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5,000 Citizens 'Just Say No'

by Bob Barry
SFPOA President

The question of whether or not our department will, for the first time in its history, experience layoffs because of the budget deficit is still looming at City Hall. The final word has not yet been spoken, and the POA intends to utilize everything at its disposal to ensure that Mayor Agnos' budget proposal calling for 160 layoffs and 37 demotions is reassessed and rejected as bad public policy.

Political and legal battle lines are being drawn — not only by the POA — but throughout San Francisco.

Mayor Agnos has repeatedly stated that in order to balance the forthcoming budget, substantial cuts in service and jobs must occur across the Board, and "public safety" is no exception. But, if public reaction, as evidenced at a recent OMI Community meeting of 500 residents is any indication of the mood running rampant throughout our city that police cuts are an exception, then the mayor and the Board of Supervisors had better take a temperature reading before they put their residents and constituents "in harm's way."

The residents of OMI were angry about the present increase in crime in their neighborhoods and told the mayor that the "crack" dealers have overrun their community and they want it stopped. They want more police officers — not less — and they presented the mayor with 5,000 signatures saying just that.

The same sentiment is running through the veins of every other community in San Francisco and unless the powers that be apply more rational thinking to solve their dilemma, then they can very well expect the public's

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Election Results Mixed

by Paul Chignell

Election results in San Francisco and around the Bay Area as they affected San Francisco police officers were mixed.

On the positive side, two candidates endorsed by the POA were successful. Municipal Court Judge Doug Munson, a former prosecutor won a landslide victory to retain his seat. In addition, Steve Graham, also a former prosecutor from San Francisco, led a three way race for a Municipal Court seat in Marin County and faces a runoff in November. The POA was out front in both of these races and will have two friends on the bench. The third candidate supported, Michael Dufficy, running for a Superior Court seat was beaten by his opponent.

Proposition K was an important proposition that would have raised a spending ceiling so that certain taxes could be increased. The defeat by a 56-44% margin was devastating in terms of trying to balance the city budget. There is no doubt that a new revenue producing measure must be placed on the November ballot so that additional monies can be committed to the budget.

Proposition B, the wage freeze amendment, won by landslide vote after none of the city unions decided to mount a campaign against the measure. Police officers will, however, obtain the percentage increase from this fiscal year next year when a wage increase goes into effect.

Proposition D passed by a large margin which allows officers who have attained the age of 50 to gain two years seniority as an incentive to retire early.

The next few months will be difficult ones for the membership while the city budget hearings and proposals go forward. It is important that the POA be fully involved in the races for the Board of Supervisors in November to make sure that those candidates and incumbents support our issues so that we have a properly funded department this year.

Lawsuits Against Police And The Tough Question Of Representation

by David Clisham, Esq. and
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SFPOA General Counsel

All of you know about the reality of lawsuits against police officers. You probably believe that the reasonable thing to do when you have been sued is to hand the case over to the City Attorney's office and then ignore it until it finally goes away.

That way of handling a lawsuit may have worked well in the past, but it is no longer adequate. It is particularly inadequate where: (1) both you and the City have been sued as defendants; (2) the plaintiff seeks punitive damages against you; and (3) the City does not agree to pay any punitive damage award which may be made against you. A lawsuit that contains these three elements (and such lawsuits are all too frequent) can be scenarios for disaster.

This article is merely an overview. We will follow up with a more detailed presentation in further issues.

Contact Your Association Representative

We cannot stress this point enough. As soon as you are served with a summons and complaint, immediately xerox a copy of both documents and take them to your Association representative. This is a critical first step in avoiding the problems we will now discuss.

Request For Representation From The City Attorney's Office

If you ask the City Attorney's Office to represent you,

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Pall Descends On City's Police Officers

by Mike Hebel,
Opinion Correspondent

With a national economy in an unprecedented 6th year of economic expansion, with national and California state unemployment at its lowest since the deep recession of 1974, with personal incomes and consumer confidence continuing to soar — suddenly, in San Francisco, on July 1, 1988 130 police officers are scheduled to be laid off and 30 sergeants are to be demoted.

Historical First

San Francisco boasts of the earliest organized police department in California having been formed in 1849. In its 139 year history, the city's police force has never suffered layoffs or demotions.

Not even during the Great Depression of 1930-1939, when civilian unemployment exceeded 20% and when manufacturing declined by more than 50% grinding the American economy to a stand still, were there layoffs of San Francisco police officers.

Now San Francisco police officer was laid off during the Great Depression. No San Francisco police officer was demoted, for financial reasons, during the Great Depression.

Now 130 officers, the last hired, and 30 sergeants, the last promoted, face a bleak future.

The Agnos Dilemma

When Art Agnos assumed office in January 1988, he found he had inherited a 179 million dollar deficit from his predecessor — Dianne Feinstein. Mayor Agnos was handed the keys to Room 200 in City Hall and on his desk he found this huge, unfunded liability. His administration eliminated bureaucratic overhead, froze new hiring, and proposed three ballot measures — Propositions B, D and K to handle the deficit.

On June 7 the electorate handed him a stunning defeat. The freeze on city employee wages (B) was passed by a 78% to 22% margin. Early city employee retirements (D) to mitigate employee layoffs passed by a 75% to 25% margin. But the proposal to raise the Gann taxing and spending limits (K) was soundly defeated by a 56% to 44% margin.

Without these additional tax revenues, Mayor Agnos told San Franciscans that he would "layoff 160 police officers, close three fire stations, and order drastic cuts in health services."

San Franciscans said no to K. Now Agnos must find a way to achieve a charter mandated balanced budget. The city's police officers are now looking at him — will Art Agnos be the first San Francisco mayor to layoff police officers?

It is crystal clear that the present fiscal crisis was not of his making. That responsibility clearly belongs to the Dianne Feinstein administration. Nevertheless, the city charter compels him — as chief executive — to construct a balance budget for fiscal year 1988-89. Will Art Agnos be the first San Francisco mayor to layoff police officers?

The Prop K Debacle

The San Francisco Examiner urged: "Prop K: Just Say No." The San Francisco Progress proclaimed: "Prop K, Not the Answer to City's Budget Woes." The San Francisco Chronicle responded to Prop. K in a straight forward manner: "No, No, No!"

Unlike other cities which have sought to raise the Gann spending and taxing limits, the mayor's fiscal officer drafted Proposition K so as to remove spending and taxing limits for the next four years without setting any restrictions. There are several California cities which have suc-

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Widows and Orphans Aid Association

The regular monthly meeting of The Widows and Orphans Aid Association was called to order by Pres. Fred Pardella at 2:03 P.M., Wednesday, May 25, 1988 in the Traffic Bureau Assembly Room, Hall of Justice.

All Officers and Trustees present. Additional members included two past Presidents - Michael Kemmitt & Michael Lennon.

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from Mrs. Katherine Nevin, re Richard Braun, referred to Trustees for report.

Donation from Veteran Police Officers in memory of John Schmidt.

Regular bills for benefits, salaries expenses presented and approved for payment. Treasurer Bill Parenti reported the death of PHILIP LINDECKER - Phil was born in San Francisco in 1916. He worked as a milkman before becoming a member of the Department in 1942 at age 26. He was assigned to Ingleside working radio cars for 3 years, then to Northern for 4 years, before being detailed to Chinatown Squad where he worked for 2 years. Phil went from there to Southern, back to Northern for a year, before joining the School Safety Patrol for two years. He then was transferred to Park, remaining there for five years, then to Taraval until his retirement for disability in 1962 at age 46. Phil was a young 61 at the time of his death.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES: Sale of stock and purchase of U.S. Treasury notes, recommended by Miss Minuth, Hibernia Bank and approved by the Trustees increased our yearly income by \$2,500. Miss Minuth spoke of possible changes in the handling of our Account when Hibernia is taken over by Security Pacific. Secretary was advised to send letter to Hibernia asking if the same personal handling of our Portfolio will continue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Increase of salaries to Treasurer and Secretary continued until the next regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: After reading letter from Mrs. Nevin, the Trustees decision, based on the By-Laws & Constitution of the Association, was that it would not be legal for them to vote any benefits for a member that had been

dropped from the Rolls, as such person was no longer a member of the Association. This was referred to the membership who voted to uphold the action of the Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS - Continued: Treas. Parenti presented a bid from Tret Accounting Corporation for the preparing of certain documents necessary for payment of Social Security, etc. for Treas. & Secty., as well as documents needed to report the business of the Association to Federal & State authorities. This bid was more attractive than the one now being used, and the membership voted to approve and use services from Tret. Secretary to send letter to Peat & Marwick, present supplier, advising them of contemplated change. Trustees will have a special meeting on Wednesday, June 8, 1988, Traffic Bureau Assembly Room, Hall of Justice to discuss possible course of action in the event that the Security Pacific will not continue the services that we now enjoy.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Pres. Pardella set the next regular meeting for Wednesday, June 15, 1988 at 2 P.M. in the Traffic Bureau Assembly Room, Hall of Justice.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M. in memory of our departed brother, Philip Lindecker.

Faternally,
Bob McKee, Secretary

San Francisco Veteran Police Officers Assn.

MEETING: Tuesday, June 14th at the Immaculate Conception Hall. Social hour begins at 11:30 a.m., business at 12:30 p.m. and a light lunch right after.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Our first meeting at the Immaculate Conception Hall, 3255 Folsom St., seemed to be enjoyed by all present, which was 110. We saw faces that we had not seen in a long time. Our "Short Order Cook" Otto Elvander, promised hot dogs and beans for our next meeting, as our "Gourmet Cook" Ray Seyden, will be on vacation. Better luck in July, fellows. Jim Cole, our rep to the POA, reported that there will be two increases payable in July. Both together might be as high as 2-1/2%. It does not seem to be too much; however, it's better than nothing. Most members seemed to have had no trouble parking in the area of the Hall. The lower lot has about ten stairs to climb, while the Folsom Street area has a ramp going through the upper playground, which makes it easier for those who do not want to climb stairs. Let's better that 110 attendance at the June meeting.

SICK CALL: Ricky Thompson is in Kaiser, S.F., with a leg injury. James Van Pelt is at the Regency Hills Hospital in Pittsburg with a bad stroke. Dan McKlem is in the Novato Convalescent Hospital and Les Dolan is in a Convalescent Home in S.F.

DEATHS: Richard Hanlon (one year ago in February), William J. Kelley, Phillip Lindecker and John V. Schmidt. Rest in Peace.

NEW MEMBERS: George Wallace, Richard Klapp, Ward Holmes, Robert McFarland, Jack O'Shea and Ramon Delapena. Welcome to the S.F. Veteran POA.

BILLS: For April, Direct Mail Marketing (the monthly bulletin and postage) \$325.43; stamps for correspondence \$54.80; refreshments and door prizes \$92; secretary operating expenses \$100; rent Miraloma Club \$100; Morning Glory Caterer \$170.50 and two memorials \$50. Total is \$892.73. Motion made to approve and passed.

COMMITTEE REPORT: Jim Cole told us that, 1) If you have health and/or dental deductions taken from your checks, the premiums will not be taken out first before the tax bite, so your taxes should go down a little bit. 2) We are not under the wage freeze so that as of July 1, 1988 we should receive two pay raises which could amount to 2-1/2% more. 3) The SFPOA acknowledged responsibility for not including us in the Prop. I, and they passed a motion to pay \$500 to Ret. City Attorney Jim Stark for helping us with our charter amendment (pulled for now).

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Presently we have 748 paid members. 61 members are delinquent, but if they all pay we will have 809 members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Second reading of the motion to pay \$500 to Jim Stark. This motion was passed in April. Sol Weiner told us that the Retired Firefighters have already given us a check from them for \$250, but regardless of what they have done, or the active SFPOA has done, we should pass this motion to do the right thing. Motion was passed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: President McKee announced that a committee is trying to set up a luncheon for members of the 1938 list, and that it will probably be sometime in August. Mary Wright said that William Murphy, who was retired for a heart condition, passed away in February of this year - at the age of 102.

Attendance in April - 110 Robert McKee, President
Membership - 748 Gale W. Wright, Secretary



POLICE POST #456 NEWS

by Greg Corrales

During the May meeting of Post 456, the new Post officers were elected. The results of the election: Commander - Arthur Lockwood, 1st Vice Commander - Richard Castro, 2nd Vice Commander - Al Aguilar, and Sergeant-At-Arms - Greg Corrales. The new officers will be installed at the next Post meeting. The meeting will be held on June 14 at the War Memorial Building, Room 202. This would be a terrific opportunity for members who have not attended a meeting in a while to make an appearance. There will be no meeting in July, but the August meeting will be on August 9 and will take place at our normal meeting place, the POA Building at 510 Seventh Street.

Those members who have not yet returned their tickets and donations toward winning one of the outstanding prizes offered in our fundraiser are urged to do so. For the nominal donation members can win a chance to "get away from it all" with their loved one and, at the same time, help generate much-needed funds for our Post. Send your tickets and donation to the Post (127 War Memorial Building) by June 17, 1988. You need not be present to win.

I am writing this column on the deadline (of course) for submission to the Notebook, which this month is 30 May, Memorial Day. On this Memorial Day, 1988, I am filled with myriad emotions, many of which, even after twenty years, I cannot articulate. As I contemplate Father's Day, coming up on June 19, I am assailed by many thoughts of grief-stricken fathers whose sons fell in service to their country throughout our history. I am even more haunted, however, by thoughts of the many children whose fathers gallantly gave their lives in the service of our country. The following heart-rendering anecdote will illustrate what I mean.

William Haddad was an associate of President John F. Kennedy's. After President Kennedy was assassinated, his young son, John, asked Mr. Haddad, "Are you a daddy?" Haddad admitted that he was. Said little John, "Then, will you throw me up in the air?"

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"WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR..."

by Rene LaPrevotte,
Narcotic Task Force

Do you know this child? She learned to walk at an early age. By all those special parental standards she was far above average. She could make your heart sing with good fortune and, on other occasions, tax your patience to the point that you sincerely doubted you were ever meant to be a parent...*(something's wrong. They're running tests...someone said cancer; God, this can't be happening...)*

Do you know this child? But on those other occasions, when the day was over and you peeked into her room before going to bed yourself, there she was, asleep, with that special look of angels that little ones have...*(the doctors say, "There's no guarantee." No choice but to begin the process. The needles, the chemotherapy, the weight and hair loss, the pain and fear. Low blood counts which make it impossible to give her the treatments, her only chance.)*

Do you know this child? Of course there were those moments of anguish. The time she fell and split her lip. You were standing right there, but couldn't catch her fast enough to spare her the pain...*(sometimes we feel so alone, friends don't know what to say anymore...her resistance is so low that when she isn't in the hospital, she's confined to the house...)*

Do you know this child? She grew and so did her dreams. As parents, you had dreams too. Her happiness, her future, her first date, Prom night, college. Grandkids to spoil...*(She's gone now...we miss her very much, and we try to hold on to those memories, trying to forget the rest and relieved that her suffering is over. The dreams she had, she was able to live and that will always be a comfort to us because, in spite of her illness, those were the happiest days of her short life...we will never forget those cops...like they didn't have ENOUGH to do...they made her dreams come true and treated her in the same protective manner that they treated their own...they treated us with kindness and respect...they made us feel loved without feeling like a charity case. And when very few others knew what to say, that meant a lot.)*

What Is Wish Upon A Star?

Wish Upon A Star is a statewide law enforcement effort dedicated to improving the quality of life of children afflicted with terminal or high risk illness.

Initially designed to grant wishes for those special children throughout California, the program, with the supportive commitment of law enforcement personnel statewide, has expanded considerably since its inception in March 1982. Not only has the number of lives touched by this undertaking grown tremendously, but so has the area of need currently addressed by Wish Upon A Star.

