing in surplus military tanks. Bob Rubino of Belvidere, N.J., who restores tanks to sell to rich clients looking for something different to drive, said he has three in the shop and five more waiting in the parking lot. Prices run as high as \$387,000 for an iconic World War II Sherman tank, fully restored and in top-notch condition.

On her wedding day, a bride walked down the aisle only to see the groom standing at the altar with his golf bag and clubs at his side. "What are your golf clubs doing here?" she whispered. "Well," the groom replied, "this isn't going to take all day, is it?"

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Wife of Sgt. John Hallisy — Narcotics Bureau

SFPD Blood Drive Gives Back to the Community

By Mark Hawthorne

The San Francisco Police Department again rose to the occasion. The Blood Drive that was held on Wednesday, February 27, 2013 was very successful. Blood Centers of the Pacific, working with the SFPOA, held a blood drive at the POA building. The turnout was nothing short of fantastic. This is the first blood drive at the POA since June of 2012.

The number of donations will benefit the community in many ways. There were 62 folks who showed up to donate, but due to a variety of circumstances some were deferred.

In all, the Blood Centers collected 49 pints of blood at the drive. Those pints of precious liquid will potentially benefit 196 people as the blood can be used in its different parts. (Four to be specific.)

The day began with potential donors clamoring to donate as the crowd of people began to swell. I thought we were going to have to ask people to take a number to keep track. However, the staff of the blood centers, being the veterans that they are, handled the crowd with a relative calm, and all of the donated pints and were soon headed for the layout of delectable morsels suitable for any palate. As the day progressed, the crowds waxed and waned. The atmosphere was fes-

tive, and all those who participated enjoyed the interaction. Shared experiences, news of current developments dotted the air. All appeared to enjoy themselves.

From my perspective, since I began doing the blood drives in 1996, this drive was another good one. Two people who also need to be recognized for their efforts and working with the Blood Centers are Chair of the Blood committee, **Sean Frost** and POA Vice President **Marty Halloran**.

As many of you know, it takes a cadre of folks to make a blood drive happen. I would be remiss if I did not mention and thank those folks who also helped make this drive a success as well. Christina Mihalas of Blood Centers of the Pacific has been working with Sean and Marty to plan and execute the drive.

Retired Officer Deborah Braden also has come back with me to volunteer her time and energy to the blood drive as well. And finally I want to thank all those who donated. For without you, the success of the blood drive would not have been possible.

As a reminder, Christina is working closely with Sean and Marty to get a regular schedule of blood drives to be occurring in the future. So be on the look out (BOLO) for information on the next blood drive.

See you there.

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Malcolm Anderson



Matthew Inocencio.



Justin Erb

Retirements

The San Francisco Police Officers Association congratulates the following members on his or her recent service retirement from the SFPD. These veterans will be difficult to replace, as each takes with them decades of experience and job knowledge. The most recently retired SFPD members are:



- Officer Victor Arrebollo #309 from Southern Station
- Officer Craig Brandolino #2018 from Central Station
- Inspector Kevin Jones #483 from Homicide
- Officer Harry Soulette #1510 from Ingleside Station

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Children of Cullen Cahill

A fund has been established at the San Francisco Police Credit Union for Officer Cullen Cahill's children for their college education. The account number is 1382907-S2. If you are a SFPCU member, you can transfer from your account directly into the account number listed above. This can be done online at www.sfpcu.org or by calling (800) 222-1391.

Checks can be mailed to:
SF Police Credit Union
Main Office
2550 Irving Street
San Francisco, CA 94122

Welsh Family Fund

As all of you know, they have been struck with a great tragedy of losing both parents. We feel compelled to support and to help Phil's three children; William, Phil and Caroline. We are asking for donations towards this offering for the kids. No amount is too small to the San Francisco Police Credit Union college fund.

— Lisa Corry and Linda Delahunty

Donations for Phil's Children's college fund can be made at:

San Francisco Police Credit Union
RE: Phillip Welsh children's college fund
P.O. Box 22219
San Francisco, CA 94122-0219

Westbrook Children Fund

A fund has been established at the San Francisco Police Credit Union for Officer Thomas Westbrook's children. The account number is 1373377-S1. If you are a SFPCU member, you can transfer from your account directly into the account number listed above. Checks can be mailed to:

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2550 Irving Street
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802 Bryant Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

Children of CHP Officer Ken Youngstrom

Slain in the line of duty in September 2012, Officer Youngstrom was a married father of four. Two Bay Area banks have set up accounts to benefit his family:

- At any Wells Fargo Bank branch, tellers will accept donations for the Kenyon Marc Youngstrom Children's Benefit Memorial fund.
- At any Mechanics Bank branch, mention the officer's name to the teller and direct that funds be contributed to the trust account in his name. Checks payable to "For Benefit of Officer Kenyon Youngstrom" can also be mailed to Mechanics Bank, 1350 N. Main St., Walnut Creek, Calif., 94596.

Frankie Shouldice

Frankie is the 12-year old son of Inspector Ronan Shouldice of CSI. Frankie is battling leukemia.

A "Friends of Frankie Shouldice" account has been established at the SFPCU #1373520

— Marty Halloran

UPDATE: Ronan Shouldice is in need of donated vacation time to help him attend to Frankie. Contact the Catastrophic Illness Program (415) 837-0875.



SFPD A.L.E.R.T. Program

Department Kicks-Off New Volunteer Disaster Preparedness Program

By Mark Hernandez

In 2007, now retired Captain Stephen Tacchini developed the concept of a civilian disaster preparedness group, trained and prepared to assist law enforcement personnel after a disaster. Captain Tacchini cleverly chose the acronym "ALERT," the Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team. The concept was not put into motion until Captain Tacchini brought it to the attention of Chief Greg Suhr. Chief Suhr recognized the potential value of having such a group of civilians at the ready, and gave his permission to move forward with the project. With Captain Tacchini's guidance, Captain David Lazar was tasked with the responsibility of taking the ALERT Program from concept to functional entity.

Designed to work in partnership with, and modeled after the SFFD's overwhelmingly successful Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT), our ALERT Program will recruit, train, uniform, and credential civilian volunteers in preparation for

the aftermath of a natural or man-made disaster. Interested individuals must

training, he/she may wish to obtain Senior or Supervisory level status.

While the SFFD NERT training provides an exceptional foundation for anyone interested in disaster response and preparedness, the SFPD ALERT training will provide instruction on how the volunteer can safely perform any of the numerous identified tasks which law enforcement may ask them to assist with. Some of the tasks identified are:

- Report criminal activity (observe and report violent crimes and serious vandalism)
- Report looting and property damage (observe and report), including damage to critical City infrastructure
- Assist with traffic control
- Work in partnership with NERT volunteers to provide well-being checks
- Assist with medical aid when required
- Assist with Command Post functions
- Assist in securing resource locations
- Deliver logistical supplies
- Direct individuals to mass casualty and shelter locations
- Assist at reunification centers
- Assist with Operation Return
- Assist with securing damaged buildings and property (boarding broken windows, etc.)



be at least 16 years of age and live, work, or attend high school in San Francisco. Volunteers will first receive NERT training as a prerequisite to receiving ALERT training. NERT training involves 20 hours of training which can be taken in (approx.) 3 hour blocks over the course of 6 weeks, or in an intensive two day training session. After completing the NERT training and receiving certification, the ALERT volunteer would be required to pass a basic SFPD volunteer background check, before registering for an 8 hour ALERT training course delivered by SFPD instructors. After successfully completing the course, volunteers will receive ALERT credentials identifying them as SFPD volunteers. They will also be provided with uniform items including a windbreaker, polo shirt, baseball cap, and flashlight. The ALERT Program will have Basic, Senior, and Supervisory level positions. Based upon the volunteer's level of additional

The ALERT Program held its first public informational meeting at the Police Academy on November 15, 2012. It was attended by an overflow crowd of 60+ interested and eager individuals, ready to work with law enforcement to improve San Francisco's readiness to respond to a disaster. The next informational meeting was held on Thursday, March 28th, 2013, at 7pm, at the Police Academy. Details about future meetings and about the ALERT Program can be found at the ALERT web page, www.sanfranciscopolice.org/alert.

The Department will host the first training class on Saturday, April 13, 2013 where we will graduate our first group of volunteers.

Interested individuals may contact the ALERT Program Coordinator, (retired) Sgt. Mark Hernandez, at sfpdalert@sfgov.org, or by telephone at 415-832-8419.

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Chief's Corner

The San Francisco Police Department "By the Numbers"

The Chamber of Commerce's Annual City Beat Survey has been released for 2013. You might remember me praising the men and women of the SFPD last year for posting record approval ratings: 72% Favorable/18% Unfavorable in the 2012 survey. Just when you think that the men and women of this Department couldn't be seen in a more favorable light, they post another well-deserved record year in the 2013 survey. In this year's survey, the citizens of San Francisco see the SFPD as 76% Favorable/16% Unfavorable.

I have asked many times in my columns for you to decide to make a difference, and every day you go out and do just that. Every day you could go out, do the ordinary and that would be acceptable anywhere else. But that's not okay here in San Francisco. Everyday you go out and do the extraordinary, the residents of San Francisco notice and love you for it.



"In this year's survey, the citizens of San Francisco see the SFPD as 76% Favorable/ 16% Unfavorable."

Why such rave reviews again this year? Look at what you all have accomplished while down 15% in staffing. Currently, the San Francisco Police Department is down over 300 officers from full-staffing with approximately 1,650 officers working to keep San Francisco safe. In calendar year 2012, the SFPD responded to over 1.3 million calls for service, including 648,000 emergency calls and affected 28,213 arrests; including 23,759 custodial arrests where the suspect was physically "booked" into custody. Officers took over 838 guns off the streets of San Francisco in 2012, averaging nearly one firearm for every two officers assigned to the streets. That's a lot of unbelievable police work and San Francisco is a safer place because of it.

While doing the police work listed above in 2012, the Office of Citizen Complaints received 740 complaints against San Francisco Police officers. Of the 740 complaints received, 11 have been recommended "sustained" by the OCC, and 177 cases remain open. Of the 11 recommended "sustained"

complaints, none of the officers used an unnecessary amount of force in the performance of their duty.

*The above listed statistics were furnished by: the Department of Emergency Management's Division of Emergency Communications (responsible for dispatching calls for service), the CompStat Unit of the SFPD (responsible for tracking arrests made), and the Office of Citizen Complaints (responsible for taking complaints against officers on duty):

That's a lot of numbers to digest so, let me state the obvious more plainly:

Using "Calls for Service" as a measure:

For every 1,790 calls for service, one person had a complaint about the service provided by the San Francisco Police Department. For every 124,403 calls for service, one person had a complaint about the service provided by the San Francisco Police Department that was recommended "sustained." And not one person in all 1.3 million calls for service has had a complaint of unnecessary force by a San Francisco Police officer that was recommended "sustained."

Maybe "Calls for Service" isn't the right measure. Let's try "arrests made." Let's assume every complaint received by OCC was made by someone who was arrested.

That would mean only 1 of every 38 arrests resulted in a complaint about how the arrest was conducted by the San Francisco Police Department. Only 1 of 2,565 arrested made a complaint about how they were arrested, which resulted in a recommendation of "sustained." And finally, not one of the 28,213 people arrested had complained about the amount of force used, while being taken into custody by the San Francisco Police Department that had resulted in a recommendation of "sustained."

The San Francisco Police Department is among the finest in the world! The men and women of this Department do their duty every day with tremendous courage and restraint. We are given or assume more responsibilities almost daily. We continue to do more with fewer officers.

South of Market continues to "boom," Treasure Island continues to be developed, Hunter's Point Shipyard will soon be taking on residents, and Homeland Security is always a significant concern. Our teams are contending for championships annually. We will host the America's Cup this summer. The President of the United States comes here as often as any other City in the country, other than Washington DC; and on and on. If there is a better City in the world or better cops to keep her safe, I can't think of any. It is the greatest honor of my life to be your Chief.

When you look at the survey and the other numbers that report your performance, look at them as your job review from folks you have touched. With that in mind, it is nice for you to know that those for whom you put yourselves "in harm's way" every day, working to keep San Francisco one of the safest major cities in America, appreciates what they've got in "you"- San Francisco's Finest...the men and women of the SFPD.

*Be safe out there,
Greg Suhr*

Chief of Police, San Francisco Police Department



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Hope everybody is well. Lots of capers to report...so here we go for April.

