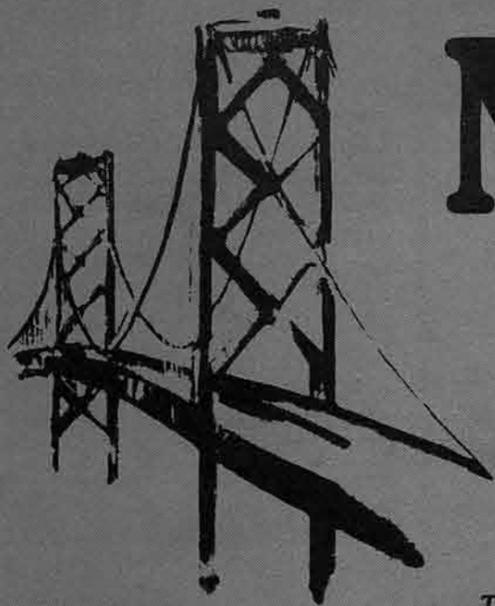


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## Dedication Of The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial



Captain Welch, Stephanie Bloesch, Dorian Nelson and Jerry Donovan

### The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial

This Memorial was established by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, as directed by an Act of the United States Congress. The authorizing law was sponsored by U.S. Representative Mario Biaggi and U.S. Senator Claiborne Pell, and was signed by President Ronald Reagan on October 19, 1984. President George Bush officially commenced construction on the Memorial at a groundbreaking ceremony held on October 30, 1989.

Appropriately, the Memorial is located in Judiciary Square, three acres of federal park land that has served from some 200 years as the seat of our nation's criminal justice system. Situated just a few blocks from the United States Capitol and National Mall, it is a site of great prominence and has strong ties to law enforcement.

The Memorial features an oval, tree-lined "pathway of remembrance," which displays the names of 12,561 fallen officers on its two 304-foot long marble walls. The first death recorded by the Memorial occurred in 1794, when U.S. Marshal Robert Forsyth was killed in the line of duty. The names of any officers who make the ultimate sacrifice in future years will be added to the Memorial annually.

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial was designed by Washington, D.C. architect Davis Buckley and was built by the George Hyman Construction Company. Memorial sculptures were created by the Raymond Kaskey Studio. The Memorial was paid for exclusively by private donations from approximately one million citizens, corporations and law enforcement officers across the country.

by Jerry Donovan

On October 14th and 15th, I had the honor of being present at the dedication of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C. I was not only present but was allowed to participate in the ceremony by carrying the Department Flag in a march during the two-day event. My thanks go to the California Organization of Police and Sheriffs which sent me as a representative for Northern California, paying for my hotel and airfare, and thank you to our Department for detailing me for two of the five days spent attending.

After adjusting to D.C. time, after nine hours of travel on Saturday, Sunday was the first day the San Francisco group of representatives, Captain Bill Welch and I, with survivors Dorian Nelson and

Stephanie Bloesch, would meet and take a shuttle bus to the Memorial. Getting off the bus and walking the block to the Memorial, I started to feel a strange emotional surge inside, watching the widows draw on each other, saying things I was starting to feel; Stephanie saying, "This is getting hard to do." Their steps slowed as we arrived. Each of us took in the beauty of the Memorial: two arching walkways, outside wall containing numbered sections of names in stone faced by a inner stone bench, making up the other side of the arch, large plaza in the middle with a flowing reflecting pool. All in all, a very nice tribute to all downed officers.

We found the directories giving the locations of Jim and Isiah's names. Jim Bloesch was just to our right so we walk-

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## — Go Frank, Go! —

by Al Trigueiro, President

Over a year ago, the POA began to look about for a viable candidate for Mayor who could successfully challenge Art Agnos in the November 5, 1991 election. **Anyone But Agnos** was the theme of our search. An assortment of individuals were analyzed as possible contenders; one of whom was Chief Frank Jordan. The principle question was asked then and lingered until answered late Tuesday night — could Frank Jordan become a legitimate contender in a city where the liberal candidate is consistently the front-runner?

Also of concern to the POA was the fact that Chief Frank Jordan had actively opposed our Proposition D, Collective Bargaining with Binding Interest Arbitration (to the Chief's credit this was his initial introduction to Collective Bargaining whereas Art Agnos had throughout his career supported the concept except when it came to the SFPOA). With the baggage carried by our former boss, the POA turned its attention to Supervisor Angela Alioto who had been and continues to be one of our most ardent supporters. The POA rationalized along with several other labor



unions such as Local 250 (Hospital and Health Care Workers) that Angela Alioto offered the best hope of defeating Art Agnos. Once persuaded, Supervisor Alioto entered the Mayoral fray and the pollsters immediately indicated her strong voter approval and ability to defeat Art Agnos given

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### Jordan's Success At Polls Has Agnos Reeling

On November 5th, Frank Jordan shattered the conventional wisdom that he was not "electable" enough to defeat Art Agnos. While Angela Alioto did not garner enough votes to make the runoff, Jordan finished first out of the five candidates, comfortably outdistancing incumbent Art Agnos by almost 10,000 votes.

When Jordan announced his bid for Mayor early this year, he was given little chance by pollsters or pundits on the San Francisco political scene. "When I announced my candidacy last winter," said Jordan at his triumphant post-election press conference, "no one gave me a snowball's chance in hell. They said a former police chief, a moderate, and a citizen-politician couldn't stand up to the political machine in this town."

Jordan attributed his stunning success at the polls on November 5th to the simple message which has shaped his campaign. "This city isn't working. We have a foreign policy, but we can't keep our streets clean. Crime is up, confidence is down —

and City Hall is sealed off, inaccessible to average citizens. It's time for a change."

"Last night, three quarters of the people who cast ballots voted against the incumbent Mayor. Three-quarters of the people who cast ballots were saying that it is time for a change, that it's time to take govern-

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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 President Thomas Bruton at 2:15 p.m. Wednesday October 16, 1991 in the Conference Room, Ingleside Station.

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:** Tres. Parenti & Trustee Hardeman excused. All others present.

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** Approved as presented, in writing, to the members.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Motion Jeffery, 2nd McKee, following were accepted as new members: KEVIN ABBEY, MICHAEL BENTON, JOHN CAGNEY, IVAN CHAVEZ, DANIEL CUNNINGHAM, CATHERINE DALY, NOEL DE LEON, KELLY DRISCOLL, STEVE FORD, RAYMOND GEE, MICHAEL GROBE-SON, THOMAS HAYMOND, GARY HAZELHOFER, JOAN HOUSE, RAYMONG LEE, ANGEL LOZANO, STEVEN MAIONCHI, GREGORY MAR, D.H. BUD HASSEY, VALERIE MATTHEWS, SHAWN MENDEZ, DARREN NOCETTI, JOSEPH NOTO, PATRICK OVERSTREET, DANIEL PEREA, ROBERT SANCHEZ, KIMBERLY SCAFFIRE, KIMBERLEY REYNOLDS, JULIA SCOTT, OWEN SWEENEY II, CALVIN TOM, KIRK TOMIOKA, KELVIN TSO, ELSIHA TURNER, HAROLD VANCE, JR., JOHN S. KOLL, DAMON WILLIAMS.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Letter from Security Pacific, L. Good-Swan, advising that management of the fiscal part of our account will still be handled by her staff. Letter from Mr. Keith Wirtz, manager Trust Department advising that our Trust manager, N. McIntosh was being transferred and would be replaced by David Bricker.

**DONATIONS:** COMMISSIONERS KEKER & LEE — monthly contribution of salary.

**BILLS:** Usual bills — benefits, salaries, taxes presented and approved.

The following deaths were reported: JAMES KERR — Born in San Francisco in 1912, Jim worked as a bridge attendant before he joined the Department in 1936 at age 24. From the Academy to Northern for 5 years, then to Potrero for 5 years. Appointed a Sergeant in 1945 he went to Central for 3 years, then to Mission for 7 years, Taraval 2 years and then back to Central where he remained until his retirement for service in 1970 at age 58. Jim was 79 at the time of his death.

ANTHONY TRABUCO — Also born in San Francisco in 1912, Tony was a payroll clerk before joining the Department in 1942 at age 30. From the Academy to Potrero where he worked for 8 years. After making a number of arrests of badly wanted felons, he was assigned to the Bureau of Inspectors. Tony was made an Assistant Inspector in 1953 and a Full Inspector in 1957, remaining there until his retirement for service in 1976 age 64. In 1952 Tony received a Capt. Comm. for assistance in capturing a suspect in a shooting spree who had already killed 2 people. He was 79 when he passed away.

JAMES VAN PELT — Born in Seattle in 1915, Jim worked as a sheet metal worker before he came into the department in 1946 at age 32. From the Academy to Southern for 1 year, then to Communications for a year. Then the Accident Prevention Bureau for 5 years, back to Communications for 1 year, returning to A.P.B. until his retirement on disability in 1959, age 44. Jim received the following awards during his short stay in the Dept.: 1948 1st Grade for arrest of armed suspect who had threatened a number of people; 1954 — 2nd Grade for arrest of an armed man charged with attempted murder; 1955 — 2nd Grade for arrest of an armed suspect, disarming same, who had been threatening people; 1957 — Capt. Comm for arrest of an ex-con in an attempted burglary. Jim was 75 at the time of his death.

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES:** Due to the fact that Trustees will meet with Security Pacific on Friday, October 18, 1991 no representative from Bank was there. Secretary reported a growth in the Portfolio of \$37,000,000.

**GOOD OF ASSOCIATION:** Pres. Bruton set next regular meeting for Wednesday November 20, 1991 at 2 p.m. in the Conference Room at Ingleside Station. Nomination of Officers at this meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m. in memory of the above departed Brothers.

Fraternally,  
Bob McKee, Secretary

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## POLICE POST #456 NEWS

by Greg Corrales

### Saudi Arabia

*The lad is twenty-two not really a lad any longer, more of a man I'd say. His great-grandfather fought the Hun, and his grandfather went to the Pacific. As for me, it was a place called Nam. Why is it that none of us thought our son would go? All we could do was embrace and whisper, "My boy, my boy."*

Ron Suciu

**P**oltroonery Update!! An Indiana National Guard captain who said he resigned rather than lead troops into battle during the Persian Gulf War, has been convicted of desertion and dismissed from the service. Captain Daniel A. Nightingale, 40, refused to go to war in the Persian Gulf, instead resigning his commission in November. But Military Judge Albert Velasquez said the resignation never was accepted by the guard. When so informed, Nightingale remained absent with no intention of returning.

"Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents" has been updated for 1991 and is now available. Published by the Department of Veterans Affairs, the 92-page handbook describes such VA benefits as medical care, education, compensation, pension, life insurance, home loan guar-

anty, and burial assistance. It also explains the eligibility requirements for each program and outlines claims procedures. The handbook, which sells for \$2.50, includes special sections on veterans benefits administered by other federal agencies, including the Departments of Defense and Labor. In addition, addresses and phone numbers of all VA offices, medical centers, national cemeteries, Vietnam veteran counseling centers and other VA facilities are listed by state. The handbook, stock number 051-000-00197-4, is available postpaid from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325. To order with VISA or Mastercard, phone (202) 783-3238. It sounds like the second-best bargain in town.

The best bargain in town is your yearly American Legion dues. You have received your renewal notice by now. If you have not paid your renewal dues, the time has come. Mail your dues to: San Francisco Police Post 456, American Legion, 127 Veteran's Building, Van Ness & McAllister, San Francisco, CA 94102.

During my tour of duty in the Marine Corps, my favorite duty station was Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. I was a "Gitmo Raider" in 1967 as a proud member of 2nd Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company. The United States has had a lease on Guantanamo Bay since 1903 and has had forces there since 1904, and today there are 9,315 personnel and their dependents at the 31-square-mile base. The lease was renewed in perpetuity in 1934, and each year the United States sends Cuba a lease payment check for just over \$4,000.00.

When the Soviet Union announced that it is unilaterally removing its training bri-

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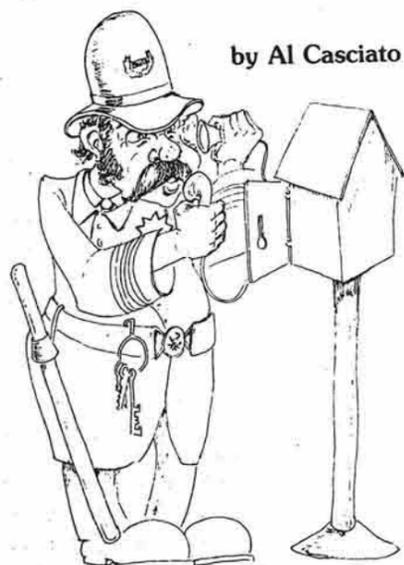
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# AROUND THE DEPARTMENT



by Al Casciato

## Election '91

The Mayoral runoff will be between **Art Agnos** and **Frank Jordan**. Obviously Agnos does not deserve any support. Frank Jordan, I hope, will win, and when he does I pray that he'll finally sit down and analyze our collective bargaining law that he opposed. I'm sure that if he does he won't have the concerns he's expounded so far.

## Felony, Felony, Felony:

TTF's **George Fogarty**, **Paul Guinasso** and **Steve Morimoto** investigated a narcotics complaint at a Tenderloin Hotel (which by the way, is not of flea bag quality) detained seven people in one bedroom and an eighth suspect who arrived (with money in hand) during the investigation. A computer check of the eight suspects revealed 279 prior felony arrests, the resident of the room having 72 all by himself. Misdemeanors were not counted — too many. Nice to see that the criminal justice system is working — oh well, maybe we can submit the numbers to the Guinness Book of World Record for a new category.

## Hello from Mike:

Former member of Co. A, **Mike Garner**, writes to say hello and that he's living in Fresno doing well with wife **Patty** and 2 year old son **Patrick**.

## Births, Births:

Co. H's **Gerald** and **Dyanna Louie** welcomed their first arrival September 16, 1991 at 1848 hrs. with the birth of **Bryan Alan Nicholas Louie**, 4lbs. 14oz., 18 3/4" long. Mom and lil one doing fine.

**Mark Shea** and **Tom Murphy**, partners at the Tenderloin Task Force, made the same vacation plans as both of their wives were due in late October. Well Mark's wife, **Debbie** delivered **Melanie Veronica Shea**, 6lbs., 19 3/4" three weeks early on October 5th.

Knowing how much Tom would miss working with his partner, his wife, **Bonnie** delivered **Connor Richard Murphy**, 7lbs., 5oz., 20 1/2" on October 8th; also three weeks early. Melanie is the Shea's first born while Connor joins big sister Hannah, 3 years old as of 11-6-91.

## Television???

Narcotics' **George Nazzal** and **Vince Repetto** brought an informant to talk to a judge in preparation of a warrant. Prior to entering the judges' chambers Vince told the informant that they would now go in and enter the "In Camera Hearing." The informant panicked stating "You mean I'm going to be on television?" Short lesson on Latin words needed to calm him.

## Welcome Back:

Co. G's **Pat Celaya** has returned from medical leave and is thrilled to be back — we missed you **Patty**.

## Miscellaneous:

Fraud's **Bob Bronson** points out that one guy with a pen steals more money in one day than all violent robbers steal in one month, and in some cases one year.

**Steve Johnson** points out that recruits are being issued used "bullet resistant" vests and upon completion of probation new vests are issued. Another real good example of how the department recognizes that employees are its greatest asset.

Former officer **Pedro Fernandez** is now hosting a boxing radio talk show on KGO radio and promoting a variety of training programs.

Co. F's **Andre Fontenot** has a neat second job — he's the equipment manager for the San Jose sharks home games.

Narcotic's **Dave Faingold** points out that I.R.S. agents serve a search warrant by whipping out their calculators while screaming "put your hands up".

TTFers who work out of No. 1 Jones refer to their quarters and space as the dungeon where the serfs who work the fields are housed, while the royalty cavorts in the opulence of the palace above — such is the perception.

## Carnivorous Corner:

Personnel's **Pat Clecak** has several carnivorous plants on the window sill of her office, among which are venus fly trap, cobra lily, forked sundew, pitcher plant, and yellow trumpet. Most of the staff gathers around to watch the feedings cheering on their favorite plant as it devours an insect.

## Retirees:

**Mike Moysard** is now the Chief of Police in Homewood, Idaho. Recently **John Lazarich** invited Tony Camilleri, Homicide, and **Gary Fox**, Hit and Run, to join him on a hunting trip to Colorado — retired guys have time to organize such trips — anyway, while passing through Winnamucca, Nevada the group ran into the aforementioned Chief Moysard who sends greeting to all.

**Art O'Keefe** is still training dogs and keeping very active. **Chief Don Scott** is travelling about and was recently spotted enjoying dinner at Don Ramon's restaurant on 11th St. and shared a story of how **Charlie Barca** recently confused an out of town barkeep with a disertation about "picon" vs "pecan" punch.

Retiree lunches are held the second Tuesday of every month at the Immaculate Conception Church at 3255 Folsom, 2 blocks south of Army St. Refreshments 11:30, food at noon. Make time to attend, it's a really good time.

**Carl Klotz** is now the corporate security manager for Hertz in Millbrae. **John Rugeiro** is head of security for the Shorenstein Company in San Francisco. **New York, New York:**

Co. D's **John Newlin** and **Pam Hofsass** both ran the New York Marathon on November 3rd. Times and ranking not available.

## A Real Friend of Animals:

Co. G's **Robbie Corley** was at Sutter and Broderick when he saw a Zebra Finch (a bird) fly by. Knowing it had to be a pet, Robbie chased the bird two blocks and was able to catch it in his hat. Bird is now safe and sound at a local pet store awaiting its owner. You might remember that several months ago, Robbie saved a dog that had wandered onto U.S. 101 near Candlestick.

# Close Encounters

By: **Steve Johnson**  
Secty/SFPOA

Our department has ordered new uniform sweaters similar to those worn by the military. Personally, I would have rather seen our administration purchase new bullet-proof vests for our recruit officers.

**Probationary officers in our department are issued used bullet-proof vests.** Not very comforting for them, especially when you consider that there have now been 308 documented shooting incidents in the Potrero district alone in the last three months.