Wish Upon A Star is non-profit and is funded strictly through donations. But because it puts the emotional well-being of the child first, it has managed without state and local coverage in an effort to avoid that "last wish" scenario. Instead it puts its faith in the "Brotherhood" that exists in this profession and has never said "no" to a child.

In April, I received a phone call from Maureen Logan, Executive Director of Wish Upon A Star. Maureen told me about a 17 year old San Francisco boy who has had nine brain operations for malignant tumors. Last year the doctors told the boy that this insidious disease had been licked, and he had renewed hope of living a normal life. Early this year, routine check-up revealed the cancer had started anew...and was inoperable.

Wish Upon A Star was contacted by the boy's nursing staff and told of the boy's plight. Maureen contacted me and asked if I might be able to take a blank check from Wish Upon A Star and buy a compact disc player and headphones from "The Good Guys" on Van Ness. As is typical of kids, the sick boy had supplied the exact prices, model numbers and identifiers of the desired equipment. I called the Good Guys and explained what we intended to do. Without a moment's hesitation, the store manager told me he would supply the system at the store cost. When I told Maureen at Wish Upon A Star, she decided that they could then give the boy a color TV and VCR as well.

The very next morning, Federal Express delivered the check to my home, along with a thank you letter to me and the Good Guys. They also sent a brochure that took me four tries to read. The pictures of little children, pale and bald headed from the horrors of chemotherapy was just too much to take at one sitting.

Well, I picked up the mass of video/stereo equipment so graciously paid for by Wish Upon A Star and placed

a call to all-time push-over Matt Gardner of Park Station. Matt came in to work an hour early, and together we took the stereo gear to the boy's house (just on the outskirts of the Park District, I swear). When the kid saw the stuff, he broke down and hugged me and Matt and related how it was appropriate that cops should be involved in this,



because his cancer is like organized crime, with tentacles reaching out silently. Matt gave the boy a lesson in the mobile video terminal in his radio car and gave the kid a short "Code three" run up the block. If the kid wasn't a "police freak" before Matt's presentation, he surely was after. I had loaned the boy my issue nylon jacket to wear while he was riding in Gardner's police car. Moments after the brief ride-a-long the boy's father came home from



work. With over a thousand dollars, of TV's, VCR, and stereo gear stacked on the hood of the radio car, the boy's first words to his father: "Look, dad! the police officers gave me a real police jacket." (If you think for one second that I had the nerve to ask for that jacket back, you're wrong!)

Matt Gardner and I left that afternoon filled with con-

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flicting emotions. We felt joy at having brought a few minutes of excitement into a sick child's life. We felt gratitude toward the management at the "Good Guys Stereo" on Van Ness, as they surely proved that their name is appropriate. Lastly, we felt an impending sense of loss, knowing that this brave young man has little to look forward to, except the use of those trinkets we gave him through the courtesy of a lot of very concerned California police officers, who gave a little of their hard earned cash.

Having seen first hand what Wish Upon a Star does for children with little or no hope for a future, I have assured them that I would take their message to the membership of the SFPOA. I am told that as little as one dollar per pay period would assure the continuance of this worthwhile project. There is no paid staff at Wish Upon A Star, and all your tax deductible contributions go to granting the wishes of some very special children throughout the state.

I am presently researching the feasibility of making bi-weekly donations through payroll deduction. In the meantime, you can contact the program coordinator, Maureen Logan at (209) 733-7753 or write to: California Law Enforcements Wish Upon A Star, PO Box 4000, Visalia, California, 93278.

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 From: Lt. Philip J. Dunnigan,
 Officer-in-Charge, Record Unit
 Date: May 31, 1988
 Subj: Article for P.O.A. Newspaper

As sure as rainbows, department employees are occasionally reminded of the value in treating co-workers and the public with the same common courtesies we ourselves appreciate. To this end, I raised the topic at a recent staff meeting in the Record Unit and punctuated it by handing out copies of the attached paper.

The feedback from those within and outside the office (who somehow got copies) was so positive that I felt you might enjoy it as well.

All I Ever Needed To Know, I Learned In Kindergarten

by Robert Fulghum

Most of what I really need to know about how to live, and what to do, and how to be, I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sandbox at nursery school.

These are the things I learned: Share everything. Play fair. Don't hit people. Put things back where you found them. Clean up your own mess. Don't take things that aren't yours. Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody. Wash your hands before you eat. Flush. Warm cookies and milk are food for you. Live a balanced life. Learn some, and think some, and dance and play and work every day some.

Take a nap every afternoon. When you go out into the world, watch for traffic, hold hands and stick together. Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the plastic cup. The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.

Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the plastic cup . . . they all die. So do we.

And remember the book about Dick and Jane and the first word you learned; the biggest word of all: Look! Everything you need to know is in there somewhere. The Golden Rule and love and basic sanitation; ecology and politics and sane living.

Think of what a better world it would be if we all . . . the whole world . . . had cookies and milk about 3 o'clock every afternoon and then lay down for a nap. Or if we had a basic policy in our nation and other nations to always put things back where we found them and clean up our own messes. And it is still true, no matter how old you are, when you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together.

Hollywood Comes to San Francisco

by Brian Danker

Recently 30 S.F.P.D. officers were allowed to show their stuff in a real Hollywood movie. It all started in January when a cop at Mission Station got wind of a rumor that tinsle town was on its way up to tell another story about Inspector Callahan.

Yeah, that's right. The guy known to us all as "Dirty Harry" was coming back to fight crime and make OCC run for cover.

Well, a couple of phone calls and a short interview with the kindest talent people in the business, and it looked as though my big break would go by the boards. I was setting my ego up for a Potrero Hill-type beating, when the girls at Nancy Hayes casting called not only me back, but just about everyone else who wanted a shot at working the movies. It sounded almost too good to be true: real cops playing Hollywood cops with the idea that it was all supposed to look real.

After I finally found my gun, I set about cleaning it real good, so that it would shine like (you guessed it) in the movies. When the work started, some of us were puttin' in almost any many hours as the guys at narcotics...in some cases 12 to 14 hours on our days off. And they paid us less than even a first year patrolman's scale, but it was fun. The food was about as good as a Central Station beat man gets, and we didn't have to worry about passing the bill off on a rookie, either. It was free. Talkin' to the actors was interesting, but they had as many questions about your job as we had about theirs. And what about Clint, you ask? What's he like? Well, if you can remember the personal warmth of Commander Canepa; the way he'd walk up to you and just start talking like he had known you forever, then you'll have some understanding of Clint himself. He would sign his name on anything that was offered to be autographed, and he was even concerned about what it was like to be cop in this crazy city of ours.

On the night of the final or "Rap" shoot we learned how to talk showbiz, and the Hollywood extras and actors learned a little street slang. With the POA's support, it was decided to present Clint with the very symbol of his screen dominance, and a symbol of our appreciation: a .44 Magnum. So, when the director hollered "Cut," 10 of S.F.'s finest surrounded "Dirty Harry" himself and handed him the gun in a special presentation case. I think that I spoke for all when I said "...in the past you have supported us through fund raising events, like the one you hosted for Mickey Orlando's family. You have represented us on film since 1971; you have also inspired many of us, and, to steal your own line, "Thanks, you made our day..."

DEAD POOL Coming to a theater near you on July 15. Starring Clint Eastwood...and Brian Danker.



Badge and Buckshot ... A Book Review

by Bob Fitzer

Badge and Buckshot is a comprehensive look at many of the once famous peace officers and outlaws of Old California. Told here for the first time are the true stories of Ben Thorn, the iron-willed but scandal plagued sheriff of Calaveras County; John C. Boggs, the fast-shooting nemesis of the Tom Bell and Rattlesnake Dick gangs; Ben and Dudley Johnson, the notorious "Tulare Twins"; Kid Thompson, whose train-robbing exploits took place just blocks from the present-day Los Angeles film and television studios; and the Coates-Frost feud, California's bloodiest vendetta, which endured more than twenty years and left fourteen men dead. Here, too, are the first complete accounts of Captain Ingram's Rangers, the band of Confederate guerrillas who raided stagecoaches in California during the Civil War; Steve Venard, the soft-spoken lawman who killed three outlaws in a single gunfight; and the legendary Bill Miner, whose career of banditry spanned almost half a century, and whose exploits were the subject of the recent movie, "The Grey Fox."

The product of more than ten years of painstaking research, **Badge and Buckshot** recounts some of the forgotten sagas of the Old West, an action-packed tale of shoot-outs, stage holdups, manhunts, and lynchings. At the same time, through extensive use of pioneer newspaper files, court records, and previously unpublished illustrations, it shatters old myths and demonstrates the overall effectiveness of the criminal justice system in Old California. For authentic Americana, **Badge and Buckshot** is not to be missed.

The author, an attorney and fourth-generation Californian, is John Boessenecker who has long been interested in the history of crime and law enforcement in frontier California and has written numerous magazine articles on the subject. He is a former police officer, holds a bachelor's degree in history from San Francisco State University, and is a graduate of Hastings College of Law. He practices law with his father in San Francisco.

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Survivors of Cops Killed In The Line Of Duty Form Support Group

Mrs. Lucy Turner, the mother of six children and the widow of the late Chief Edward Turner of Oakland Park, Florida, heads a national support group made up of the families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. The *Family Survivors Project* is part of a program that is an arm of the *American Police Hall of Fame*. "We formed an all volunteer committee of immediate members of the family of law enforcement officers who died while on duty. Presently we have over 2,000 spouses, children, parents, sisters and brothers and grandparents as members. We are able to give support to a family of an officer when tragedy strikes. They may experience the need for help during those trying hours, days and even years. Since the program is only two years old, we know that there are family members that we have not been able to contact, and we would like them to know we are here and that we care," stated Mrs. Turner.

"The problem," added Mrs. Turner, "is that far too often once an officer is buried the family is forgotten. That adds to the hurt even more. The *American Police Hall of Fame Survivors Program* is special support for special people - police families. The membership is free, and it is funded by a grant from the *National Association of Chiefs of Police*. Since 1960 more than 3,000 names of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty have been placed in the *American Police Hall of Fame*. In 1987 alone, we added 151 names of officers killed in the line of duty.

Family members are issued a special membership card, a car emblem for the *American Police Hall of Fame Survivors Committee*, and sent a newsletter every three months that keeps us in contact with all families nationwide.

Eligible for membership would be the spouse, children, parents, sisters and brothers, and grandparents of any law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty anywhere in the United States. Any eligible person or anyone interested in information is asked to send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Chairman, Family Survivors Program, American Police Hall of Fame, Records Center, 1100 NE 125th Street, No. Miami, Florida. A form to obtain the membership will be sent.

"Few people have any idea of what a family of a law enforcement officer who is killed in the line of duty goes through. Normally there is a large funeral service that is difficult, at best. If someone is prosecuted for the death the family will sit through a courtroom drama living over and over again the nightmare. This is why we are available. We even have a 24 hour number so that a family with a problem can reach us," stated Mrs. Turner.

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Hello, my name is Joe Mollo. I have been a police officer with the San Francisco Police Department since 1966. I would really like for you to take a few minutes to read this short account of my personal life. I really believe this will help you to understand why I am, as a police officer, husband and father, living a happy and fulfilled life.

As a child, my parents took my sisters and me to church every week. Being that I was raised in the church, I always considered myself to be Christian, even though I had never made a personal commitment to Jesus Christ. I was married at a very young age, had two children and had literally no communication with my wife. After six years of marriage we were divorced. I then moved in with an old friend of mine, and we started going out every night to drink, chase women and do things I knew were wrong in God's sight.

A short time after meeting my present wife Pat, I really believed that nothing could go wrong with this marriage. However, after only one year we began to have problems, and for seven years we struggled in our relationship. After a one year separation we got back together and made a decision to really find out what was driving us apart. We thought that religion would help, yet there was still

something missing that we needed for a genuine healing of our marriage.

Some of my fellow officers who belonged to a group called "Cops for Christ" were constantly trying to get me to attend one of their meetings. I would always respond with, "That Jesus stuff is good for you but I don't need it!" After many invites, my wife and I finally went to a meeting. Much to our surprise, we really enjoyed it! We heard truth being taught from the Bible that really touched something deep inside both of us. We accepted Jesus Christ into our lives and we experienced the very thing we were looking for during all those years of struggle; inward peace and joy!

My wife and I were taught immediately to become active in our faith through daily prayer, Bible study, fellowship with other Christians and church attendance. Through our commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord, the love of God has literally healed our individual lives as well as our marriage relationship. I can honestly say that I love my wife with all my heart! I am not saying that everything is perfect, yet what a difference to have the help and guidance of the Lord to see us through every difficulty!

As a police officer for over 21 years, I have experienced many difficult changes in my life. As a born again Christian I have now realized positive changes that never could have come without receiving God's forgiveness in my life. Through His mercy I have a fresh start every day of my life.

If you would like to talk to someone about your personal needs or about coming to a Bible study or church service, please call me, my wife Pat, or our Pastor. The first step in making a positive change is the decision to reach out for help.

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...and pray this prayer out loud:

Lord Jesus, I want to stop trusting in myself and start trusting in you. I believe that you died on the cross for my sins and were buried. I believe that you rose from the dead on the third day and are now alive. Please forgive me for all of my sins. Cleanse me completely. I now receive you into my life as my savior and lord. I will now turn from everything that the Bible calls sin. Save me now and thank you for your love and mercy. Thank you Jesus! Amen.

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It's In Your Court

by Bill Fazio,
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Lineups

United States v. Wade (1967) 388 U.S. 218 established the right of a defendant under the federal Constitution to the assistance of counsel at a pretrial lineup. In *People v. Fowler* (1969) 1 Cal.3d 335, we followed the reasoning of *Wade* to hold that defendant is entitled to counsel at a pre-indictment lineup; in *Kirby v. Illinois* (1972) 406 U.S. 682, however, the United States Supreme Court limited the right to counsel to post-indictment lineups.

The question presented and examined by the California Supreme Court in *People v. Bustamonte* 30 Cal.3d 88 (1981) was does a defendant have a right to the presence of counsel at a pre-indictment lineup? The United States Supreme Court has held that a defendant had a right to the presence of counsel at a post-indictment lineup i.e. "the initiation of adversary judicial criminal proceedings — whether by way of formal charge, preliminary hearing, indictment, information, arraignment. The U.S. Supreme Court does not require the presence of the counsel at a pre-indictment lineup, i.e. after an arrest but prior to the commencement of "adversary judicial proceeding" as above described.

Bustamonte held that under the California Constitution the defendant was afforded greater protections and mandated the presence of counsel at a pre-indictment lineup. One might argue that since the passage of Proposition 8 the "independent state grounds" for *Bustamonte* no longer exists. However, the California Supreme Court has not yet ruled on this issue, consequently we will assume that *Bustamonte* is still in force and effect.

Therefore, in any lineup the suspect must have the presence of counsel unless there is a knowing and free waiver of such right. As far as such requirement hampering police investigations the Court said

"Although extending the right to counsel to pre-indictment lineups will thus impose an additional burden upon the police, and may delay the staging of the lineup, these consequences do not appear substantial enough to justify denying defendant this protective right. The burden of securing counsel is exactly the same as that which police departments must assume if they wish to question a defendant who invokes his right to counsel under *Miranda v. Arizona*" 384 U.S. 436.

The court went on to say that if conditions require immediate identification without even minimal delay, or if counsel cannot be present within a reasonable time, such exigent circumstances will justify proceedings without counsel. It must be pointed out that the presence of counsel is limited to a passive role. Counsel:

"cannot rearrange the personnel, cross examine, ask those in the lineup to say anything or to don any particular clothing or to make any specific gestures. Counsel may not insist law enforcement officials hear his objection to procedures employed, nor may he compel them to adjust their lineup to his views of what is appropriate. At most, defense counsel is merely present at the lineup to silently observe and to later recall his observations for purposes of cross-examination. . ."