Bayview Station – Swing Watch

Seriously, you can't make this stuff up! **Officers Gabriel Alcaraz, Ali Misaghi and David Johnson** are assigned to a community meeting in the area of 3rd Street and Newcomb. I might add that the officers were in full uniform and in a patrol car. Into our urban drama comes our hero, driving his car and stopping next to the officers. I imagine he is extremely thirsty for he then takes a long pull out of a bottle of vodka. A violation of the law and incredibly uncouth. The officers then stop our hero and after a short investigation determine he has no driver's license, no identification, and was drinking while driving.

Officers Gary Cheng and Rigo-berto Haro then arrived on the scene. **Officer Cheng** does another search on our vodka-drinking driver and finds bullets on his person. Digging even deeper, our hero had a .22 caliber revolver in his shorts (nope I won't go there). Further investigation and phone calls are made only to discover the identity of the suspect, that he was wanted in the attempted assault with a firearm involving his girlfriend and another citizen. Due to thorough work, another bad guy and a gun are off the street, and maybe some peace of mind for the intended victims. BOOKED!

Taraval Station– Day Watch, Swing Watch

Here is another one you just can't make up! **Officers Jeff Fortunato, Fernando Leiva and Antonio Santos** gear up to swing by a young gentleman's home to arrest him for an outstanding warrant. Upon arrival at the family home, they find our hero is there. Not resisting nor putting up a fuss, he is arrested on the said warrant. A quick and lawful review of his smart phone reveals photos and videos of our hero in various poses with firearms. O SNAP, you really left that on your phone? Yep! Not only were there images of guns, but also they were taken in the bedroom that the officers were standing in! Same sheets, same furniture, etc. It was off to write a warrant and get it signed by a Superior Court Judge. With "paper" in hand, and **Sergeant Susan Nangle** to supervise, **Officers Anthony Calasanz and Officer Eric Tindall** for back up, the whole crew responds back to the family home. After a search is completed, numerous bullets, a holster, and a .32 caliber semi-automatic handgun are found. Did I mention that the family home is used as a DAY CARE CENTER during the day, and that the firearm was in possible reach of a child? O snap, I just did. Great work by these officers. Might I add that our hero, at the time of booking, threatened to kill all the officers involved? It's nothing

personal; it's what we do. Simplify life, get a flip phone. BOOKED!

Mission Station – Day Watch

So, you're on parole and are trying to better your life by walking into a commercial establishment, produce a knife, terrorize a store keeper and then steal headphones worth less than \$600; really? Well, that's what went down early on a sunny morning. **Officers Ray Salvador, Linda Chen, Stacy Youngblood, Kate Joshua and Lt. Kirk Yin** dash to the scene. There, they find a delivery driver who witnessed the crime and tried to intervene, and was also threatened. In addition – now, this is important -- there is our hero still in the area. Okay, okay, I know what you're thinking. After our hero is in custody, an exhaustive investigation should be done. Well, how about a casual conversation, being mindful of Miranda rights. O snap, Lt. Yin does just that, and admissions of guilt are made. Bad guy going "back," property returned, and another great job of teamwork bags another parolee. BOOKED!

Investigation Bureau – Day Watch

This is just like the movies, or maybe the movies are just like this! A daylight bank robbery occurs in the downtown area. Tellers are terrified, money is missing, bad guy is gone, but he leaves his robbery note. **Inspector Phillip Wong** arrives on scene and requests Crime Scene Investigation to respond at the quick step. **Inspector Ronan Shouldice** arrives, takes custody of the note, processes it quickly, and — you guessed it — "lifts" a print from the note. The print from the note matched the prints from a gentleman who is on felony probation and living in a halfway house. A quick call is made to **Lt. John Greenwood** who unleashes **Officers Robert McMillan and Andrew Clifford** to hunt down our fingerprint suspect. The officers find the suspect, arrest him, and turn the investigation over to **Inspector Wong and Special Agents Nixon and Depasquale** from the F.B.I. and **Federal Probation Agent Magana**.

Hey slick, your probation is not going to get modified to something like you have to eat spaghetti with a Spork. Nope, this is the real deal, federal crime! No playing around here. Should have taken your note home, BOOKED!

Tenderloin Station – Swing Watch

Hey gang, remember when we used to do this all the time: **Officers Robert McMillan and Faysal Abi-Chahine** are in the area of Jones and Golden Gate when they spot a stolen car. The officers attempt to conduct a felony traffic stop but the driver of the stolen car zips away at high speed. The officers knowing the dangers of such a chase terminate their pursuit.

The driver of the stolen car just can't help himself and crashes his car into another vehicle. Both the driver and passenger run from the scene. **Officer Micah Hope, Derik Byrne and Randall Soohoo** spring into action. One suspect is wrapped up quickly because he fell down (pathetic!), the other runs into a restaurant (what is up with the restaurant thing?) and is quickly arrested. A car wrecked, havoc on the street, putting everybody involved in great danger, whatcha think, probation? Well, that is not our call, these officers did their job and did it well, bad guys BOOKED.

Everybody – All Watches

In our next story, there is no way to neither shorten, condense, nor add my world famous snarky comments. The dedicated police work, teamwork, and devotion to duty would not be given justice if I did not tell the whole story. Hence, the following is the **Captain's Complimentary Report** authored by **Lt. Michael Nevin**, with a few deletions:

"On January 29th, 2013 at 0902 hours an armed robbery spree began at Bacon and Girard in the Bayview District. A male victim was waiting for the bus when three suspects approached him. One of the suspects brandished a silver semi-automatic pistol as he sat down on a fire hydrant. His two confederates began robbing the victim of his personal property including a Smart Phone he was holding in his hand. Officer Thomas Fong and recruit Officer Bryan Zahn responded and took the initial report.

A short time later, three young men were walking north on Giand near Silver in the Bayview District. Three suspects approached and backed the victims up against a wall. One of the suspects was holding a silver pistol. The suspects began reaching into the victim's pockets stealing iPhones, wallets, backpacks and other items. Officer Gregory Skaug and recruit Officer Kevin Fong took the initial report.

Soon after, three male victims were standing on the sidewalk in front of 260 Bocana Street in the Ingelside District. While the victims were engaged in conversation, two suspects walked up to them and demanded their personal property. One of the suspects brandished a handgun. The suspects took a briefcase containing a camera, computer and other items. Other stolen items included a wallet, iPhone and credit cards. When one of the victims refused to hand over his property, he was pistol whipped on the head. Another victim was able to escape during this robbery. He ran into a store alerting employees of the robbery taken place. A worker outside of the store observed the getaway vehicle flee eastbound on Cortland Avenue at a high rate of speed, going right through all the stop signs. Officer Conroy Tam and recruit Officer Miguel Cortez responded and took the initial report.

At this point, luck would run out for these violent fleeing suspects. Officer Daniel Guzman was working in the Bayview District and he was aware of this robbery spree, having responded to the first incident. He contacted one of the victims from Bocana Street and began "pinging" one of the stolen iPhones. The stolen phone was first tracked to the area of 7th and Market streets.

Sergeant A.J. Holder was monitoring the situation in the Tenderloin District and units were getting updated information from Officer Guzman. Sergeant Holder located a vehicle with three males aboard at South Van Ness and Mission Streets matching the suspect descriptions. He began to follow the vehicle onto the freeway when it made a sudden exit

off I-80 onto 7th Street. When Sergeant Holder activated his red lights and siren, the chase was on. Officers Ryan Crosby Rudy Sebastian, Ronald McGoldrick and Anthony Assereto responded as well.

The fleeing vehicle was cutting off other drivers nearly causing collisions as it drove south on 101 towards the Airport. As this felonious vehicle approached the South San Francisco exit, it slammed into a Toyota Camry injuring the driver. Officer Michael Mallone rendered aid to the driver and stayed there until an ambulance arrived.

The front axle broke off the fleeing vehicle and it became disabled. Sergeant Holder captured the driver at this time.

Officer Adam Plantinga and Mathew Sullivan captured another suspect walking up a hill. Officer Sullivan located discarded clothing in bushes along the route the suspect had taken. He also heard the audible tone of an iPhone-tracking alert and he was able to locate the phone that originally led to the location of the suspects.

Officers Fong and Zahn who took the original report located another suspect in a parking garage. Officers Brendan Gardiner and Officer Eithne Cummings assisted in taking one of the suspects into custody. After searching a large sewer pipe they located clothing and a wallet belonging to one of the robbery victims.

Officers located multiple pieces of stolen/recovered evidence at the scene of this arrest linking the suspects to multiple street robberies. The next day South San Francisco Police searched the crash scene and located the handgun believed to have been used during the robberies. Officer Mathew Dudley responded to the scene with knowledge of the backgrounds of the suspects. His investigative skills proved crucial. He knew the suspects to be members of a violent street gang. Additionally, he located incriminating Instagram photographs taken that night. Captain Michael Moran responded and coordinated the investigation.

The following Ingelside Sergeants responded to the scene: Sergeants Jason Sawyer, Seth Riskin, David Maron, and Melonee Alvarez. These Sergeants coordinated the property identification with the victims from Bocana Street via digital photographs that were taken from the arrest scene in South San Francisco.

Investigators from the Criminal Investigations Unit responded and took over the investigation. Sergeant Michael Wilbunsin was the lead investigator. Other members of this unit who assisted in this investigation were: Sergeant Nico Disenza and Inspectors Kevin Horan, James Garrity and Inspector Tim Brophy. Inspector Brophy, one of the Departments most seasoned robbery investigators, held a briefing at the Hall of Justice to ensure all reports, statements and evidence processing were completed properly.

Soon after, Officer Dudley and other officers served a search warrant at an address in San Francisco. Officer Dudley had been involved in an investigation of one of the suspects from the robbery series. The warrant resulted in another arrest of a person prohibited from possessing a firearm.

To date Sergeant Wilbunsin has linked these suspects to a total of six other robberies. This arrest(s) is an example of patrol and investigative work at its finest. All the officers involved deserve to be recognized for their outstanding efforts. Three violent, ruthless felons have been removed from the street of San Francisco."

– Lieutenant Michael Nevin, SFPD
Again, more examples of what the SFPD does everyday! See you next month. KMA 438.
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Another Million Dollar Investment Club

Star Performers Investment Club Celebrates Its \$1,000,000 Portfolio

By Mike Hebel, Club Member

On Wednesday, March 6, 2013 the Star Performers Investment Club achieved a goal – extraordinarily uncommon for investment clubs – of a portfolio valued in excess of one million dollars (close of market valuation of \$1,000,068). The partners are now planning a 3-day trip to the Sonoma/Napa wine country or to Monterey/Carmel to celebrate this stupendous achievement.

18 Years of Perseverance and Investment Results

At their meeting of March 7, 2013 the 24 partners, mostly active and retired SFPD members, toasted each other for having the patience and endurance to remain together since August 1995. The club is now in its 18th year. It was formed with the three “E’s” as its foundation – education, entertainment, and enrichment – and over the years, this is exactly what the club has done. It has diligently studied stocks, equity trusts, ETFs and mutual funds, invested wisely, stayed the course, and celebrated each \$100,000 advance.

Like most clubs and individual investors, Star Performers saw its portfolio erode during the dot-com crash of 2000 – 2002. Its portfolio had reached a then all-time high (\$539,000) in August 2000; thereafter, it painfully declined to \$309,000 by September of 2002. Then it began a steady climb to \$795,836 in October 2007, only again to retrace and retreat in the global financial crisis of 2008, hitting a low of \$384,330 in March 2009. And then, exactly four years later, it advanced to over \$1,000,000.

The Star Performers Investment Club is affiliated with the National Association of Investors Corp. (NAIC) – a national educational organization of about 7,000 US investment clubs and a membership in excess of 40,000. It publishes the monthly magazine *Better Investing*. This national organization experienced a dramatic drop in its membership from an all-time high of 400,000 in 1998 as enthusiasm for investment clubs declined in the dot-com crash of 2000, and the Great Recession of 2008. It does have many clubs that have been in operation for 40 to 60 years. What it does not have are many clubs, like Star Performers, that have achieved a portfolio of \$1,000,000 – an extraordinary, rare, and phenomenal occurrence.

At its January 2013 membership meeting, the other police investment club, the KMA club, announced that it had won the **friendly challenge** to the Star Performers Investment Club. Star Performers was formed in August 1995 – 16 months before the KMA club. KMA stated that it would reach a one million dollar portfolio in less investment time than Star Performers. It did! On January 2, 2013 the KMA (Kiss My Assets) Club achieved a market valuation of \$1,008,171. Now both police investment clubs have entered “investment club hall of fame.”