9/25/91 Wednesday

2120 hrs: Sergeant John Haggett, Patrol Special Michael Reyes, Officer John Sanford, Officer Debra King, and Officer John Syme, cornered an armed robbery suspect after a vehicle pursuit and, while the suspect was running from the officers he suddenly stopped, turned and pointed a fully-loaded .45 caliber Mach 10 at them attempting to fire same. The suspect was finally convinced to relinquish his weapon and subsequent investigation revealed a "stove-pipe" jam by the top round in the fully loaded clip, probably the only reason the officers are alive today.

9/30/91 Monday

1820 hrs: Sergeant Ed Dullea, Officer Charles Wilkerson, Officer Kevin Needham, Officer Sid Sakurai, and Officer James Gaggero, working a specialized uniform patrol in the Potrero District, were at Middlepoint and Westpoint dealing with a pitbull problem when they heard numerous gunshots. Seconds later, 2 vehicles crested the hill on Middlepoint with the passenger in the lead vehicle shooting a gun out the window at a van following closely behind. Once the shooter saw Sgt. Dullea's squad he pointed and fired his weapon at the officers. Sgt. Dullea narrowly escaped death, hearing rounds striking the street all around him and Officer Wilkerson shielded a citizen from the bullets placing his own life in immediate jeopardy. Officers Doug Hansen and Gary Constantine, stationed nearby, pursued the armed suspect and subsequently apprehended him. The weapon (9mm Rieger) and 16 expanded casings were also recovered.

Sgt. Dullea reported that during the time both he and his squad were being shot at there were approximately 40 other citizens in the immediate area.

10/02/91 Wednesday

1430 Hrs: Officer Joanne Lozenski and Officer Brenda Rodgers responded to a report of a shooting and discovered a young 6-year old had been shot while leaving his school bus while his mother was waiting nearby to pick him up. Fortunately the child only suffered a flesh wound to his thigh. The suspect, who's

most prominent quality was his cowardice, escaped.

10/09/91 Wednesday

2000 - 2300 Hrs: 6 handguns and 1 shotgun were recovered from 5 incidents that occurred in the Potrero District all within a period of 3 hours (2000-2300). ("Close Encounter" nominations to: Sgt. Greg Lynch, Officer Paul Lozada, Officer Yolanda Williams, Officer Robert Link, Officer Doug Hansen).

10/15/91 Tuesday

1645 Hrs: Officer E.R. Balinton, serving with a specialized uniform detail, attempted to detain an individual whom he suspected as being involved in a narcotics transaction at Broad/Plymouth Streets. The detention turned into a life and death struggle with the suspect trying to damage Officer Balinton's radio so the officer wouldn't be able to call for help while, at the same time, trying to remove Off. Balinton's weapon from his holster. Throughout the entire ordeal the crowd that had gathered was urging the suspect to, "Take his (officer's) gun and shoot him.". Officer Balinton finally subdued his attacker with the aid of Officer Michael Robinson and Officer Thomas Lovrin.

10/16/91 Wednesday

1853 Hrs: Officer Candice Fukunaga and Officer Harry Soulette observed a verbal altercation taking place at 222 Schwerin and attempted to resolve the conflict when the 2 individuals involved suddenly turned on the uniformed officers and assaulted them. The unprovoked assault on the officers wasn't enough, the cowards from the nearby housing unit also had to throw bottles and rocks at the 2 officers placing them in even greater danger. Fortunately, the officers walked away with contusions, the suspects walked away in handcuffs.

10/17/91 Thursday

1545 Hrs: Our apologies to the citizen(s) who phoned in a concern of an occupied, suspicious vehicle in their neighborhood, **a call that was still waiting to be dispatched to a police unit after 5 hours, along with 26 other calls for service pending.**

10/29/92 Tuesday

1207 Hrs: The following was an SFPD Communications Broadcast: "The area of Capitol/Broad, numerous 221's (people with guns) and calls on 221's to this 10/20 (location) — Officer Safety Broadcast" Remember, the best way to deal with close encounters is to watch out for each other and please remember in your prayers those who will be watching over us.

## IN MEMORIAM

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## RETIRED MEMBERS COLUMN

by Gino Marionetti & Mike Sugrue



### John Michael O'Connor Legend In His Own Time

by Gino Marionetti

The man we are featuring this month as a legend in his own time is a fine Irish lad as well as a gentleman by the name of John Michael O'Connor.

The Irish have certainly contributed their share to the culture of the world. The immediate things that come to mind are James Joyce, author of the renowned book, "Ulysses", John McCormick whom God blessed with a beautiful singing voice, and of course let's not forget Saint Patrick. I believe he had something to do with driving the snakes out of Ireland. What always puzzled me was how did they get there in the first place.

Without a doubt I am certain that every nation on earth has at one time or another contributed culture to this nation of ours. We can even include Italy in this remarkable achievement, as we do have two of the greatest opera tennors of all times in Enrico Caruso, Luciano Pavarotti and one of the greatest painters and sculptors of all times, the immortal Michaelangelo. I could continue on with so much that the Italian people gave to this world, but it would end up like reading a version of *War and Peace*.

John Michael O'Connor was born in San Francisco on October 31, 1923 and spent most of his youth in Eureka Valley District, which at that time consisted mostly of Irish and Italian families. John had one younger brother, Matt. They were the offspring of John and Julia O'Connor who emigrated to the United States from Galway, Ireland. Tragedy struck the O'Connor lads when John was seven and Matt was five when their father received God's calling. It was a hardship on their mother who became their sole supporter; however, both John and Matt contributed to the welfare of the family by acquiring paper routes and working part time after school.

John attended Most Holy Redeemer Grammar School and graduated with honors from Saint James High School in

June of 1942. Some of his close associates and classmates were two former police officers who are now prominent San Francisco attorneys: William Murphy and Gene Garland. We also have Dan and Jack Shelley. Dan being one of our outstanding retired police inspectors and Jack Shelly, (deceased) our former popular mayor. A name familiar to many of us, George Reilly of the Board of Equalization was also a member of that graduating class. John could have continued with his education but heading his priority list was serving his country in time of war.

We had been at war with the Japanese Empire for approximately ten months when John, at the age of nineteen, enlisted in the United States Navy on October 1, 1942. He served his country well, receiving honors and Presidential citations for his patriotic duty and the bravery he displayed. He received his honorable discharge after forty five months of service in January of 1946.

John, in his youth, was quite a dancer and why he would go to Oakland remains a mystery, or is it? Perhaps it was fate or God's way of him meeting the girl of his dreams. The young, charming and beautiful lady was a Miss Patricia C. Loughery, who resided in that city.

Their eyes met, the courtship lasted for two years and when the love grew deeper and stronger they decided to make their two into one and, sometime during this year, they will have celebrated their forty-four years of wedded bliss.

After being discharged, John continued employment with the Federal Government and was offered a position in War Assets Administration which dealt with a surveying the disposition of government surplus property and held this position until June of 1948. John, being such an active person, managed to find time for him and Patricia to travel both in the United States and Europe. They started their tour of Europe in Rome, went through France, and ended up visiting the birth places of both of their parents in Ireland.

The time came when John had to do some deep thinking as to what he was going to do for a living, and the person who was most instrumental in John becoming a police officer was retired police inspector Jack O'Keefe Sr. John became friendly with Jack O'Keefe Sr. and was deeply impressed with his demeanor and the way he handled himself. He mentioned the

security in becoming a police officer; that he would never have to worry about being called in on a Monday morning and informed that his services are no longer needed. What a blessing it was when John took his friends words to heart and eventually became one of San Francisco's finest police officers.

Two other notables that were influential in John making up his mind to become a police officer were former Captain John Meehan and Deputy Chief James Quigley (both deceased).

Many of you will recall James Quigley running a school for prospective policemen, and I was also a member of that class. If it wasn't for James Quigley I might never have become a police officer. In 1948 I was playing professional baseball in the Texas League; Mr. Quigley informed me that he would call me when they were having the next examination. He kept his word and I received two phone calls, one dealt with the physical and medical and the other dealt with the written portion of the examination. I had to fly back to San Francisco on two occasions, once from Houston, Texas and the other time was from Tulsa, Oklahoma. In all it cost me approximately seven hundred dollars to become a member of the greatest profession on earth. I never regretted it for a minute.

John was born to be a police officer, and it didn't take long for him to distinguish himself as something out of the ordinary. In those days there were two ways that a person could be transferred into the Bureau of Inspectors; one was when an influential person would contact the mayor and give him a name. You can be certain that on the next transfer list that name would appear. This person was referred to as having juice. There was also the merit system where the appointments and promotions were based on competence rather than on political favoritism. If a person was ever deserving of making the Bureau on hard work, it has to be our man, John O'Connor.

He certainly was a well-rounded police officer; prior to being on the bureau he worked all the district stations. In the Bureau he worked Auto, Boosting, Fraud, Homicide and Robbery. He received special training in disarming bomb mechanisms, nuclear attack, enemy invasion, chemical fallout and earth quake instructions. He was also sent to special classes that dealt with the ins and outs of guarding dignitaries and was also in demand by our State Department to guard our presidents whenever they were visiting our city. When President Charles DeGualle of France and Nikita Kruchev of the Soviet Union were in our city, their personal body guard was John O'Connor.

John was also given serious consideration to attend the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia but had to withdraw as the maximum age was fifty and John was a few years over the age limit.

He had a most illustrious career and after twenty eight years of service, decided to call it a career. In 1976 he looked for other challenges.

If you knew him and the abundance of energy he possessed, you knew he wouldn't remain idle for long. He received his private investigator's license and worked for such large firms as O'Brien, Sportono and Mitchell as well as being employed by both the Fairmont and the Sheraton hotels.

There are three things that I will always remember about this extraordinary person. The abundance of energy; regardless of the shift he was working he would be in court the next morning. The second thing was his arrest record, which had to be among one of the highest in the history of our department; and the third item is the

number of Captain's Commendations and the meritorious awards he richly deserved and received.

Many law enforcement agencies paid their homage to our man of the month. In his file there were notations made from the FBI, Scotland Yard, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, State Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Berkeley Police Department as well as from our District Attorney's office.

Prior to his stroke, suffered in 1990, John could be seen an average of three days a week, playing handball, racquetball and, his favorite, swimming. He holds membership in a variety of clubs: Narcotic Enforcement of Calif., Calif. Peace Officers Association, The Israel and Saint Vincent's School for Boys in San Rafael, Calif. and numerous other clubs.

As stated above, he suffered a stroke while working for the American Legion where he spent 3½ years assisting members with problems in receiving medical attention and hospital admission. John spent 2½ months in the hospital recovering from his stroke and has come a long way. He now takes daily walks and spends time seeing relatives and old friends.

To list each of his awards would be too lengthy, so I will give you the highlights of a few of them. He rescued a man on a building ledge and while saving this person sustained injury to himself. There were numerous arrests of Robbery, Burglary, Bunco and Murder suspects as well as the recovery of property, monies, weapons and ammunition. The rescue of a woman who was attempting suicide and the rescue of an elderly couple from the roof of a burning building. There was also an arrest of a robbery suspect after the suspect shot at both the victim and the officers. He was subsequently captured in hot pursuit by the man we are featuring this month.

John was also respected by his superiors as well as his fellow workers. He had a certain way. Perhaps it was God's gift, but occasionally he used creative police investigative techniques that resulted in the aforementioned awards and commendations. He also was the recipient of many accolades from judges referring to his arrests and outstanding investigative ability.

One particular instance, which I can corroborate as I just happened to be in court, occurred in the Honorable Lenora Underwood's court, who thought the sun set on this humane individual. I heard her ask John what he thought was a fit punishment in the case as John just so happened to be the arresting officer. John would always use a little bit of psychology in his testimony and that was to say something complimentary about the defendant in his testimony. He would then drop the bomb in his follow-up testimony. This would impress the judges of his fairness and they concluded that the defendant had already received a break from the officer, so in turn the judge would ask him what he thought would be a fair and just sentence in this particular case.

In his days it was a common thing to arrest beggars, the vagrancy law came into play quite often and if you suspected the person of having committed a felony you could add the \$1,000 vagrancy law. Many people who knew John would say that when the vagrancy law was written they must have had John in mind.

Now many times has this remarkable man put his life on the line to save the life of another who was a total stranger to him. I say to John, without any hesitation, that you were a perfect example of what law enforcement work is all about and you were deserving of all the praise that came your way. You gave the city 28 years of outstanding police work and now, enjoy your retirement which you richly deserve. You have given so much and received so little in return, but the inspiration that you have given to us is a great thing.

You can always walk with head up high and say "I did my best and if I could live those 28 years over there is nothing more that I could have done." How many of us mortals could make such a statement? Yes, John, thanks for your cooperation, for being a good friend and for letting me write about your illustrious career. There is no doubt in my mind and many others that John Michael O'Connor, you are indeed a legend in your own time.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Election rhetoric can certainly be revealing: Let's take part of the text of a letter sent on behalf of the Art Agnos for Mayor campaign and signed by a number of present and past women politicians. The letter was signed by Nancy Pelosi, Willie Kennedy, Doris Ward, Roberta Achtenburg, Louise Renne, Jackie Speier, Nancy Walker, Wendy Nelder and Joanne Miller and part of it read:

"If you care about lesbian/gay rights, consider: Art authored AB 1 and championed AB 101, stood up to the Police Officers' Association's bully attack on gay and lesbian officers."

Now read our response.

November 1, 1991.

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
United States House of Representatives  
450 Golden Gate Avenue  
San Francisco, California 94102

**Re: San Francisco Police Officers' Association/  
San Francisco Mayor's Election**

Dear Representative Pelosi:

Art Agnos will be opposed next week by

thousands of San Franciscans when he seeks re-election because he has performed as badly as any Mayor of this City in this century. He has earned strong opposition from many quarters for pitting various groups against one another whenever he believes he can gain political advantage from doing so. He has done this to our organization repeatedly.

Initially, he refused to work with us at all. Then, when we went directly to the people in November, 1990 with a Charter Amendment, necessary in part from our perspective to get out from under the Mayor's control, Agnos attempted to convince the voters that our collective bargaining measure was racist. With the support of Willie Brown, Doris Ward and Larry Martin, our measure, Proposition D, passed by a significant margin.

More recently, the Mayor and his staff have been attempting to pit the POA against the gay and lesbian community, and to stir up problems within the SFPD between straight officers and gay and lesbian officers. This is despite our strong and consistent record in support of and commitment to the gay and lesbian community.

For your information, we are supporting domestic partners' legislation for the third time by endorsing No on Proposition K this November. We have endorsed gay and lesbian candidates for the Board of Supervisors, including the three incumbents, Harry Britt, Carole Migden and Roberta Achtenberg. In fact, we endorsed Harry each time he ran for office, except when he ran against you for the House of Representatives.

This year we endorsed the Gay and Lesbian Freedom Day Parade and, when it was suggested that our Chief of Police not march in that parade, we publicly urged him to do so on behalf of the gay and lesbian officers of the SFPD.

We will be joining with many other San Franciscans on election day to show just how fed up we are with the Agnos style of politics. His only hope is to have Demo-

cratic Party leaders, like yourself, throw your weight behind him. While we hoped you wouldn't come to his aid, we never expected that you would stoop to the same low level and engage in the same kind of dirty politics that has made Art famous.

Your hit piece for Art Agnos against the San Francisco Police Officers' Association was outrageous. Your statement that we have engaged in "bully attacks on gay and lesbian police officers" is false, insulting, irresponsible, provocative and shows a total lack of sensitivity to the legitimate and serious need in our City to improve police-community relations.

We expect you obtained the information you base these very serious allegations on from the Mayor or someone on his staff. It seems he has several people on the City payroll who specialize in this kind of hate mongering. Some were caught recently attempting to plant a similar hit piece on the POA in the Sentinel. Your reinforcement of these malicious allega-

tions, however, does a disservice to the high public trust that you hold, and may well cause problems between the police and segments of the gay and lesbian community.

Is it becoming part of the Democratic Party's strategy to trash police to get votes in this City? We know that is Art Agnos' plan, but we want to find out where we stand with you.

I don't know whether you care to discuss these matters with us since you chose to make your accusations against us public without the courtesy of first contacting our organization. If you do, however, please notify us at your earliest opportunity, as we need to make some important political decisions quickly.

Sincerely,  
SAN FRANCISCO POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION  
Al Trigueiro, President  
Steve Johnson, Secretary  
Gary Delagnes, Vice President  
Phil Dito, Treasurer

## Angela Alioto: A Democrat With Principles

### She's Loyal To Us — Let's Stand By Her

by Al Trigueiro, President and  
Ray Benson, Chairperson,  
Legislative Committee

When Harry Britt, together with a few Union representatives, including some from the POA, asked Angela Alioto to run for Mayor in June of this year, there were many reasons for her to say no. After all, her position was secure and she knew, as did we, that if she decided to take on the Mayor she would be opposing not only Art Agnos, but also all the local Democratic Party politicians and insiders who never have the guts to take on Democratic incumbents.

Angela is a refreshing rarity among the local Democratic politicians. She is loyal, but her loyalty is more to her constituents than to Democratic incumbents. She

argued with us articulately and vigorously when we dared to suggest we could do better with Republicans than the local Democratic politicians. If they were all like her, we wouldn't have the problems we now face.

When we went to her and explained how police officers and others who make up a significant segment of her constituency were being badly treated by one of the most arrogant and vindictive administrations in this City's history, she parted company with other political careerists and decided to take the Mayor on for us.

The POA had nothing to lose by opposing Agnos. He had decided we were going to be enemies, and there was nothing we could do to change that. Nor could those

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## Big 19

(aka: Daily Incident Recap)

*Here's a selection of Big 19s from October. The level of violence in the city seems to be rising. Where will it end?*

### 10/01/91

- 1623 SHOOTING: Ocean & Lee. Victims, two NMJs, shot by three NMs, possibly gang related. Victims stable condition at SFGH. Off. Lindo Gang TF investigating, case 911 311 651,316. Co. I
- 1734 DEMONSTRATION: 450 Golden Gate. Estimated 7000 people protesting at State bldg. Attempted to set bldg. on fire. No arrests made. Unlawful assembly declared.
- 1813 ASSAULT ON POLICE OFFICERS WITH GUN: 100 Middlepoint. Suspects in van fired at officers. No injuries. Suspects in custody. Gang TF investigating. Case 911312273, Sgt. Dullea, Co. C
- 2045 ASSAULT WITH GUN: Haight & Webster. Victim, WM41, and suspects, 2 or 3 NMs, in argument inside a store. Later as victim was getting into his auto he was shot in hip. Victim stable condition SFGH. Case 911312659, Off. Cunningham.