It is suggested that in providing for a lineup counsel must be secured unless there is demonstrated exigent circumstances requiring an immediate showing, or the suspect freely and knowingly waives the presence of counsel. Those officers providing the lineup should contact the Public Defender's Office and request the presence of an attorney; if need be a court order may be obtained. If need be locate an attorney across the street from the Hall of Justice. In a word, provide counsel at the lineup; if absolutely impossible and there is no way of rescheduling the lineup, be able to document and illustrate the exigency of proceeding with the lineup without the presence of counsel. You can be assured that such issue will be closely examined in a defense motion to suppress the identification.

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by Gino Marionetti & Mike Sugrue



Report on Retirement Planning Seminar

Mike and I would like to bring to your attention that our last Retirement Planning Seminar was most successful, and we wish to take a few moments to thank all of you who were in attendance.

It was held on Saturday, April 23rd, 1988 at the Hall of Justice with sixty-five people in attendance: consisting of police officers, firefighters and their wives. One must realize that retirement comes to everyone. You will find by attending one of our seminars, that you will be better off and the adjustment to retirement life will be much smoother.

Like life itself, retirement will not always run smooth. It can be a period of ups and downs and psychological detours along the way. One thing for certain, experts conducting retirement planning seminars are all in agreement, and that is that a person should start planning for their retirement in their forties, fifties and at least five years prior to actually retiring. One of our main faults is to assume that when retirement does roll around it will take care of itself. Do so and you may find out that retirement is not what you expected, and that the Golden Years are not what they imply; and you may find that retirement life has become disenchanting and empty, and you may even wish that you hadn't retired.

Mike and I are extending to each one of you an invitation to make plans to attend our next seminar. We know that the information that will be given to you will be most informative and beneficial, and that it will help you to enjoy the Golden Years to their fullest.

It has been our policy with each seminar held, each person who attended was sent an evaluation sheet. The information we request is for grading each speaker as to the usefulness of information brought forth, his overall rating, and any additional comment. We also request that they remain anonymous so they can be truthful in their remarks.

As for the evaluation sheets we have received to date, most speakers were graded on their overall rating and usefulness of information on their respective subjects. Some of the comments (both pro and con) are listed below:

Con's:

- (1) Several comments were made on the uncomfortable seating. Mike and I will look into the possibility of having our next seminar at the Police Academy.
- (2) On the subject of Depression. Several persons thought more emphasis should be made on what one does to come out of a depression.
- (3) Financial Investments: Many people thought that this should be brought to the attention of the younger men in the department, as people contemplating retirement have mostly committed to investments. It is to be noted that the two most important ingredients to a happy retirement are (1) health and (2) the personal status of your finances.

Complimentary comments were as follows:

- (1) Retirement seminar made me start to think.
- (2) "Gino" was quite frank and brought the message of retirement home.
- (3) The best \$15.00 I ever spent!
- (4) I thought the seminar was excellent, very informative and helpful. Keep up the good work.
- (5) Mike Hebel was superb! First time that retirement benefits were explained in detail.
- (6) Many compliments on the information received in attending our seminar and personal thanks to Mike and me for initiating such a program.

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Friend or Foe?

by Robin Marantz Henig

"Aspirin Found to Cut Heart Attack Risk," the headlines announced this past winter. Within weeks, the makers of aspirin were touting their product as more than just an over-the-counter pain reliever.

The manufacturers of Ascriptin, for example, rushed to print with a magazine ad featuring an article from the New York Times announcing results of the Physicians' Health Study, which found that aspirin lowered the risk of heart attack in healthy middle-aged and elderly men by nearly 50 percent. Along with the article facsimile was a slogan, "The Aspirin You can Live With."

The hoopla was understandable. With heart disease the nation's number one killer, many Americans are looking for a risk-free effortless way to reduce their chances of heart attack. The study has been used to imply that aspirin is just such a method, so convenient that it involves no lifestyle change other than remembering to take one pill every other day.

But even the scientists involved in the research are asking aspirin enthusiasts to slow down. Aspirin is not for everyone, warns Dr. Charles H. Hennekens, chief investigator for the Physicians' Health Study. The very action responsible for aspirin's protective effect — its ability to thin the blood and prevent blood clots — also carries significant risks for some people, he warns, "Anything that decreases the tendency to clot is going to increase the tendency to bleed," according to Hennekens.

This means aspirin can be dangerous for people with ulcers, with gastrointestinal bleeding or who are scheduled for surgery (which requires a robust blood clotting ability to minimize blood loss). In addition, people with liver disease, kidney disease or aspirin allergy should not take aspirin. And because of the increased risk of fatal strokes in the Physicians' Health Study participants who took aspirin, people with uncontrolled high blood pressure — which puts them at higher risk of stroke — also should stay away.

The Physicians' Health Study began in 1982 and involved 22,071 practicing physicians, all men, between the ages of 40 and 84 who had no heart disease, cancer, liver disease, kidney disease or ulcers. Only 11 percent of them smoked. Half the subjects took Bufferin every other day; the other half took an inert substitute pill called a placebo. No one knew which kind of pill he was getting.

Last December, the study was halted three years ahead of schedule because the results were already clear: Men in the aspirin group had a heart attack rate 47 percent lower than men in the placebo group.

For a short while, aspirin manufacturers were using the study results in their advertising. But the Food and Drug Administration, which regulates over-the-counter medications, and the Federal Trade Commission, which regulates advertisements, asked the manufacturers not to make health claims for aspirin until more research was done.

What advertisers can claim, based on the results of

several studies of male heart attack victims, is that aspirin reduces the likelihood of a second heart attack. But, as AARP analyst Judith Brown put it, "this is a pretty esoteric distinction. When Arthur Ashe is on television saying he's taking aspirin to avoid a heart attack, how many people remember that he had a heart attack already?"

The Physicians' Health Study eventually will answer other questions about aspirin's long-term benefits. Does taking aspirin every other day reduce a man's chance of developing cataracts? Does it help prevent migraine headaches, periodontal disease or hemorrhoids? Aspirin's known effect on certain enzyme systems is thought to provide a benefit in these conditions, too. Hennekens expects answers by next fall.

In the meantime, why shouldn't every healthy American male over the age of 40 take an aspirin every other day?

Because even though it's been on the market since 1899 and is available without a prescription, aspirin is still a rather toxic drug. Consumer activists often point out that if aspirin had to go through all the pre-market screening that new drugs do, it might not be approved for over-the-counter status. Its benefits are many, but aspirin irritates the stomach lining, predisposes individuals to bleeding problems and causes ringing in the ears in very high doses.

It is also worth noting that the aspirin used in the study was buffered, which is thought to decrease stomach irritation, AARP's Brown says.

"When aspirin is taken for the symptomatic relief of something painful and disabling, say for a headache or a sore shoulder, then certain risks are acceptable," says Hennekens. But the risk-benefit ratio changes when aspirin is taken to prevent heart attack. The risks of aspirin — such as a fatal stroke or gastrointestinal bleeding — are accrued during the time of aspirin exposure, he says.

"Ordinarily, that means over the course of just a few days. But when you're 50 and start taking aspirin to avoid a heart attack at 65, you're talking about being exposed to aspirin and its risks for 15 years."

The best rule of thumb is to consult your doctor about whether aspirin is right for you. The decision will depend on your own risk situation. If you've already had a heart attack or if you have angina (heart pain), and if you are a man, the evidence is good that one aspirin every other day will help you avoid subsequent heart trouble. (In the absence of any evidence to the contrary, most experts think aspirin has little protective effect on women with angina or previous heart attack.)

If you haven't had a heart attack, you are at higher risk of one if you have diabetes, a family history of heart disease or a personal risk profile that includes obesity, smoking or a high cholesterol level. But aspirin still won't be as effective as a heart-healthy life-style in preventing heart disease. Hennekens estimates that if you cut out smoking reduce your cholesterol level, get down to normal weight and engage in aerobic exercise for half an hour at least three times a week, you can cut your risk of heart attack by 80 percent — far more than aspirin alone can.

If you've done all that and want to do more, you might consider an aspirin every other day. "But it must never be done without a doctor's supervision," Hennekens says. "I don't think people should go out and start popping aspirin."

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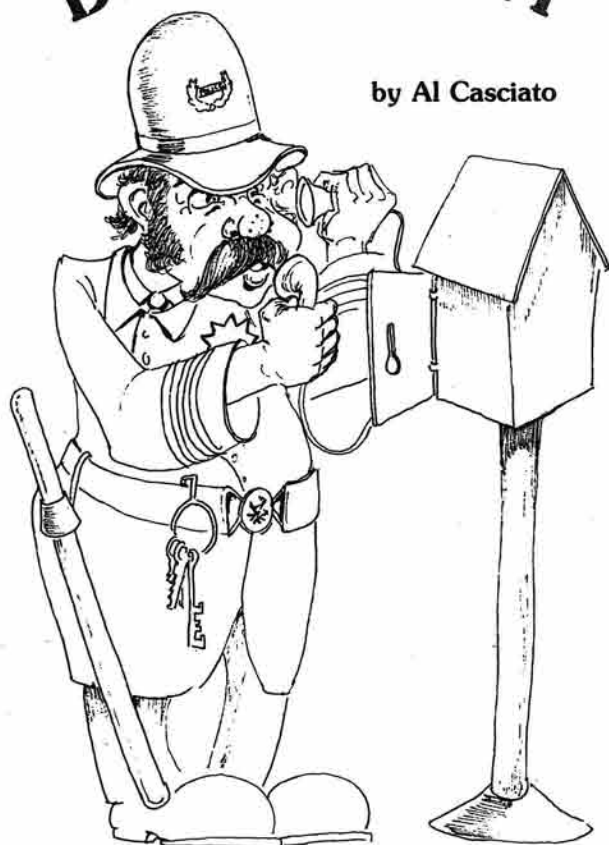
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AROUND THE DEPARTMENT

by Al Casciato



Terror Politics:

This past month we saw the terrorization of the junior members of the department by the mayor (the POA endorsed mayor) and the POA Board we elected. They saw fit to use the threat of layoffs as a campaign tactic to terrorize citizens into voting for propositions and officers into working on the campaign.

Speaking of layoffs — Shouldn't the first layoffs (if any do occur), be the members of the POA Board of Directors who endorsed the mayor and gave him our dues money — to win and then lay us off? Don't bet that any of those guys would take a voluntary layoff!

The true victims of terror politics have been the citizens of San Francisco. Losing valuable service and protection as the young field officers in the highest crime areas focused their energies on lining up new employment and worrying about all the garbage that was tossed at them by politicians, in-house and "out-house".



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Department Strength Prediction

Last June the following prediction of department strength were made when our strength was 1896.

Department strength predictions — closest to number on May 31st of 1988/89/90, wins dinner for two, courtesy of the editor of NOTEBOOK.

(May)	1988	1989	1990
Capt. Mike Hebel, Co.F	1870	1820	1790
Sgt. Mike McNeill, Co. D	1800	1710	1620
Lt. Jack Ballentine, Co. G	1845	1795	1700
Sgt. Larry Barsetti, Co. D	1810	1750	1700
Lt. Al Casciato, Co. D	1850	1750	1650
Lt. Greg Corrales, Hospital	1850	1800	1900
Lt. Fred Gamez, Records	1851	1801	1850
Lt. Bob Berry, Academy	1900	1860	1800
Capt. Jim Arnold, G.G.Div.	1860	1835	1795
Sgt. Layne Amiot, Co. D	1890	1850	1805

As of May 31, 1988, department strength is 1840 thus the winner of dinner for two is Lt. Jack Ballentine of "Le Club Richmond".



Former San Francisco Officers Ron Black and Sue Reesink-Black are doing well as private investigators living and working out of Santa Rosa. They both enjoyed seeing many old friends at Commander Klapp's retirement dinner. If you're traveling through Santa Rosa give them a call at (707) 527-0502.

F.Y.I. Section 3212.6 of the California Labor Code provides that tuberculosis, when developed by police officers, is considered a job incurred disability.

Bay to Breakers tidbits: Jack Sweeny of the Solos made his debut as a "RAP" singer on the T.V. video rapped by those who worked the event.

Lou Perez, Co. D, a seeded runner, decided to run at a leisurely pace next to Olympic medalist Joan Benoit. He finished in 40 min. 12 sec. and she in 40 min. 13 sec. A leisurely pace? — Their places were, Lou 55th overall and Joan 56th, as well as second woman.



A bulletin put out to the Bureau of Inspectors by representatives Paul Chignell and Alex Fagan indicates that rules for leaves of absences are changing. Apparently, the new rules will liberalize leave policy as advocated here in past columns. Leaves should be made available and encouraged. Returning officers come to us revitalized and are far more productive than those who feel trapped, unable to try something new or to pursue an education. Call Alex at Narcotics, 553-1123 or Paul at the Mayor's office, 554-6120 for more information.

As you wander through the supermarket should you notice a Hawaiian style teriyaki sauce labeled ISLAND GIRL, it's the entrepreneurial venture of Mike Gallegos, Co. D and his wife Dannell. No easy task getting a product to the shelf. Good work and good luck in the venture.

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Point (?) — Counterpoint

The views in Mr. Shinoff's column were decidedly denigrating to the SFPOA and to Paul Chignell. In the opinion of this editor, it would serve no purpose to give those views a wider audience. Therefore, I choose not to reprint his column. For those who may be writing theses on muckraking journalism, the muck referred to was published in the March 22, 1988 edition of the S.F. Examiner.

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Dear Mr. Shinoff:

Having just completed reading your commentary regarding the appointment of Paul Chignell and the role of the San Francisco Police Officers' Association in the electoral process of our new mayor, I cannot control my urge to reply.

During the past eight years I have been an elected member of the San Francisco Police Officers' Association's Board of Directors. The last four years I have been chosen as the Chair of our Legislative Committee. Most recently I was elected as our Association's Treasurer, a position I currently hold. Your article has made my task much easier as you have increased our political stock ten fold.

Your perception that Art Agnos was elected because of our endorsement is more important than the reality. However, as the maker of the motion to endorse Mr. Agnos, I prefer to view politics based upon reality. If the truth be told, Art Agnos had a much broader political base than any other mayoral candidate. He earned that base by taking the concerns of his constituents and making them a concern of his. That fact will continue as he grows in the office of mayor, and it is observable in his choices of his aides and staff.

As Mayor Agnos attempts to fight our way out of the Feinstein deficit, you challenge the Mayor's appointment of Paul Chignell as the Special Assistant for Labor Affairs. It is my opinion that the Feinstein deficit was caused by the political "pay-offs" owed to the Chamber of Commerce by our former mayor. Your comment of Paul's residence and elected position to the San Anselmo City Council is unmerited. How many members of the Chamber live in San Francisco? As a San Francisco taxpayer I welcome a labor voice in the management of our city. The Chamber had their day with Dianne. Now it's labor's turn.

I believe that Paul Chignell will be an effective voice for the people who built San Francisco into the great city that it once was — labor people. Paul has a tremendous ability to completely focus on an issue, and, depending on your position, that can be good or bad. I know, because I have been on both sides. Sometimes I won and sometimes I lost. Paul will continue to utilize his abilities for the betterment of our city.

Lastly, your understanding of the costs of the police and fire retirement system and the removal of a charter amendment by the Board of Supervisors is shallow at best and not worthy of detailed note. Should you have a desire to educate yourself on these issues, I will avail myself to you.

Respectfully,
Daniel J. Linehan
510 - 7th Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

Mr. Daniel Linehan
510 7th Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Mr. Linehan:

I can't say that I appreciated your letter in response to the Chignell column, because you tore my head off. But I do respect your view. Note that this newspaper endorsed Agnos, as did the POA. And as a longtime member of labor unions in this city, I'm in favor of bringing labor leaders into positions in City Hall. I just think that Chignell should not have been placed into the labor affairs slot, for the various reasons that were outlined in the column.