Star Performers meets the first Thursday of each month, 4pm, at Northern Station’s community room. At its typical monthly meeting, the members will review its equity portfolio, its partners’ capital accounts, any significant events affecting its



Star Performers partners/spouses at a recent celebratory dinner at John’s Grill. See all the “million dollar happy smiles.”



Star Performers’ President Mike Hebel, and Treasurer Dennis Meixner outline their road map for the club’s next goal: \$1,500,000

holdings, and the current condition of the US and global economies. Partners review and present reports on individual stocks, ETFs, and mutual funds – both those presently owned and those under consideration. Buy and sell decisions are then made. The partners usually invest about \$3,500 each month.

The partners are committed to remain with the Club for the long term.

Top Ten of 50 Holdings

Starbucks	6.7%
Berkshire Hathaway	5.5%
IBM	5.0%
T. Rowe Price Group	4.3%
Home Depot	4.2%
Visa	4.0%
AFLAC	3.4%
Biogen Indec	3.3%
Vanguard Health Care Fund	3.2%
Goldman Sachs Group	3.2%

Investment Process

The club invests monthly, reinvests all dividends (now over \$14,000 annually), looks primarily for dividend paying companies, growth companies that are “best of the breed,” and seeks a broad diversification of industries and company sizes. It has three mutual funds: Long Leaf Partners International Fund (international company exposure) and Vanguard’s specialized portfolio – health care (a health care sector fund), and Janus Overseas Fund (a high performing international fund).

The club relies on Value Line, Standard and Poor’s, TD Ameritrade (its discount broker) and Morning Star for

its research. Also, members subscribe to the *Wall Street Journal*, *Barron’s*, *Money Magazine*, *Kiplinger’s Personal Finance Magazine*, *Forbes*, *Fortune*, and the NAIC monthly publication *Better Investing*. Some are committed listeners to Bob Brinker (Starship Money Talk, KGO on Sundays) and viewers of Jim Cramer’s “Mad Money” (daily on CNBC).

The club is looking for companies with strong and growing revenues, earnings, cash flow and growing dividends. It is also concerned about price. At its investment best, Star Performers buys good to great companies at fair to good prices.

Like many investment clubs, Star Performers struggles with “when to sell.” It is working on a written sell discipline to take the emotional factor out of this important decision.

In January 2007 the Star Performers Investment Club forecast that the Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJI) would hit a new high in 2007 and may very well cross the 14,000 boundary by late-2007. The club was right. The DJI hit 14,164 in October 2007. The club then experienced the “Great Recession” with the DJI falling to 6,926 by early March 2009. In January 2013 the club forecast that the 14,164 DJI all-time high would again be reached and exceeded in the first quarter of 2013 – an event that did occur in March 2013.

Star Performers Investment Club’s Partners

- Bill Arietta
- Al Casciato
- Wanda Dare
- Phyllis Ford

Partner Phyllis Ford presents the celebratory cake announcing the achievement of a million dollar portfolio.

- Jennifer Forrester
- Sylvia Harper
- Mike Hebel, President
- Richard Kahn
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Partners Tom Mulkeen, Ray Shine, Val Kirwan, Jamie Ongpin and Wanda Dare, (with spouse Eddie), contemplating next portfolio goal: \$1,500,000.



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Cocktails 5:30 – Dinner 7:00

Menu
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\$65.00/Per Person

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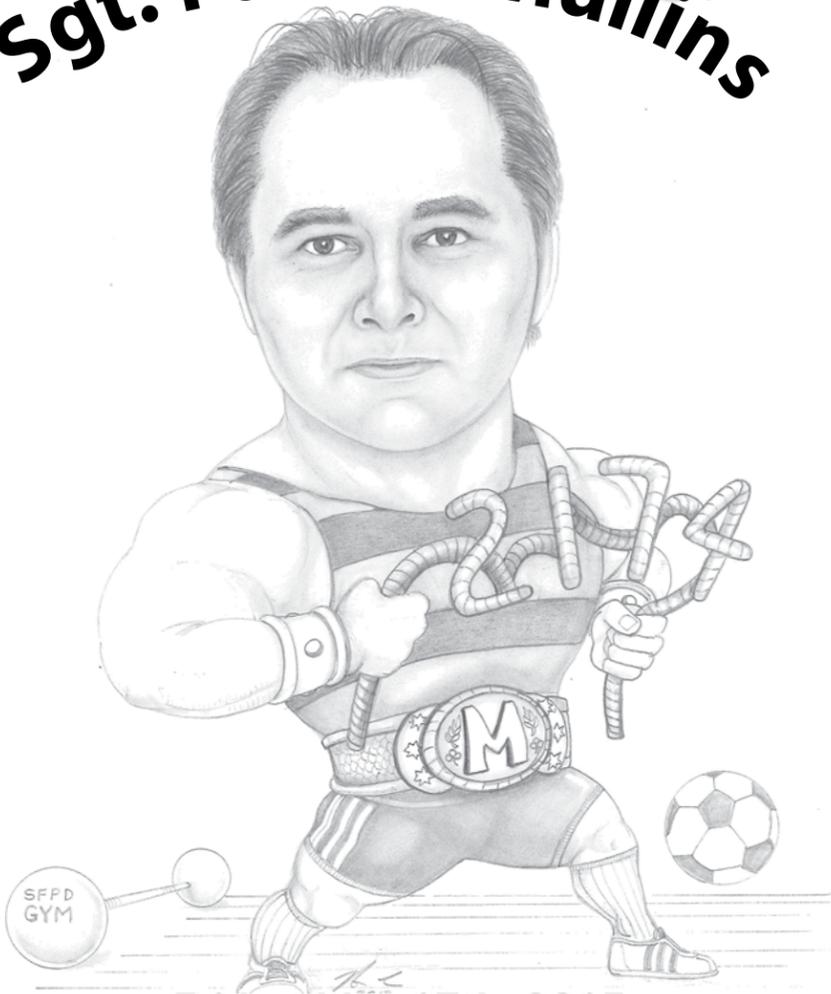
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Two O'clock in the Afternoon

Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption

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First Priestly

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to the Martin Family

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of

Father Thomas Vital Martin

In the presence of

Most Reverend Thomas A. Daly, D.D.

Auxiliary Bishop of San Jose, California

Reverend Steve Kim, Homilist

Sunday, May 12, 2013

Twelve Noon

Saint Vincent de Paul Church

2320 Green Street

San Francisco, California

Reception to Follow

Priest Concelebrants please bring Alb

Deacons please bring Alb and Stole

SF Dispatcher of the Month

Department of Emergency Management

1011 Turk Street, San Francisco, CA 94102

Division of Emergency Communications
Phone: (415) 558-3800 Fax: (415) 558-3843

Division of Emergency Services
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Date: February 26, 2013

To: **Eric Gornitsky**, Public Safety Dispatcher

From: Florian Taylor, Employee Recognition Coordinator

Re: Communications Dispatcher of the Month – March 2013

The Department of Emergency Management has selected you as **Communications Dispatcher of the Month for March 2013**. You were selected based on a commendation received acknowledging your excellence during a medical emergency.

On February 3, 2013, you answered a call from a hysterical mother reporting that her baby was not breathing or moving. You immediately obtained the necessary information to process the call for service. You assured the caller that help was on the way and initiated CPR instructions. You skillfully got the caller to focus, so that she could perform life saving compressions.

While you were online with the caller, your co-workers assisted by dispatching fire, medical, and police to the scene. The efforts of many came forth in attempts to revive the life of this precious child. Through no fault of emergency services, the outcome was not favorable.

Eric, you handled this call with the utmost care and proficiency. You continue to provide exceptional customer service call after call. During the past year you have consistently exceeded compliance standards for processing medical calls, deemed to have been outstanding. Your dedication to excellence reflects positively on you and the Department of Emergency Management.

For being selected Dispatcher of the Month we are able to offer the following: Parking in the "Employee of the Month" space for the month of March 2013; One-hour off, with Shift Manager approval; "Employee of the Month" engraved pen and key chain; See's Candy Gift Card

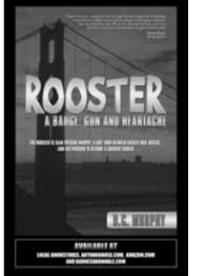


Read Some of SFPD's Published Authors

By Ray Shine, Editor

At least three SFPD retirees have written and published one or more books. While many of their colleagues were on the golf links several times each week, these three authors were spending their time on the keypad. There may well be more than these three, but I do know that the following retirees have written between them a total of two novels and two college textbooks.

Dan Murphy began working on his novel *Rooster* while still working active duty in the Southern District. Following retirement, he devoted the time needed to finish the book and get it published. The subtitle is *A Badge, A Gun and Heartache* and is a crime drama that takes place in San Francisco and Marin County. The book is available on-line at Amazon, Barnes and Noble, or buy it as a hard-copy at many local book stores.



Retired Sergeant **Jim Pera** wrote and published his novel after he retired from Park Station. Jim has fictionalized an actual but notorious event of the early 70s — the bombing of Park Station by a band of urban terrorists prevalent in those volatile times. The book is titled *The Rampage of Ryan O'Hara* and is available on-line at Amazon.com

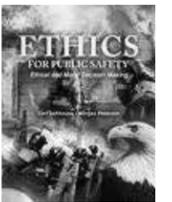


Retired SFPD Inspector **Morgan Peterson** has a second career as a much respected professor teaching Public Safety and Administration of Justice at a college in Southern California. To enhance his teaching, now Dr. Morgan Peterson, Phd, has written and published two textbooks currently used in classrooms, each with compelling titles.

Ethics For Public Safety – Ethical and Moral Decision Making (co-authored with a teacher in the fire-science department).

Enforcement Psychology – Coping with the Rigors of Policing

Both of these texts are available through Amazon.com.



The Week of April 7, 2013 is National Telecommunications Week

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Bringing Down America Re-Released

By Jim Pera

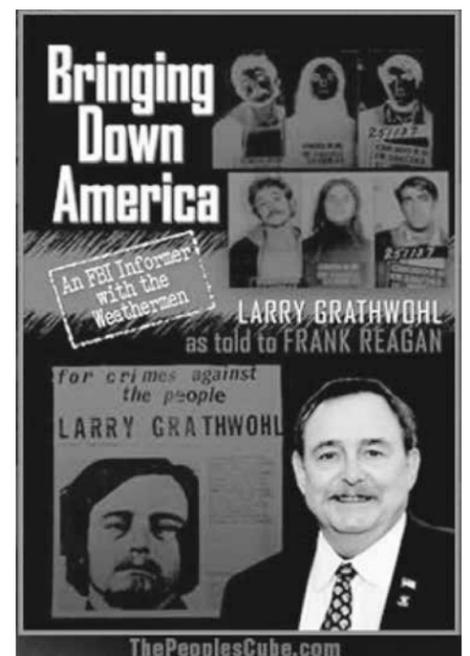
Friends —

The below link will take you to a website for the re-release of the book *Bringing Down America* by Larry Grathwohl. Larry is a personal friend of mine who, during the late sixties and early seventies, went deep undercover for the FBI.

For my friends in the SFPD, it was Larry, who learned first-hand from Bill Ayers, that Bernardine Dohrn planted the bomb at Park Station, on February 16, 1970, a terrorist act that claimed the life of Sergeant Brian McDonnell and wounded nine other cops. I was there that night, arriving in the first radio car on the scene with my partner Bob Fife.

Dohrn skated on the bombing because of the hearsay rule, i.e., the woman who drove her to the station, Karen Latimer, died and wasn't available for corroboration. Additionally, a lot of evidence concerning the Weather Underground was thrown out because of faulty FBI evidence gathering.

Please read the linked article and then follow the other links, which include interviews and information on ordering the book. The book is very revealing and is an open door into the reasons why our country is currently in the dilemma it is in. A lot of these former terrorists are now inside our government and in academia undermining our republic.



For those of you who read my novel, which is fiction, you will see the correlation to Larry's book, which is non-fiction. His is what really happened and how those involved in treason and murder got away with it. Mine was a composite and deals with what I would have liked to have seen happen to those clowns.

Re-release of book *Bringing Down America* by Larry Grathwohl.
http://www.americanthinker.com/blog/2013/03/larry_grathwohls_bringing_down_america_re-released.html#_UVMxZdSKI_1.email

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Book Reviews

— by Dennis Bianchi

The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared

By Jonas Jonasson
Reviewed by Dennis Bianchi

Millions of people read the Scandinavian trilogy revolving around *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo*, unable to get enough of the dark underworld of Sweden. The weather in Sweden may bring about a sense of darkness and cold to several Scandinavian writers but Jonas Jonasson is decidedly different. This novel is hilarious. I seldom read three paragraphs without breaking into a smile or laughing out loud.