### 10/05/91

- 2117 STABBING: Kearney & Clay, Portsmouth Park. Suspect (NM40) stabbed the victim (WM34) for no known reason. Victim to MEH with stab wounds to chest, in stable condition. Night investigations notified. Case 911 331 869, Officer Morrow, Co. A
- 2232 HOMICIDE: 25th & Utah. Victim (WM40) expired due to gunshot wounds received. Inspector Brosch and Erdelatz notified. Case is presently under investigation. Case 911 332 209, Officer Moneyhun, Co. D
- 0140 STABBING: Crestlake & Wawona, Stern Grove. Suspects (OM 18-24) are entering park as the Victims (WM 17-18) were exiting. Words were exchanged and the Suspects bean one Victim and stabbed the other two. Four Suspects later taken into custody. Victims in stable condition at SFGH. Insp. Spillane/Night Investigations on scene. Case 911 333052 Officer Seto, Co. I.
- 0110 SHOOTING: 15th & Guerrero Sts. Unk. Suspect shoots two Victims and flees in vehicle. Insp. Hall/Night Investigations. Case 911 332 782.

### 10/10/91

- 1736 HOMICIDE: 5500 blk Diamond Hts. Suspect, AM15, stabbed adopted parents, killing Father. Insp. Tank & McCoy, Homicide investigating case 911 355 546, 3H16C, Co. H. Suspect in custody.
- 1945 HIT & RUN, FATAL: 4400 blk Geary. Victim, WM 98, struck by H&R vehicle while crossing st. Night Inv. responded, case 911 356 306, Off. Bursiago, 4B7G, Co. K.
- 2338 SHOOTING: 700 blk Sacramento. Victim, OM38, found in stairwell, shot in back. Night Inv. investigating, case 911 357 116, Off. Lang, Co A. Victim stable condition SFGH.

- 0205 ROBBERY/ARREST MADE: 300 blk Jarboe. Victim got off Muni bus and was followed by suspects, 3 NMs, who grabbed victim FM32, and stole his property. Unk party called police, who responded and captured suspects. Property not recovered. Case 911 357 423, Off. DelCarlo responded and captured suspect.
- 0450 ARSON: Diamond & Bosworth. Unattended vehicle set on fire by unk suspect(s). SFFD responded. Case 911 057 655, Off. Yu, Co. H

### 10/27/91

- 0600 HOT PROWL BURGLARY: 700 blk Taylor. Unknown suspect gained entry and removed property while victim (WM81) slept. No injuries, loss: suits costing \$1,500. Case 911 445 705, Officer Sheehan, Co. A.
- 1345 GRAND THEFT — TRICK & DEVICE: 23rd & South Van Ness. Suspects (WM45, WM60, WM55) talked the victim (WM74) out of \$17,000 in a con game, as well as gold jewelry. Case 911 446 731, Officer Milanda, Co. H.
- 2001 SHOOTING: Unit blk Langton. Victim (WM30) and suspect (WM35) were in an argument. Suspect walked away but victim followed him yelling and kicking him. Suspect brandished a gun, shot victim in abdomen and fled. Victim to MEH in stable condition. Insp. Camillari was notified. Case 911 449 371, Officer Tercero, Co. G. Night Investigations notified.
- 2120 STABBING: 400 blk Ellis. Suspect (WM55) stabbed the victim (WM28) during argument. Victim to MEH in serious condition with stab wound to chest. Night Investigations notified. Case 911 449 456, Officer Arrebollo, Co. J.
- 2300 SHOOTING: 17th & Church. Suspects (three NM's) shot the victim (WM21) during argument. Victim to MEH ins table condition with wounds to abdomen, groin and leg. Night Investigations notified. Case 911 449 810, Officer Escobar, Co. D.
- 0045 STABBING: Alemany & San Jose. Victim was stabbed during confrontation with suspects. Victim: Samoan Male 22. Suspects: OM19, OM19. Victim to MEH in serious condition. Night Investigations notified. Case 911 450 221, Officer Bokura, Co. I.
- 0057 STABBING: 8th & Brannan. Suspect (WM25) stabbed victim (WM26) during fight. Victim to MEH. Night Investigations notified. Case 911 450 312, 4T5C.
- 0126 FATAL ACCIDENT: Washington & Van Ness. Victims (WM41, WF25) on motorcycle were speeding and struck a vehicle making a legal turn. Victims DOA. Night Investigations notified. Case 911 450 362, 4B8B.
- 0205 ROBBERY WITH A KNIFE, STABBING: 24th & Mission, Suspects (three WMs, nfd) approached the victim (WM22) robbed him then stabbed him in the chest. Victim to MEH in stable condition. Loss: TBD. Case 911 450 425, Officer Lum, Co. D.

# I Don't Know You! But I Love You

by Con Lucey #878 (Retired)

In the Fall of 1960, I entered the United States Marine Corps.

Like thousands of other teenagers that year, we arrived by plane, train, or bus at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, California. This was to be our new home for the months to come. Shortly after our arrival we were all introduced to our Drill Instructor. This spit and polished individual, was to take the place of our mothers in the months to follow. He would see to it that we were properly fed, dressed, and exercised. He even went so far as to check nightly that we were safely tucked away in our beds.

One day, about 2 months after our arrival, our Drill Instructor assembled all of us in formation to read us a list of possible ailments he was concerned we may have contracted in our past. Like any good mother he wanted our medical histories up to date, in case of emergency. We were all called to attention. The Drill Instructor announced "as I read the list of ailments/diseases anyone who has contracted or suffered from one or more of these ailments or diseases TAKE ONE STEP FORWARD." When he finished his list, the Drill Instructor congratulated those of us who were still standing in our original places and informed us that we had just volunteered to give "BLOOD".

When my tour of duty was completed with the Marines, I returned to the private sector, where I became employed by Pacific, Gas, & Electric. P.G.&E. like most large corporations, had regular blood drives, to benefit the families of the company employees. The blood drives back in the 60s at P.G.&E. were very successful and most employees donated their blood, although unlike the military it was com-

pletely on a voluntary basis.

In June of 1965, I left P.G.&E. to wear another uniform and become one of San Francisco's Finest. After completing the Police Academy, I was assigned to the Big "E", Northern Station. While at Northern, the fellow officers would volunteer their blood at regular blood drives sponsored and funded by The Police Officers Association. The big blood drive was normally held in the month of December. Back in those days it seemed like everyone in the Department who was able showed up to donate.

In 1968 I, took that walk down the aisle, and got married. In 1969 my then wife and I were blessed with a son Denis James Lucey. Everything seemed normal and like most parents we were enjoying watching our son grow and learn.

As the months passed he was beginning to crawl, trying to stand, and doing things that most toddlers do. He would try to stand, lose his balance and fall on toys in his play pen and in some cases he would bruise himself. He was very active, and we didn't think much of his activities.

In early 1970 I was guarding a prisoner at San Francisco General Hospital. My relief showed up around 12 noon so I could go on my lunch break. In 1970 I lived close to the Hospital so I would go home for lunch. My wife knew when I'd be home and would have my lunch on the table when I'd arrive. On this date when I arrived home, I walked over to see my son who was in his play pen having his bottle. I reached over to pick him up and noticed his forehead was quite swollen. My wife and I took our son to Kaiser Hospital on Geary Street to the emergency room to have him examined as we were both concerned over the swelling.

The doctors at Kaiser admitted our son for observation. What we didn't know was that they suspected child abuse, as my son had other bruises on his body which we thought were normal do to his falling on toys, blocks etc. in his play pen. In the weeks that followed, after several tests we were notified by Kaiser that our son was a

Classical Hemophiliac (Bleeder). A classical Hemophiliac has no coagulant in his blood. The doctors explained that the bruises, and swelling were caused by internal bleeding, and my son would be needing transfusions of blood on a regular basis. At this time we were given literature about Hemophilia, which to say the least, scared the Hell out of both of us.

Now I know that at one time or another you probably have all seen the T.V. commercial with the children saying "I don't know you but I love you". Well it's true and let me explain why on behalf of my Son, my family, and myself. Back in the early 70s the members of the San Francisco Police Department rallied behind my son like he was each and every officer's son. I was told don't worry, Con, your son's blood needs will be taken care of. The cost factor would have been staggering. I was worried sick as I soon learned that with different hospital health plans blood replacement was up to the individual. Several blood bank plans excluded problems like Hemophilia, Leukemia, Anemia, etc. even though you donated on a regular basis.

Today my son is 22 years of age. He still has Hemophilia, and still needs blood products. I can only estimate that over the past twenty one years his blood products would have cost over Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000). The San Francisco Police Department blood bank has taken care of 90% of his blood replacement over this period of time.

Although my ex-wife and I have donated over 5 gallons of blood each, I was notified years ago that I could no longer donate due to a strain of hepatitis that was detected during testing. I as well as my ex-

wife have helped to organize blood banks with other organizations. The United Irish Cultural Center, Fox & Carskadon Financial as well as others for example. These other organizations as well as friends and relatives have helped lift the burden of replacement.

I would like at this time to acknowledge a few individual officers who come to mind and who for the good of their fellow officers, went far beyond the call of duty in donating blood. Joe McGinn, Frank Watson, Nick Glousin, Tom Vigo, Al Perry, Bill Gay, and especially Carl Vogelsang who by himself should be in the Guinness Book of World Records. I know there are many, many others and I apologize for not giving them the recognition they so greatly deserve.

In the October issue of the POA newspaper, The Notebook, two articles caught my eye. One article was written by Bill Welch which dealt with the problem of getting the younger police officers to donate blood. The other article dealt with the amount of random shootings just in the Potrero district alone.

The blood bank of the San Francisco Police Department serves every sworn member of the Department, both civilian and uniformed. It also serves any retired member, and any family member of the Department. On December 10, 1991 The San Francisco Police Department will again have its blood drive. Let's make it the most successful one in the Department's history.

In closing I would like to relate that another member of the Department has a son who has Hemophilia I know that this member like myself, and my family would say, "I don't know most of you but I love you".



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Arts and crafts persons for the second annual San Francisco Police Officer Association Christmas Boutique to be held on December 5th and 6th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Boutique will be held at the POA building, 510 7th street (across from the Hall of Justice.) This will be a well-publicized event. Space is limited. Reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Electricity can be provided and we will try to accommodate special needs as long as space remains available. To reserve your space you may contact Bob Fitzer at 553-1728 or Grace Pritting at 680-4505.

## How Chemical Dependency Affects Families

by Susan D. Badger, MFCC

Last month I began to chronicle some of the effects of alcoholism on the individual. "Denial" frequently interferes with the ability to take responsibility for one's actions. It becomes increasingly more difficult to make sense of thoughts, feelings, and actions. When the addict/alcoholic is not blaming others, it is sometimes easier for him to recognize the damage that is being done to family members and loved ones.

As mentioned previously, the media has paid particular attention to issues surrounding chemical dependency. Check out the recent PEOPLE magazine coverage of Liz and Larry's wedding, as an example. This coverage has often turned real suffering into a 'pop' issue, but I think it has also done a real service. Especially for children who may be tangled in a web of silence and fear.

It seems like every time we turn on Oprah or Phil or Geraldo, someone is talking about their rotten childhood. Makes you want to tell them to shut up and get on with their lives, doesn't it? Not me. I'll grant you that there are some pretty awful people on daytime television, and they make the sincere folks look bad. I think that it takes a lot of guts to talk about being the victim of physical or sexual abuse. It takes courage to talk about how parental alcoholism destroyed your childhood.

People who break silence make it easier for children to talk to teachers and counselors if they are being abused in their homes. I can't count the number of children who have disclosed abuse to me and gotten into treatment with their families. No matter how much you hate Suzanne Somers (well, maybe I just hate her...) she does a service by telling the truth about her family background.

And then there are the people who think that children make up stories about parental drug abuse, or physical violence, just to get attention. This is the legacy handed to us by Sigmund Freud who discovered early on in his work that his hysterical patients were nearly all victims of incest. When he presented this finding to his fellow doctors they became outraged and refused to listen to him so he went back to the drawing board. "Whoops!" Freud said, "I made a mistake! They didn't REALLY get molested, they just WISHED they had!" That's how that wrong theory got started. For more on this, a review of Alice Miller's work is in order.

I bring this point up because it is one of the fundamental reasons why children have not been believed. Why bother to tell anyone about the drinking and drug use in your family since no one will do anything about it anyway? The primary reason why children never speak out is because alcoholic families mistake secrecy for privacy. They instill in their members the belief that to talk about what is happening is to be disloyal.

Children in alcoholic families really suffer. Alcoholism has a way of reorganizing family life in a very unhealthy way. In functional families, the needs of the children are prioritized. Our job as parents is to provide a safe, consistent, predictable and loving nest for our children. In alco-

holic families, life is arbitrary and chaotic, not safe and secure. Children disavow their normal needs in order to avoid being hurt. We're supposed to accommodate our children, they are not supposed to accommodate us. These kids begin to assume rigid roles in order to make this lopsided family system less frightening. These "alcoholic family roles" have been well documented in both popular and professional literature. Because they have gotten so much press, I will not go into them, but refer you instead to the following authors: Claudia Black, "It Will Never Happen to Me" and Sharon Wegscheider, "Another Chance: Hope and Health for the Alcoholic Family."

Let's consider several examples of how the alcoholic's needs can take precedence over the normal needs of children. When a child in a normally healthy family cries at night, the parent responds promptly. Perhaps the child is wet, hungry, scared, or just needs a cuddle. In an alcoholic family, one or both parents may be too impaired to respond, or they may become angry at the child for disturbing their sleep.

Children need discipline and structure. They need to understand limits and do their part in the family in order to learn to get along in life. In reasonably healthy families, children have chores and responsibilities for which they are accountable and for which they may be paid an allowance. In an alcoholic family, discipline might be rigid or nonexistent. Dad might come home after the bars close and wake all the kids up to clean their rooms. Allowances may be withheld for weeks or months, but twenty dollar bills might be tossed out when the parent is feeling boozy and grandiose. This isn't the kind of discipline which builds healthy humans. Neither is the physical violence or sexual abuse which can be a part of these families.

There are a million stories like these, as you well know if you are from a chemically dependent family. Alcoholism is passed through the generations. Genetic research has proven this to be true. Are some of the things that scared you most about your parents worrying your own children about you?

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## My View From The Bottom Of The Barrel

by Jerry Donovan

Is it just me or is the Department highly fragmented? When I joined in 1969, it was us against the bad guys; the thin blue line versus crooks, dopers, and radicals. Things have changed. I can see petty in-fighting, attempts at castle building and a growing lack of esprit de corps. I think writing a series of articles that address what is happening from my position in the department structure (the bottom) might be therapeutic for me and amusing or annoying for you readers, depending on your position on the topic of the month. I'll start easy this month and make some observations about crowd control.

Why was it that 32 guys in the old Tac Unit could handle crowds ten times their size, quickly and effectively? Why is it now 100 officers cannot handle a crowd of 100 demonstrators? The answer is not that we used to beat the demonstrators into submission. The answer is not that we were better then than now. The answer is in the original name of the unit, **Tactical Unit!** We used tactics, we out-thought the dummies leading the protests, we predicted, anticipated and planned for almost every possible turn of events.

Today I see us trying to react to movements of the crowd, failing to give direction to the crowd, and failing to command compliance to preserve order.

On October 28th, Governor Wilson was

at a function at the Police Hotel at Market and New Montgomery. Barricades were set up to give demonstrators a place to voice their First Amendment rights but they weren't directed to the area until they blocked Market Street. They were ordered out of the street but were not directed immediately to the demonstration area. After several more delaying tactics by the demonstrators, they were instructed to go to the barricaded area, but those in charge failed to close off the end of the barricades and the demonstrators walked right out the other end onto the streets in front of the Hotel. So instead of us having control of the situation, the demonstrators continued walking around the block, fouling traffic and congesting the area completely.

Later some half-wit got the idea to slowly cross the street with the traffic lights, then crawl on hands and knees to exasperate motorists and congest the area. Why not put a couple of officers at these crosswalks, order compliance by these "pedestrians", then immediately arrest the offenders — end of problem. But by the time the officer told the sergeant, who told the lieutenant, who told the captain, who told the event commander, who told the commander, well — you get the idea. So, come on, bosses! Let's do a little planning ahead, tactically get some advice from someone with a background for crowd tactics. The police are supposed to be the authority, so let's act like it.

## ALIOTO

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who, from time to time, attempted to intervene with him on our behalf. But Angela responded differently. As she saw it, our fight was her fight.

She was aware of Agnos' reputation as a vindictive politician, as that had long been notorious. When first elected to the State Assembly over Harvey Milk, with very solid support from all of the City's political insiders, Art Agnos was not satisfied just to

beat Milk. The next time Harvey Milk ran for office, as a candidate for the Board of Supervisors, Agnos made a point of vigorously opposing him, even though Milk had already become the acknowledged leader of the gay community and Agnos wasn't in the race.

We owe Angela Alioto. When Art Agnos attempts to do her dirt, and he will, we must provide whatever support we can muster. It is important to show that we will strongly support public figures who dare to challenge those local politicians who go sour, even when they are Democratic incumbents.

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## NEGOTIATIONS- ARBITRATION UPDATE

The following brief status report of negotiations currently underway between the POA and the City.

**A. MEDIATION-ARBITRATION.** The POA declared impasse in its negotiations with the City on June 17, 1991. As a result, negotiations over police officer wages, hours and working conditions are at the mediation-arbitration step contained within Proposition D. The Arbitrator, John Kagel, has scheduled an initial meeting with the parties, and arbitration proceedings are expected to begin in early November.

The parties were far apart in negotiations over the four-year contract proposed by the POA when impasse was declared. The Mayor's last offers on the most significant economic issues were as follows:

**Wages:**

For Fiscal Year:

91-92: no increase (other City employee salaries were frozen the year, as well)

92-93; 93-94; 94-95: 70% of the Consumer Price Index, with a 2% minimum each year and a 6% maximum

Night Shift Differential: Mayor Agnos proposes to eliminate this premium entirely.

**Medical Coverage** (most police agencies in California provide dependent coverage.) The Mayor proposed no changes for the first two years of our contract; in addition, Agnos would make no commitment after two years, but only agreed to discuss possible improvements beginning 93-94.