Sincerely,
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General Orders B-3 & B-6 Revision Completed

New Uniform & Equipment Concepts

by Joe Reilly, Chairman
POA Uniform & Safety Committee

Over the last several months, the Department's Uniform & Safety Committee has been working to streamline the general orders which concern uniforms and equipment. Many requests for modifications and changes to the present order had been submitted to the committee for review. The present general order describes eight different classes of uniforms, and rather than make it more complex the committee, at the suggestion of Deputy Chief Casey, agreed to revise the entire order. The Committee's objective was to produce a more contemporary, practical and simplified version which would create a comfortable work uniform and at the same time provide a standard appearance for on-duty officers. The result of this effort is a greatly revised order which is based on three uniform class: the formal uniform, and the duty uniform and the jumpsuit.

Under this proposed order, as the name implies, the formal uniform would be worn only on appropriate occasions or at formal events. Elements of the formal uniform would not be worn by officers on regular duty. The duty uniform has undergone the most change. It is broadly defined and intended to allow some latitude for the individual wearer while being comfortable at the same time and providing a standard on-duty appearance. The most notable change is the elimination of the tie. In keeping with the desire for a standard appearance, the new order calls for t-shirts to be black or navy blue only. This provision of the order was decided upon for safety reasons and so that turtleneck style undergarments and dickeys could become an option as well. Another major change concerns the wearing of the uniform hat. The new order requires officers to have the hat available at all times while on duty, and identifies specific circumstances and activities when the hat shall be worn. During the majority of the course of an officer's work day, the hat will not be required, unless circumstances meet the defined criteria. Other modifications to the order have relaxed shoe requirements. Boots may be worn, purchased at the officer's option, as long as they are black, plain toe, and take a shine comparable to the department-issued shoe. Some optional equipment changes are also contained in the new orders. Knives may be worn on the belt if they are carried in a pouch. The restraint device known by its trade name as the "Hobble" will become an optional piece of equipment purchased at the officer's expense. I intend to ask the POA Board of Directors to purchase a supply of the Hobble device and make it available to POA members at a nominal cost once the order is adopted.

The Uniform & Safety Committee and the Department are working on a companion publication to the new orders which will explain them in further detail and assist in their implementation. The revised orders have yet to be approved by the Police Commission, however no obstacles are anticipated at that level. As chairman of the POA Committee, I would like to thank the members who assisted in the revision: Don Woolard, Vince Catanzaro, Dan McDonagh, Keith Singer, Jim Speros, Tom Horan, Bill Davenport, and Al Triguero of Planning and Research. I must also thank Deputy Chief Casey for his comprehensive approach to the issues, thereby producing a greatly improved general order which will be well received. Also deserving our thanks are Deputy Chief Jordan and Deputy Chief Reed who, as committee members, demonstrated their willingness to take the patrol officer's perspective and balance it with the objectives of the Department's administration.

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Board of Directors Meeting

May 17, 1988

Members present: Bertsch, Davenport, Coggan, McDonagh, Garcia, Santana, Ehrlich, Conway, Doherty, Taylor, Johnson, Chignell, Fagan, Flippin, Cole, Rapagnani, Linehan, Parenti, Barry. Member excused: Ramlan. Members absent: McAlister, Hawthorne.

President's Report

President Barry discussed the city's budgetary process and how the mayor's office would be submitting the 88/89 budget to the Board of Supervisors on June 1, 1988.

President Barry submitted a petition to maintain the Q-80 list (captain's exam) with a cut-off date of April 1989. Referred to Federal Litigation Committee.

President Barry allowed members of the San Francisco Housing Police to address the Board regarding affiliation with the POA. A motion by Ehrlich, seconded by Chignell to appoint a committee to discuss affiliation with Housing Police. Passed, all yes. Committee: Ehrlich, Johnson, Maloney, Linehan, Conway, Bertsch.

Police Layoffs: President Barry discussed the importance of the Yes on Proposition K campaign that will be before the voters this June 7th Primary Election. In order to avoid police officer layoffs, it is important that all members vote yes on K and overcome the S.F. Chamber of Commerce/Senator Quentin Kopp Campaign to defeat Proposition K.

Vice President's Report

Vice President Parenti presented a plaque to former Board of Director members Peter Maloney and Joe Reilly for outstanding service on behalf of the S.F. Police Officer's Association.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Rapagnani presented the minutes of the April Board of Directors meeting on Page 8 of the May edition of the NOTEBOOK. A motion by Garcia seconded by Cole to accept the secretary's report was approved by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Linehan presented the monthly financial statement for April 1988. A motion by Davenport seconded by McDonagh to accept the Treasurer's report was approved by voice vote.

Committee Reports

Uniform & Safety Committee — Joe Reilly discussed in great detail the new general order on uniforms and equipment that his committee has been meeting and conferring with the administration. A few items are still being discussed (i.e. wearing of uniform hats) before the general order is adopted by the Police Commission.

COPS Committee: A motion by Parenti seconded by Flippin to approve President Barry's designated representative and delegate (Dan Linehan) to the COPS Convention was tabled by a vote of 14 yes, 3 no and 2 abstaining. Voting yes: Bertsch, Davenport, Coggan, McDonagh, Santana, Ehrlich, Conway, Doherty, Taylor, Johnson, Chignell, Fagan, Rapagnani, Barry. Voting no: Garcia, Flippin, Parenti. Voting to abstain: Cole and Linehan.

Yes on K Campaign

A motion by Rapagnani seconded by Cole to donate \$2,000 to the Yes on K Campaign (less the tabloid expenditure) was approved, 14 yes, 5 no. Voting yes: Bertsch, Davenport, Coggan, McDonagh, Garcia, Santana, Ehrlich, Taylor, Johnson, Chignell, Cole, Rapagnani, Barry. Voting no: Conway, Doherty, Fagan, Flippin, Parenti.

No on Prop. 69, the LaRouche Initiative

A motion by Linehan, seconded by Chignell to contribute \$500 to No on 69, the LaRouche Initiative, passed 13 yes, 6 no. Voting yes: Bertsch, Davenport, Coggan, Garcia, Santana, Ehrlich, Taylor, Chignell, Cole, Rapagnani, Linehan, Parenti, Barry. Voting no: McDonagh, Conway, Doherty, Johnson, Fagan, Flippin.

Carol Migden for Central Committee

A motion by Linehan seconded by Cole to contribute \$500 to the election of Carol Migden to the Democratic Central Committee was approved, 14 yes, 4 no, 1 abstaining. Voting yes: Bertsch, Davenport, Garcia, Santana, Doherty, Taylor, Chignell, Fagan, Flippin, Cole, Rapagnani, Linehan, Parenti, Barry. Voting no: Coggan, Ehrlich, Conway, Johnson. Abstaining: McDonagh.

Contribution to Senator Petris

A motion by Fagan seconded by Chignell to contribute \$350 to a fundraiser for State Senator Nickolas Petris was approved. 17 yes, 2 no. Voting yes: Bertsch, Davenport, Coggan, McDonagh, Garcia, Santana, Ehrlich, Doherty, Taylor, Chignell, Fagan, Flippin, Cole, Rapagnani, Linehan, Parenti, Barry. Voting no: Conway, Johnson.

Contribution to Attorney General VandeCamp

A motion by Linehan seconded by Chignell to contribute \$1,250 to a fundraiser for Attorney General John VandeCamp was approved unanimously.

Contribute to Police Gym at Ingleside Station

A motion by Ehrlich seconded by Fagan to contribute \$1,000 towards gym equipment to Ingleside Station was approved by voice vote.

Backpacking Program

A motion by Conway seconded by Fagan to contribute \$7,500 to the Youth Backpacking Program was approved by voice vote.

Contribution to Mail Campaign

A motion by Linehan seconded by Cole to contribute to \$500 to a mail campaign, should Mayor Agnos implement his planned layoff of police officers. Approved by voice vote.

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A motion by Liehan seconded by Garcia to repair the air conditioning unit at 510 - 7th Street was approved by voice vote.

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Honors for SFPD Marrow Donor

A San Francisco police officer who recently donated bone marrow in a risky transplant operation was honored this morning by Mayor Art Agnos.

Agnos praised officer Kevin Dillon, a beat cop assigned to Central Station, calling him "a role model for all San Franciscans."

"By profession, police officers are supposed to save lives and keep people safe," Agnos said. "But it was principle, not profession, that motivated officer Dillon to offer himself so that someone else might live."

On April 26, Dillon donated some of his own bone marrow to a 45-year-old Seattle man who was dying of a leukemia-like disease. The man, who Dillon did not know, would have died without the transplant.

The operation appears to have been successful, but experts say it will take at least three months to determine if the transplant worked.

Dillon, whose beat is the Tenderloin, has been a blood donor at Irwin Memorial Blood Bank for several years. He recently joined the National Bone Marrow Donor Registry in St. Paul, Minnesota. The registry finds donors whose marrow type could save people dying of leukemia, severe anemia and similar diseases of the bone marrow.

The chances of finding a random match are about one in 20,000. Dillon is the first San Franciscan whose tissue was matched using the computerized registry.

About 20,000 potential donors are currently entered in the central computer registry. Officials are hoping to eventually have 100,000 registrants.

Agnos presented a proclamation to Dillon at a ceremony in his office attended by San Francisco Police Chief Frank Jordan and Dr. Herbert Perkins, executive director of the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank.

"Dillon's compassion for a stranger in Seattle makes



him a role model for all San Franciscans," Agnos said. "The message in his action is that even people who do not know each other can find something important in

common. His actions beckon all of us to look within ourselves and find that part we can share with others in need."

SF's First Bone Marrow Donor

"For a grown man who's supposed to be this big, tough policeman working in a big city, if I can't take this, I think I'd have to turn in my star!"

That's how Kevin Dillon, a third-generation San Francisco police officer and the first Irwin donor to donate marrow for a stranger, jokingly described his feelings about undergoing this life-sustaining procedure.

On a more serious note, Kevin added, "It's difficult to explain to people that this is better than winning the lottery. The chance that this would happen, that I would be the one chosen to donate — I feel privileged."

In actuality, Irwin Memorial Blood Bank has been privileged to have Kevin (and his partner, Officer Steve Venters) as regular apheresis donors. Their easy manner, quick wit and charming ways have earned them a special place in the hearts of Irwin staff members who look forward to the days the pair come to the San Francisco blood center to make their donation. And, they come often. Kevin has made a total of 30 apheresis donations, while partner Steve has given 35 times.

As regular apheresis donors, Kevin and Steve were among the first few hundred Irwin donors to receive a letter announcing the new National Bone Marrow Donor Registry last spring. Kevin said he and his partner were both excited about the news and "anxious to sign up." In fact, the two joked about which of them would be a match first.

The day Kevin was identified to be an "across the board" match for a critically ill patient at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center in Seattle, it was hard to guess which party was more ecstatic: Kevin and his partner Steve, or the Irwin staffers who knew how badly Kevin wanted to become a successful match!

On April 21 Kevin and his wife and youngest child

boarded an Alaska Airlines flight bound for Seattle on a "once in a lifetime" mission: to save the life of a 45-year-old man suffering from a leukemia-like disease, myelodysplastic syndrome. Without Kevin's donation, the man was certain to die soon.

Kevin successfully completed the bone marrow donation on April 26 at Virginia Mason Cancer Center in Seattle. The recipient of Kevin's donation is reportedly doing well. And, Kevin? Well, let's just say that the old twinkle is back in his eyes, and he's back to his mischievous ways!

A Behind-the-scenes Report of Kevin's Bone Marrow Donation

At 11 a.m., Monday, April 25 Kevin entered the Virginia Mason Cancer Center to begin the process of becoming Irwin's first bone marrow donor and California's second (a Sacramento Foundation Blood Bank donor was first). Although the bone marrow donation would not take place until the following morning, it was necessary for Kevin to undergo a series of blood tests and a limited physical examination. Kevin also needed to complete some administrative paperwork prior to the donation day.

The following morning Kevin was admitted to the hospital for the actual donation. KRON-TV's Seattle affiliate sent a news crew to report on this history-making procedure, and in fact, were allowed into the operating room for the full hour and a half it took to complete the harvesting.

Kevin was awake and alert the whole time, having received only mild sedative to relax him and a spinal anesthetic to remove sensation from the waist down.

Once the anesthesia took affect, a series of extractions were made into Kevin's pelvic bones and a quart of marrow was collected. (The quantity of marrow collected varies depending on the size and age of the patient. In Kevin's case, the recipient — an adult male — required a quart of marrow.)

As expected, Kevin experienced some blood loss during the procedure. Consequently, he was transfused with the two units of blood he had donated for himself at Irwin in anticipation of the need.

The entire procedure took about 90 minutes. That evening Kevin watched news reports about himself in the comfort of his hospital bed with his wife at his side. The next morning, he was discharged a mere 40 hours after the procedure.

Kevin reports experiencing some discomfort but absolutely no pain. He compares the discomfort he felt to the type of stiffness one would experience from having

"worked in the garden all day."

He speaks highly of the medical staff who cared for him during his two-day hospitalization, noting that everybody treated him with extraordinary care and went out of their way to explain every step and procedure.

Four days after his donation, Kevin was able to return to his police duties, patrolling San Francisco's Tenderloin District with partner and fellow apheresis donor Steven Venters. The only after-affect that Kevin complained about was the discomfort of wearing his gun holster up against his hip. Eventually, that problem corrected itself.

When asked whether he would donate marrow again, Kevin gives an unqualified yes, without so much as a moment's hesitation. He says there is no feeling in the world like that of having helped someone facing a life or death situation.

Why More Bone Marrow Donors Are Needed

Bone marrow transplants are used to treat patients whose bodies cease to produce normal blood cells. This includes people with aplastic anemia, severe immunodeficiency, and most often, cancers of the blood, such as leukemia. In all of these diseases, replacing the patient's diseased bone marrow with new, healthy marrow increases his or her odds of long-term survival from less than 20 percent without a transplant to 45-70 percent with the transplant.

Up until a few years ago, patients in need of a bone marrow transplant had to rely on a close relative to be their donor. It was thought that only a family member with an identical HLA (or tissue match) could provide the necessary bone marrow. Only about 60 percent of such patients, however, were lucky enough to have an HLA-identical and willing-to-donate blood relative. Fortunately, later studies showed that non-related donors are just as good as blood relatives, as long as the donor and patient share identical HLA types. This important finding gave new hope for the 40 percent of patients without a relative to donate.

In spite of this important breakthrough, there still remained one problem: that of the overwhelming odds of finding a suitably matched donor from the general population. For any given patient, the odds of finding a match are somewhere between 10,000 and one to 20,000 and one.

Not surprisingly, not everyone can donate bone marrow. Donors (not past the age of 55) must pass a comprehensive physical exam and must know their HLA type. At Irwin, all apheresis donors are HLA-typed. Because this blood bank lacks the funds to perform HLA typing on the blood of all blood donors, Irwin recruits potential bone marrow donors strictly from its files of apheresis donors.

Right now, about 250 of Irwin's apheresis donors have consented to be listed on the National Bone Marrow Donor Registry. Besides Irwin, only three other Northern California blood banks are currently participating in the National Bone Marrow Donor Registry — the American Red Cross Blood Center in San Jose, Stanford University Blood Bank and Sacramento Foundation Blood Bank, which boasts the most successful program of all with over 700 of its donors on file! Nationally approximately 15,000 potential bone marrow donors are listed.

If you think you would be interested in signing up to be a bone marrow donor, contact Rosie Lamoreaux at 567-6400, ext. 414 and she will send you a package of information.

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Pathways

by Bob Rogers

Fatal Attraction

As a 16 year old, I didn't need any more distractions. School was tough enough, and what little energy I had left over from sports was chewed up in weekend jobs and fixations over this or that girl.