Allan Karlsson is about to celebrate his 100th birthday while residing in a nursing home when he decides he would rather do something more exciting. He had lived a most interesting life the previous 99 years and found the home not to his liking. He, therefore, climbs out a window in his bedroom slippers and sets out in search of adventure and vodka. He certainly finds them. The reader is advised to relax and suspend one's disbelief; let Mr. Jonasson spin his many tales. You won't be disappointed.

Allan must first get away from the home in a secretive manner to avoid detection which would mean a return to the nursing home. A rail station is the starting point. He has enough cash to get him out of town but not much else. A stranger asks him to watch his large rolling suitcase for a moment. Allan takes the opportunity to catch his train, pulling along the suitcase. Believing he may have found a way to assist himself on his trip he discovers he has walked away with a fortune in cash. Only after the owner of the suitcase discovers he has been taken advantage of does the reader learn that the cash belongs to an organized crime group, albeit a fairly inept group. (They intend to have the word "violent" sewn onto the back of their gang jackets but fail to notice that the word "violins" is what is there

instead.) With this discovery Allen is off to his great adventures.

Allan eventually meets a few folks who assist him in his great escape, a very well educated hot dog-stand vendor and even a woman with an elephant in her backyard. A member of the gang attempting to recover the cash meets an untimely death under the hind-quarters of this elephant.

The author intersperses Allan's current interesting developments with his even more interesting previous life, giving the reader a most interesting take on 20th Century history. As a young fellow, Allan worked in the explosive industry and learned a lot about blowing things up. Lacking a college education didn't deter him from becoming one of the better bomb makers of his age. He has no political attachments and wants none, but he is in great demand by different nations. When not jailed he travels the world, meeting heads of state and their aides. He dines with Franco during the Spanish Civil War, he meets Mao, who provides him with freedom and cash which he enjoys in the company of Albert Einstein's half-brother in Indonesia. As a result of this story I found myself looking up several historical characters as the story moved along, including Lawrentiya Beria, the head of Stalin's secret police. The author's description of an ammunition fire that destroys Vladivostok is incredible, but fictitious. As a fan of President Harry Truman I found myself enjoying immensely the scenes of Allan and President Truman over-enjoying cocktails as the President tries to use Allan's talents to get the Atomic Bomb viable, which of course occurs in a most humorous and round-about manner. Or as the author puts it, "... which goes to show what a couple of bottles of tequila can do for international relations."

But these scenes occur intermittent-

ly, as Allan and his growing number of co-adventurers encounter new and difficult situations. The police are closing in, the gang members are in hot pursuit but Allan Karlsson is always philosophical and relaxed. While observing a manufacturing plant that had once been a maker of cannons as far back as the seventeenth century, the author informs us, "Allan thought it sounded unnecessary for the people in the seventeenth century to kill each other. If they had only been a little patient they would all have died in the end anyway... And you could say the same of all epochs." The logic of Allan's thinking is clear while entertaining, as is this book. Don't expect a classic, just enjoy a great escape into



Dennis Bianchi

humor and an opportunity to learn about or, at least refresh your knowledge, of numerous historical activities and powerful people.

It was retired Captain Steve Tachini who brought this book to my attention and I appreciate his doing so. Thanks Steve.

Through the Eye of a Needle: Wealth, the Fall of Rome, and the Making of Christianity in the West, 350-550 AD

By Peter Brown
Reviewed by Dennis Bianchi

This is a very short review of a rather long book. I'm including it because several retired members have said that they primarily read history, not police procedurals or thrillers. I try to read widely across the genres and I believe that if you want to read ancient history, this is a book for you.

Peter Brown, Professor Emeritus of History at Princeton University, is among the most respected authorities in the field of late antiquity and in particular the religious culture of the later Roman Empire and early medieval Europe. In 1935 he was born and, later, educated in Dublin, Ireland. He moved onto to Oxford where his talent became more renown. He was also a professor of Classics at the University of California at Berkeley. His list of awards is long and formidable. He has been honored by the great universities of the Western World, from Great Britain to the United States: from the Netherlands to Spain and Italy. And when he writes he is both scholarly and accessible, a rare combination.

Brown teaches us in this lucid, and understandable written study, the understanding of the role of wealth in the developing Christian communities of the late Roman Empire. Combining the writings of Ambrose, Augustine, Jerome, and Paulinus of Nola with

detailed examinations of the lives of average wealthy Christians and their responses to questions regarding wealth, he demonstrates that many bishops offered such Christians the compromises of almsgiving, church building, and testamentary bequests as alternatives to the renunciation of wealth.

The author demonstrates the process by which wealth eventually moved toward the church as the Roman empire disintegrated and how changes in the place of wealth and conceptions of giving in terms of penance and to the poor were major forces in the shift from "ancient" to "medieval" Christianity. His examination of the period shows that the problem of reallocating wealth was as big a problem then as now, where 1% dominate so much more than the remaining 99%.

I purchased this book several months ago and had put it aside for a short while. Then I read an interview of Garry Wills, one of my favorite historians and critics, wherein he stated that this book was one of the best books he had read for many years. I immediately went back to reading it and happily so. It is not a light entertainment. He is a scholar writing for students, but we all should be so lucky as to have had him as a professor. Rome and its demise and Christianity's rise comes to life.

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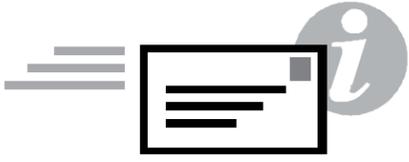
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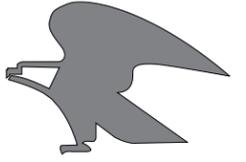


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POA MAIL



Editor —

While perusing your March issue of the *Journal*, I took note of a quote by Gary Delagnes contained in the article about the recent retirement seminar. In that article Gary stated there were no SFPD academy classes between 1984 and 1988. This is not the first time Gary has made mention of this. Please let Gary know that the 162nd Academy class was in 1985, The 163rd in 1986 and the 187th in 1987. The hiring freeze then took place until 1991. I know that in the big scheme of things this is a rather trivial matter, but as a member of the 163rd academy class I just wanted to set the record straight.

On a more serious matter, the same March issue had an article by Vice President Halloran which really angered me. I had just recently obtained a copy of the movie Mr. Roberts on DVD Blue Ray in 3D and was planning on viewing the film soon. Thanks to Halloran blowing the ending in his article, I guess I can just throw my new DVD away.

Thanks,
Joe Boyle

An Open Letter To All Local Unions Affiliated With The San Francisco Labor Council

Dear Brother/Sister —

As a member of the Executive Board of the San Francisco Labor Council for more than 30 years, I am deeply offended by persons who intentionally misuse the procedures of the Council to further their own political or ideological beliefs. Yet this is precisely what is taking place in the case of those persons who support the resolution of "Justice for Alan Blueford."

A resolution has been introduced twice on the Alan Blueford matter which charged the police with the murder of Alan Blueford. I submit that the members of the Council have neither the knowledge nor the expertise, nor is it their function to make such a decision; yet they have voted affirmatively on two occasions on this resolution.

The question whether there has been criminal activity is a job of the District Attorney of Alameda County; her office has the trained personnel who must decide if any criminal act has occurred and proceed accordingly.

The loss of Alan Blueford's life or any life is a great tragedy. The protection of our police officers is also of great concern.

The Resolution on Justice for Alan

Blueford was introduced demanding that the Federal Monitor take strong action against the Oakland Police Department including stopping Oakland Police Department from racial and ethnic profiling and violence against people of color. The Resolution further provided that the Labor Council demand that the Alameda District Attorney immediately charge Officer Masso with murder. The District Attorney of Alameda County has absolved Officer Masso of any crime. Despite this the "Justice for Alan Blueford" Resolution was adopted.

I strongly urge the Officers and Delegates of the San Francisco Labor Council to keep resolutions strictly germane to the business of the Labor Council and the rank and file, which we represent.

Yours very truly,
Larry Mazzola, Sr.

United Association Of Journeymen And Apprentices Of The Plumbing And Pipe Fitting Industry
Local Union No. 38

Dear Editor —

I am Colleen Donzelli, wife of retired Solo Mark Donzelli. I had to have emergency spinal cord surgery this year and my bills are beyond what we can pay. I have a website set up for people that want to donate funds can. I would like to put a notice in the *Journal* so that other police officers can go to the website and donate if they can.

Years ago, no one was able to help Mark when he needed it, so I'm hoping this time the Police Family will step up and try to help us. Please post my story in the *Journal* with the website for those that want to help. The website is www.gofundme.com/290xrg.

You might check this sight out for other Police Officers in need. There are already some Police Officers on the website due to cancer or other medical issues.

Thank you for your time.
Colleen Donzelli

Dear SFPOA—

On behalf of the Feeney Family, I want to thank you for the beautiful flower arrangement that was sent to my brother's funeral. Al's sudden loss has left a void for so many of us. Knowing that the SFPOA family had us in their thoughts and prayers was comforting during this difficult time. My family and I are extremely appreciative of your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,
Captain John J. Feeney and Family

Dear POA —

On behalf of the Simmons family, thank you so much for the beautiful floral arrangement for Patrick Simmons. Your support, care, and concern mean so much to the family.

Thank you, again.
The Simmons Family

Dear SFPOA —

Thank you so much for your continued support shown to my family. Gary was so proud of being a part of the SFPD and the SFPOA. We miss him every day.

We appreciate the donations made during Christmas as well as the donations made to our golf tournament. Both generous acts that benefit Jack and Daniel's education fund.

Thank you!
Patti Hazelfofer

Dear POA —

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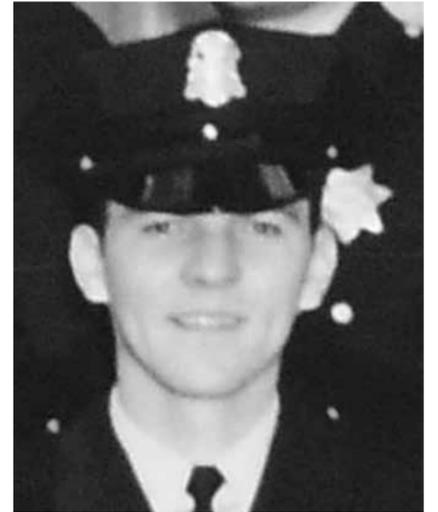
By Ray Shine, Editor

The men and women of the San Francisco Police Officers Association extend condolences to the family of retired Sergeant/Inspector Gale Wright, who passed away quietly on the evening of March 23, 2013. He was 79, and only a month shy of his 80th birthday.

Gale is most remembered as a long-tenured editor of the POA newspaper, which was then called *The Policeman*. He held that position from March 1974 through March of 1983, and was the second longest-serving POA editor. His tenure covered one of the most contentious and troubling eras in POA history, as well as some of the most important gains made in police officer rights, working conditions, and political activism. In addition to his job as editor,

Gale also served the POA as the elected representative from Traffic Company, and served on several vital negotiating committees. Following his retirement, he served as the Retiree Representative on the POA Board of Directors.

Gale entered the SFPD in 1958 following his discharge from the US Army. He retired in 1985 as a dual-rank Sergeant/Inspector in the Hit & Run Detail. Other assignments included Taraval and Richmond Stations.



The 1970s and early 1980s were among the years in which Gale was most active in the POA. He participated in drafting the first MOU in 1971, the second MOU of 1974, and the landmark *California Peace Officers Bill of Rights* that was enacted into state law in 1976. He was heavily involved in the 1974 campaigns for Propositions M and H, both of which provided significant improvements to police officer retirements.

Following his retirement from the police department, Gale became active in the SF Veteran POA, serving as the recording secretary, and was a co-founder of Protect Our Benefits (POB), the activist organization that monitors and protects retired employee rights and benefits. It was during this time that Gale became involved in an effort to sue the SF Retirement Board over a provision in an MOU that the POA had signed with the city, and which many felt was detrimental to retired officers. Always one to stand on his principles, that effort put him at odds with the POA leadership in a dispute that eventually led to his departure from the board of directors. He was pragmatic about such events, having also scuffled with POA leadership in the mid-80s. (Shortly after my appointment as the current editor, he offered to me his congratulations and cautioned me to look at his tenure as an example of how one attains a position politically, then later loses it politically.)

Gale was pre-deceased by his life-long love, Louise, whom he married in 1953. Louise was also a beloved member of POA office staff who served our organization for more than 25 years. She died in 2010.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 3:00 PM at Duggan's in Daly City.