**Dental Coverage** (most police agencies provide): The Mayor's proposal was that if other City employees get dental coverage, it will then be offered to us.

**Retirement Pick-Up** (most police agencies pay 7-9% of the employees' contribution to their retirement system. Mayor Agnos proposes there will be no City contribution for police officers. The above wage offer was considered by the Mayor to be enough to cover this as well

**Educational Incentive** (most juris-

dictions pay 5% for an Intermediate POST Certificate - 7-1/2% for an Advanced POST Certificate):

	Intermediate	Advanced
Year 2	\$30/month	\$50/month
Year 3	\$50/month	\$70/month
Year 4	\$70/month	\$90/month

These will apply only if the officer participates in the career development program.

**B. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES.**

Although disciplinary procedures are also negotiable under State Law, they are not subject to the arbitration provisions of Proposition D. Thus, we have asked to negotiate separately with City Representatives over improvements we hope to obtain in the existing disciplinary procedures. The City has agreed to begin negotiations with us over these matters this month. In addition, the Mayor's Discipline Task Force is recommending certain changes in our disciplinary procedures. The Police Commission has agreed not to implement any of these proposals without first negotiating with the POA.

As you know, we are already far behind what other police agencies throughout the State provide their police officers in terms of total compensation. If it were up to Mayor Agnos, we would fall even further behind. Fortunately, the voters, by enacting Proposition D, have provided the City with a fair and expeditious method of setting our wages and benefits. The POA Negotiating Team is committed to putting in as much time and effort as deemed throughout the mediation-arbitration process in order that all issues are resolved as soon as possible.

In the meantime, particularly since the Mayor is continuing to trash the City's police officers on a daily basis in a desperate effort to stay in office, remember **that we are working for the people of San Francisco who have repeatedly supported us, not Art Agnos.** The voters will hold him accountable.

Al Trigueiro, President  
Dennis Tomason, Chairperson  
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## In Tribute

Officer Donald R. "J.D." Hicks #1767  
May 19, 1947 - October 26, 1991  
Member SFPD December, 1980 - June 1991



Left to right: Officer J.D. Hicks #1767, Captain John Gleeson, Officer Mathew Krimsky #1424 at the Medal of Valor Ceremonies, May, 1987. This was Hick's third bronze medal.

by Sergeant Matt Krimsky # 1424, Co. I

There is a fine line between courage and foolhardiness. Donald "J.D." Hicks knew where that line was drawn.

J.D. and I were partners from January of 1984 through June of 1987. We were friends before that, and friends after that, but there was that special bond of partnership during that 3+ years we worked as the Potrero 61.

J.D. earned the moniker "The most decorated GAY Officer in the SFPD" during his career. He received four bronze medals; one which should have been a silver, and one which he shouldn't have gotten at all, but that's all hindsight.

We were from similar educational and work backgrounds, even through an "ESQUIRE" Magazine article in 1985 told the readers of America that I was "Hicks' antithesis".

J.D. left the SFPD, officially, in June of this year, after a long bout with HIV/Hepatitis complications.

His death on October 26, 1991 came as a severe shock to me, not the least of which was a phantom phone call from Of-

ficer Lea Militello at 2348 hours on October 25, 1991, wherein I was simply told: "J.D. is in the hospital, and may die." I found out from his room mate that J.D. died at 0030 hours on the 26th. The fact that I could not be with him at death's door was a profound sorrow.

Despite our own personal prejudices and beliefs (and we all have them, no matter what we say outwardly) I am continuously reminded of Sergeant Billye Morrow, my TAC Sgt. at the Academy, who simply said: "I don't care who you go to bed with at night, I don't care what church you go to on Sunday, I don't care what color your skin is. Here you are all equally worthless and must prove you are worthy of this job. If you don't cut it, you go out the gate.

Such has been my ethos since that January 1982 morning on Silver Avenue. J.D. proved to everyone who knew him that HE COULD CUT IT. We were responsible for each other's lives for many years, in the most violent District in the City, and we were found not wanting.

J.D.'s fame was made apparent in a 1985 article in "ESQUIRE" Magazine, that ultimately lead us on a 4-City talk show tour along the eastern seaboard. The memories of that trip are still etched vividly in my mind, as is my fond friendship with J.D.

I suppose the best tribute I can pay to my fallen partner is that he was someone I depended on, and who paid dividends on the street. I know he's probably pretty angry he died of a medical condition, instead of a gun fight, a fire, or some other violent police death, as he wanted, but to die is to die. The quality of his LIFE is what mattered, and all of us who knew him, worked with him, and socialized with him will miss him, very, very much.



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# Response To Critical Incidents

by Mark Lundin, Specialist Team

This isn't an article about how to handle a hostage situation or a barricaded gunman. What I'm going to discuss here are "critical incidents" which hold unseen dangers for police officers. These hidden dangers arise from the powerful effects triggered by officers' involvement in a traumatic event, and they'll be felt not only by the involved officers but by their families as well. If not treated properly, these effects can last for years and do irreparable harm. Sometimes called "post-shooting trauma" (since gunfights are one of the most common situations in which these devastating effects are felt), a critical incident can occur under a variety of circumstances, and the severity of the reaction will differ from officer to officer.

This information may be familiar to you if you've ever attended any of those 3-day "Street Survival" Seminars put on by Calibre Press. For many of you, though, this topic will be new, since our Department has never educated us on this phenomenon (unless we've been in a critical incident). One of the benefits of learning about critical incidents and their effects prior to experiencing one is that this knowledge may help to minimize the severity of the reactions (the "inoculation effect"). Knowing how a critical incident may affect you won't shield you from those effects, but at least you'll know what kind of reactions to expect, and you'll realize that you aren't the only one who's ever had those feelings. I'm going to give you an overview of critical incidents, their effects, and I'll offer some suggestions for further education on this topic.

A critical incident is defined as "any situation that forces you to face your vulnerability or mortality, or that potentially overwhelms your ability to cope." Certainly a shootout can be a critical incident under this definition, but so too can a situation where you pull a jumper back from the edge of a roof, and in the process almost go over the side yourself. If you're in a 518 or 519, or you've been badly beaten in a street fight — those can be critical incidents as well. If you go on a call which involves a battered 4 yr. old, as a parent with children of your own, you may find that that situation may severely test your ability to cope.

Critical incidents are oftentimes sudden and unexpected. They jeopardize our sense of control. (As cops we are always supposed to take control, and be in control). They disrupt our beliefs, values, and basic assumptions about how the world works. They may include an element of physical and/or emotional loss. (If you're hurt, you'll feel a physical loss. If your partner's the one who got hurt, you may feel an emotional loss ("I should have been able to protect my partner. . ."))

In our police culture, with the influence of old-time cops, television shows and movies about cops, myths have arisen about who we are and how we should behave. Trying to live up to these myths makes us more vulnerable to the effects of a critical incident:

Myth #1, WE ARE HEROES. We've got to do something dramatic to resolve a situation. Not only movies or prime time TV, but "live action" shows like "Top Cops", "American Detective", or "Cops"

frequently emphasize scenes where officers are doing something sensational to control a situation.

Myth #2, WE ARE SUPERMEN AND SUPERWOMEN. We can't be taken or hurt. (If you really believe this myth, and fail to acknowledge that this can happen, the impact of this event is much greater when it does occur).

Myth #3, NOTHING AFFECTS US. Death, violence, child abuse — we can't show that these things disturb us.

As I mentioned earlier, different officers may have different reactions to the same event. How you react depends on your training, your level of education, the length of your career, and your coping mechanisms. But it's also important to realize that each officer's "reaction" is actually a series of reactions, and that in some cases it may take years for these reactions to be reconciled.

The following schematic from a Street Survival seminar lecture will serve to chart the course of a critical incident, from just prior to its occurrence, through its aftermath, to the officer's eventual acceptance of the event and his role in it. Please bear in mind that while the term "critical incident" can encompass a number of different situations, the intense reactions I will be discussing are more often felt following a violent encounter, such as a gunfight.

Prior to Point A it's life as usual: Go to work, handle your runs, write some parkers and movers, etc.

Point A, "WELCOME TO HELL" represents the critical incident. It's sudden and unexpected. It's often accompanied by incredible psycho-physiological reactions that distort your perceptions of the event. Things may appear to go into slow motion, because your brain is processing information at a rate many times faster than normal. You may experience "tunnel vision" where you're focusing on the threat so intently that you don't consciously perceive others standing right next to the bad guy. You may be subject to **auditory exclusion**, a kind of "tunnel hearing." You'll be totally unaware of your partner's gun going off as you both open fire on a deadly threat. The tremendous sound as your radio car collides with another vehicle may be perceived as a distant "crunch." These are normal reactions to abnormal situations, as your mind struggles to deal with the impact of a life-threatening experience.

In the immediate aftermath of the event, Point B, "WHAT THE HELL!?" you'll feel both physical and psychological reactions to the event. Your mental state may be one of shock and disbelief as you attempt to readjust to what has just occurred. You'll begin to go through adrenaline

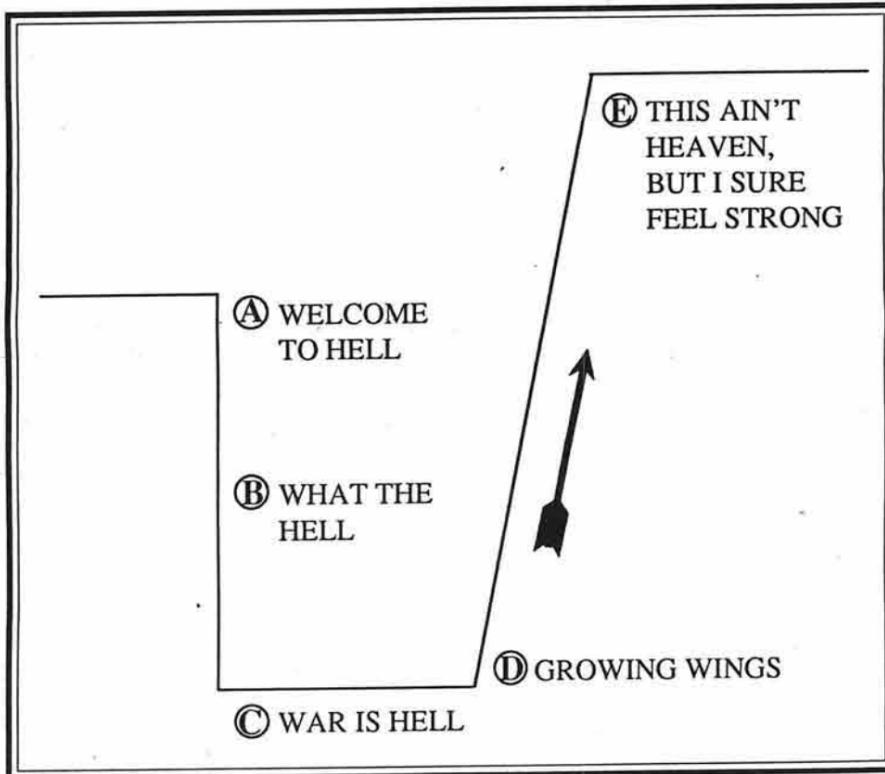
withdrawal. You may be tense, inattentive, preoccupied or irritable. You may feel dazed by what has just happened. It may be difficult to remember exactly what happened, or you may refuse to accept the fact that something really did happen ("I couldn't have shot him — the gun must have gone off accidentally!"). These symptoms are all part of your mind's defensive mechanism for coping with this traumatic situation.

Sometime thereafter you'll arrive at Point C, "WAR IS HELL", where you'll start to feel the full impact of the event. For a period of a few days, you may be in a state of constant anxiety. Your blood pressure will be elevated; and stomach aches, muscle aches, changes in eating and sleeping habits, and a reduced interest in sex may be common.

Psychologically, there may be a great deal of upset as well. You may be agonizing over how to tell your family that you've been in a critical incident. If you've survived a shootout, but you were unable to hit the bad guy, you may be beating yourself up for missing, or for not practicing more when you had the chance. Understandable worries about a Departmental investigation, or how the incident will be portrayed in the media will preoccupy your thoughts. You may feel a heightened sense of danger, either about something specific or you may be aware of a generalized sense of foreboding. You may feel like you have lost control of your life.

Nightmares and flashbacks (vivid recollections or intrusive thoughts about the incident) may be frequent as your mind tries to desensitize you to the unpleasant aspects of the event. Even if your situation

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# The Big Lie About The Riot

by Warren Hinckle

From the point of view of the cops trapped inside, this is what came down at the old state building in San Francisco on the night of Sept. 30:

A group of demonstrators, numbering between 400 and 500, broke away from the larger crowd of gay rights protesters marching to Civic Center from the Castro in anger over Gov. Pete Wilson's veto of AB 101, which would have banned job discrimination against same-sexers. The splinter group gathered in front of the state office building where Gov. Wilson had a rarely used cubbyhole.

The building was guarded by six state police officers. The San Francisco Police Department sent five cops in riot gear from the Richmond Station to back them up. The 11 men put up police barricades in front of the main entrance and spread out to face the protesters as well as their thin ranks would allow.

On the cusp of 9 p.m., the crowd turned into a mob. Front-line demonstrators started to smash the first floor windows with newspaper racks and rocks. The crowd surged through the barricades on the left side and began using fallen steel barricades to smash in windows. Rocks and bottles began to hail down.

The outnumbered cops retreated inside the building lobby. As protesters began breaking down the building's leaded-glass front doors, San Francisco police Sgt. Martin Rohrs requested emergency backup over his radio — "We're 1025, Code 3" — a police emergency call for backup under extremely urgent conditions. Rohrs radioed that demonstrators were smashing down

the doors and throwing flaming objects into the lobby and the small number of officers could not hold them back.

"Hey, we need help here," he said.

The assault on the state building continued uninterrupted for almost ten minutes, but no backup arrived. The besieged cops expected a squad or two of police in riot gear who would push the demonstrators back from the building. Instead they witnessed with some astonishment the arrival of police Capt. Timothy Hettrich in full braid and brass, accompanied by Lea Militello, who is the liaison officer with the lesbian and gay community, and two other uniformed cops — none of them in riot gear. While Hettrich was speaking to some of the demonstrators, someone in the crowd snatched his dress hat off his head and ran away. One of the cops with Hettrich ran in pursuit, and the captain and the other cops soon followed.

That was the last the cops saw of them.

The SFPD and state police officers guarding the besieged building were dumbfounded. The captain had not even approached them to see how they were, or to tell them if assistance was on the way. The state building doors had by now been completely battered down and the adjoining windows were smashed out with only the frames remaining. The building was open to the mob, which apparently took the departure of the police brass to signify that no more cops were coming. The protesters resumed the storming of the state building, and the firestorm magnified. Demonstrators used the abandoned police barricades as ladders to climb to the

second floor, where they smashed in windows and set fires in offices. Torches and burning newspapers were tossed into the lobby and a bedlam of objects came through the open spaces in the wall — giant shards of broken glass that shattered around the cops, flying newsracks, poles like javelins that had been used to hoist banners, rocks, bottles and the myriad debris of riot.

Repeated calls went out on the SFPD frequency for emergency backup, but still no one came. The state cops despaired of aid coming and put out their own emergency calls for the California Highway Patrol to respond. Half of the cops there were by now taking incoming hits. Six of the 11 went to the hospital, a state police captain with a broken arm. The cops began to discuss whether they should toss the bullets from their guns in case the mob overran and disarmed them. All the officers felt they could not abandon the building because civilians were still working in offices upstairs.

The storming of the state building went on for almost a half an hour before riot gear-clad San Francisco cops began to arrive and the demonstrators ran away. Property damage was totalled at a quarter million dollars.

The state police sent the five San Francisco cops who went through the ordeal recommendations for valor. The San Francisco Police Department said that they weren't really in any danger.

This is the view of the ugly events at the state building from the vantage point of the police officers inside.

It is contrary to the official view put out by the San Francisco Police Department and the office of Mayor Art Agnos.

Their story is that if they had sent in reinforcements to make arrests, it would have provoked an even bigger riot, which could have endangered both civilians in the crowd and the cops in the building, so it was better to let the riot go on and accept a little property damage for the greater good.

A fair reconstruction of what happened that night makes the official story a lie.

There is hardly a cop on the force except for the brass who form a mutual admiration society with the mayor — both Capt. Hettrich and his wife, for instance, contributed the maximum \$500 limit to the mayor's re-election campaign — who believes the line put out by the Mayor's Office, that denying backup to officers in distress was for their own safety.

The prevailing cop belief is that the mess at the state building was a perilous example of what can happen as Art Agnos continues to politicize the police force — a dismal process that began when Agnos launched a wage war on the cops because the Police Officers Association (POA) wouldn't restore political hegemony to Paul

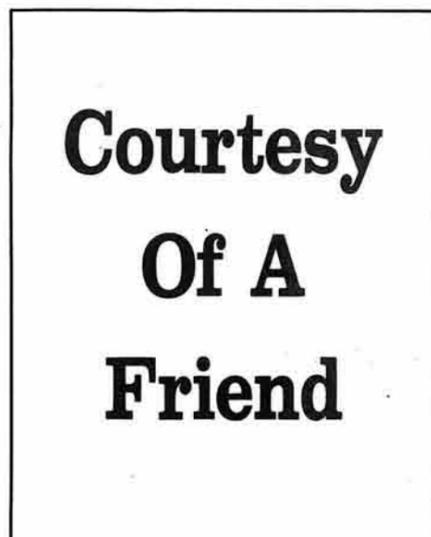
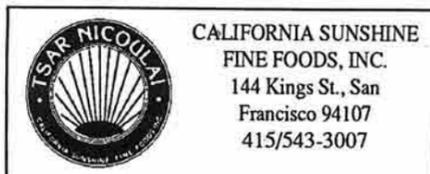
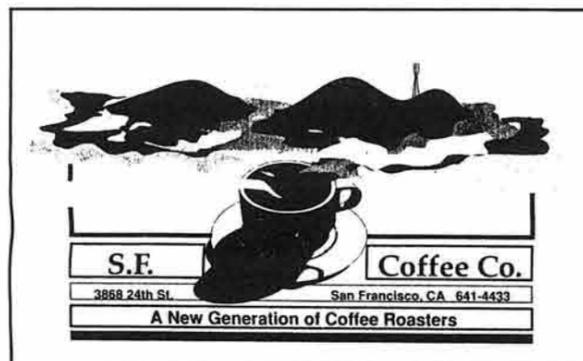
Chignell, an Agnos water boy who engineered the 1987 POA endorsement of Agnos that helped him win the mayoralty. Chignell's reward was to continue to draw his police salary and benefits while working at a perky job in the Mayor's Office that has nothing to do with police work. The POA, for declining Chignell in lifetime power as its Cardinal Richlieu, got to eat dust. San Francisco cops rank below cops in 100 other California cities in pay and benefits, and Agnos hasn't given them money for carfare, let alone a raise, in three years.