(Some things intrude though, and if you get real lucky they intrude at a hundred miles an hour and with a roar of pistons and a flash of chrome they streak through the Connecticut countryside on crisp October nights.)



I was trying back then to make it all the way through high school — a family first. I secretly wanted to avoid ending up in the shipyards, although it was true enough that my Uncle Buster — a welder, made good money and drove a nice car without having had the benefits of any kind of degree.

It had never made great sense to me — going to the shipyards. I'd see my Uncle Buster getting home in the afternoon with his face drenched in welding soot and fatigue hanging on his sweat soaked body.

For the five days of grinding physical monotony he'd earn the rights to drive a new car back and forth to work, and he'd accumulate all of that working class distress that would blow up in drunken lashings on the weekends. It made me think it might be worth trying to truck through school courses that seemed as dense as stone.

In wanting to get away from the mill-family lifestyle, I let go of the greaser hair — style and engineer boots and got preppy with khakis, fuzzy sweaters, and saddle shoes. I watched the kids from the white-collar families and saw what looked like a smoother, less blistered life-style.

I went to the library after school rather than hanging out with my buddies on the corner and tried to like the things that the "smart" kids liked. But there was always the feeling of being like the flying fish — only temporarily somewhere else — soon to knife back to where I righteously belonged.

I stopped going to the Waterford Speed Bowl for the Saturday night stock car races. I tried switching gears from lusting after tight-sweatered, shipyard daughters like Connie Mussachio and began trying to talk with girls who lived in country houses like Kiki Rathbun — now Dr. Rathbun.

There was the notion that this is what it took to get out from under the threat of going to the mill for the rest of my life. But there's always the heart wrestling with the head — and for some things, I fortunately listened.

It would happen on the way home from basketball prac-

tice — or the library. I would pass an old bakery garage where guys worked on their motorcycles. I'd wander in and ask if it was OK to look around. These older guys — long gone from high school — would nod and go back to talking and turning their wrenches.

I'd wander through the clutter of old Indians, Harleys, Nortons, BSAs, and Triumphs. One or another would



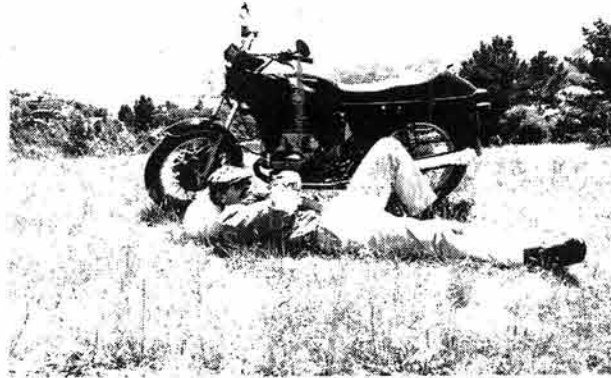
fire up in a rattling roar that did for me what great music must do for others. I'd go home and in the margins of the dreary literature books doodle the emblems of the different Bikes.

One of the guys — I think it was Chris Voorhees, let me ride one of the clunkers and I still think of that "first" as more profound than the other major entries into adulthood. I liked the greasers and know that the company in those dimly-lit now long-demolished garages was some of the most precious of my life.

I think I've spent too many years ratcheting myself away from some of the things that can really move you in this life. I wrestled loose a college degree in the process of fleeing the shipyards, but I lost touch with the guys — and the kinds of people who let me wander into places full of tangible joy. Motorcycles were a part of one lifestyle, and books, breeding, and stiffness were part of the other — or so I somehow wrongly inferred.

This all came up again recently when I saw Carl Tenenbaum (Narcotics) at the Hall. We chatted a bit about our days at Central, and, in the midst of that, he mentioned having just bought a Harley. I asked to have a look. We went out to where it was parked in the rear of the Hall, and he fired it up.

Carl is a bright guy. He knows about responsibility and as a young father has a fair amount of seriousness of pur-



pose. But on this particular day two men stood looking over a thundering couple of pistons trying to shake free of the candy colored conglomeration of metal wrapped in chrome. They both shared the appreciation of that

special thunder, before Carl roared off to pick up some new do-dad for his Bike.

I tossed and turned for a few weeks with the fever. I ran the whole gamut — from the Japanese technorockets, to the old English oil drippers. I haunted the Harley shops and went looking at my friends, the BMWs.

After much looking, I found a guy with a big bike that circumstances were causing him to part with. I'd never seen anyone take care of a bike like it lived and breathed. It was quietly resting under some sheets he had draped over it when I first saw it. Here I was back in a dreary garage looking at this insane contraption — an heir to all those old iron horses, now probably long gone.

I went home and asked Barbara to come see it with me. I wasn't sure if the fever hadn't wrung me out of my senses. She would have something sensible and yet soft to say, and I could toss off this passion that began dozens of years ago on those nights in between this world and that.

But she saw it too. The thing did live and breathe. We — the three of us, tested each other out along the shady



lanes near Dominican College. I thought maybe the best thing would be to get some sleep and think about it. But I didn't sleep.

It now rests in my garage. I half expect on one of these evenings when I'm in there with the garage door open — doing some little task with that black horse, that some gangly kid is going to come wandering past temporarily leaving his push for middle class respectability and fall in love with the romance of that noise, speed, and power.

Homage to all crazy things that are dangerous, beautiful, and enticing. Praise be to machines that can carry one through a starry night along the coast with the smells of all that life blasting in the face.

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We strongly suggest that, before you sign this Request for Representation form, you first talk to your Association representative. In some instances, depending on the particular facts and circumstances of a case, signing this form may be in your interest. But, if the case is a serious one and the plaintiff is serious about punitive damages, you would be well advised to first analyze the pros and cons of signing this form before you do so. Your Association representative, as well as your Association attorneys, can aid you in this process.

Conflicts With The Office Of The City Attorney

One question you will always need to ask is whether the Office of The City Attorney will be in a position to represent you fairly. Please do not misunderstand that statement: we are not saying that the Office of the City Attorney will deliberately or uniformly provide you inadequate representation. But we do suggest that the realities of the situation do not always favor the police officer.

As we mentioned above, let us make three common assumptions: (1) the City, as well as yourself, has been sued; (2) plaintiff seeks punitive damages against you; and (3) the City has refused to pay any punitive damage awards that may be made against you. Under these assumptions, if you request the Office of the City Attorney

to represent you, then the City Attorney has two clients, you and the City. This is where the potential problems arise. Your interests and the City's interests may not completely overlap. After all, the Office of the City Attorney routinely represents the City's interests; it rarely represents you. The City Attorney's primary duty is to protect the interests of the City, which are often financial in nature. This is a very grave responsibility; it occupies the energies and attentions of most Deputy City Attorneys most of their working day. That does not leave much time and energy for representation of you. These inescapable facts of life form the background for potential conflicts of interest.

In any case in which you are sued, you should immediately contact the Deputy City Attorney assigned to represent you and find out the nature and existence of any conflicts. Ask him or her some hard questions, i.e., whether he or she will file a claim for indemnification from the City on your behalf and then sue the City if that claim is denied. Ask the Deputy City Attorney to make a separate request of the City, pursuant to Cal. Govt. Code section 825(b), to guarantee now that it will satisfy any punitive damage awards made against you. Ask the Deputy City Attorney to describe any conflicts of interest of which he or she is now aware.

Ask the Deputy City Attorney whether he or she is considering any cross claims against the plaintiff. Ask the Deputy City Attorney if he or she is having the facts investigated to see if any such cross claims are legally viable. Also ask the Deputy City Attorney how long it will be before the plaintiff is deposed. The usual rule of thumb is that the plaintiff should be deposed as soon as possible, before there is a possibility of further manufacturing of a story. Ask the Deputy City Attorney what motions are planned on your behalf, i.e., will a summary judgment motion be filed raising a defense of qualified immunity or other defense on your behalf? If that motion is denied, does the Deputy City Attorney plan to take any pre-trial appeals on your behalf concerning the issue of qualified immunity?

Will the Deputy City Attorney keep you advised of significant developments in the case and send you copies of correspondence sent to the City concerning liability, damages, etc.? Will the Deputy City Attorney keep you informed of the status of any settlement negotiations? Does the City Attorney's office intend to recommend settlement? If so, how much and if not, why not? If the answers to some of these questions indicate to you that there is a significant possibility of punitive damages being awarded against you, will the Deputy City Attorney be your advocate in urging the City to settle? Will the Deputy City Attorney be sure to submit evidence to a jury at trial concerning your inability to pay punitive damages? If, by any conceivable chance, the plaintiff may be able to establish misconduct on your behalf, will the Deputy City Attorney develop facts to establish that the City was the primary cause of any such misconduct, through, for example, poor training or supervision.

To the degree the Office of the City Attorney is your attorney, representing your interest first and foremost, the particular deputy city attorney assigned to this case should have answers to all these questions, and they should be answers that make sense to you. If you went out and obtained the services of a private attorney with respect to some litigation, you would expect positive answers to these types of questions. You should expect no less from the Office of the City Attorney.

It is, unfortunately, the case that sometimes in the past the above kinds of questions were not adequately handled or answered by the Deputy City Attorney. Similar problems may occur in the future. You are, however, entitled to know and should know the answers to those questions, and others, prior to trial. Whenever you are sued, we urge you to contact your Association representative and to ask the questions that we have outlined in this article in this article. Remember, when you go to trial and the attorney for the other side asks for punitive damages to be awarded against you, the financial security of you and your family will be on the line.



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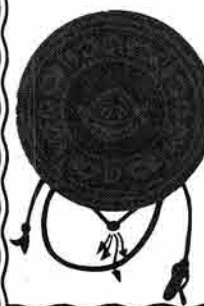
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A Political Disaster

by Gary Delagnes, TAC

As a ten-year member of the San Francisco Police Department and also the Police Officer's Association, I have always felt that our Association has had our best interests in mind. I have known Bob Barry, Paul Chignell, and Reno Rapagnani for many years and have been represented by these people quite well. I have the utmost respect for these men and feel that they have always done what they felt was best for our Department.

What has happened over the last few years is that I have developed such a strong philosophical difference from the political views of the POA that I can no longer remain silent. I am aware of the philosophy behind the POA's backing, and contributing to, the political careers of such people as Willie Brown, John Burton, Nancy Pelosi, Harry Britt, Carol Silver, Nancy Walker, Richard Hongisto, and most recently (possibly the biggest disaster of all) Art Agnos. I understand the money-for-votes philosophy which prompts us to back these people. I know how the game is played, and I guess what I am saying is that I am one member of the POA who doesn't want to play the game any longer.

What is the response supposed to be when asked why we would throw our support behind a man (John Burton) who is so opposed to the death penalty that he was appointed to a special commission to fight it by one of our other long-time friends, Willie Brown, immediately upon his election into the assembly? How can a major metropolitan police department support candidates who go to Sacramento and fight the death penalty?

The POA no doubt feels that these people are all fair on labor issues, that we can never get ballot measures through without supporting them. I personally don't care anymore. I would rather lose ballot measures and maintain a sense of dignity and pride than to validate the thinking of these ultra-liberal politicians by giving them our money and backing. I feel that we have simply become too political. We have compromised our standards too many times. We have become too enamored with our own political power.

We had all better wake up. We helped to get Art Agnos elected, and that's probably a mistake we are going to have to live with for the next eight years. I don't want my money going to the political careers of Harry Britt or any of the other aforementioned politicians. If our policy does not change in the very near future with regard to our political involvement, I, for one, am going to seriously reconsider my affiliation with the Police Officer's Association, and I think I may have a lot of company.

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A Father's Day Memory

by Pete Maloney

Father's Day approaches, and I am a "father." By virtue of my wife's labors I claim the title. My daughter was born on Father's Day in 1978 and has become my best friend as well as my most frequent critic. It is hard to imagine life without them, no matter the bumps in the road. They are for me what life is really all about.

But recently my thoughts are returning regularly to my father who has been dead nearly fourteen years. Sometime after Pop's death my mother commented to me that I didn't speak of my father in the past tense but as if he were about to walk into the room and sit down any moment. I told her that for me he might be dead but not gone; he is always with me.

The study of "men and their fathers" and "fathers and their daughters" has naturally fascinated me. I believe that we men spend most of our lives dealing with the changing perception of our fathers. As nearly as I can recall the Samuel Clemons observation: "When I was seventeen I wondered that my father had lived so long and remained so dumb. By the time I was twenty-one, I marvelled at the wisdom he had gained in four short years," (from "Memories of a Missouri Farm").

The singlemost startling change occurs when a man becomes a father. Roles are suddenly reversed and the wisdom of many things are clear that were imponderables of our own fathers' personalities before.

Pop was a hard man forged by a hard life in which he earned and shared his joys and kept his pain to himself. We clashed until I grew up a little bit, and we were close friends when he died, truly a shock of a lifetime for me.

Mark Twain again. "Why is it that we rejoice at a birth and grieve at a funeral? Is it because we are not the person concerned?" (From "Pudd'nhead Wilson's Callendar.")

Grieving is a natural process and necessary to life and health if we learn to let it go. But at least part of the message of this epistle is: Make friends before they're gone, and you won't lose them when they go.

No matter what decisions I may make I know intuitively what Pop would have said or thought about any given move I make. I find that our relationship is still growing and shows promise that it will continue. Would he be proud of me? Understand me? I don't know, but I'm sure he would accept me as I am. If we didn't disagree, he truly could be dead!

Pop has a sense of humor that isn't peculiar; he just has a sense of the ridiculous tempered with a conservative

conscience. A committed man whose loyalty and honesty are the qualities he is known by. Direct perhaps to a fault, never unkind, just truthful. I can always count on a poignant opinion if I really want one; he's not shy either. So "Happy Father's Day" Pop, and many more.

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John Toomey Remembered

by Officer Michael Hughes
 Muni Transit Bureau

Early Saturday morning, May 28, 1988, the S.F.P.D. lost a fine Sergeant and dear friend.

To me, John was a very unique person. He was respected as a supervisor, as well as cared for as a friend by many members of the department. John's ability to relate to and offer friendship to people, extended through every rank of the Police Department; from patrolman to the Chief. Those of us who knew John might say that his humanistic nature and openness were two of his finest qualities. John will be missed, but the memory of his friendship will remain with all of us who shared in his life.



by Insp. Jim Crowley.
 Cops for Christ

I first met Sergeant John Toomey when I was a freshman in high school. Both John and I were working as pages at the Main Library of San Francisco. John and I worked together for one year. I did not see John again until a couple of years later.

In 1955, when walking down a street in Tokyo, Japan, I looked up only to see John walking down the street towards me. We were both on R & R while serving in the U.S. Army in Korea. Needless to say, John and I sipped a couple of cool ones together. It seems that our paths in life were destined to cross over and over again.

My first night at my first assignment, the old Central Station, in 1964, I was working on the Book when the "Goofy Watch" came in to report off, led by Off. John Toomey. John officially welcomed me into the Department and to Central Station. A few years later, we were both utterly amazed as we faced each other again as POA representatives, to be followed shortly thereafter by our attending Sergeant's Supervisory Training together at City College.

In all my years of knowing John, working with him or socializing, I never heard him say a bad word about anyone. If he had a problem with anyone, John would face them directly. He was never vindictive. As a result, John had many friends and no enemies to my knowledge. Whether working or playing, Sergeant John Toomey was always a pleasure to be with. His smile, laugh, and warm sense of humor would always brighten your day.

There was also a serious side to John. He always looked out for the welfare of those under his command and never seemed to lose his compassion for those less fortunate.

Recently, John's and my paths crossed again at the Irish Cultural Center. John had asked me what the Cops for Christ was all about. We talked about God, Christianity, and I shared with him what it means to have a personal relationship with the Lord. John explained to me some changes in his life and said that he would like to start attending the Cops for Christ luncheon.