Submitting Obituaries and Memorial Tributes

Any member may submit a separate memorial tribute to a deceased member. Any such piece will not appear in the matrix, but will be placed in the Mail section, or, with prior approval of the editor, as a sidebar piece. The *Journal* will also accept and publish in the Mail section short letters about a deceased member written by a person in the immediate family. However, the *Journal* will not reprint obituaries or photos that were published in any other print media, web site, or Internet blog.

Deaths

The POA Journal was notified* of the recent deaths of the following SFPD members, non-sworn employees (n/s), or affiliated persons:

Name of Deceased	Date of Death	Age	Status	Notification by
Thomas H. Duncan	March 26, 2013	89	Retired SFPD	M. Ortelle
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Fred Mollat	March 10, 2013	Unk	Retired SFPD	R. LaPrevotte
Robert A. Quinn	March 9, 2013	75	Former SFPD	R. LaPrevotte
Clifford Lew Walker	February 28, 2013	98	Retired SFPD	R. LaPrevotte
Gale Wright	March 23, 2013	79	Retired SFPD	B. Wright

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Cops, Cons and Grace

By Brian Cahill

In my retirement I spend most of my time writing. I have written a few pieces about the failed leadership of our Church, but most of my writing is about my oldest son, a police officer who took his life four years ago. I have learned about cops and suicide, and I have learned about pain and grace. I try to write four days a week, but on Tuesdays I don't write. I volunteer.

I spend part of each Tuesday at the San Francisco Police Department doing suicide prevention training. For the last year I have been speaking to 25 cops every week who are required to go through 40 hours of advanced officer training every 2 years. Two hours are devoted to behavioral health issues including alcoholism, substance abuse, marital issues, depression and suicide. I am given 30 minutes to tell these officers about my son and how he lost his way, about the high rate of police suicide, and about current research in this area. I tell them that if this can happen to my son, it can happen to any officer. I remind them that the very things that make them effective and safe on the street can destroy them in their personal life, and that asking for help is not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength. I think they are listening, first because they respect me for doing this, and second because SFPD lost three officers to suicide in 2010. A number of officers have told me that I have helped them.

When I finish the training and I am back in my car, I usually fall apart because I have not been giving an academic lecture, but rather talking about the suicide of my son, my first born, my rock. I sit in my car revisiting the horror of four years ago. And yet at the same time, because I do this training to honor my son and hopefully to help other cops, I feel God's

grace working in me, not eliminating the pain, but allowing me to feel some satisfaction and a sense that life is still worth living. I am always amazed at the intimate, symbiotic and still for me, mysterious relationship between pain and grace.

When I leave the police department I drive over the Golden Gate Bridge to San Quentin Prison in Marin County. Every Tuesday night for two hours I co-lead a spirituality group with 18 inmates. I have been coming into San Quentin for over 7 years as a volunteer, going to Mass with the men on Sundays and being with a group of them on Tuesdays. I have never been in a place where God's presence is more tangible.

Most of the men I have come to know have been convicted of second degree murder and were sentenced to 15 years to life. They have not received a sentence of life without the possibility of parole. On the contrary, their sentences specifically include the possibility of parole. Many of them were convicted in their teens or early 20s. According to the sentencing guidelines, if they fulfilled all the criteria for rehabilitation, they could be paroled in 12 to 15 years.

Most of the men I know in this situation have served over 20 years, and in some cases over 30 years, because parole boards and governors have been politically reluctant to release them. Unlike fixed term prisoners where the recidivism rate is 70%, the recidivism rate for these inmates when they are released is 1%.

The men I have come to know, these "lifers", are men of deep spirituality, full of insight and remorse for the crimes they have committed and the great harm and pain they brought to others. They are completely rehabilitated and qualified and capable of returning to the free community. In

many cases when they get out, they will serve others.

Should they have been held accountable and punished for their crime? Absolutely, but they have done their time and then some. They are not the same men they were when they did their crime. We need to see them and know them for who they are now, not who they were 20 or 30 years ago. We need to see them as living witnesses to the transforming power of faith. If we are followers of Jesus Christ, then we believe in forgiveness and redemption, and we need to live that belief.

During our Tuesday night sessions, based on the topic selected, we start with a brief scripture reading. Topics have included forgiveness, perseverance, empathy, spiritual dry spells and how grace manifests itself in prison. The guys know about my son and they pray for him each year at Mass on the anniversary of his death. One night after the concluding prayer, one of the newer members of the group who had only just learned about my son, came up to me, gave me a hug and said, "You know, he is with God."

For a few weeks we covered those psalms where God is referred as our "rock". A very thoughtful lifer who has been in prison a long time, recounted the years he spent in the special housing unit at Pelican Bay, and told us that reading those psalms and holding on to the thought that God was his "rock", allowed him to survive that terrible time.

For another few sessions we discussed Mathew 25, "What you did for the least of my brothers you did for me..." Each inmate shared his thoughts on the meaning of the passage and how it would apply in prison.

At the end of the last session, one very tough, but very wise lifer said, "I think it means if you screw over your brother, you are screwing over God."

Usually when I come into San Quentin on Tuesday, I am tired, depressed from thinking about my son, and feeling sorry for myself. Almost always when I leave at the end of the session, I'm grateful that I get to walk out of that place and I realize that I should stop whining. I am in awe at the faith, insight and spiritual journey of these men, who in their pain, isolation and suffering are closer to God than most people I know on the outside. And I know that God's grace, not always obvious, is flowing inside those walls, and it also touches those of us who are privileged to come in there once in a while.

When I first started coming into San Quentin, I would talk about it with my son who wasn't sure he approved. I agreed with him that there are some individuals in prison who need to be there, but when I told him who these men were and how they were unjustly serving time far beyond their intended sentence, he gave me his blessing. Now when I get home late each Tuesday evening, I can say that I have honored my son, covered both ends of the criminal justice system, and experienced tangible signs of God's grace in both those worlds.

The secret of volunteer work is that it is a very selfish and rewarding activity. I do this for others, but if I'm honest, I do it so I can keep breathing, I do it so I can keep believing. I do it so I can experience God's grace.

Brian Cahill is the former executive director of San Francisco Catholic Charities.





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The following chart is for February 2013. Some highlights include: 41 assaults occurred with 5 incidents of officers sustaining personal injury. "Disturbance" calls represented more than half of the incidents. Traffic pursuits and stops represented 20% of the assault incidents. The chart tracks type of weapon used by suspect and type of officer assignment.

Stay safe out there!

Mike Nevin
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ECARS Plus: Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted

NCIC:3801 San Francisco Police Department		Month: 2 Year: 2013		Law Enforcement Officers Killed	
Number of your law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty this month.				By felonious act:	0
				By accident or negligence:	0

Type of Activity	Law Enforcement Officers Assaulted (Do not include officers killed)											Police assaults cleared	
	Total Assaults by Weapon	Type of Weapon					Type of Assignment						
		Firearm	Knife or Cutting Tool	Other Dangerous Weapon	Hands, Feet, etc.	Two Officer Vehicle	One Officer Vehicle	Detective or Special Assign.	Other	Other			
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	
1. Responding to 'Disturbance' calls.	21	0	0	3	18	17	2	2	0	0	0	0	21
2. Burglaries in progress or pursuing burglary suspects.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Robberies in progress or pursuing robbery suspects.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Attempting other arrests.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Civil disorder.	3	0	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
6. Handling transporting, custody of prisoners.	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
7. Investigating suspicious persons.	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
8. Ambush - no warning.	4	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
9. Mentally deranged.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10. Traffic pursuits and stops.	8	0	0	4	4	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	8
11. All other.	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
12. TOTAL (1-11)	41	0	0	12	29	30	7	4	0	0	0	0	41
13. Number with personal injury.	5	0	0	2	3								
14. Number without personal injury.	36	0	0	10	26								
15. Time of assaults													
		12-2	2-4	4-6	6-8	8-10	10-12						
AM	7	4	0	1	0	1							
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As New Orleans PD Hits Historic Low Staffing, Response Time to Emergencies Up to 14.5 Minutes

NEW ORLEANS, LA — The size of the New Orleans Police Department is at a historic low and continues to shrink, while the average time it takes police to respond ticks up.

Fourteen-and-a-half minutes. That's how long it takes, on average, for the NOPD to respond to an emergency call for a violent crime. That's 14 minutes and 30 seconds for shootings, beatings, robberies and more.

"You have people who are waiting for a police response and we don't have enough people to respond," said Ray Burkart III, spokesman for the local Fraternal Order of Police lodge.

Early last year, the NOPD was responding to emergencies in about nine minutes. But the department got smaller.

And last fall, we told you that on some nights, only two to three cops were actually on patrol, answering service calls in some districts. The average response time was up to 10, nearly 11 minutes.

Superintendent Ronal Serpas said at the time that it was all about staffing.

"I wish we could get there in two or three minutes. But that's a matter of how many people are on the ground," he said.

Fast forward to early March. The average emergency response time has now surpassed the 14-minute mark.

Serpas acknowledged his depleted ranks, saying his officers are doing what they can.

"Bottom line, as you look at the department's response time, it's a matter of how many people are at work, at bare, and are being supervised," he said. "Sometimes there is more demand than you have capacity, period, the end. It just happens like that."

On average, it takes about eight minutes for the call coming in to be dispatched to an officer, according to NOPD statistics from early March. And it takes another six-and-a-half minutes for that officer to arrive on the scene.

Ray Burkart, of the police association, said officers feel the staffing shortage.

"We are hearing from our members on an almost daily basis, certainly a weekly basis: 'When are we getting more manpower? I can't get where I need to be fast enough to do my job.'"

Right now, the NOPD has 1260 people, including 20 recruits waiting to start the next training academy class. Mayor Mitch Landrieu has pledged to have two new NOPD recruit classes this year.

Serpas said he plans to hire 100 people through the year in order to keep up with attrition.

"Hiring is what solves response time as much as anything else you can do," he added.

But it will take more than a year for these new recruits to go through training and hit the streets on their own. In the meantime, the department loses about two officers a week, about 100 in a year.

The issue has caught the attention of Councilwoman Stacy Head.

"This is not aggressive enough, in my opinion. I firmly believe that our city would be safer, again, with more, well-trained police officers," she said.

"Bottom line, it's not that complicated. We should focus on hiring more

recruits right now. Should have been done a year ago, two years ago, let's not talk about that anymore. We should be hiring more police recruits now."

Head regularly hears from citizens who are unhappy with the NOPD's response.

"I get these complaints and concerns and horror stories every single day," she said. "I agree with them. They are right."

Head believes a remedy is more cops, a better system of promotions within the NOPD and a push to enlist more reserve officers.

Meanwhile, a neighborhood watch group in Algiers Point has been compiling crime stats, trying to track NOPD staffing. This year, three people have been murdered there, a jump from the lone killing last year.

"Our concern really is do we have the numbers of police that can respond to these hotspots and stop the

killing, without taking the protection away from other neighborhoods," Rocks said.

"And the numbers we are concerned are simply not there to allow the police leadership to do what I know they would like to do: keep citizens safe and keep their officers safe."

Rocks said he and a colleague met with the Fourth District commander and asked about staffing. He said he was told to file a public record request for the information.

Policing with limited resources can be a juggling act. Serpas noted that supervisors are responsible for

triage, pulling cops off less-urgent, quality-of-life calls to attend to violent crimes.

He noted that the NOPD has a hefty volume of calls — about 476,000 in a year — and that about 70 to 80 percent of those calls are not related to violent crime.

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Senior Workers on the Rise: American Workers Age 65 and Over Working Past Retirement

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Will the average income American Worker be able to secure a comfortable retirement when he reaches age 65?

Answer: Probably Not.

Seniors Cannot Afford to Retire

In November, 2012 a joint project entitled, "The Impact of Running out of Money in Retirement" was conducted by the Society of Actuaries Commission on Post Retirement Needs and Risks, the Urban Institute and the Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement.

For the purpose of this discussion, I want to concentrate and isolate some issues on why Americans age 65 and over will more than likely continue to work well into their senior years. In a working paper for the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), an analysis based on a sample of 66-69 year-olds in the Health and Retirement Study noted that their findings highlight major differences between single and married adults.

- They find that 71% of older adults are adequately prepared for retirement according to their definition, but that outcomes vary substantially by marital status — 80% of married adults are adequately prepared compared with only 55% of single adults. This assumes a 10% reduction in consumption. Without a 10% reduction in consumption, they find that 77% of married couples and 49% of single would be adequately prepared.