Agnos' attitude towards riot control, like police pay, seems to shift with the political winds. When the gay activists were agitating against his ball park in October of 1989, unusual orders were insinuated in the police chain of command that no civil disobedience be allowed in the Castro and that the streets be swept of demonstrators. The resulting infamy Agnos has since tried to blame on his opponent, former Chief Frank Jordan (who knew nothing about the sweep order), and popular Mission Station Lieutenant Al Casciato, who has been banished from the Mission to the Siberia of the Hit-and-Run Detail for his heavy POA work. (A phony story Agnos' political staff attempted to plant in the gay Sentinel last month tried to blame Casciato for the sweep.)

When Agnos was playing the liberal card, he praised anti-Gulf war demonstrators for shutting down the Bay Bridge at rush hour. When Agnos feared another major police-gay clash at the state building would finish him off with the gays, his politically sensitive brass decided effective crowd control meant allowing trapped cops to get injured rather than sending in the troops to stop the trashing. Then Agnos took heat from the business community for that decision, so two nights later the department showed up in force and arrested 18 people when Gov. Wilson spoke at the Fairmont Hotel.

Chief Willis Casey's explanation that he didn't want to make arrests at the state building because that would spark a riot begs the questions: If he didn't want to arrest people, why didn't he at least send cops in a show of force to put themselves between the demonstrators and the objects of their trashing? Casey also said that the 11 officers weren't "trapped" in the building. Did he mean they should have run? They took 50 percent casualties and stayed there without backup from a sense of duty about protecting the public property. The worst thing a cop can do is not to provide backup to officers in distress, but Casey did this. His priorities are clearly elsewhere, with Art Agnos.

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**Our thanks to Warren Hinckle for telling it like it is.**



## POST

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gade from Cuba, it suggested that the United States make a reciprocal move by leaving Guantanamo Bay. I am delighted to inform you that Pentagon sources have said that the United States has no intention of withdrawing from its naval base at Guantanamo Bay even after the Soviet Union removes its forces from Cuba.

Senator Bob Smith (R-NH), and 12 other Senators, on 20 September urged Secretary of State Jim Baker not to proceed with negotiations to normalize diplomatic relations and economic relations with Vietnam until the American people are satisfied that certain conditions are being met with regard to the POW/MIA issue. In a letter to Baker, Smith, who is Vice Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on POW/MIA Affairs, cautioned that if the United States proceeds with normalization before meeting these conditions, we would lose critical leverage on POW/MIA matters. According to the Senator's letter, the conditions are: (1) Granting access to the United States upon request to certain prison and re-education facilities which might pertain to the fate of American POWs; (2) Agreeing to a time

table for the excavation of all remaining crash sites which may pertain to American MIAs; (3) Providing the United States with full and complete access to historical records which may pertain to American POWs and MIAs; and (4) Agreeing to grant full and complete access to U.S. Joint Casualty Resolution Center Teams in Hanoi, Vietnam, for the investigation of all American POW discrepancy cases.

Remember to attend the next Post 456 meeting. The meetings are on the second Tuesday of every month. We really need some new blood at the meetings. Meetings start at 2000 hours, and at the conclusion of business refreshments are served. It's an outstanding time! Meetings are in the POA Building at 510 Seventh Street.

Tomorrow I am going to the memorial services of a good man and a good friend, Don Hicks. We fought crime together out in the Potrero. Don was a unique individual. Liane and I both loved him and will miss him. Don, you took great delight in telling me at every opportunity that I wasn't your type. Well, buddy, you're my type. We will struggle along without you, but we will never forget you.

*"To die completely, a person must not only forget but be forgotten, and he who is not forgotten is not dead."*

Samuel Butler

## SEMINAR

### CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT

San Francisco Fire Department, Berkeley Mental Health, and Berkeley Fire Department are hosting a conference, "Critical Incident Stress Management: Basic Program and Current Issues". The training will be by Jeffery Mitchell, Ph.D. and focuses on development of critical incident stress management programs and interventions oriented toward preserving the health and careers of all emergency service workers. The issue of critical incident stress management is especially important to law enforcement professionals who are exposed to stressful and sometimes distressing events in their work.

WHEN: January 8-9-10

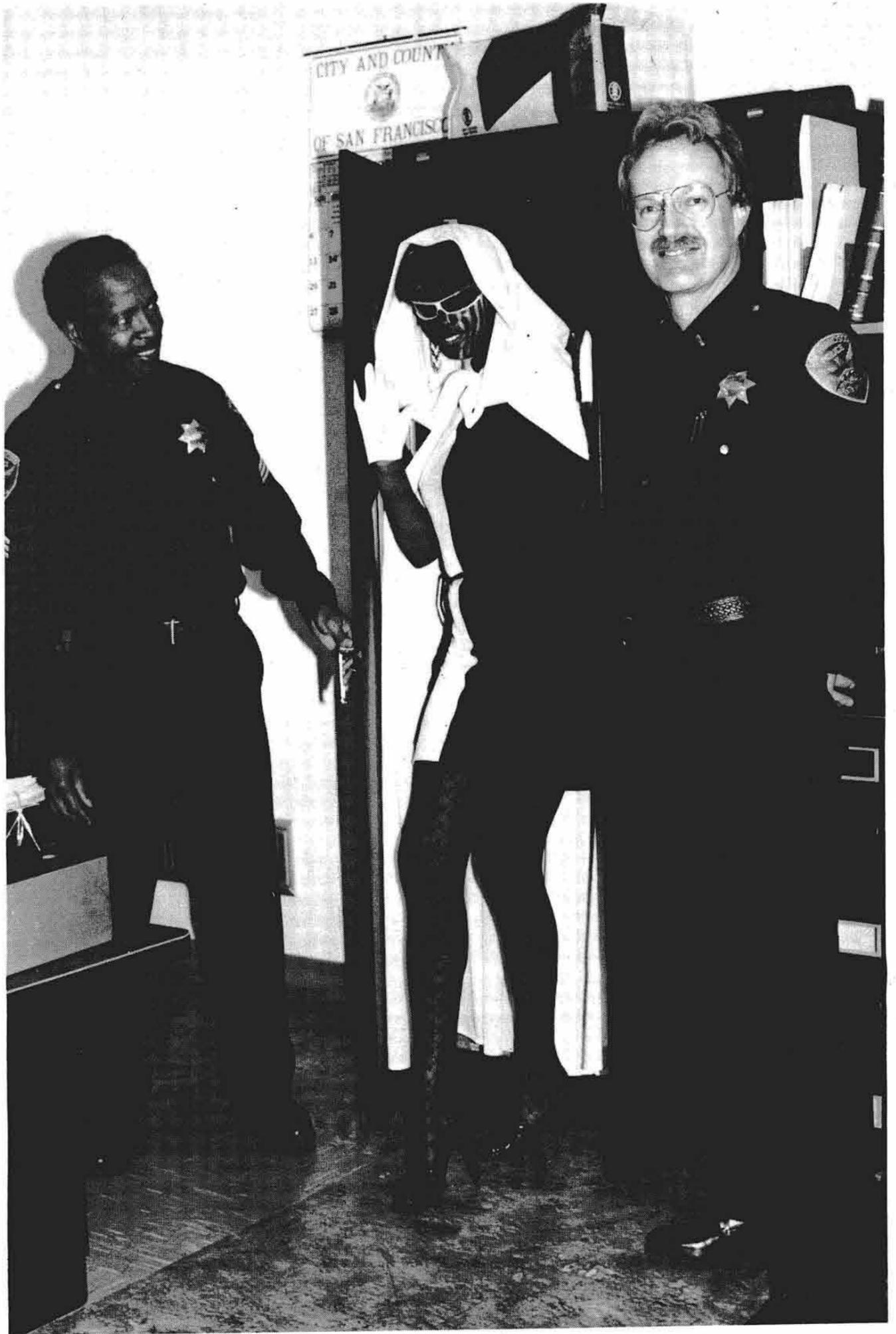
WHERE: Holiday Inn - Fishermans' Wharf

INFO: Gary Larson, Berkeley PD 644-6698

# WHAT? NO PHOTO CAPTION CONTEST?!

That's right, folks. My secret source of hysterical... uh, historical photos has been tapped dry. I'd love to keep this thing going, but I'm going to have to rely on you readers (and especially those of you who only look at the pictures). If you have a likely photo send it to:

*Notebook Editor*  
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SF, CA 94103



## Caption, Caption... Who's Got A Caption?

*OK! All you wits and half-wits out there, we're looking for a caption for this dramatic action photo from out of SFPD's past. Next month we'll reprint the photo with the winning caption and credit the brilliant respondent responsible. Whaddaya mean you want a prize, too?*

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# NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING

by Mike Hebel,

## WHAT IS NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING

*Neighborhood [community] Policing is a new philosophy of policing based on the concept that police officers and private citizens working together in creative ways can help solve contemporary community problems related to crime, fear of crime, social and physical disorder, and neighborhood decay.*

The principles of Neighborhood Policing are:

- organizational strategy that allows police and residents working together to solve neighborhood problems
- focus on crime, fear of crime, disorder, and neighborhood quality of life
- neighborhood police officers freed from the isolation of patrol cars
- beat officers respond to calls for service, make arrests and develop long term crime/fear reduction tactics
- slower response time for non-emergency calls in exchange for long term solutions for pressing community concerns
- rapid response to immediate crises, personal safety emergencies, and serious crime incidents
- decentralized, personalized police service to the neighborhoods
- results oriented rather than incident driven
- emphasis on problem solving and crime prevention strategies
- officers "own" their foot beats while serving as the citizen's link to other public and private agencies that can help with local concerns

*The goal of neighborhood policing is to involve the foot patrol officers so deeply in the life of the community that the officers feel responsible for what happens in their beat areas, and the people who live there learn to trust them and work with them.*

## THE EVOLUTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING

*Neighborhood [community] Policing did not simply emerge as an independent alternative to traditional policing strategies. Instead, it is based on a solid foundation of police service delivery research that has been conducted over the past two decades. The findings of this research created a path that eventually led to the neighborhood policing concept.*

- Police should establish a better dialogue with the community and should attempt to be more responsive to community needs [1967, President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice]
- Law enforcement must deliver comprehensive services and re-examine the traditional police organizational structure and process [1968, National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders]
- Preventive patrol is not only uncommitted time, but it is non-productive time; isolating officers in the patrol cars and enslaving them to the radio make police less aware of and less responsive to community needs [1972, Kansas City Preventative Patrol Study]
- A large proportion of serious crimes [Part I] are not susceptible to the impact of rapid police response; for that proportion of crimes that can be influenced by response time, the time taken by citizens to report the incident largely predetermines the effect of police response time [1977, Kansas City Response Time Study]
- Sophisticated technology and deployment strategies to reduce response time are well intentional but misguided; fast response time neither addresses serious crime effectively nor enhances citizen satisfaction [1985, Police Executive Research Forum's Studies in San Diego, Peoria and Rochester]
- Police departments can achieve sizeable reductions in the number of non-emergency calls for service handled by immediate mobile dispatch, without sacrificing citizen satisfaction [1981, National Institute of Justice's Differential Police Response Study]
- No universal deployment tactic can be effectively applied to all law enforcement agencies; traditional deployment strategies intervene in incidents without solving broader problems [1977, National Institute of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice field research projects]
- Only 10% of a patrol officers' on duty time is spent on crime related activities [1988, Bureau of Justice Statistics]
- While the public wants the police to respond to crimes, they have equally strong demands for order maintenance and quality of life service tasks [1980, National Center for Community Policing research]

**Neighborhood Policing is not the answer to all problems police face. Rather it responds to many of the concerns and questions posed by recent research on policing strategies.**

Neighborhood Policing is not the exclusive provenance of the United States. Australia, Canada, Germany, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Great Britain, Japan, and Singapore all have neighborhood policing models.

**A quiet revolution is reshaping**  
 More than 300 cities and towns nationwide, Newark, New York and San Francisco are embracing neighborhood [community] policing. The message is "police as enforcer and community organizer." In city after city, the power of the imagination of progressive police officers are briskly sweeping through the streets.  
 The themes of problem solving, community policing, and foot patrol are briskly sweeping through the streets.  
 Foot patrol can reduce citizen fear of crime, improve police officer morale, and increase police officer effectiveness.  
 Neighborhood policing is not soft on crime. It is tough, smart, and smarter. Neighborhood policing is based on the realization that crime comes from people. The better your relationships with the community, the better the police.  
 The "you call - we run" approach to policing has replaced the "we call - you run" approach. This reactive, incident-driven approach to neighborhood policing with its emphasis on radio calls is achieving last results.  
 The quiet revolution is beginning to take shape. Police officers are joining together to defend their communities. This is the future of policing.



## THE EFFECTIVE NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING

- ♣ Communicates well with merchants
- ♣ Competent in problem solving and crime prevention
- ♣ Keeps the beat clean
- ♣ Engages in aggressive police work
- ♣ Knows the people on the beat
- ♣ Uses creative and ingenious methods
- ♣ Employs detective skills
- ♣ Entrusts others with beat developed
- ♣ Engages in sensible patrol [officer satisfaction]
- ♣ Maintains productive working relationships

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE LOSS OF POLICE

"A model of community policing has gained increased acceptance in other parts of the country. The LAPD has been successful in making crime control and prevention the primary role of police in society and in providing services that are important to the community, rather than arrest statistics. Officers at the patrol level are spending more time on the street communicating with citizens. Proponents of this style of policing believe that at the same time enhances the quality of life in the neighborhood.  
 The LAPD made early efforts to incorporate community policing principles and has combined the traditional style of law enforcement with an emphasis on crime control and arrests. LAPD's community policing concepts, if successfully implemented, offer the prospect of effective crime prevention. However, if not implemented, is not a panacea for the problem of crime in society, the LAPD should carefully im-

# THE SILENT REVOLUTION

Police Futurist

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## NEIGHBORHOOD BEAT OFFICER

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## LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, JULY 1991

...e country during the past 10 years. The community policing model places service  
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 ...ers are encouraged to command and to confront, not to communicate. Community  
 ...and substantially improved community relations. Although community-based policing  
 ...ment this model on a City-wide basis."

## THE MISSION STATION EXPERIMENT

Neighborhood policing began its debut in San Francisco in the Mission Police District. Using the acronym CPOP (Community Police Officer Program), a one year pilot program began on October 15, 1989 with 6 police officers walking 5 beats. Within several months, the program had grown to 10 officers and 9 foot beats. Community acceptance was instant and intense. CPOP had found fertile soil.

The objectives of this CPOP pilot program were simply stated:

- permanent assignment of police officers to neighborhood beats
- respond to community problems and needs
- develop neighborhood based crime prevention efforts
- increase neighborhood involvement in policing activities
- increase citizens' sense of personal safety
- decrease criminal activity

During the pilot program [October 89 - October 90] the 10 CPOP officers proved their worth to the station and to their district. They had accomplished much:

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ★ 6,753 calls for service handled  | ★ 1,603 residential/citizen contacts |
| ★ 1,068 incident reports completed | ★ 2,664 business contacts            |
| ★ 288 felony arrests               | ★ 387 community meetings attended    |
| ★ 1,076 misdemeanor arrests        | ★ 31 neighborhood watch clubs formed |
| ★ 379 moving citations             | ★ 49 security surveys completed      |
| ★ 3,854 parking citations          |                                      |

### ✓ Crime Reduction Projects

- reduction of alcohol sales to minors
- reduction of gang activities
- closing of unlicensed auto working yards
- closing of crack houses

### ✓ Community Order/Prevention Projects

- Mission Dolores anti-drug campaign
- Bernal Dwellings anti-drug campaign
- Valencia Gardens anti-drug campaign
- Arrest Hunger program
- Operation Clean Sweep
- Established citizen telephone tree
- Code Abatement Enforcement Team

The law enforcement/community service efforts and initiatives of these 10 officers did not go unnoticed at the Hall of Justice. Especially impressive was the overwhelming positive citizen support.

The time had come to move this pilot program into all 10 San Francisco police districts.

## SFPD EXPANDS NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING

On July 1, 1991, the SFPD expanded neighborhood policing [CPOP] into all 10 police districts. There are now 46 foot beats with 235 police officers and sergeants trained in the neighborhood policing strategy.

Neighborhood policing [CPOP] is an integral part of district station policing. It assists station personnel in preventing crime and maintaining order. It fulfills the Department's commitment to solve neighborhood problems and to provide a highly visible presence in all the city's neighborhoods.

In its first quarter [July - September] of city-wide operation, the CPOP program has accomplished much:

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|----------|-----------------------------|
| ★ 10,080 | calls for service handled   |
| ★ 1,678  | incident reports completed  |
| ★ 469    | felony arrests              |
| ★ 1,259  | misdemeanor arrests         |
| ★ 1,406  | moving citations            |
| ★ 6,398  | parking citations           |
| ★ 104    | security surveys completed  |
| ★ 374    | community meetings attended |
| ★ 81     | safety lectures             |
| ★ 74     | public safety projects      |
| ★ 122    | crime reduction projects    |

## SFPD'S NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING STRATEGY

### ✓ I. The Program: — Complement Station Policing Efforts

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ■ Structured and goal directed. | ■ Active neighborhood interaction. |
| ■ Law enforcement oriented.     | ■ Crime Prevention emphasis        |
| ■ Beat patrol.                  | ■ In uniform, on foot.             |

### ✓ II. The Goal: — Effect Permanent Change

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|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| ■ Reduction of street crime.                                  | ■ Information link.                      |
| ■ Reduction in citizens perception of and fear of crime.      | ■ Problem solving [with other agencies]. |
| ■ Proactively deal with crime and order maintenance problems. | ■ Reduction of calls for service.        |

## CRISIS

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was one of obvious self defense, you may find yourself second-guessing your actions. Feeling angry, and wanting to blame someone for what happened is common ("Why didn't the sector car come up for that 221 call?"). Anger and blaming are ways in which you seek to regain a sense of control. As police officers we need to control events, and we look for ways to understand what has happened in those terms. But ultimately you must understand that there are some events you just can't control.