John leaves many friends, both civilian and sworn, who are going to miss his warmth, laughter, twinkle in his eye and special smile, myself included. I am looking forward to crossing paths with John again in the future.

Fond Memories of Walt Kliegel

by Sgt. Steve Mroz

On May 25, 1988, a great man, a respected member of the department, and a very dear friend of many, passed on. Many of us knew Walt, but we didn't know much about him. Walt never talked much about himself, but, had he chosen to, he would have revealed a most interesting life.

Walt, the only son of Walter and Alma Kliegel was born in Oakland, California on August 8, 1930. Walt attended local grammar schools and then Fremont High School.

During high school, Walt, along with his cousin Keith Bassett, took up the sport of judo. Walt excelled in judo and pursued this sport with total commitment. Through the next few years, Walt earned the honor and title of "Fourth Degree Black Belt."

Upon graduation from high school, Walt attended Heald College and U. C. Berkeley simultaneously. His college attendance was cut short when he joined the United States Marine Corps in August of 1950. Walt spent 14 months in combat in Korea and was a decorated survivor of the battle at Chosin Reservoir. Walt received injuries during this engagement which necessitated the amputation of his big toe. At the end of the Korean Conflict, Walt was honorably discharged as a Sergeant from the Corps.

Walt went back to Heald College where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. Over the next few years, Walt worked as a fireman for Southern Pacific, an accountant, and a bookkeeper. Also during this time, Walt and a partner performed a Samurai Sword Act. This act was televised on the "You Asked For It" show and was even offered a slot in Las Vegas.

Walt's real dream, though, was to become a San Francisco police officer. Walt worked "Co. F" briefly, the City Prison for 16 years, and "Co. D" from 1976 until his passing. During Walt's time at "Co. D" he trained in excess of 30 recruits.

During Walt's career with the police department, he earned a silver medal of valor for his capture of a crazed suspect who fired a shotgun into a dwelling on Shotwell Street and a bronze medal of valor for subduing a disturbed individual attempting suicide. In addition, Walt received numerous Captain's Commendations and Citizen's Complimentary letters.

If you didn't know Walt, he appeared to be menacing by his stature and his deep, bellowing voice. But to those who knew him, his hardened exterior fell by the wayside revealing a gentle giant.

Walt had many good qualities; and he always kept an open ear, an open mind, and an open heart. If you asked Walt a stupid question and you were sincere, he would give you a sincere answer.

If you asked Walt for an opinion, chances were that he would give you several opinions. If you asked Walt for a favor, he would do all within reason to grant that favor. Walt's personality could best be described as easy-going, caring, and loving. His first loves were divided between his cousin Keith's family, his fellow police officers, the Marine Corps, and his dogs. His second loves were fishing, gardening, and an occasional snack. Walt lived his life as he wanted to and loved his life as he lived it. If Walt had the chance to live his life over again, I'm sure that he wouldn't change a minute of it, except perhaps to live a bit longer.

Walt's passing was sudden and unexpected. He will be missed by all of us. I'm sure that each of us had a fond memory of Walt Kliegel, and, as long as we hold on to that memory, he will live in our hearts. I'll always remember Wally's tomato plants and his bellowing voice reminding the unruly prisoner at Mission Station, "Easy, junior. You're in enemy territory now."



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Bob Barry
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Dear Bob:

Baerbel and I wish to thank you and the San Francisco Police Officer's Association for their solid support in my campaign. The endorsement of your organization is one of my most important accomplishments of my campaign. It carries great weight with the voters of our community as it should.

Rest assured, that Baerbel and I are profoundly grateful.

Very truly yours,
Doug & Baerbel Munson

Robert J. Barry
SFPOA

Dear Bob,

I wanted to take this opportunity to personally thank you for your contribution of \$500.00 to the "Friends of Nancy Walker" Committee. Your support will enable me to continue the vital legislative activities of my office and also to maintain a quality level of constituent services for all San Franciscans.

Again, my sincere thanks for your support.

Best Wishes,
Nancy G. Walker
President,
Board of Supervisors

Tom Vigo
Blood Bank Committee

Dear Tom,

I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the arrangements you made in order to provide me with a designated blood donor from the POA.

You'll never know the relief I felt when I was informed that you, as chairman of the POA Blood Bank, could find a donor for me. I was able to go into surgery in a better frame of mind since I didn't have to worry about "tainted blood" if a transfusion was necessary.

By the way, everything turned out fine. Thank you, Tom. If there is ever anything I can do for you, let me know.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Renteria

SFPOA

Dear POA Members,

We deeply appreciate your thoughtful expression of sympathy which was of the greatest comfort to us in our sorrow.

The plant was nice and will continue to be a living tribute to my mother. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Ed Pecinovsky

SFPOA

Dear Friends:

Many thanks for the generous use of your phones during my recent campaign. I appreciate the assistance that was afforded to my campaign staff. It is through the friendship and support of people like yourselves that I was fortunate to be elected to the 16th Assembly District.

Peace & Friendship,
John Burton

Chief Frank Jordan
S.F.P.D.

I would like to express my gratitude to you for enabling me to be detailed to John Toomey's mother's home to assist the family in making the preparations for John's services. My presence at her home during the three days following his death meant a great deal to me, as I was able to help comfort his family members and share with them the sadness and loss we all felt. I know the family deeply appreciated my presence and any assistance I was able to offer.

Thank you again for your consideration and understanding.

Michael Hughes
Muni Transit Div.

Mr. Bob Barry
SFPOA

Dear Bob:

On behalf of the entire San Francisco/Marin Division of the March of Dimes please accept my sincere appreciation for the Union's (sic) generous donation of \$500.00

This contribution will help to ensure that the dollars raised in Sunday's WalkAmerica event go to the areas of research, education and community services. This year over 9,000 walkers pledged close to \$800,000 towards our fight against Birth Defects.

You have been more than helpful in helping to secure safety monitors, volunteers, etc. for this event. I really appreciate your continuous support of our organization. We are honored to have you as a part of our team.

On behalf of the newborn and the unborn, thanks again for your tireless concern in our fight against Birth Defects.

Most Sincerely,
Ivy S. Davis
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San Francisco/Marin
Division

Mr. Tom Flippin, Editor
SFPOA Notebook

Dear Tom:

Thank you for your kind remarks. Your column sometimes kicks up sparks. I'm grateful for the dedication Of the Police Association.

Best,
Wendy Nelder

Mr. Bob Barry, President
SFPOA

Dear Mr. Barry,

Thank you for your article in the P.O.A. Notebook entitled "Nelder Balks At Wage Freeze."

As you are aware, I have always had a deep commitment to the police officers who put their lives on the line to serve our City. There are no other City employees who are required by law to continually put themselves at risk for the benefit of San Franciscans.

I firmly believe that cutting the wages of those on whom we depend for our protection is not an appropriate means of dealing with the current fiscal crisis, and I intend to continue to present the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors with alternative measures to fund the City's deficit.

Kindest Regards to all,
Wendy Nelder
Member,
Board of Supervisors

Bob Barry, President
SFPOA

Dear Bob:

The days go by so quickly and with them my good intentions to drop you a line and thank you for your positive support of my recent luncheon.

It is certainly heart warming to know that you are with me. Your continued friendship and confidence in me is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks!
With every good wish
Michael D. Nevin
Councilman,
Daly City

Editor
SFPOA Notebook

Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the men and women of the Southern Station for their courtesy and professionalism. I have been assigned to Southern for over a month now, as L.W.L.P. Lieutenant. I recognize that my appointment is a controversial and unpopular one, and that there are many officers, sergeants, and lieutenants in this department who are outraged, angry, and upset by that appointment. However, regardless of what their personal feelings may be, the men and women of Southern Station have been models of professionalism, and helpful and courteous to me, and have made what could have been a very rough "breaking-in" period into a smooth transitional one. Again, I thank you one and all, and I look forward to my future at Co. B.

Mary Rose Stasko

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Dear Mr. Hughes & Friends:
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The Friends of Hospice raise funds to support the programs and services of Visiting Nurses and Hospice of San Francisco. The Friends also publish the Hospice Community Chronicle three times a year. As a donor, you will continue to receive the newsletter. Please let us know if you receive more than one copy.

On behalf of the patients and families we serve and the staff and volunteers, we would like to thank you for continuing to be part of the Hospice family over the years.

Sincerely,
Libby Denebeim
Chair, Fund Development

Mr. Bob Barry, President
SFPOA

Dear Bob:

On behalf of myself and my family I want to express our sincere thanks to you for writing the extended article on my life as the first Black basketball player at the University of Arizona in the San Francisco Police Officer's Association newspaper.

Since the appearance of the article you wrote about me, I have had female and male officers of all ages, as well as citizens at large throughout our city, reach out to me and express their very gracious feelings, and I find it very gratifying.

Bob, if I had the kind of support you have given me, as well as others during my competitive years, I probably could have excelled even more.

I must say that our city of San Francisco has been very, very good to me and my family, as well as my friends in law enforcement and citizens at large. I want to promise you that I will never let our city and state down. And, along with you, I will do all I can to keep both number one in the world.

I am fortunate and proud that I worked as a police officer with the San Francisco Police Department — the best in the nation. And I am fortunate and proud to be working for the most professional District Attorney's Office in the country, under

the direction of Arlo Smith. As a Senior Investigator in D.A. Arlo Smith's office, I am very pleased to be part of a cooperative law enforcement team.

The D.A.'s Office and the S.F.P.D. is a team that is hard to beat. Teamwork on the basketball court won the games, and teamwork between our offices wins court cases and sends criminals to prisons. Let us keep up that spirit of teamwork.

Once again, our sincere thanks to you, and remember if we are needed, we will be there.

I remain,

Very truly,
Hadie Redd

Chief Frank Jordan
SFPOD

Dear Chief Jordan:

Ocean Beach Condominiums is a community of 152 families located one block from the Cliff house and bordered by the Great Highway, Fulton, La Playa and Cabrillo Streets. We have lived here since 1985 at a time when the crime rate was exceedingly high, including public drunkenness, loitering, vandalism, drugs, illegal fireworks, beach fires, property destruction. To many of us, it seemed as if law and order was suspended at Ocean Beach.

Due to the efforts of several law enforcement agencies, especially including a very large effort by the Richmond Station we have seen a virtual turnaround in our community. The Richmond police have established a continuing visible presence and engaged in a professional, yet friendly, interaction with the neighborhood. The Black and White Patrol Car has become a welcome sight for all of us, signaling the continued commitment of the Richmond Station to further reduction in the vandalism, drug traffic, public drunkenness, influx of vagrants, theft, and assault which were quite prevalent in the area.

The Richmond and Ocean Beach areas have experienced a rejuvenation of pride and spirit. Those of us

who are fortunate enough to live here as well as those families who visit the beach and park have seen the area literally "reclaimed" for lawful use and enjoyment. These inroads have been carved in large measure by the daily, routine presence of the Black and White Patrol units. The times are gone when unlawful activities could be perpetrated without fear of even seeing the police. And, we hope, gone for good. Please accept our recognition and support of your very important efforts, particularly at Ocean Beach. We thank you for the improving beauty and safety of our community.

However, we have recently learned of the potential elimination of the regular Richmond Station Patrols in our neighborhood. Coupled with reduction of the Mounted Patrol in Golden Gate Park, this eventually will most certainly herald a return to increased crime and vandalism. The Richmond/Ocean Beach/GG Park area attracts such divergent elements ranging from families to hardened drug criminals. They feel it is so remote that the police will not be there. And, in the past, this has too often proven true. In the last three years we have seen the positive results of the tremendous effort by the Richmond Station Officers. The community has lent its support to this commitment through SAFE groups and neighborhood meetings such as the Community/Police Forum which meets monthly. Working together we have found our efforts stronger and more successful.

Please reconsider any plans to reduce the presence of our Black and White Patrol Units! We cannot go back to the high crime rates of just 3 years ago. The effort of the police have been monumental and deserve the support of the entire department. They have the solid respect and backing of the Richmond/Ocean Beach community.

Sincerely yours,
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Due to a typographical error, the phone number at the end of this article was given incorrectly. The article, with the correct number, is being run again.
The editor apologizes for the error last month.

We, as managers of apartment buildings in San Francisco, would like to take this opportunity to thank the San Francisco Police Department for your support at our buildings and the neighborhoods around them. Most of our properties are in the downtown area from the top of Nob Hill to heart of the Tenderloin, as well as Pacific Heights and the Marina. We feel that some of our staunchest allies are the beat cops in our neighborhoods. Many of them are on a first name basis with our Resident Managers and their visibility around our buildings assists us in our work.

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Rap's Corner

by Reno Rapagnani



A Contender

Bob Geary (Central Station) is boxing cruiser weight (190 lb. division) at this year's California Police Olympics in Bakersfield.

Bob is being trained by North Beacher, Vic Grupico, a popular California boxer during World War II both in the service and as a civilian. Grupico is in the Washington, D.C. Boxing Hall of Fame and recently was presented with the Joe Louis Humanitarian Award.

A few weeks ago Bob received a phone call from a former Army chum, Mike Cavanaugh, now executive director of team handball on the U.S. Olympic Committee. His instructions to Bob, "Meet me at the airport". When Bob got there he was met by members of the Olympic Committee on their way to Korea, including committee member Micki King (gold medalist at Munich in women's 3 meter springboard diving). They presented Bob with a jacket wishing him luck as the only S.F.P.D. representative in the boxing competition. King told Geary, "Puch the other guy in the nose".

Keep the Mounted

Look for the Mounted Patrol to be on this November's city ballot. Democratic Party officials Bob Geary and Arlo Hale Smith (son of the D.A.) have filed the necessary papers and are now circulating a petition to keep our horses (in existence since 1874 and preceding the telephones and centrally generated electricity in San Francisco by five years). The ballot measure will read as follows: **RETAINING SAN FRANCISCO POLICE MOUNTED HORSE PATROL; INITIATIVE DECLARATION OF POLICY.** This measure would make it city policy to keep the San Francisco Police Mounted Horse Patrol.

If passed by the voters, the mayor and Board of Supervisors **must** implement this measure. It will take 10,000 valid signatures to qualify for the ballot. Geary and Smith have until July 27th to collect the signatures.

Barking up the Wrong Tree

A lot of attention has been focused on specialized units these days due in large part to the city's budget deficit. The battle of the Mounted Unit has been well publicized with the voters making it very clear to the mayor, Board of Supervisors and chief's office not to cut out the Mounted Unit.

A unit that is just as valuable to the police mission, but which has received less attention, is the Dog Unit. If you

have ever had occasion to see this unit in action you would readily accept the notion that the SFPD Dog Unit is an important asset in delivering police services to our community.

All patrol officers from time to time have been involved in searches for suspects in dim or dark lit buildings. This can be a very intense experience, especially when you find the suspect. I can remember several occasions in which the suspect was so close when I found him that I nearly jumped out of my shoes. Enter the police dog ... With its ability to smell, see and hear a suspect far superior to any police officer, a police dog can search a large building in a quicker and more efficient manner. Unfortunately, because of the small number of police dogs available for service, the Police Dog Unit is primarily available to the midnight watch south of Market.

It was particularly annoying for me to hear some of the cavalier statements made by the mayor's budget staff when they determined that the \$100 a month stipend given to each officer (dog handler) to maintain their respective police dog had to be cut. You know, if you're a dog owner, that quality dog food and normal grooming, coupled with regularly scheduled medical checkups can cost plenty.

If you have ever seen some of the beautiful shepherds, dobermans and rottweilers that make up the Police Dog Unit you would realize that each police dog handler spends more than \$100 stipend in keeping their respective animal well fed and in good shape.

Instead of decreasing the \$100 stipend which was established by the police department in 1980, the stipend should be increased. The Police Dog Unit has a proven history of accomplishment that is well documented.

The police department has to suffer its fair share of cuts in this budget crisis but let's not bite the paw that serves us so well.