- They also find that outcomes differ substantially by other demographic characteristics. For example, only 29% of single older women without high school degrees are adequately prepared for retirement, even after reducing consumption by 10%.

On 1/31/13, Ms. Allison Linn personal finance writer for CNBC.com stated, "Most Americans still stop working by the time they hit 65. But about 18.5 percent of Americans age 65 and over were working in 2012, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. That's a nearly 8 percentage point increase from a low in 1985, when just 10.8 percent of Americans over age 65 were still at work." Given that American Seniors are working well into their retirement years, what are some of the root causes that have changed in society to cause this problem?

The authors of the study noted that data recently released by the Federal Reserve stated that the median net worth of families had dropped by 39% in just three years between 2007 and 2010, with the downturn having the greatest impact on the middle class. During this same period, both median and mean income fell as well (down 7.7 percent and 11.1 percent respectively). In addition, many families experienced significant declines in their home values—a large part of the

resources for many Americans nearing retirement.

Defined Benefit Pension Plans Decline

On 10/03/12, Mr. Jerry Geisel wrote an article for Workforce magazine entitled, "Fewer Employers Offering Defined Benefit Pension Plans to New Salaried Employees." In that article, Mr. Geisel stated that as recently as 1998, defined benefit plans were the norm among the nation's largest employers, when 90 percent of Fortune 100 companies offered the plans to new salaried employees.

Mr. Geisel noted, "As of June 30, 2012, 30 percent of Fortune 100 companies offered a defined benefit plan to new salaried employees, according to New York-based Towers Watson & Co. That's down from 33 percent at the end of 2011, 37 percent in 2010 and 43 percent in 2009." The study by Towers Watson & Co. stated that as employers have moved away from defined benefit plans, the overwhelming majority of Fortune 100 companies now offer only a defined contribution plan, e.g. a 401(k) to new salaried employees.

On 3/06/13, Mr. Harold Meyerson of the Washington Post in his article, "Steering America toward a more secure retirement" stated that the shift from traditional pensions to 401(k)'s is one main reason most seniors are not able to set aside enough income to guarantee a secure retirement. Mr. Meyerson added, "With the eclipse of the defined-benefit pension, Social Security assumes an even greater role in the well being of seniors."

Despite the potential problems that seniors face in trying to work well past their retirement years, a bigger problem for American society may loom in the form of young people who are currently in the workforce and are trying to save and invest for their retirement years.

Younger Workers and Stagnant Job Opportunities

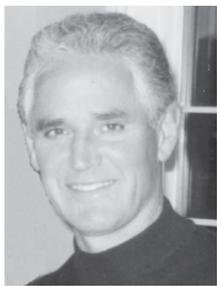
On 3/14/13, Ms. Annie Lowrey in the *New York Times* wrote "Younger Generations Lag Parents in Wealth Building." Ms. Lowrey stated, "A broad range of economic factors has conspired to suppress wealth-building for younger American workers; the trend predates the Great Recession. Younger Americans are facing stagnant pay — the median income, when adjusted for inflation, has declined since its 1999 peak — as well as a housing collapse and soaring student loan debt."

It appears that the only solution to the senior retirement crisis and the young American worker's stagnant employment dilemma is to grow the economy. Experts note that a strong and sustained job and wage growth would cure many of the ills facing younger workers, but their delayed or diminished wealth accumulation might still have a lasting impact on their finances.

It is imperative that State, Federal and local governments work in partnership with the private sector to arrive at viable solutions to make the American economy work. If seniors who are trying to have a comfortable retirement cannot be assured that their lifetime of labor will be rewarded, then it is the fault of public policy makers and the Captains of industry in the private sector. It is important that all stakeholders work in concert to create a robust economy, then generations of average income workers may be able to realize that basic of tenants in achieving the American dream.

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PAL CORNER



Soccer season is under way!

SF PAL's soccer season got off to a great start Saturday, March 23 with SFPD officers from local districts on hand to greet players and hand out PAL certificates. Soccer programs continue to be very popular at PAL, with 2,600 players signing up for 211 teams this season. The presence of officers cheering on the players on the first day of the season, however, is a new part of the action.

"Chief Suhr and the Department have been wonderful partners for PAL," said SF PAL Board President Rick Bruce (Ret. SFPD). "The Chief understands the importance of building relationships in the community and encouraging officers to reach out to youth."

Soccer season runs through May 19.

Get your tickets for the SF PAL annual golf tournament — May 16

Excitement is growing for the annual SF PAL golf tournament to be held Thursday, May 16 at Harding Park Golf Course. The day will begin with a VIP Sponsor Breakfast honoring former Supervisor (and SF PAL alum) Sean Elsbernd, featuring special guests Mayor Ed Lee, Chief Greg Suhr, and Supervi-

sor London Breed. Golf gets underway with a shotgun start at noon, and the day ends with a dinner and silent auction. PAL Board Vice President Bob Knighton (Ret. SFPD) says the day is always lots of fun for participants, and for a great cause.

"The standout for me is that we're able to raise good money to help the kids," Knighton said. "The event is PAL's biggest fundraiser, so we work hard to make sure it's a great time and people keep coming back year after year." Knighton also promised a few surprises in the program.

Tickets (including box lunch, golf and dinner) are \$200. Dinner only is \$100. For the VIP Sponsor Breakfast or more information, please email golf@sfpal.org, or call 415-692-3556.

Meet the new PAL Board of Directors!

PAL has 12 new Board members,

who assembled in late February to get acquainted and plan the coming year with PAL's Executive Director Lorraine Woodruff-Long. The new members, listed below, will join Board President Rick Bruce (Ret. SFPD), Vice President Bob Knighton (Ret. SFPD), Secretary Arlene Doyle, and members Dirk Beijen (Ret. SFPD), Helen Blohm, Manny Flores, Diarmuid Philpott (Ret. SFPD), and Jo-Ellen Radetich.

New PAL Board members are: Lt. Joe Engler, Brian Gigliotti, Andre Godwin, Lt. Jack Hart, Janie Kass, Capt. David Lazar, Capt. Ann Mannix, Capt. Bob Moser, Capt. Mike Redmond, Lt. Mike Stasko, Tianna Tillery, and Deputy Chief Lyn Tomioka. We'll be profiling Board members in future issues of the SF PAL E-newsletter.

Finally, our sincere thanks and appreciation to outgoing Board members Jim Meyers (Ret. SFPD) and George

Breed for their years of service.

Last chance to apply for PAL Cadets!

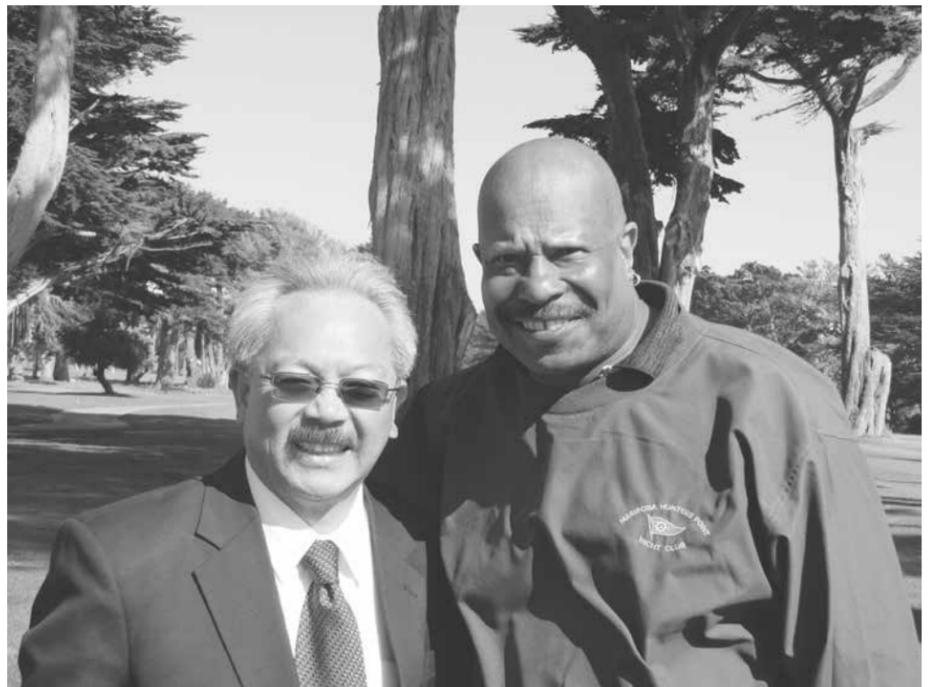
Leadership development and public service are a major focus of our SF PAL Cadets program, which has been in continuous operation since 1959. If you know a student who is interested in learning about law enforcement or a career in public service, encourage them to apply to the PAL Cadets program! Applications are due at on April 5th for the 4th Annual Summer Cadet Academy that starts June 17th. For more information, visit www.sfpal.org/cadets.

Coming up in May...

SF PAL Junior Giants baseball, Seahawks football and cheer registration will be under way! Plus, great news about the SF PAL Judo program!



Former SF Giants pitcher Shawn Estes (far left) and former Oakland A's pitcher Mike Norris (far right) joined by Giants cameraman and Torture Cancer founder Dave Benzer and friend at the 2012 tournament.



Mayor Ed Lee with SF PAL Board Vice President Bob Knighton (Ret. SFPD)



Former Supervisor Anne-Marie Conroy with Chief Suhr

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Sports



NICK'S NOTES

By Nick Shihadeh,
Journal Sports Editor

Bayview Wins Championship In Ugly Contest

CHECK IT OUT: Congrats to the Bayview Pit Bulls for their victory over the Northern Bull Dogs in the department basketball championship that took place on Tues. March 19th at St Mary's Gym. It was a hard fought affair that came down to the wire, with the Pit Bulls able to edge out a 30-29 win. Bayview wanted the win badly to keep Northern from "three-peating" and they got it.

Unfortunately from what I heard, it was an ugly contest with lots of arguing, yelling and near fights on the court. If that is true, it's disheartening to hear as ultimately we're all on the same side. Again if that was true, all I have to say is: "clean it up."

Softball News

The department softball league got off to a soggy start as during the first week of scheduled games (March 20th/21st), it rained and many games were postponed. It looks like dry and clear weather as of the writing of this column, so hopefully there will be some game results to discuss next month.

A charity softball game between the



SFPD all star team and the SF gay men's all star team took place on Sun. March 10th at Lang Field. It was a game that was won by the gay men's team by a score of 19-15 and was played to raise money for the LGBT Community in The City.

This is the second year in a row that this game has been played with the department team winning handily. This time around, the gay men's team came better prepared to battle out the victory. Kudos goes to **Glenn Ortega** who helped put the event together. Ortega also wanted to mention one of his players for a great job contributing to the event. He sends out great thanks to **Mike "What Do You Mean I'm Not Starting?" Alexander** for doing a wonderful job helping out the cause on that day.

Basketball Banquet and Post Season Awards

The annual postseason basketball banquet was held at Izzy's Steakhouse in the Marina. The banquet is normally held on the same evening as the championship game. This season, the championship game was postponed due to unforeseen events. The banquet went on without a hitch, but was unusual because we were unable to toast the champions. There was a nice turnout and individual awards were presented during dinner. There were several players in the league that were deserving of awards, but only a few walked away with the hardware.

Here are the postseason award winners for the 2012-2013 basketball season:

MVP — Nate Chew (Ingleside)

Rookie of the Year —
Ed Barrientos (Mission)

Hoops Legend Award —
Kurt Bruneman

1st Team All SFPD

Ruben Reyes (GTF)
Mike Horan (Northern)
Leon Jackson (Bayview)
Mike Tursi (Northern)
Mike Palma (VRT)

This and That

Note the flyer below about the Soccer Hall of Fame Dinner taking place at Harrington's Pub on Sat. April 27th. Four great members of the SF Police Men's Soccer Club will be honored for their many, many years of not only playing competitively, but for contributing to the club as well. Those four are: **Steve Caniglia, Liam Frost, Matt Gardner, and of course, Pat Mullins.** It will be a special night for those individuals and their families, as well as for present and past members of the club; so, I hope to see you there.

I also want you to note the flyer

in this same sports section about the Hazelhofer Invitational Golf Tournament taking place at the Presidio Golf Course on Monday June 24th. Enjoy a day of golf and fun with Gary's family and friends to remember a very special guy. There will be a raffle and silent auction with all donations going to the Hazelhofer Education Fund. There will be wine, gift certificates, Giants and 49er tickets, autographed and framed sport memorabilia, and much more. I'm also looking forward to seeing you there. Don't Stop Believin'.