One thing you can control is your response to the event. How you deal with it is more important than the actual incident. The old adage "Time heals all" is not sufficient. You've got to make effective use of your time to cope with any psychological trauma from the critical incident. In other words, **regain control**. Draw from these following resources to help you overcome the effects of the critical incident.

**PERSONAL RESOURCES** — One of the most important resources you have. Educate yourself on the effect of critical incidents **before** you encounter one. Research has shown that officers who have been "inoculated" can more easily admit that the event has had an effect on them and are more receptive to counseling. Make yourself aware of the following resources, in case you need to fall back on them during the aftermath of a critical incident:

**FAMILY RESOURCES** — This is one resource that is often overlooked. In the same way that you've inoculated yourself, give your spouse or your family an idea of what to expect if you're a survivor of a critical incident. Many of you spend a lot of time honing your shooting skills and your defensive tactics in order to survive but have you taken the time to decide how you'll tell your family you been involved in one? How do you tell your children that Mommy or Daddy had to shoot somebody today? You may think you're protecting your family from the unpleasant aspects of your career by withdrawing from them and not talking about the incident, but that's not the case. Like it or not, your family is going to feel the effects of your reaction to the incident. They'll be survivors of that incident as well. They'll have their own questions about why you're reacting the way you are, how long the reactions will last and what they can do to help. Take time to educate them now so that they can help.

**PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES** — Clergymen or psychologists. A minister can answer moral or religious questions you may have following the event, while a psychologist can help you deal with any psychological trauma you may have.

**PEER RESOURCES** — You can get a lot of support from other officers who have gone through what you're going through. They can tell you how they were able to cope with it, and they can empathize with the things you're feeling. You have to choose your peer resources with

care. Ignore veterans who gloss over any concerns you have or who are insensitive. "You should have plugged him a few more times. . ." Your peer resources should be ready to listen, not criticize.

**DEPARTMENTAL RESOURCES** — While our Department has not yet instituted a block of training on critical incidents for Q-2's, it does have resources to offer through the Employee Assistance Program: counseling, support groups, printed materials, etc. Take time to find out what EAP has to offer. In addition, our Department recognizes the need for a mandatory three-day administrative leave following a shooting and mobilizes investigators from the City Attorney's Office to minimize any legal fallout from the incident.

Assuming you have made good use of some of the resources listed above, you will leave Point C in the schematic and pass Point D, "GROWING WINGS." In this phase your readjustment to the incident starts. You may still experience intense emotions over the incident, but at least now you'll know where they are coming from. You'll begin to feel more optimistic about how things are going to work out, and you can begin to accept your role in the incident. You may look at your actions from one or more points of view:

**I know what I did was right.** You'll continue to handle similar calls in the same way.

**I know I screwed up.** You'll forgive yourself and look for lessons from the incident: "I've learned to call 10-25's sooner/I learned how easily I could die/I've learned to appreciate life more.

**I did the best I could.** You acknowledge that there are some events beyond your control, no matter what you might have done. You can sum up the "Growing Wings" phase in one word:

**Acceptance.** Acceptance allows you to get on with the rest of your life. You accept the fact that you survived a critical incident. You accept the consequences of the actions you took then, whether good or bad. You accept the reality that you will probably always feel some lingering reaction to what has happened to you, perhaps on the anniversary of the event, or maybe during a similar situation on the street. But you're buoyed by the realization that you're stronger now than you've ever been before. Your struggles to deal with your critical incident have strengthened your coping mechanisms. And that means you've reached the final point on our schematic, "THIS AIN'T HEAVEN, BUT I SURE FEEL STRONG." You'll notice that this last point on the schematic has left you on a higher level than you were prior to the critical incident. This change in levels reflects your increased personal strength.

As I pointed out earlier, each officer's reaction to the incident and its aftermath will be unique. If you've been through a critical incident you may have recognized many of the effects described here, while others of you may have decided that this article didn't reflect what you have gone through. So be it. The intended effect of this article is to provide information on one of our "occupational hazards" and to point you in the right direction if you want to do some further research. Toward that end let me suggest a book entitled *Staying On Top When Your World Turns Upside Down* by Kathryn Cramer, Ph.D. It goes into a much more detailed examination of this phenomenon than I could ever hope to do here. Our own Employee Assistance Unit is another convenient source of information at extension 1167.

There are a lot of different aspects to officer safety — firearms skill, defensive tactics, street smarts — and you should include a thorough knowledge of critical incident effects in your personal arsenal. Knowing how to survive a deadly encounter on the street is not enough, you've got to know how to survive the aftermath as well. So get smart and stay safe.

## Tommy

Submitted by Greg Corrales

*Rudyard Kipling wrote this poem about the Nineteenth Century British Soldier. The poem is just as applicable to present day American police officers. I am dedicating it to a good friend, a good man and a good cop. Like so many others, when he asked for help he was ignored. His resignation was a great loss to the SFPD. This is dedicated to Tommy Argo...we miss you.*

I went into a public-'ouse to get a pint o' beer,  
The publican 'e up an' sez, "We serve no red-coats here."  
The girls be'ind the bar they laughed an' giggled fit to die,  
I outs into the street again an' to myself sez I:

O it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' "Tommy, go away";  
But it's "Thank you, Mister Atkins," when the band begins to play —  
The band begins to play, my boys, the band begins to play,  
O it's "Thank you, Mister Atkins," when the band begins to play.

I went into a theatre as sober as could be,  
They gave a drunk civilian room, but 'adn't none for me;  
They sent me to the gallery or round the music-'alls,  
But when it comes to fightin', Lord! they'll shove me in the stalls!  
For it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' "Tommy, wait outside";  
But it's "Special train for Atkins" when the trooper's on the tide —  
The troopship's on the tide, my boys, the troopship's on the tide,  
O it's "Special train for Atkins" when the trooper's on the tide.

Yes, makin' mock o' uniforms that guard you while you sleep  
Is cheaper than them uniforms, an' they're starvation cheap,  
An' hustlin' drunken soldiers when they're goin' large a bit  
Is five times better business than paradin' in full kit.  
Then it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' "Tommy 'ow's yer soul?"  
But it's "Thin red line of 'eroes" when the drums begin to roll —  
The drums begin to roll, my boys, the drums begin to roll,  
O it's "Thin red line of 'eroes" when the drums begin to roll.

We aren't no thin red 'eroes, nor we aren't no blackguards too,  
But single men in barricks, most remarkable like you;  
An' if sometimes our conduct isn't all your fancy paints,  
Why, single men in barricks don't grow into plaster saints;  
While it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' "Tommy, fall behind,"  
But it's "Please to walk in front, sir," when there's trouble in the wind —  
There's trouble in the wind, my boys, there's trouble in the wind,  
O it's "Please to walk in front, sir," when there's trouble in the wind.

You talk o' better food for us, an' schools, an' fires, an' all;  
We'll wait for extry rations if you treat us rational.  
Don't mess about the cook-room slops, but prove it to our face  
The Widow's Uniform is not the soldier-man's disgrace.  
For it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' "Chuck him out, the brute!"  
But it's "Saviour of 'is country" when the guns begin to shoot;  
An' it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' anything you please,  
An Tommy ain't a bloomin' fool — you bet that Tommy sees!

## What Happened?

*In The Beginning was The Plan  
And then came The Assumptions  
And the Assumptions were without form  
And The Plan was completely without substance  
And the darkness was upon the face of the workers.  
And they spoke amongst themselves saying  
'It is a crock, and it stinketh.'  
And the workers went unto their Supervisors and sayeth,  
'It is a pail of dung and none may abide the odor thereof.'  
And the Supervisors when unto their Managers and sayeth unto them,  
'It is a container of excrement and it is very strong  
Such that none may abide by it.'  
And the Managers went unto the Directors and sayeth,  
'It is a vessel of fertilizer, and none may abide its strength.'  
And the Directors spoke amongst themselves, saying one to another,  
'It contains that which aids plant growth, and it is very strong.'  
And the Directors went unto the Vice Presidents and sayeth unto them,  
'It promotes growth and is very powerful.'  
And the Vice Presidents went unto the President and sayeth unto him,  
'This new Plan will actively promote the growth and efficiency of this Company.'  
And the President looked upon The Plan  
And saw that It was good, and The Plan became Policy.  
This is how S\*\*T Happens.*

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Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call: Present: Deignan, Co. A; Machi, Co. A; Macaulay, Co. B; Keys, Co. C; Sylvester, Co. D; Ellis, Co. D; Paulsen, Co. E; Goldberg, Co. E; Tennenbaum, Co. F; Rosko, Co. H; Knighton, Co. I; Shine, Co. K; Fulton, Hdqts.; Sullivan, Inv.; Lemos, Inv.; Java, Muni; Wright, Ret.; Johnson, Sec.; Dito, Treas.; Delagnes, Vice Pres.; Trigueiro, Pres. Excused: Pate, Steward Co. D; Murphy, Co. G; Lindo, Hdqts.; Donovan, TAC; Fagan, PBTF; Leydon, Steward TTF; Shanahan, Steward TTF.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Trigueiro, through the SFPOA Police Services Committee, awarded Mr. Thomas Mazzucco of the San Francisco District Attorney's office, a plaque for his outstanding contributions in improving the liaison between the district attorney's office and the San Francisco Police Department.

President Trigueiro then awarded Officer Richard Aceret of Northern Station with the SFPOA Police Services award for his demonstrated professionalism in all facets of police work while assigned to Northern Station. Officer Aceret was chosen for this award by his peers, who admire the manner in which he gets the job accomplished.

The President's Report also included an update on the San Francisco Organizing Project which is comprised of a group of individuals who, for a membership fee of \$1,200 per year, will assist organizations to improve their image within the community they serve.

M/Dito, S/Deignan to join the San Francisco Organizing Project for the required fee (\$1,200 per year). This motion passed unanimously. (More information will be forthcoming as future meetings are held with the principals involved.)

The President also discussed the new editorial policy for the Notebook publication. However, further information was requested that only the editor could provide so the matter was deferred.

President Trigueiro then introduced Deputy Chief Thomas Murphy, along with Commander James Arnold, Commander Richard Shippy and Commander Michael Brush — all principals overseeing the Patrol Bureau who were in attendance for the purpose of discussing the 4/10 Plan. Members of our 4/10 Negotiating Committee have met previously with the administration and offered a better insight as to exactly how beneficial the 4/10 watch-off schedule is to the department.

The Deputy Chief and his three Commanders were present at this month's meeting to emphasize the fact that while the Administration is mainly concerned

with the safety of officers, they must also take into consideration the staffing levels provided at the district stations. The Deputy Chief wanted to hear from Board members as to how they felt about the 4/10 watch-off schedule and he received many inquiries in return from representatives questioning the Administration's commitment and/or possible reasons for changing the one benefit patrol has. This matter (i.e. 4/10 watch-off schedule) will be continued as a topic of discussion during further negotiations.

## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Delagnes expressed the need to assist us in precinct walks for the purpose of ensuring the election of Angela Alioto as the next Mayor of San Francisco. The POA is open both Saturdays and Sundays when precinct walks have been organized. All those interested should contact their respective representative.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Johnson submitted the minutes for the September '91 POA meeting which were published in the "Notebook" as well as being reviewed and discussed by Board members. M/Wright S/Deignan to accept the Secretary's report as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Dito submitted the monthly statement for September 1991 as well as the yearly audit. The audit has been distributed to members of the Board of Directors for review and will be considered for approval at a future meeting. M/Gary Lemos S/Roy Sullivan to accept the monthly statement as submitted. This motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Dito informed Board Members of the selection of a new arbitrator, Mr. John Kagel, who will oversee the contract arbitration process. We anticipate timely progress in future negotiations.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Federal Litigation Committee** - Sullivan, Chair

Chairman Sullivan stated that the individuals who are listed on the last sergeants' examination between 101 to 172 will soon be identified so that they can start preparing for further interviews by the Deputy Chief of Administration, as well as two commissioned officers from other agencies, in order to implement the recent ruling by the federal court as far as future promotions to the rank of sergeant are concerned. The other matters pending before the Federal Litigation Committee will be addressed at next month's Board meeting.

**Legislative Committee** - Benson Chair

Ray Benson discussed the current standings in the mayoral race. He reiter-

ated how important it is for members to do whatever they could to assist the Alioto Campaign and, after general discussion by Board members, it was determined by motion (M/Roy Sullivan S/James Deignan) that the POA set aside \$20,000 for the General Election in November 1991.

**Uniform and Safety Committee** - Herman, Chair

Chairman Dave Herman of the Uniform and Safety Committee reported that he will soon be meeting with respective department officials regarding a mandatory seat belt policy. The Board of Directors still objects to implementation of any order formally requiring the use of seat belts by members while on duty.

Chairman Herman was also requested to look into the rumor that new recruits graduating from our Police Academy were given "used" bulletproof vests. This is a matter of grave concern since it is our understanding that, depending upon the product, some bulletproof vests have a specific "life" and stretching that protected period might unnecessarily place an individual in extreme jeopardy.

Chairman Herman also stated that the City purchaser has given the new uniform

contract agency until November 1, 1991, to come on-line with the appropriate inventory. Any members having problems obtaining replacement uniforms, please make note of it and forward that information to the POA office so that we can investigate.

## FINANCIAL REQUESTS

Officer Rey Ibay of Ingleside Station was honored at a dinner sponsored by the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center. M/Dito S/Deignan - Unanimously approved participating as a patron in the amount of \$200.00 at this event.

M/Delagnes S/Keys that the Board of Directors, approve an honorarium (in the form of a dinner) for the members of our 4/10 Committee who did an outstanding job providing statistics, graphs and other documented information during meet and confer sessions with police administration officials. Motion passed unanimously.

Fundraiser for Supervisor Jim Gonzalez - Deferred.

There being no further business, the POA Board of Directors' meeting was adjourned at 1900 hours by President Trigueiro.

Steve Johnson, Secretary

## Special Board Of Directors' Meeting Thursday, September 3, 1991, 1500 hours

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call: Present: Deignan, Co. A; Machi, Co. A; Sylvester, Co. D; Murphy, Co. G; Rosko, Co. H; Knighton, Co. I; Donovan, TAC; Sullivan, Inv.; Lemos, Inv.; Java, Muni; Leydon, Steward TTF; Shanahan, Steward TTF; Dito, Treas.; Delagnes, Vice Pres.; Trigueiro, Pres.

Excused: Macaulay, Co. B; Keys, Co. C; Ellis, Co. D; Pate, Steward Co. D; Paulsen, Co. E; Goldberg, Co. E; Tennenbaum, Co. F; Shine, Co. K; Fulton, Hdqts.; Lindo, Hdqts.; Fagan, PBTF; Wright, Ret.

M/Deignan, S/Machi to accept the Legislative Committee's positions on the following ballot measures:

- Prop. A - Early Retirement - No position
- Prop. B - Collective Bargaining - Yes
- Prop. C - Civil Service Rule Changes - Yes
- Prop. D - Civil Service Eligibility - No
- Prop. E - Civil Service Discharge Rules - No
- Prop. F - Military Reservists Pay - Yes
- Prop. G - Housing Authority Police - Yes
- Prop. H - Deputy Mayor Ban - Yes
- Prop. I - Minors on Boards - No position
- Prop. J - Children's Fund - Yes
- Prop. K - Domestic Partners Repeal - No
- Prop. L - Phelan Avenue Use - No position
- Prop. M - Vacancy Control - No position
- Prop. N - Condominium Conversion - No position
- Prop. O - First Amendment - No position

Prop. P - Marijuana for Medical Use - No position  
Prop. Q - Federal Budget Priorities - No position

This motion was unanimously approved. Board to inform our members and the public of our positions on issues on the November 1991 ballot. This motion was unanimously approved.

M/Dito S/Sullivan for the POA to place an ad in the San Francisco Organizing Project's brochure. This motion unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1730 hours.

Steve Johnson, Secretary

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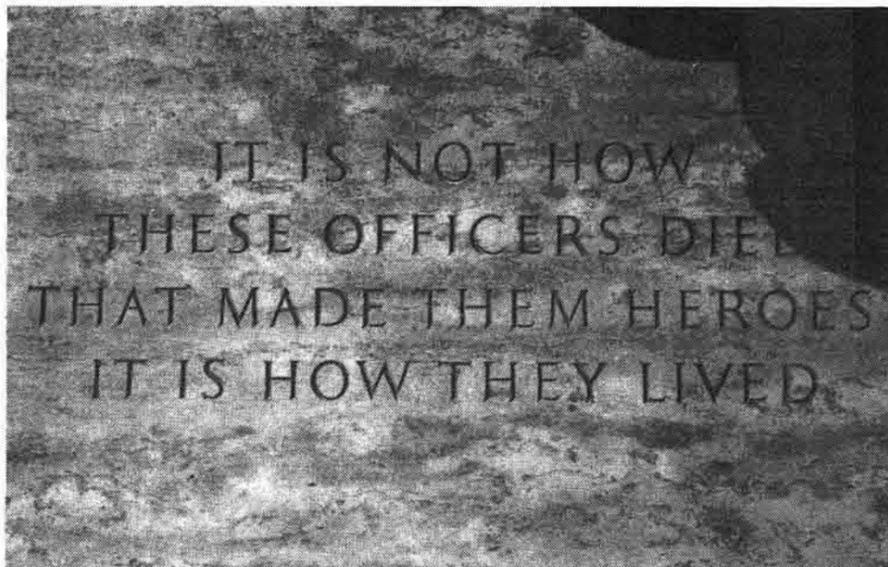
# MEMORIAL

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ed to it first. Steph stopped at the section, walked over and touched Jim's name, tears rolling freely down her cheek. Steph stepped back and sat on the stone bench while softly weeping, reliving past memories. Dorian turned and sought out Isiah's name across the Plaza. We arrived and saw "Isiah Nelson, III" etched in the stone. Standing there seeing Isiah's name right after Jim's brought back to me the shock and sorrow of both deaths...very emotional seconds passed. I kept telling myself, be strong, these ladies need support and assurance. Dorian studied the name, also tracked the name with her finger, silently paused there for several moments, turned and I could see tears inside her "widow glasses," as she called them, and she said, "It still hurts." I could feel my own eyes tear up and my voice gave me away, cracking as I tried to console with "It doesn't seem

Joker, with Joker pounding the pavement with his hooves, a vivid image everyone who worked with him had. I was snapped back to the present with the reading of Joseph Brodnik and the memory of his murderers being set free. Name after name, some so long ago, some seemed like last month. John Macaulay, I still can't believe as fine and cautious an officer could get shot down like he was. Isiah Nelson, III; we rode together as patrolmen in Tac, would always stop and talk during our meetings throughout the Hall and at Candlestick. I still remember the shock of the phone call at home informing me of his death. The roll call continues, mostly just names, but far too many were names of friends or acquaintances. When Eric A. Zelms was read I came to attention, saluted, turned and walked away, thinking what a small world it is, my son Sean is now in football at the College of San Mateo with Zelms' son, Eric, who was 8 months old at the time of Eric's death. He's doing fine, Eric. You'd be real proud of him.