Police Layoffs

Even the thought of police layoffs is an idea that creates havoc in my mind already. The potential affected police officers and their families (which includes me), along with the unknown numbers of tenured officers who will be transferred from their current assignments and be reassigned, are stressing out.

When I, along with the POA leadership, interviewed the candidates for mayor, we were somewhat aware that there was a possibility of a budget deficit. One of the candidates for mayor, Supervisor John Molinari, the Finance Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, told us that it was too early to tell to what extent we would have a deficit until the figures came in, in September (88). So the POA was not really believing that there was in fact a budget deficit, since we (POA) had heard that crap before.

We did not ask that question of any candidates. What we did ask the candidates were questions that dealt with access to City Hall, input in departmental decision making, negotiations on a Memorandum of Understanding, arbitration on grievances and disciplinary matters and collective bargaining with binding arbitration. When the interviews were over, Art Agnos was endorsed by the POA with Bob Barry and Ron Parenti not voting for an Art Agnos endorsement.

The POA endorsement made a significant difference, I believe, in the mayor's race. Any consideration that is given to the POA by the mayor has to do with the topics that were discussed in the POA endorsement process.

The POA's executive board has had access to the mayor on three formal appointments. In no uncertain terms, the POA leadership has made it very clear that police layoffs are not acceptable and that the POA has suggestions for budget reductions in the department.

Prop K

The defeat of Proposition K, despite the POA's effort to pass Prop K, will cause even further cuts in the police budget ... but police layoffs are not now and never will be an alternative acceptable to the POA.

Those opponents of Proposition K, Jack Molinari, Quentin Kopp, Bill Maher, John Jacobs of the Chamber of Commerce will be questioned by the POA. The POA will ask the opponents where the fat is in the mayor's budget.

One supervisor who surprised me in supporting Proposition K was Supervisor Jim Gonzales. The POA will be watching the Board of Supervisors very clearly with the idea of future endorsements for the November election. In the next month the Board of Supervisors will make further cuts in the police budget ... Stay tuned.

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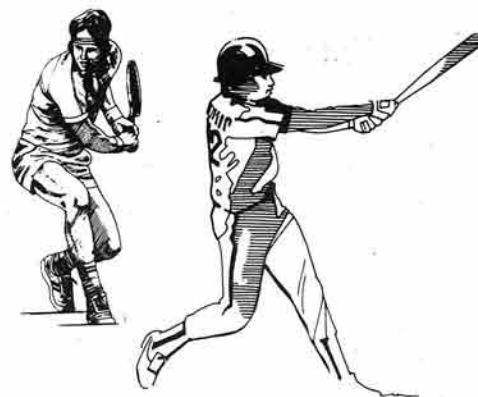
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Third Annual Mike O'Brien Memorial Pistol Match

Wednesday, May 25, 1988 was another fine day for the San Francisco Police Department. For a day, city politics were forgotten, department problems were ignored, rank or civil service tests didn't matter and the Consent Decree didn't exist. All that mattered was friendly competition, personal achievement and police officers getting together to have a good time. After the success of the 1987 match, everyone was optimistic, but somehow, it was even better than anyone could have foreseen.

The prize fund, bolstered by some fantastic contributions from our business friends, seemed to generate a competitive excitement. The food, again provided by Sue O'Brien, filled that morning/midday hunger, while providing a nice place to chat.

The donation by Markell's Gun Shop, a Mossberg Bullpup shotgun, that looked like an assault rifle, drew a great amount of interest, as it took in \$325 in raffle tickets and helped increase the prize fund. Sue O'Brien's boys, Jonathan and Matthew even brought their Mom a couple of tickets, and to everyone's surprise, she won.

There were many outstanding feats of shooting, but most notable were the accomplishments of two rifle shooters. Glenn Pennebaker won the match, shooting a department record of 477-26X, using a 4" revolver. This so thoroughly trounced all of the pistol team shooters that everyone just scratched their heads in amazement. Rod Nakanishi, also using a 4" revolver, improved on last years score by 47 points to take 1st place in the Hot Shot class. Maybe rifle shooters know something. Other great shooting was done by Dennis Quigley, who beat all other pistol team members, something he's starting to do with regularity. Then there was Fotinos of Mission who equalled Grandmaster Tony Camilleri's score. Why isn't he shooting on the team? Other great improvements; Niland up 45, Carrington up 39, Zukor up 36, Tsang up 43, Walsh up 57, Artale up 45, Jordan up 48, Gin up 59 and Hess up 40. How about Byard's 467 and Bergstrom's 460? A lot of outstanding individual scores.

All shooters should remember that with the classification system, you compete only with shooters in your own class. So next year let's see a return of the Plinkers and the Gunners.

On the team front, it seems as if no one wants to beat Park Station, as both Robbery (possible 1859) and Ingleside (possible 1858) could have beat Park, if they put their best shooters on team #1. Richmond could have come in 4th and many other teams could have improved their standing with a better team makeup.

Congratulations to the Sheriffs, Ingleside, Robbery and Juvenile for their multiple team participation, and to Planning and Warrants for fielding a team. Great work by the Deputy Chief's team for their improved score. They actually beat nine teams and had a chance of winning lunch this year, rather than just buying. Unfortunately, for them, the Traffic team drawn against them scored slightly better. Have a good lunch, Traffic; and good show, Chiefs.

To all who enjoyed the match and the great prizes, remember to show support for our sponsors and if you get a chance say thanks. For the Pistol Team, the Ranger Staff, the O'Brien Family and all the shooters, we thank you.

(See Pages 18 & 19 for Pistol Match Results)



Wismer Scores Hole-In-One

by Ed Garcia

On Thursday, May 19th, at Pittsburg Municipal Golf Course, sports history was made, as Northern Station veteran Earl "the Pearl" Wismer scored a hole-in-one. Earl was playing with Steve Broden of Clayton and Robert Cudd of Walnut Creek, as he prepared to hit his tee shot on the 126 yard 4th hole, a par three well protected by sand traps. Earl first selected his eight iron for the shot, but considered a 20 mph wind that blew directly in his face and changed to his seven iron. Earl then hit his shot, using a Top Flite XL ball, and the rest is history. Earl is a charter member of the Loon's Nest Golf Club and currently posts a 27 handicap.

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Mike O'Brien Memorial Pistol Match Results



Glen Pennebaker, Co. H, with his winning target — a target that won him a trip to Las Vegas.

DEAD EYES

1. Pennebaker - Co H	477-26X
Flamingo Hilton - 2 Nights Plus Show	
2. Quigley - Co F	471-22X
Rusty Scupper - Dinner for Two	
3. Camilleri - Robbery	470-23X
Ghirardelli Chocolates Gift Pack	
4. Ongpin - SOB Task	470-16X
SFPD Logo-Hooded Sweatshirt	
5. Farrell - Co F	467-25X
SFPD Logo-Hooded Sweatshirt	
6. Mahoney - Tac Mtd	466-20X
KMA 438 License Frame	
7. Otis - Robbery	465-30X
KMA 438 License Frame	
8. Sloan - Co F	465-23X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
9. Camilleri - Co G	465-19X
SFPD Logo - T-Shirt	
10. Pelissetti - Robbery	464-23X
SFPD Logo-T Shirt	
11. Downs - Co H	464-20X
12. Carcelen - Co H	459-14X
13. Spranger - Co H	458-9X
14. Cranston - Inst SFGH	457-26X
15. Barber - Range	454-16X
16. Chinn - ????	453-16X
17. Pamfiloff - Juvenile	452-13X
18. Fairbairn - SOB Task	451-21X
19. Hennessey - SFSO	450-12X
20. Hawes - Juvenile	449-20X
21. Yawczak - Co F	446-8X
22. Sorgie - Co C	441-8X
23. Fitzer - Crime Lab	440-12X
24. Vance - SOB Task	438-9X
25. Reed - Chiefs	406-12X

HOT SHOTS

1. Nakanishi - Juvenile	457-18X
Four Queens Hotel - Las Vegas - 2 Nights	
2. Anzore - Co H	457-13X
Capps Corner - Dinner for Two	
3. Ballentine - Co G	449-21X
Ghirardelli Chocolate Gift Pack	
4. Almanza - Inst SFGH	444-8X
SFPD Logo - Hooded Sweatshirt	
5. Baxter - Co H	444-8X
SFPD Logo - Hooded Sweatshirt	
6. Hicks - Co G	440-9X
KMA 438-License Frame	
7. Haggett - Warrants	438-9X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
8. Boyd - Photo Lab	436-14X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
9. Lee, F. - Tac	436-8X
10. Lim - Tac-Mtd	436-7X
11. Morris - Juvenile	427-11X
12. Hampton - Juvenile	421-16X
13. Murphy - SOB Task	418-9X
14. Stasko - Tac	417-11X
15. Blaine - Range	416-6X
16. Brunner - Robbery	412-11X
17. Bruton - Crime Lab	402-5X
18. Weaver - Co C	398-5X

GUNNERS

1. Niland - Co H	443-7X
Caffee Riggio - Dinner for Two	
2. Carrington - Co B	438-6X
SFPD Logo - Hooded Sweatshirt	
3. Zukor - Co F	430-10X
SFPD Logo-Gun Rug	
4. Tsang - Tac	427-12X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
5. Walsh - Juvenile	423-6X
6. Sullivan - Tac	418-2X
7. Farrell - Juvenile	386-3X
8. Valdez - SFSO	377-5X
9. Casey - Chiefs	375-0X

PLINKERS

1. Artale - Tac-Mtd	393-6X
Green Valley Restaurant - Dinner for 2	
2. Jordan - Chiefs	390-6X
SFPD Logo - Hooded Sweatshirt	
3. Gin - Co C	373-5X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
4. Hess - SFSO	372-4X
5. Eisenmann - Juvenile	338-5X
6. Monteverdi - Co E	321-6X
7. Moon - Juvenile	250-1X



The Deputy Chiefs tried, but once again they lost and had to buy lunch.

TENDERFOOTS

1. Fotinos - Co D	470-23X
Comstock Hotel - Reno Wild West Pkg	
2. Byard - Co E	467-23X
Comstock Hotel - Reno Wild West Pkg	
3. Bergstrom - Robbery	460-16X
Caesar's Restaurant - Dinner & Wine	
4. Suttmeier - Planning	460-13X
SFPD Logo - Hooded Sweatshirt	
5. Spinner - Co K	459-21X
SFPD Logo - Hooded Sweatshirt	
6. Darr - Co D	457-14X
2 Tickets - San Francisco Giants	
7. McCann - Solos	456-19X
2 Tickets - Oakland Athletics	
8. Morimoto - Co D	456-15X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
9. Ideta - SFSO	455-21X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
10. Dyer - SFSO	455-17X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
11. Tenke - SFSO	454-17X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
12. Ossio - Co E	454-17X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
13. Castel - Co B	453-8X
SFPD Logo - Gun Rug	
14. Buono - Co B	452-12X
KMA 438 - License Frame	
15. Stevens - Co F	451-18X
KMA 438 - License Frame	
16. Banta - Co H	451-10X
KMA 438 - License Frame	
17. Tom - Co I	450-12X
KMA - 438 - License Frame	
18. Miller - US Park PD	447-15X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	

19. Springer - Academy	447-10X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
20. Leet - Co B	446-12X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
21. Potter - Tac	443-16X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
22. Cardenas - Tac	443-14X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
23. Tercero - Co G	443-10X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
24. Tedrow - Hondas	443-6X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt (Very Large)	
25. Geraty - Co F	441-17X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
26. Gaan - Hondas	440-14X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt (Very Small)	
27. Gaggero - Co C	436-9X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
28. Murphy - Investigation	435-11X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
29. Morse - Investigation	435-5X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
30. Hennessey, V - SFSO	432-10X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
31. Miranda - Co H	432-9X
SFPD Logo - T Shirt	
32. Winch - SFSO	430-11X
33. Trueman - Co K	429-9X
34. Totah - SOB Task	428-6X
35. Carlomongo - Tac	427-7X
36. Pisciotta - SFSO	424-6X
37. Christian - SFSO	423-5X
38. Johnson - Co G	421-4X
39. Yazzolino - SFSO	420-6X
40. King - Crime Lab	420-2X
41. Lee, R - Tac	418-8X
42. Triguero - Planning	417-2X
43. Weld - Warrants	416-7X
44. Shubin - Juvenile	415-8X
45. Garcia - SFSO	413-4X
46. Nutting - Robbery	412-8X
47. Peters - Co D	412-8X
48. Dillon - SFSO	412-5X
49. Baldocchi - Warrants	411-9X
50. Hindahl - Fencing	409-4X
51. Lamfranchi - Co C	409-3X
52. Portoni - Tac	408-9X
53. Tompkins - SFSO	406-11X
54. Andaluz - Co D	406-8X
55. Glaser - Co H	406-7X
56. Hallaji - Co D	405-4Z
57. Ford - Co D	404-6X
58. Cottura - Robbery	403-14X
59. Hilvert - Robbery	402-6X
60. Burgess - SFSO	401-5X
61. Dare - Solos	393-5X
62. Cleary - Co K	391-4X
63. Tobin - Co H	391-4X
64. Schiff - Co D	389-5X
65. Kunz - SFSO	389-5X
66. Sanchez - SFSO	387-5X
67. Rockett - Co B	386-11X
68. Petruzzella - Tac Mtd	385-4X
69. Griffin - Tac	384-7X
70. Kovaleff - Photo Lab	381-5X
71. Ramlan - Co G	380-5X
72. Walker - Photo Lab	379-5X
73. Webb - SFSO	376-5X
74. Frisk - Co C	376-1X
75. Andrews - SFSO	374-5X
76. Mattock - Co C	372-5X
77. Cullop - Co P	372-2X
78. Mattox, Son - Solo	371-6X
79. Gillaspie - Investigations	370-4X
80. Dahlberg - Co B	367-7X
81. Cashen - Photo Lab	367-7x
82. Buscovich - Tac Mtd	365-4X
83. Monteverdi - Photo Lab	363-3X
84. Koehler - SFSO	362-6X
85. Petrini - Chiefs	361-2X
86. Sullivan - Robbery	353-4X
87. Deasy - Investigations	350-1X
88. Johnson - Co P	348-6X
89. Zurcher - Co H	347-0X
90. Lambrecht - Robbery	341-4X
91. Lee - SFSO	339-0X



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This year Frank Reed beat out Will Casey for top gun on the Chiefs team.