That's all I have for now....Stay well and safe and So See Ya next month....

San Francisco Police Soccer Club Hall Of Fame Awards Dinner 2013

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April 27, 2013

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Bayview Pitbulls Win Championship

The Bayview Pitbulls capped an 11-0 undefeated season with a 30-29 victory over the two time defending champs Northern Bulldogs in a game that will be remembered for the ages. Both teams played tight man to man defenses, which is reflected in the low score of the game. Both teams typically score 30 points in a half, yet both scored only 30 points the entire game. The proud Bulldogs jumped out to an early lead and maintained a six point edge over the hungry Pitbulls for the majority of the game. Northern controlled the game, and it seemed destined they would be crowned champions yet again.

Although Northern maintained control of the game and it felt like the lead was twice what it was, Bayview never let down and was able to stay within striking distance. The referees let the players decide the game on the court, swallowing their whistles on many occasions as players from both teams were pounded and pumpled, including plays in which Northern swingman Keith Murphy was raked across the face and Pitbull small forward Craig Perry received a blow to the head.

As the game progressed, words were quietly exchanged between particular players on each team, which turned the temperature up higher on an already heated game. Over the past few years, these same two teams with many of the same players have matched up in numerous important

games in both basketball and softball, many of them being for a championship title.

Two of the featured individual matchups in the game was Tommy Moran vs. John Pigford and the athletic Jason Johnson vs. veteran Chris Knight. This was Moran's fifth season playing in the SFPD basketball league, and teams he has played on have won the past three of four championships ('09 Bayview, '11 Northern, '12 Northern). As the minutes ticked off the clock in the second half, many Northern players were caught looking at the clock repeatedly.

Instead of continuing to attack, the Bulldogs slightly took their feet off the gas pedal. The strategy may have worked, but Northern was unable to convert when they had decent, although certainly not easy, looks at the basket. Bayview took advantage of their opportunity, and cut Northern's lead to one with thirty seconds to go.

John Pigford hit a fadeaway bank shot from the free throw line extended with fifteen seconds left in the game to give Bayview its first and only lead of the game 30-29. Northern had two more chances to win the game, as Bulldog players were fouled while in the bonus and went to the charity line. Northern was unable to convert their free throws, and the Bayview Pitbulls were crowned champions of the 2012-2013 SFPD basketball league.

Congratulations to Bayview Station on their second championship in the past five years. Congratulations Erick Solares, Tommy Fong, Azarius Castro, John Pigford, Jason Johnson, myself, Craig Perry, Leon Jackson, Wil Williams, and Rodney Fitzpatrick for a well played season.

Thank You

On behalf of the players in the league, I'd like to thank the POA for their continued support. Once again, we had a successful season. We have already had preliminary discussions regarding next seasons basketball league. There have been a lot of requests to play a longer season. It is in the works to begin next season a couple weeks early and extend the season a couple weeks later, playing about four more games. Also, we are looking to return to Kezar for a portion of next season. I encourage many of our new officers to come on out and participate in "the league". See everyone next season!



Functional Training to Increase Physical Performance

By Rich Thurman, III

In the first installation of our discussion on Functional Training in last month's article, we broke down the concept of "Functional Training." In part II we will delve into how to train for increased physical performance.

They say that form follows function. In other words if something is functioning correctly, then the form will come naturally and the end goal is maximized. Take for example your body's function:



If your body is not functioning properly then how can you maintain proper form during an exercise? Often times when we are exercising, we are told to maintain proper form. Well imagine you are doing squats and you're told to drop your hips down and back, keep your heels flat and your chest up tall while maintaining a heavy bar on your back. If you cannot do this activity appropriately without a bar, then how are you to maintain form with an additional level of complexity? Inability to keep the heels flat on the ground could be related to lack of flexibility of the calves. Inability to drop the hips is related to hip mobility or postural imbalances that may have developed over the years leading to avoidance of certain movements or activation of certain muscle groups. In essence, your body is off balance and is not functioning properly and so proper form is nearly impossible.

Without proper form, we are not maximizing our full potential with regards to exercise and therefore not meeting our maximum physical performance potential, while also reinforcing improper movement patterns. Repetition of improper movement patterns leads towards potential repetitive stress injuries. It also fails to adequately teach the body how to move properly under load, which could lead to injury in the field or during activity. Whether the goal is to increase power and strength or to burn body fat, form must be adhered to, but in order to achieve maximal form we need a strong movement foundation

to allow proper body function.

So where do we start? Does this mean you should stop doing some of the exercises that you are doing?

Well the good news is that you don't have to stop the exercises that you are doing, but you may need to modify to a regression of that same exercise. In our squat example, that would mean unloading the bar and perfecting your body weight squats. In addition to this, you would maybe want to work on hip mobility exercises, calf stretches and other flexibility exercises that may improve your posture while performing the squat.

What I like to do with my personal training clients is assess their strengths and weaknesses in the early sessions and integrate what I call "prehabilitation" training (commonly referred to "Functional" training) into the normal "Traditional Functional" exercise routine. Having a well balanced training program and protocol can help improve your overall performance, as well as help reduce your risk of injury tremendously.



"Yeah, yeah, yeah... I get it. Form is my limiting factor. Better form equals better performance. But what does better form help me lose body fat?"

I'm glad you asked that question. Remember when I mentioned earlier that the body may be functioning improperly due to avoidance and how that also means that this avoidance limits activation of certain muscle groups? Let's beat our squat example like the dying horse that it's beginning to look like (note: I love animals and do not condone the beating of horses or any other animal).

What does incomplete activation of the glutes, (which are the largest muscle group in the body) mean for your fat loss. Fat loss and weight loss is tied to calorie expenditure. Calorie expenditure is a result of your body's overall activity. So inactive glutes means lower caloric expenditure during any given exercise or activity. Your objectives during training should be to develop good joint mobility and

flexibility in order to maximize muscle usage and as a result maximize caloric expenditure during exercise.

The second issue with incomplete activation of the glutes is the impact on overall performance. The glutes are the prime mover when running a sprint. Stronger glutes mean increased force production and therefore increased power to the ground. Ever wonder why sprinters have such large back sides? The development of their glutes is directly related to their speed. So when you need to take off and run, having well developed glutes could be the difference between apprehending a suspect or not.



So there you have it. Training should serve specific purpose and enhance overall function. Understanding and integrating the right types of training for the needs of the individual can be a challenge, but the two schools of thought "functional" and "traditional" can work together to create a complete fitness program. My philosophy when it comes to training is deeply rooted in concepts of Bruce Lee and other Eastern philosophies and that is the concept of keeping what is useful and discarding what is not. When creating a training program for yourself you want to be sure



to integrate all things that are useful to achieving your objectives, while avoiding the things that prove to be nothing more than mere static, fluff or fat.

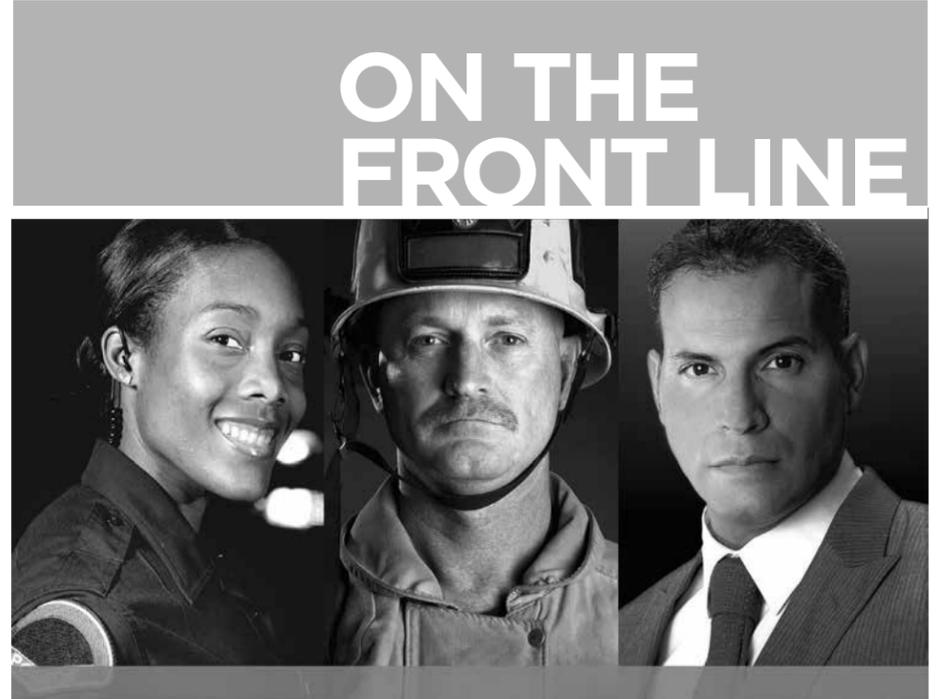
We'll close out this discussion Functional Training vs. Traditional Training methods next month with Part III, where I will discuss a few prehab "Functional" exercises you can do at home to help enhance your movement foundation along with a couple of traditional exercises you may want to include in your fitness regiment.

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Rich spent 6 years living abroad in Asia as an Educator and as the Founder/Head Strength Coach of Active Lifestyle where he trained high school, professional and Thai National Team athletes. He has also worked closely with numerous expat executives and US State Department personnel, helping them reach their fitness and health performance goals. Rich recently relocated home to San Francisco, where he runs fitness Bootcamps, Small Group and Semi Private Training, as well as Personal Training in SF and Oakland.

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North American Police Ski Championships 2013 (NAPSC) - Copper Mountain, Colorado

By Chris daRoza, Airport Bureau

The North American Police Ski Championships (NAPSC, 24th event) was held on February 23rd to March 2nd, 2013 at Copper Mountain Resort, just outside of Denver, Colorado. Copper Mountain Resort has great skiing and was a great venue for the events. We had a couple of snowy and cold days during the week but the race courses were well kept and fast. The event has been in existence since 1989 and provides an opportunity for competition, camaraderie and charity for active, retired police officers and their guests from all around the globe. The efforts of NAPSC in the past 23 years raised over \$733,000 for the Winter Sports Programs of the Special

Olympics and over \$50,000 for the 72 families who lost law enforcement officers on 9/11/2001 (known as the Twin Tower Initiative(TTI)).

This year proved again for a great week of skiing, meeting old friends, making new ones and helping NAPSC to continue to raise donations for a terrific cause. One of the evenings is an auction night where there were many items on the silent auction and for open bids. It was a fun night where we would be bidding against each other for items and all proceeds go to the Special Olympics.

As in the past, racers were grouped in 5 year age increments, gender and ability. To be eligible, one must have completed the seed race and teams were comprised of at least two officers from the same department in

the same division. The events included a Slalom, Giant Slalom, and a Super G, where helmets are required. Throughout the week of competition, racers and their families gathered nightly for award ceremonies, camaraderie and fund raising to benefit chosen charities and the last day a banquet. Everyone who attended was eligible and won a door prize which includes a pair of K2 skis and bindings given out each night. The guests are integrated to race on the same courses as the law enforcement officers. This made it easier to race against your guest if both placed in the same division.

This event usually brings out at least 150 officers but this year some officers and their families were unable to attend due to the clean up and ongoing mess caused by Hurricane Sandy. The number of officers that attended this year was a merely 55 officers and their families which made it a total of 78 attendees from around the globe. This event has also lost a number of core sponsors which made the event less affordable for some families.

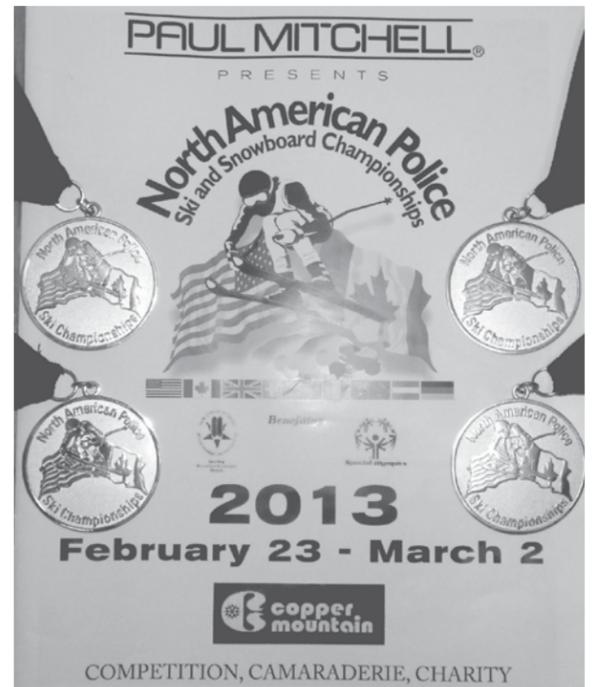
Next year will be the 25th Anniversary of these events. The 25th Anniversary might be the last event if the numbers fall and sponsors are not replenished. Let's keep this event going by attending or finding sponsors for this event. The other two Winter Police Olympics, Tour de Cops (Canada) and the International Police Winter Games (IPWG) are currently defunct due to participation and sponsorship. The NAPSC Board did a great job on dividing the groups equally in each division giving everyone competition in each persons race.