Tuesday, October 15 was the formal



any easier now than it was then." The ladies took paper and traced the names in pencil, we took some photos, viewed other parts of the Memorial, and walked back to the shuttle. Feeling much better, I'm sure.

On Monday, all uniformed members, survivors, families, Mounted Units and Motorcycle Units formed up by state on the lawn at the steps of Congress, to march to the Memorial. The California group was led by an honor guard from Burbank Police Department, which was followed by a row of departmental flags, where I was and then followed by the survivors and agency representatives. As we marched and arrived at the Memorial, we continued past it and stood at attention until all states had arrived. The roll call of all 12,561 names etched on the wall began. The order was by state alphabetically, then county officers alphabetically and officers of the cities in those counties alphabetically, with the officers, deputies, troopers, agents, etc. read off at each level alphabetically, not chronologically.

The roll call started shortly after 1 p.m. with volunteers reading the names. At about 3:20 p.m. I stepped to the center of the Memorial Plaza as I heard Albert W. Argen's name called (our first officer). My standing there alone made me feel proud to be there for them as a witness to their memory, hearing a couple more names, then the first name of an officer killed during my career, Code Beverly. Before I could remember anything but how he was killed, John Blessing was called, a friend, a teammate, then another tragic loss, James Bloesch, was read. A vision of Jim on

dedication attended by at least 10,000 officers, survivors and friends. President Bush and his wife, Barbara, were also there, and the President gave a stirring and, as you would expect, well received speech which ended with the First Family meeting two young girls whose father was killed. They all placed roses on the wall near his name.

After the ceremony, we lingered about the Memorial checking out other agencies and uniforms, said final good-byes to friends on the wall and walked across the street to a reception where the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Police Band was playing. Again we mingled, looking at others, hearing "Hey, San Francisco, good to see yuz guys," several out of staters asking about laterals to the City, wanting to swap patches, asking about national news items occurring in the City. Then from the far end came the unmistakable sound of a pipe and drum band entering the large auditorium — this being NYPD's Emerald Society Band. They entered and marched about and played several marching medleys, various patriotic songs and, of course, "Amazing Grace."

It was amazing to see and feel the camaradery, friendship and genuine kinship exuded by all attending; certainly, an impression was made on me never to forget these experiences of those few days.

I can only urge everyone to be sure to visit the Memorial if you are near Washington, D.C. After seeing it, images will never leave you of the fond memories of friends and loved ones enshrined on the Memorial walls.



Bill with "storm trooper" from East Providence Rhode Island.

Al Triguero, President  
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Dear Al,

I am so sincerely grateful to the POA for honoring my request to send a representative from the Department to Washington D.C. for the Police Memorial Dedication. It meant a lot to me to be there to honor my husband's life and death, to see his name engraved in this new memorial wall, and it also meant a whole lot that the individuals in the POA were willing to cut through the bureaucracy and send SFPD representation.

When the chief was unable to honor my request due to "budgetary constraints," I was deeply saddened. It was hard for me to understand that this wasn't a top departmental priority, so I took the rejection quite personally. Fortunately, you wonderful people from the POA had big enough hearts to find a way to send Captain Welch who was not only Jim's commanding officer at the time of his death, but also his friend. This made the ceremony even more meaningful.

Thank you, also, to the POA for sponsoring a wonderful dinner for the widows and representatives. You went beyond my initial request to send someone to the dedication and made me know how much all of you truly care. Thanks, again.

Few people know how isolated a police widow feels as the months turn into years of being cut off from everything that she was familiar with. There are no more police functions for her family. No more reconnecting during the holiday police dinners and no more invitations to picnics or other police events. We get used to coping with the fact that we are every cop's and every cop's wife's nightmare. We ignore the looks of pity and the glances and the turning away. We try to understand when the phone stops ringing. We struggle to let people know that even though our lives have changed forever, that we are still alive. And we need, still, to keep the connection with the Department that our husbands gave so much to. You gave me back the connection.

This event was a chance for me to be among other police survivors...wives, husbands, parents, children, friends, and officers, to participate in a ceremony that recognized how important and necessary our loved ones were

to us, to their departments, and to this country.

We had a chance to formally honor and remember our husbands along with many officers who also share the loss of their friends. I am so grateful that the POA had the human compassion to not isolate or reject me, to recognize how important this event was, and to come through for me willingly and graciously.

I can't help but be disappointed that our City didn't have the kind of Mounted and Motorcycle and Brass representation that other cities and departments with less dead than ours managed to send. I am so grateful that COPS funded Officer Jerry Donovan and that the POA funded Captain Welch and that the Department was at least able to detail them. I was so proud to be there with these two gentlemen to participate in the ceremonies. The individual units that were invited to participate in this event, however, would be saddened to know what a valuable experience they missed out on because this Department didn't have the funds to send them.

My concern, now, is for the next family that will experience this loss. Sadly, I doubt that Bloesch, Blessing and Nelson are the last to give their lives in the line of duty. I know that the POA will always come through if the Department can't, but I wonder whose responsibility it is to sponsor the next representative from the SFPD when the yearly memorial service for fallen officers comes up.

I have a suggestion that might make it easier for the next surviving spouse, parent, or children of a fallen officer...a fund that will serve the purpose of sending a police escort from this department to the yearly, national event in Washington D.C. when, of course, a representative is needed. It certainly would ease the pain for the surviving family if they choose to go, for they wouldn't have to bear the distress of having their request turned down and the anxiety of having to ask again. I truly believe that this is something that should automatically be taken care of and I suggest that there might be some kind of benefit to establish a fund specifically for these events.

Again, thank you, thank you, thank you. I appreciate the way that you were able to show me how much you still care. You have the qualities that I loved in Jim. You are honorable and loyal to your own.

Very, very truly yours,  
Stephanie Bloesch

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# THE MEMBERS SPEAK

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## Invitation To Disaster

by Gary Delagnes

The recent events at the State Building, which had potentially catastrophic results, has once again brought our utterly ridiculous crowd control policies into the limelight.

It has become quite clear to most police officers that our new crowd control policies pretty much add up to, "When in doubt, back out."

If City Hall and our police administration want to turn this city over to violent demonstrators, allowing them to wander through the city at their leisure, inconveniencing thousands of people, and destroying city property, that's their business. When our officers' lives are put in jeopardy because S.F. politics dictate a "do nothing" policy at "politically sensitive" demonstrations then it very much becomes the business of this association.

I don't believe you can really blame Willis Casey who, like any chief, must serve at the pleasure of Room 200 at City Hall . . . nor will I blame Tom Murphy who is truly a gentleman, and a class act if ever you wanted to meet one. But Tom Murphy, like Willis Casey, basically serves at the pleasure of Art Agnos. I don't believe either of these men would ever want to see a cop get hurt.

I blame a philosophy that these men, and others, are forced to invoke on the orders of a social worker mayor who doesn't know the difference between "crowd control" and "birth control".

I think most of us realize that this city has long been lost to left wing lunacy. The philosophy of, "for God sakes don't do anything to piss off the demonstrators", which as we all know is an extension of the philosophy of Room 200, has certainly given new meaning to the phrase, "Putting the cart in front of the horse."

I think most cops put on their helmets, grab their 36" batons, and disgustedly respond to demo after demo, only to

watch them reach volcanic proportions for fear of "offending" violent demonstrators. If you want to let these people trash the State Building, that's your business, but don't put five of our people's lives in danger by putting them in a hopeless position, where they are rendered virtually defenseless, and please don't tell us that our timid response to certain "politically hot" demonstrations is not an extension of City Hall politics.

We must draw the line when our members' lives are placed in danger in the name of politics. If that means we should consider refusing to attend demonstrations until crowd control policies are re-evaluated, then so be it.

We will not allow our people to become cannon fodder. I think most of us would rather not go to a demo at all than to be paraded out as high priced mannequins.

D.C. Murphy was quoted as saying that going into the crowd would have resulted in additional injuries on both sides. I don't know if he was misquoted, but if that is what he said I find it a ludicrous statement. We are cops, not librarians, and we don't mind taking chances if necessary. I would rather be hurt taking action than no action.

To carry such a philosophy a step further: How would the administration deal with an argument from an officer who maintained that he/she failed to make an arrest of a known felony suspect because the circumstances of the arrest (1-person car, size of suspect, etc.) may have increased the potential for injury to both parties. The officer then tells the administration that he/she decided to take the suspect's picture so he could be arrested at a later date. I think that officer would be suspended for failure to do his or her job. I often wonder if Ed Epting reads the paper and laughs at today's SFPD crowd control policies . . . or maybe he just shakes his head and cries.

## Enough Is Enough

by Tom Flippin

It is time for the City's "powers-that-be", the administration of the Police Department and for all ranks of police officers (especially us street cops) to come to grips with reality. Reality can be a very sobering, even unpleasant experience . . . but it's time for us all to wake up.

Cops, more than most people, have to accept and live with reality, but, at the same time, they often see themselves through rose-colored glasses. After all, we're the good guys! We wear the white hats! Most cops believe that they can help make things better . . . even if only in small ways. We can catch the bad guys and make them stop . . . we can pull some poor guy out of the trouble he's in . . . we can protect the citizens of our City and their property.

Well, we can do a lot of things to help people, to protect them and to catch bad guys. But it should be clear by now that we cannot effectively deal with large demonstrations in San Francisco.

I don't mean to say that we are not smart enough, or not tough enough, or simply not able to deal with demonstrations. I mean that, given all the restrictions placed on us, we cannot effectively accomplish what we know should be done.

What is a police department? It is a group of people hired by the citizens of a city to carry out the will of those citizens. It should be clear to all of us by now that

the citizens in this City, represented by the Mayor and the City administration, do now want us to police demonstrations as we have been taught.

Think of demonstrations (and riots) held this past year: The Gulf War demos showed us that San Francisco is a place where some citizens can take over public thoroughfares, public buildings . . . indeed they can do what they please while making their views known on prime time news, and they will not be called to account for illegal actions. Only police officers who attempt to control the rioters and who try to stop criminal acts will be made to account for their actions. The recent example of the riot at the State Building shows us that police officers will not be allowed to protect life and property against 'politically correct' criminals. We're not even allowed to protect our own!

Police administrators must stop putting us at risk for nothing. Since the City "powers" do not really want us to do anything at demonstrations . . . **don't send us to the demonstrations.** Give the City's streets to the mobs . . . tell 'other' citizens to stay out of harm's way because the City belongs to anybody who wants to protest . . . warn businesses that they're on their own (make sure your insurance is paid up) . . . but stop sending us out there when we're not going to be allowed to do anything!



(Editor's note: This letter was sent to the S.F. Chronicle.)

Editor, San Francisco Chronicle  
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San Francisco, CA 94119

Dear Lovable Editor,

I was perplexed, chagrined even, that an editor of a nationally recognized newspaper would deign to engage himself with the minutiae of police personnel scheduling. Have you abandoned your multifarious audience for the esoteric? What's next, an editorial on the wattage used by the Department of Electricity in traffic lights?

The hours worked by police officers were arrived at through labor negotiation. It's not a new perquisite. We still work a forty-hour week. We simply arranged to work a ten hour day instead of an eight hour day. We are not demanding a diminution of those hours...no, just to keep what has been in practice for years. We would not be discussing this labor issue if we were up to authorized strength. Therein lies the rub. Have you forgotten the blood spilled by labor fighting for a six day work week from seven? And from eighty hours to sixty to forty hours per week? What happened to your proletarian stance?

If you are sincerely concerned with conditions in the Police Department you

should look into an efficiency study. Why is it that during budgetary dieting the body of this Department continues to slim down while the head swells up? There are more commissioned officers than ever before but there are less officers for patrol. A few of these commissioned officers suck up needed street officers to fatten their staff and put them to work to squeeze more life out of those left behind. These fellows were once one of us. Fortuity spared them the blood, sweat and tears imposed by sustained street experience and the long lonely vigil in the trenches. Rank has since created a chasm between erstwhile friends. We do not conspire to remove their sacrosanct perquisites, such as cars and gas, salaries which soften the sting of pay freezes, or even give thought to their adipose staff that seems to service more and more serendipitous tasks. Don't allow a few of them to intrigue with you to remove the one remaining joy that makes our job just a wee bit more tolerable.

In closing, there will be no need to pass this letter through the Chief's transom as is your wont. I am submitting a copy to the Police Officers Association newspaper as an open letter. That will be the Chief's opportunity to read it.

Your hapless victim,  
John A. Sterling

## Treat Others As You Would Have Them Treat You

by Phil Dito

I was shocked, dismayed and literally felt sick to my stomach when I heard that officers from the SFPD and California State Police called for assistance on the night of the State Building riots and no help was sent. A police officer's worst nightmare came true. Our officers were being assaulted, injured and feared for their own lives. One officer actually unloaded his weapon so he wouldn't hurt someone or worse yet, let his gun be used to hurt one of the other officers. The administration has said an investigation of the incident would be made, but they needed time. The results of that investigation haven't been made public, however the administration has said that proper procedure was followed to prevent further injuries to protestors and officers. I feel officers assaulted should have received post traumatic counselling. Our officers need to know that when help is called, help will arrive. There is a feeling in this department that when responding to demos or riots the officers are "cannon fodder", as Justin Madden so eloquently

put it. Without the knowledge that help will be sent, morale and discipline break down and respect for leadership wanes.

It is incumbent upon our administration that they treat those they lead as they would want to be treated themselves. Every officer needs to know they are important and not expendable. When mistakes are made, they should be admitted and corrected. I believe a complete investigation of this incident should be done and the results made public.

Courtesy  
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# Letters

## Joining

Don Stahlhut  
San Francisco Organizing Project  
240 Golden Gate Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Mr. Stahlhut:

It gives me great pleasure on behalf of the San Francisco Police Officers' Association to formally request of you and the San Francisco Organizing Project admittance into your community of labor, religious and neighborhood groups.

On Tuesday, October 15, 1991, this Association's Board of Directors unanimously approved participation in the SFOP and is looking forward to becoming an integral part of this community.

If there are additional requirements that need attention, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,  
SAN FRANCISCO POLICE  
OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION  
Al Trigueiro  
President

Tom Flippin, Editor  
SFPOA Notebook

Dear Editor,

I would like to respectfully correct the Oct '91 front page story "POA Victory" which states that the Central Station transfer was the first full arbitration hearing in the history of the San Francisco Police Department.

About 1971, no one in the POA seemed to know that arbitration procedures in the City's Civil Service Rules applied to the SFPD. I researched that rule and found that it did apply.

Following that discovery, two officers from the Mounted Unit complained to me that they had been arbitrarily transferred out of the unit and they wanted to file a grievance.

The SFPD rejected the grievance, and it went to a full arbitration hearings. A Catholic priest, an instructor at the Labor Relations Department at USF, acted as the arbitrator. We won the case and the arbitrator ruled that the officers had good personnel records and that the SFPD had acted in an arbitrary manner. I hope the two very high ranking, living members of the Department who opposed the arbitration don't mind my bringing up the very old past.

About the same time that the arbitration hearing was being held, I was Chairman of the Labor Relations Committee of the POA, and we were developing the historic first SFPD Memorandum of Understanding. We incorporated the grievance procedure in the Memorandum of Understanding that was finally accepted by the Police Commission and the Mayor, which then became the first Memorandum in the history of the Department.

Although those of us who were around in '71 got the chance to make those historic changes, we all remembered the groundwork that was laid by all the previous officers and hardworking members of the POA. Thanks for listening.

Fraternally,  
Brother Lou Calabro  
Retired 9/13/91

## Thanks



Tom Flippin, Editor  
SFPOA Notebook

Dear Editor:

I'd like to say THANK YOU to the friends of The San Francisco Police Officers' Association, for having sent me the "Notebook" of June and July, 1991.

The unforgettable visit I made to the City of San Francisco, in December, 1986, when I was received by Jack Ballentine at his place, I often remember with the photos I took.

That was an interesting trip, in which I made contacts with a lot of police officers, members of IPA, especially in a very charming breakfast at Yerba Buena. And the various visits to the Police Officers School, the S.F.P.D. Headquarters and the Richmond Police Station, gave me a fruitful time.

This is an opportunity to say thank you to Howard Quinn Company, that mailed the "Notebook" to Rio de Janeiro.

It would be a great experience to come back to San Francisco with my family, and take a course at the S.F.P.D.

Now I'm Chief of the Public Relations Department of Rio de Janeiro Military Police.

Awaiting your latest news,  
Brandino J. Mello Riberio  
LT Col - Public Relations

Mr. Al Trigueiro, President  
SFPOA

Dear Mr. Trigueiro:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Greater Bay Area Chapter of JDF International, thank you for your generous contribution in the amount of \$100.00. We expect several hundred participants on October 20th for the WALK FOR THE CURE. They will raise needed funds for JDF while enjoying the activities planned at Heather Farms.

Your gift moves the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation one step closer to finding the cure of diabetes. Your support means a great deal to those Bay Area families who deal daily with diabetes and its effects.

Thank you for helping us make the 90s "The Decade for the Cure."

Sincerely,  
Elise Phillips,  
Director

SFPOA  
510 - 7th St.  
S.F., CA 94103

Dear POA members:

Thanks for your recent donation of \$100.00 to our organization. Because of your efforts, we are able to continue providing battered women and their children with shelter, counseling and other services.