92.	Toropovsky - Co D	337-3X
93.	Alves - Robbery	335-4X
94.	Jordan - Co P	334-3X
95.	Stevens - Juvenile	326-1X
96.	Suslow - Planning	321-4X
97.	Peters - Photo Lab	318-0X
98.	Krings - Juvenile	317-3X
99.	Bueno - Co D	316-4X
100.	Cooper - Tac Mtd	316-2X
101.	Mattox, Dad - Solos	311-2X
102.	Trester - Co K	311-1X
103.	Hampton - Planning	307-1X
104.	McClellan - Tac Mtd	300-1X
105.	Vigo - Robbery	298-3X
106.	Brogan - Warrants	295-5X
107.	Maron - Patrol	281-2X
108.	Mambretti - Co E	281-2X
109.	Pohley - SOB Task	267-1X
110.	Rodgers - Photo Lab	246-2X
111.	Shea - Co D	241-3X
112.	Senkir - Co P	239-4X
113.	Ivy - SFSO	218-0X
114.	Tong - Co D	174-0X
115.	Parenti - Juvenile	164-0X

Four Man Team Results

1.	Park Station	1849-78X
	Quigley, Farrell, Sloan, Yawczak	
	Team Award 4 SFPD Logo Sweatshirts	
2.	Robbery #B	1811-87X
	Camilleri, Otis, Pelissetti, Brunner	
	Team Award 4 SFPF Logo T Shirts	
3.	Ingleside #1	1811-52X
	Pennebaker, Spranger, Baxter, Miranda	
	Team Award 4 SFPF Logo T Shirts	
4.	Mission #1	1795-60X
	Fotinos, Darr, Morimoto, Peters	
	Team Award 4 SFPF Logo T Shirts	
5.	Juvenile #1	1785-62X
	Nakanishi, Pamfiloff, Hawes, Morris	
	Team Award 4 SFPF Logo T Shirts	
6.	SOB Task Force	1777-55X
	Ongpin, Fairbairn, Vance, Murphy	
7.	Ingleside #2	1772-48X
	Downs, Carcelen, Niland, Glaser	
8.	Richmond	1709-38X
	Camilleri, Tercero, Johnson, Ramlan	
9.	SFSO #1	1699-45X
	Dyer, Hennessey, Hennessy, Koeher	
10.	Tac #1	1698-39X
	F. Lee, Tsang, R. Lee, Stasko	
11.	SFSO #3	1687-48X
	Ideta, Tenke, Burgess, Valdez	
12.	Tac #2	1678-46X
	Potter, Cardenas, Portoni, Griffin	
13.	Potrero #1	1659-25X
	Sorgie, Gaggero, Lamfranchi, Gin	
14.	Southern	1651-42X
	Buono, Leet, Rockett, Dahlberg	
15.	Ingleside #3	1646-27X
	Anzore, Banta, Tobin, Zurcher	
16.	SFSO #4	1644-21X
	Pisciotta, Yazzolino, Garcia, Sanchez	
17.	Crime Lab	1625-22X
	Fitzer, King, Bruton, Monteverdi	

18.	SFSO #2	1601-25X
	Winch, Christian, Webb, Hess	
19.	Robbery #A	1600-40X
	Bergstrom, Cottura, Hilveri, Alves	
20.	Traffic	1590-35X
	Spinner, Trueman, Cleary, Trester	
21.	Investigations	1590-21X
	Murphy, Morse, Gillespie, Deasy	
22.	Tac-Mtd #1	1572-24X
	Artale, Carlomongo, Lim, Cooper	
23.	Photo Lab	1563-28X
	Boyd, Kovaleff, Walker, Cashen	
24.	Warrants	1560-30X
	Haggett, Weld, Baldocchi, Brogan	
25.	The Chiefs	1532-20X
	Reed, Jordan, Casey, Petrini	
26.	Traffic - Solos	1531-32X
	McCann, Dare, Mattox B, Mattox, R	
27.	SFSO #5	1531-21X
	Dillon, Tompkins, Andrews, Lee	
28.	Northern	1523-48X
	Byard, Ossio, Monteverdi, Mambretti	
29.	Tac-Mtd #2	1516-29X
	Mahoney, Petruzzella, Buscovich, McClellan	
30.	Planning	1505-20X
	Suttmeier, Triguero, Suslow, Hampton	
31.	Juvenile #2	1479-28X
	Hampton, Shubin, Stevens, Krings	
32.	Robbery #C	1404-19X
	Nutting, Sullivan, Lambrecht, Vigo	
33.	Chief of Police	1293-15X
	Cullop, Johnson, Jordan, Senkir	
34.	Mission #2	1283-15X
	Ford, Schiff, Bueno, Tong	
35.	Juvenile #3	1223-10X
	Walsh, Farrell, Moon, Parenti	

The first listed shooter on each team wins the Top Gun Award. A special edition (limited run) Top Gun Hat.



Sue O'Brien and sons provided a fantastic buffet for the shooters. Thanks!

Special Prizes

Sue O'Brien	Hostess
SFPD logo - hooded sweatshirt	
John O'Brien	Host
SFPD logo - hooded sweatshirt	
Matthew O'Brien	Host
SFPD logo - hooded sweatshirt	
Robert Mattox, Rtd	1st Place Old Timer
Pewter figurine - motor officer	
Duane Otis	High X Count
SFPD logo - t shirt	
V. Hennesy - SFSO	High Female
SFPD logo - sweatshirt	
Hallaji - Co I	2nd Place Female
SFPD logo - t shirt	
Mike Hennessey	1st Place Sheriff
Pewter figurine - old timer	
Frank Jordan	1st Place Chief
Pewter figurine - old timer	
Don Blain	1st Range Provider
L'Entrecote - brunch for two	
John Brunner	1st Spirit Award
Lehr's Greenhouse - brunch for two	
Will Casey	Let It Happen Award
Beppino's - brunch for two	
Bob Parenti	1st Courage Award
2 zoo tickets & SFPD clipboard	

Drawing Results

Sue O'Brien	Mossberg Shotgun
Courtesy of Guy Markell's Gun Shop	
D. Yazzolino	SFPD sports bag
Courtesy of Bob Fitzer	

Chief's Challenge

Chiefs	1532-20x
Traffic	1590-35x
The Chiefs buy lunch for Spinner-Trueman-Cleary-Trester	



Chief Jordan was out, too...trying his best in even competition with any officer in the dept.

Prizes were distributed with the idea of rewarding good shooting and giving as many shooters as possible an award. Thanks to the support of our business community we were able to distribute at least one prize to 93 separate individuals and each entrant received SFPD's coveted pin.

The enthusiasm displayed at the match this year was astounding. Just about every unit was represented (Co A - ?) and special thanks to the Sheriffs, Ingleside, Juvenile and Robbery who fielded multiple teams.

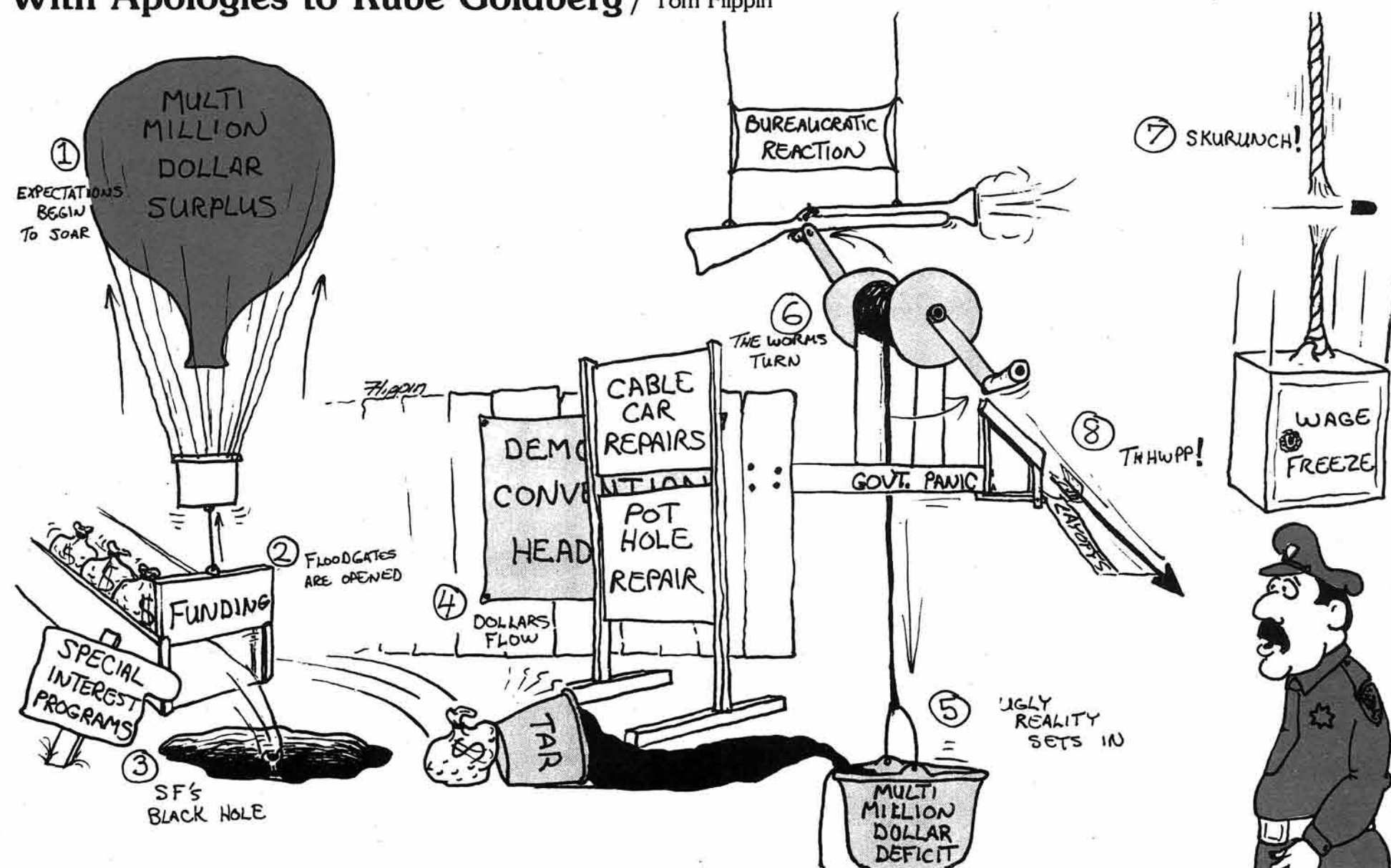
The chief is so enthusiastic, he threatens to start wearing a 6" revolver and to get some good speed loaders. The chief's team improved their score by 343 points over last year, beating 9 teams this year. The drawing for lunch was full of tension. They also threaten to carry 6" guns for next year.

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Thanks to these generous supporters, this match was a success. We can all show our thanks by supporting their businesses and letting them know personally that we appreciate their efforts.

With Apologies to Rube Goldberg / Tom Flippin



Editorial Comment

by Tom Flippin

In Memoriam

Memorial Day weekend ... barbecues, water skiing, and paying tribute to our country's fallen warriors. But this one was different. This Memorial weekend began with the news that a friend was dead.

Sgt. John Edward Toomey served the citizens of San Francisco for nearly 30 years until he passed away from injuries suffered in an auto accident on May 29, 1988. That's the way the obituaries would begin, but this isn't an obituary.

Many of you reading this knew John, and you don't need an obituary. For those of you who didn't know him, I'd like to share a couple of brief sketches. I knew and worked with John for only six years; not very long ... but long enough to like him and to respect him.

John was a big guy ... and tough, if it was necessary. He looked tough too, until you realized that he almost always had a grin on his face. And when life handed him the dirty end of some stick, he'd give a bark of laughter and a genial curse and go right on enjoying himself.

Working with John was fun. He had a million stories about the 'good old days' (and a lot of stories about the 'bad old days'), and he loved to tell those stories. He told a story really well. When he was rolling the laughter was non-stop. He could make those times and those wild characters come alive like no one else. Twenty-nine years is a long time, but I think he had a story for every day of it.

He worked several different assignments in this Department. And wherever he worked he had friends. John was the kind of person that almost everybody liked, and he liked them back. I don't know a member of this Department who had a bad word for John. He was a good cop and a good man.

Whenever a man dies ... a good man, a well-liked man; as John was well-liked ... people gather to grieve, to remember, and (as someone is bound to say) to "pay their last respects." It's a phrase I don't like much. It sounds too final, as though putting an end to something. The death of a man such as John does not really signal an ending. There are many memories, and those memories are to be cherished.

Here's to you, John.

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cessfully convinced their citizenry to raise the Gann spending limits. These cities placed qualifications on the new spending; they told the citizens how much new spending would occur and for what purposes the new spending would be used. In these cities, Gann limits were raised.

San Francisco supervisor Bill Maher characterized Proposition K: "It is nothing more than a blank check which the taxpayers of San Francisco are being asked to sign." Most San Franciscans agreed as shown by the ballots they cast.

The mayor's chief fiscal officer, Sam Yockey, explained his failure to place a spending cap on Proposition K "because the city's projected deficit was climbing almost daily when the measure was placed on the ballot." Without a cap, the opponents of K were given the golden opportunity to mount a powerful, persuasive and ultimately successful campaign. The city's business community opposed an increase in the city's payroll tax, the elimination of the payroll tax for small businesses, and an increase in the hotel and parking tax.

The *Examiner* accused City Hall of "orchestrating a self-serving scare campaign to pass Proposition K." This paper further accused Chief Frank Jordan of "pitting fear against reason." The fatal defect was the lack of a spending cap; the campaign for passage was yoked with this millstone. The City Hall campaign strategy urged citizens to prefer "a modest increase in business taxes" rather than severe cuts in the police, fire and health departments. "Without an increase in allowable spending, 160 uniformed police officers, 61 firefighters and 30 Department of Public Health employees will be laid off," said the mayor. Said the citizens loudly: no blank check; a reasonable uncapping, but not the Prop. K carte blanche.

Will Art Agnos be the first San Francisco mayor to lay off police officers?

Crime and the "Crack Peril"

The latest weekly crime index report reveals that total personal crimes are up 3.6% with property crimes up 11.8%. In a period of rising rape and assault incidents, rising larceny and motor vehicle theft, should the police force be reduced?

With an authorized strength of 1,973 and a present actual complement of 1,839, the police department is already down 134 officers. Now 130 are to be laid off and 30 are to be demoted!

At the mayor's substance abuse symposium held on June 2, 1988 at the Civil Auditorium, the Reverend Cecil Williams predicted violent riots in low income areas of San Francisco if the spread of crack cocaine is not stemmed. U.C. Berkeley Sociology Professor Harry Edwards called this drug a greater threat to the black community than slavery. Said Edwards: "In the United States, I think it is crystal clear now that we are confronting the greatest challenge since World War II to the stability of the land." A call rang out for strict enforcement, long jail sentences, and a city mobilized for war against crack.

The call for a "war against crack" should not begin with laying off the foot soldiers. Yet 130 "infantry" are to be pink slipped.

No Time For Blame

At risk are 130 police officers and 30 sergeants. Preserving their jobs and positions is the objective.

The Police Officers' Association waged a vigorous campaign for Proposition K. It distributed 136,000 pieces of campaign literature 'more than any other organization or union. The POA put more precinct campaign workers into the field — on June 4 urging Yes on K — than any other organization.

The POA and Firefighters Union are currently gathering signatures on a petition to the mayor and the Board of Supervisors "strongly opposing any layoffs involving members of the San Francisco Police and Fire Departments." The goal is to collect 50,000 signatures for presentation to city officials.

Both the Police Association and the police administration have made the saving of these positions their number one priority.

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outrage to reach their doorsteps very soon.

Six supervisors are up for re-election in November and unless they conduct their political polling in a vacuum, it would clearly behoove them to look and listen. And although Mayor Agnos did not create this deficit, he is nevertheless the captain of the ship. Unless his budgetary priorities are revamped to insure that our citizens receive the protection to which they are entitled, we all know what happens to the captain of a sinking ship.

Last Wednesday, the Consent Decree parties convened in Federal Court for a briefing on the situation and City Attorney Louise Renne advised the group that the City was in fact reassessing everything at this point and would advise the parties (to the decree) as well as the Court on what the City's position would be relative to the impact of layoffs upon the Consent Decree.

It's the POA's position as well as the OFJ's that the Consent Decree is a bar to any layoffs. If necessary, we will proceed to court seeking a restraining order preventing any layoffs. We would hope however, that the City Attorney will ultimately concur with our analysis and so advise the Mayor.

Subsequent to the parties' meeting, the POA Executive Board met with the Mayor for nearly two hours to discuss his layoff proposal. We reviewed the financial situation with him and acknowledged that there is certainly a budgetary problem. However, we cautioned the mayor that should he go forward with police layoffs, then our relationship, which is strained now, would come to an abrupt end. We further advised the mayor that we would have no alternative but to lead a community effort against him. We believe that Mayor Agnos does not possess an innate desire to layoff police officers and we also believe that the mayor is getting the message from the public that public safety is their number one priority. Time will tell.

Note: Layoff notices originally scheduled to be distributed on June 8 have been put on hold. We expect the mayor to make a more definitive decision within ten days.