This year, I was the only one able to attend the event from our 2000 member department and in the past I was able to get a handful of people to attend. I was seeded in the B (advanced) division and did fairly well. I was able to bring home 3 Gold medals in each of the events, Slalom, Giant Slalom and Super G. Even though I was at least 10 seconds behind the expert racers in the Slalom and Giant Slalom, it was brought to my attention and the NAPSC Board that in the Super G, I had beat out 8 of the 25 expert racers and without a race suit. I also brought home a 4th Gold medal for achieving the Individual Aggregate Award for being the fastest in accumulated time in the advanced Division. I have to thank the 5 people who were faster than me in my division for bumping up to the A (Expert) division which put me at the top of the B Division.

On the final day kids from the Winter Sports Program of the Special



Chris daRoza at the start of the Giant Slalom



NAPSC 2013 with Gold Medals.

Olympics were sent out to ski with us for the day. They had a chance to race down a course and spend lunch with us. We all had a blast skiing down the hills together.

At the Banquet night, it was brought to our attention that we were able to raise \$19,148 for the Winter Sports Programs of the Special Olympics and \$1,400 for the TTI.

Next year's 25th Anniversary of NAPSC will be held from March 1-8, 2014 at Snowmass Mountain Resort, which is just outside of Aspen, Colorado. Mark your calendars. If interested in attending the events for NAPSC feel free to write me at SFPDSkiTeam@aol.com or go to www.napsc.org and lets get a small team together. It would be great to see more people from our department attend this event next year.

If you can help find any sponsors at any amount to keep this event from fading to the past that would be great. If you want me to contact a potential sponsor let me know and I will make the call.

In addition, I would like to give thanks to the SFPOA for their continued support of the SFPD Ski Team and maybe next year I can get the SFPOA to donate to the Winter Special Olympics in Colorado to keep these games going to support a terrific cause.

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2 BEDROOM, 1½ bath, living room, dining room, garage, small yard. Owner will be updating with new flooring and fresh paint inside and out. \$2875, plus utilities. No pets. Perfect for 1 or 2 officers. Location: Louisburg/Geneva Ave (Ingleside District). Owned by SFPD Retired Sgt. Contact: rlavezzo@yahoo.com. House available April 2013.

Hunting Trips

COLORADO DEER/ELK HUNTS. Private ranches, Tresspass Fee Only. Contact Bob Brodnik, (415) 320-0628.

Motorcycle For Sale

2007 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLHTCU ULTRA CLASSIC "PEACE OFFICER" SHRINE EDITION. Black with dark Blue pin striping. 103 cu. in. engine, 6 speed transmission, full faring, saddlebags and trunk. AM/FM/CB/CD stereo system, intercom, battery tender, remote alarm system, many extras. Extended Warranty valid to January 2014. 12,700 mi. Excellent Condition. Completely Stock \$15,500/BO. Phone Mike @ 925-682-8183 Leave Message.

2012 DUCATI 1199 PANIGALE. NEED TO SELL!! BRAND NEW LESS THAN 800 MILES, W/EXTENDED WARRANTY: 1198cc, 195hp, 6-Speed, Beautiful Red, after market parts, Sold for \$21K. Priced at \$17,000. For more info contact

2006 HARLEY – Iron Horse Outlaw – Must Sell! 124 Inch Motor; 6-speed right side drive; 250 rear tire; hydraulic clutch; LED lighting; digital dash; custom black/red paint; lots of chrome; less than 2K miles; reg fees current; negotiable price; sold for \$25K new; asking \$16,750 or b/o. Contact Mitch @ (415) 987-6738

Speaker For Sale (auto)

ONE-12" SUPER WOOFER SPEAKER (Auto) Case size-13"x14"x18 \$200 OBO (415) 566-6734

Vacation Rental

LAKE TAHOE (NORTH SHORE) 2 bedroom 2 bath condos property is right on the lake, have pool, spa, pier and beach available. Unit has a full kitchen. For rent two units side by side starting on July 5th for seven nights Price: \$1275.00 (total). each or both for \$2425 Call or email for more information: Mike 530-265-9199 or mike2200@hotmail.com

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE CABIN for rent located near the Y. Sleeps 12 comfortably. Hot Tub and large deck. Walking distance to several Bars/Restaurants. Contact John Andrews Park Station for details and photos, 415 254 7860

Vacation Rental

MAUI CONDO-SUMMER RENTAL- Tennis and pools! Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath fully equipped (sleeps 6) in Kihei, Maui, across from beaches (lifeguard on duty). Swim, snorkel, surf. Enjoy sunsets. Walk to shops, restaurants, grocery. Public transit. Nearby golf. Photos/info at www.flipkey.com/kihei-condo-rentals/p317667or www.VRBO.com/221566. SFPD discount. Contact Alan (925) 672-0578.

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE CABIN. Sleeping for up to 10, a large living room with 50' TV and dining area. Located just 4 miles to the casinos and less to the beaches and Heavenly Ski Resort. This home features 3 bedroom, 2 baths with 1600 square feet of room Weekends: \$200 a nt, Weekdays: \$100 a nt (except Holidays) website: www.casadelaketahoe.bravehost.com Maricela (415) 260-3484

MAUI — KAPALUA GOLF VILLA RENTAL. 1700 sq.ft. 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom Villa is located on the 10th Fairway of the famed Kapalua Bay Golf Course! This exclusive resort community has 4 swimming pools, 2 golf courses, golf academy, zip lining, 10 lit tennis courts, and many more amenities, which is associated with the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. Pictures and additional information is available at www.VRBO.COM listing #276140. SFPD members receive discount on posted rates. Contact Alan Honniball at (415) 298-7205.

VACATION RENTAL HOME Ocean view Hot-tub on your deck in the redwoods. 2+ bedrooms /2 bath, large great room for entertaining eight – minute walk to Anchor Bay Beach, five- minute walk to Mariachi Restaurant, bakery and grocery store. Excellent for diving and fishing, hiking and relaxing; five-minute drive to town of Gualala and its great river for kayaking and canoeing adventures. Enjoy the Northern California Coastal Banana Belt's warm weather. E-mail me for more info at John.webb1@hotmail.com

Vacation Rental

RELAX IN CARSON VALLEY! Carson Valley Golfers Retreat Vacation Home Rental. Gorgeous Views of the Sierra Mountains, 4 Bed, 2.5 Baths, 2300 s.f. SFPD/SFFD Member Rates: \$150 night or \$900 Week Call Vince at (415) 302-2500

TUCSON ONLY \$125 PER NIGHT. 1,100 sq.ft. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo newly renovated and refurbished at 5500 N. Kolb. Ideal for that family getaway. 2 pools and workout facility on property. 2 full golf courses nearby. Unobstructed view of the Catalina mountains from the patio. Bookings on first come, first served basis. Call Chris (707) 337-5514

ENJOY THIS 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH CONDO in sunny old town Scottsdale AZ. Just steps away from the Giants Spring training stadium. This gated community offers 2 swimming pools, 2 spas, large fitness room and is next to the community golf course with bike/walking paths. ENJOY, NBA, PGA, NASCAR, NFL SUPER BOWL, NHL. Washer/dryer in unit, with plenty of storage. Pictures available on Scottsdalesprings.com. Contact Patti and Gary (650) 355-7770. SFPD OWNED

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Word Search

Created by Officer Michelangelo Apodaca, Airport Bureau

Enjoy this relaxing and fun-to-solve puzzle! If you've never solved a puzzle like these before, it's a good idea to read this before you begin.

Each puzzle has a grid of letters that conceals words reading in different directions — forward, backward, up, down, or diagonally — but always in a straight line. The words, abbreviations, or phrases one must find and circle are listed below the grid in capital letters. That's all you need to know before you sharpen your pencil and begin your search!

Find the following ten letter words for the Month of April.

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- ABDICATING
- BIOGRAPHER
- CHESSBOARD
- DEBAUCHERY
- EFFICIENCY
- FIRESTORMS
- GRINDSTONE
- HEADLIGHTS
- ILLUSTRATE
- JACKRABBIT
- KICKBOXING
- LAUNDRETTE
- MANDOLINES
- NOTEWORTHY
- OBSERVANCE
- PARENTHOOD
- QUAGMIER
- RECEPTIONS
- SCALLYWAGS

Focus on the Airport Bureau

Just the Fax, Ma'am

By Val Kirwan
Airport Bureau Representative

This month, I bring to your attention two of the Airport Bureau's most highly trained partners; Officer Carlos Cordova and his partner, Fax.

Fax is an 8-year old German Shepherd. He emigrated from Germany in 2006 and joined the SFPD. Fax arrived as a highly skilled explosive detection specialist, and was immediately as-

signed to SFO. Among his other skills and duties are VIP protection and general public relations. Carlos has been a K9 handler for 13 years, and is a TSA certified dog trainer.

When not at work diligently securing public safety, both Carlos and Fax enjoy spending their downtime with the Cordova family, taking walks, napping, and playing ball. Fax moved in with the family shortly after his assignment to the airport.



Guardians of the City

By Liane Corrales

"Go West young man, haven't you been told? California's full of whiskey, women, and gold!" — Toby Keith

"The miners came in forty-nine, The gals in fifty-one, And when they got together, They produced the native son!"

— Bawdy Barbary Coast Song



the displays of the other museums and historical societies, including those by the Victorian Alliance, Chinese Historical Society, Cable Car Museum, and many other San Francisco History groups. In addition to the awesome exhibits, I encountered Emperor Norton, Lilli Coit, a Forty-Niner (not Colin Kaepernick), and our own Chief of Police, Greg Suhr!

On the weekend of March 2-3, 2013, the San Francisco Museum & Historical Society held its third annual History Expo at the Old Mint (aka "The Granite Lady"). As in previous years, our museum, "The Guardians of the City," was invited to attend and present a colorful, educational exhibit. We didn't disappoint them! We displayed photos and memorabilia from the Police, Fire, Sheriff, & EMS Departments. As the public visited our exhibit, they entered the days of San Francisco's Barbary Coast and explored our mystical history.

In closing, I would like to thank our hard working committee that is dedicated to the creation of a physical museum to honor the crime fighters of the Barbary Coast and the firefighters that saved our city in 1906. Joining me in staffing our exhibits were Captain James Lee (SFPD), Off. Ray Favetti (SFPD), Deputy Sheriff Robert Loberg, Firefighter Mike Braun, and Fire Museum's Jacqui Martin. Working very hard to prepare for the Expo were Captain Al Casciato (SFPD), Deputy Sheriff Mike Anderson, EMS Supervisor Dave Ebarle, Firefighter Paul Barry, and our museum curator Jamie O'Keefe.

Walking through the halls of the Old Mint, this author enjoyed viewing

Please step into San Francisco's vibrant, exciting past and enjoy these photographs.

14th
San Francisco Bay Area Law Enforcement Emerald Society Annual Dinner Dance

Saturday, May 18, 2013
No Host Cocktails 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Dinner 7:30 pm (Chicken Pomodoro)
United Irish Cultural Center
2700 45th Ave., San Francisco

Honoring
Captain John Joseph Garrity
San Francisco Police Department
Officer Of The Year

Jerry Cassidy
Citizen Of The Year

Officer Thomas Cunnane
Lifetime Achievement Award

Sergeant John MacAuley
Memorial Award

\$75.00 a ticket or \$700.00 for a table of ten

Contact Jennifer Dickson O'Keefe
(415) 613-8360
<http://sfbaless.wildapricot.org>

37th Annual California Peace Officers' Memorial Ceremonies

Honoring our fallen heroes who have given their lives in the line of duty serving and protecting the citizens of this great state.

For more information visit the CPOMF website at www.camemorial.org

Candlelight Vigil
Sunday, May 5, 2013
at dusk

Enrollment Ceremony
Monday, May 6, 2013
at 10:30 A.M.

California Peace Officers' Memorial Monument
10th Street & Capitol Mall, Sacramento