Sincerely,  
Las Casa de las Madres

SFPOA  
510 - 7th St.  
S.F., CA 94103

To San Francisco Police Officers  
Association:

*Each one of you has been so nice  
It makes it very hard*

*To put so much real gratitude  
Into a single card,*

*But if each one of you will read  
Between the lines, you'll know*

*This brings a "thank you" more sincere  
Than words could ever show.*

Our sincere thanks for your sympathy and prayers.

Sincerely,  
Edith Trabuco and Family

San Francisco Police Officers'  
Association  
510 7th Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Friends,

I would like to extend my most deepest gratitude to my friends and colleagues. I sincerely appreciate the consideration and moral support I received from all of you, both during and after my hearings.

The past 24 months have proven to be the most difficult time for me in the 22 years that I have served on the force. On June 22, 1991, my Chief and the Police Commission found it necessary to suspend me for 45 days; namely for "losing control of my command". For those of you who know me, you know that in my 22 years of police work, I have never wavered from my duties to serve and protect. October 6th has become a haunting day, but nothing compared to June 22nd, when I turned in my star.

I am now at Taraval Station and again working with a great group of officers. I will continue to do my job and serve my City and its citizens.

Again, thank you all for the help and support you gave me.

Sincerely,  
Captain Richard Cairns  
Commanding Officer  
Taraval Police Station

Al Trigueiro, President  
SFPOA

Dear Al:

Thank you very much to the San Francisco Police Officers' Association for the generous donation given to The Children's Multicultural Museum.

Your contribution of \$50.00 will provide arts materials and supplies for our fifth annual Children's Multicultural Arts Day on Sunday, October 27, 1991 at the Veterans Building, 401 Van Ness Avenue in San Francisco.

Thank you again for your support of this celebration of multicultural arts for children and their families of our community.

Sincerely,  
Gustavia Gash  
Coordinator

Dear Al:

Thank you for contributing to my recent fundraising event. Your support means a great deal to me.

My first six months as a member of the Board of Supervisors have been challenging and rewarding. Your friendship and advice during the past few months are greatly appreciated.

Over the next three and one-half years I intend to continue to earn your respect.

Again, thank you for your generous contribution.

Sincerely,  
Kevin F. Shelley

October 26, 1991

San Francisco Police Officers'  
Association  
510 Seventh Street  
San Francisco, California 94103

Dear Al Trigueiro:

I would like to extend my appreciation to the Police Officers' Association for helping make the 5th Mike O'Brien Memorial Pistol Shoot a success.

It was a wonderful day for my son, Matt and myself. It was a day of remembering all the attributes my husband loved about the Police Department. There was comradeship, competitiveness, sportsmanship, respect and friendship. I thank all the officers who came to participate and those who came up to me and spoke kind words of remembrance.

I commend every member of the San Francisco Pistol Team for their dedication and hard work every year. I can appreciate all the preparation in advance and am pleased my sons and I are included.

My thanks to everyone at the Pistol Range for accommodating the event once again and it was a pleasure using the new facility.

Mr. Trigueiro, I thank you for acknowledging me and presenting me the plaque. I am grateful for your honoring and remembering the O'Brien family in such a manner.

Sincerely,  
Susan O'Brien  
Jonathon O'Brien  
Matthew O'Brien

## Riots

Tom Flippin, Editor  
SFPOA Notebook

The Editor:

The ineffective police handling of recent demonstrations (riots?) should not be blamed on the police department nor on past or present Chiefs. Blame more properly rests on; (1) the rule-or-ruin philosophy of the liberal establishment; (2) their toadies at city hall; and (3) an elitist federal judiciary bent on legislating rather than adjudicating.

These types of anarchical demonstrations are exactly what gave rise to the National Socialist Party and the SS in the days of the Weimar Republic of Germany. The tactics are the same: announce a "peaceful" demonstration, fill the crowd with hoodlums, then bait and provoke the police. After rocks and bottles are thrown and the police respond, claim the police overreacted and that the trouble was caused by "outsiders." The Communists used the same methods when they took over a legitimate revolution from the Russian people in 1917.

Up to now, the radical left has succeeded beyond its own wildest dreams. The experienced police veterans are not going to "stick their necks out" and get suspended for taking proper police action, and most of the new leadership (promoted through the affirmative action program) lack the necessary experience and expertise in directing their personnel in critical situations. When it comes to riot control, half of the police cannot take the proper action and the other half don't know how. What business or section of our society will be the next target, now that the security establishment has been made impotent?

Raymond White

**Editor's Note: The opinions stated in this letter are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect those of the SFPOA or the San Francisco Police Department.**



# SPORTS



Right hand barricade's varying positions.

## The Fifth Almost-Annual Mike O'Brien Memorial Pistol Match

It was a beautiful day, but tension was in the air, as Chief Casey and his henchmen, the Deputy Chiefs, had put out a direct challenge to one and all. This was going to be the modern version of the Gunfight at the OK Corral, but the shootout would take place at the new San Francisco Police Range. As team after team accepted the challenge, it was also evident that there were many who came for individual glory. After two and one half years, the Mike O'Brien match had returned to its rightful place as the Department's most prestigious event.

Appropriately, the first to register was Eric Cranston of SFGH, the winner of the first Mike O'Brien Match. As each individual or team registered, it was obvious that many personal grudges were to be settled this day. Team after team, man after man, woman after woman, all declared that they would be the high team, the high Plinker, Gunner, Hot Shot or Dead Eye, the high man or woman, the high revolver or semi-auto, the top cop or sheriff. In fact, many declared their superiority over their teammates and prophesized top gun honors.

By the end of the day, 121 shooters had answered all of these questions, although not to the satisfaction of everyone. Many new challenges were being thrown out for the next Mike O'Brien Match, hopefully to be settled in May of 1992.

For the first time, teams were averaged out to a classification and Team honors went to Don Sloan's ringer/Specialist Team as the favored Southern Team came in second when one of its Dead Eyes scored 104 points lower with his new 9mm semi-auto this year, over his last old fashioned revolver score. Club Taraval's woman team declared its superiority over the Mission Belles and held on to victory when Mission's one man fill-in failed to meet the ladies' standard. First place in the Hot Shot teams went to the Chief's Team, as they improved 314 points to ace out the Photo Lab. Two of Night Investigation's best shooters didn't show, which held them down to third. Central Station has given notice that they will be a factor, as Tenderfoot winner Angelo Spagnoli showed that he can shoot better with a 9mm, in 30 seconds, than anyone else in 90 seconds. Tenderfoot teams, consisting of three or more new shooters, were led by Planning, whose Top Gun, Tom Suttmeier attested to the quality of the range.

As good as the Chiefs have gotten,

there were rumblings of a direct challenge from Sheriff Hennessey, whose team finished third over all.

The Chiefs may shoot well, but are extremely unlucky, as Chief Reed found out when he chose secretary Carol Louie to pick the Chief's Challenge Team, and she chose the Specialists, one of three lunch winners, and passed over the thirteen teams that would have had to buy the Chief's lunch. Chief Casey was very disappointed.

We had some wonderful individual results, ranging from Mike's 12 year old son, Matt O'Brien (shooting with the Range team) beating out 14 trained police officers, to Gary Peters winning the Plinkers with his semi-auto. He said he could shoot. Chief Casey won the Gunner class and will compete as a Hot Shot next year, while George Knox was the high Hot Shot and high Sheriff. The best woman shooter was Pistol Team Member Brenda Walker who couldn't find a team to shoot on.

Last, but definitely not least, was Jaimie Ongpin, the Match Winner. As a Master on the Pistol Team, he was quite proud, to beat his Grandmaster and Distinguished Master Teammates for the Championship.

The winner of the eating contest was past match winner, Glenn Pennebaker, who appeared in every photo in or around the buffet, which was graciously hosted by Sue O'Brien. She finally got some help with the cost from our POA, thanks to top Dead Eye Charlie Coates' recommendation.

Because of the new range, short notice and time limitations, prizes were not as grand as in previous matches, but thanks to prize donors, Angelo Spagnoli, Bob Gillaspie and Bob Fitzer, we were able to spread the prizes to a wide range of winners.

This match is the product of hard work and personal commitment of your range personnel, pistol team, POA, the O'Briens, the Chiefs and most of all, the shooters. You don't have to be a great shot, as Plinkers seem to win more prizes than Dead Eyes, or have a great team. All you need is the desire to have fun and enjoy competition, to shoot a little better and to be part of our great Police Comraderie. Three hundred fifty shooters have been part of the Mike O'Brien Memorial Pistol Match, which would have made Mike proud, because he was always a team player.

### THE MIKE O'BRIEN MEMORIAL PISTOL MATCH 1991 TEAM RESULTS

MATCH WINNER	SPECIALISTS	Sloan-Lundin-Fotinos-Geraty	1763-56
HIGH FEMALE	CLUB TARAVAL	Stockwell-McCullar-Cunningham-Rutler	1118-11
DEADEYE			
1st	SOUTHERN	Farrell-Ouigley-Castel-Carrington	1735-51
2nd	SF SHERIFF #1	Knox-Olson-Hennessey-Dempsey	1728-36
3rd	POTRERO TF	Ongpin-Fairbairn-Hansen-Gaggero	1713-52
4th	RANGE	Coates-Barber-Mayers-O'Brien	1647-51
5th	ROBBERY	Otis-Pamfiloff-Maloney-Nutting	1637-37
6th	INGLESIDE #2	Darr-Carcelen-Buono-Landi	1482-29
7th	TARAVAL BLUE	Hicks-Cairns-Speros-Krimsky	1463-23
HOTSHOT			
1st	CHIEFS	Murphy-Reed-Casey-Lau	1684-26
2nd	PHOTO LAB	Mahoney-Nakanishi-Peters-Cashen	1652-29
3rd	NIGHT INVEST	Potter-Hall-Stasko-Ramlan	1645-37
4th	CENTRAL	Spagnoli-Downs-Greenwood-Neeson	1614-44
5th	SF SHERIFF #2	Andrews-Gee-Elliott-Maunu	1606-23
6th	POTRERO #1	Haggett-Reyes-Sorgie-Gin	1557-30
7th	BURGLARY	Bronfeld-Walwyn-Dudley-Klimenko	1485-32
5th	SFGH	FraserPaige-Cranston-Almanza-Kelpas	1420-47
9th	SF SHERIFF #3	Hennessey-Cooper-Yazzolino-Scott	1349-18
TENDERFOOT			
1st	PLANNING	Suttmeier-Feledy-Sylvester-Ackerson	1637-27
2nd	NORTHERN	Hom-Garcia-Guelff-Sweeny	1572-28
3rd	INGLESIDE #3	Young-Tobin-Lalor-Wright	1374-20
4th	FOB	Novello-Frediani-Martinez-MacDonald	1369-26
5th	MISSION BELLES	Wittcop-DeHaven-Bissell-Tom	952-12

(Note The first listed shooter in the winner of a Beautiful TOP GUN Combat Excellence Pin)

The Winner of the Chief's Challenge Lunch is the Specialists

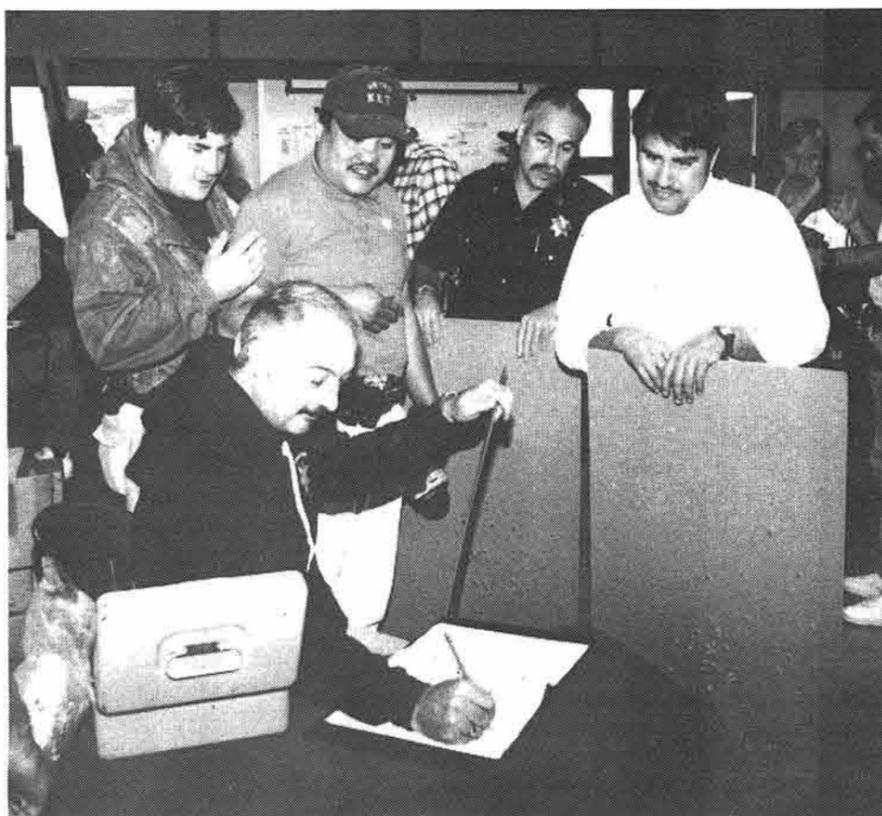
### FIFTH ALMOST ANNUAL MIKE O'BRIEN MEMORIAL PISTOL MATCH

#### DEAD EYES

MOM5	NAME	ASSGN	GUN
467-23	ONGPIN J	CO C/TF	38/6
464-18	COATES C	RANGE	38/6
462-13	FARRELL R	CO B	38/4
461-20	BARBER R	RANGE	38/6
459-10	DOWNES P	CO A	38/6
457-21	CRANSTON E	SFGH	38/6
456-19	QUIGLEY D	CO B	38/6
456-11	SUTTMEIER T	PLANNING	38/6
455-20	SLOAN D	SPECIALIST	38/4
455-15	CASTEL G	CO B	38/4
455-10	MAHONEY B	PHOTO LAB	38/6
453-14	OTIS D	ROBBERY	9MM
452-12	MAYERS J	RANGE	9MM
443-16	FOTINOS T	SPECIALIST	38/6
442-11	PAMFILOFF G	ROBBERY	38/4
441-7	WALKER B	PERSONNEL	38/4
441-16	POTTER M	NIGHT INV	9MM
440-12	DARR B	CO H	38/6
440-10	OLSON R	SFSO	38/4
435-15	PENNEBAKER G	CO H	9MM
433-9	CARCELEN	CO H	38/6
428-6	PELISSETTI A	HOMICIDE	38/4
428-13	FAIRBAIRN B	CO C	9MM
426-6	BARSETTI L	TTF	38/6
425-8	REED F	CHIEF	38/S
425-14	HICKS R	CO I	38/4
424-9	GEE M	SFSO	38/4
418-9	GERATY J	SPECIALIST	38/6
418-5	NAKANISHI R	PHOTO LAB	9MM
414-13	ALMANZA H	SFGH	38/4
408-10	WALWYN B	BURG	9MM
407-15	LIM A	MTD	9MM
405-5	HAMPTON J	SFGH CHIEF	9MM
403-7	HENNESSEY M	SFSO	38/2
395-7	BUONO J	CO H	45
392-3	TOM T	CO I	36/6
388-9	SORGIE D	CO C	9MM
387-7	BANTA	CO H	38/4
364-5	CASHEN C	PHOTO LAB	9MM
362-4	CARRINGTON G	CO B	9MM
283-4	KRIMSKY M	CO I	38/6



# SPORTS



Armond Pelisetti logs in the scores of Fairbairn, Ongpin, Cairns and Dudley.



Match winner Ongpin and past winner Glenn Pennebaker get nourishment while Pennebaker's friend, Georgina, fills another plate for Pennebaker.

### HOTSHOTS

MOM5	NAME	ASSGN	GUN
452-11	KNOX G	SFSO	38/4
450-9	ANDREWS A	SFSO	38/4
449-12	GILLASPIE	JUVENILE	38/4
447-15	BRONFELD L	BURGLARY	38/4
447-11	LUNDIN N	SPECIALIST	38/4
440-14	REID D	TTF	38/6
425-9	MURPHY T	CHIEF NS	38/4
422-11	PETERS D	Co I	45
417-7	HENNESSEY V	SFSO	38/4
411-9	HAGGETT	Co. H	38/4
403-10	STASKO J	NIGHT INV	9MM
395-8	GAGGERO	Co C	38/4
382-8	NANNERY J	Co E	38/4
367-2	PORTONI J	ROBBERY	9MM
366-5	NUTTING C	ROBBERY	9MM
353-7	WEAVER B	TTF	45
353-3	TOBIN	Co H	9MM
335-5	MURPHY S	Co C	9MM
317-7	YAZZOLINO	SFSO	38/6
315-4	TOTAH	AUTO	38/4
232-1	ZUKOR S	Co F	45

COUNT: 21

### GUNNERS

MOM5	NAME	ASSGN	GUN
420-4	CASEY W	CHIEF	38/6
404-6	JONES S	CO B	38/6
402-2	STOCKWELL J	CO I	38/4
388-9	RAMLAN L	NIGHT INV	45
355-5	GIN W	CO C	45
286-4	SCOTT H	SFSO	38/4
263-2	NEESON V	CO A	38/4

COUNT: 7

### PLINKERS

MOM5	NAME	ASSGN	GUN
415-9	PETERS G	PHOTO LAB	9MM
367-2	EISENMANN T	JUVENILE	38/6
357-3	GUNTHER	HOMICIDE	9MM
090-0	KELPSAS	SFGH	38/4

COUNT: 4

### TENDERFOOTS

MOM5	NAME	ASSGN	GUN
467-20	SPAGNOLI A	Co A	9MM
459-13	FRASER-PAIGE	SFGH	38/6
449-9	FELEDY T	PLANNING	9MM
443-9	NORMANDY	Co B	9MM
433-8	DEMPSEY J	SFSO	38/4
425-12	GREENWOOD P	Co A	9MM
423-8	HANSEN	Co C TF	9MM
422-13	HOM A	Co E	38/4
417-9	DOWKE J	TAC	9MM
414-5	LAU F	CHIEF	38/4
413-2	HALL L	NIGHT INV	9MM
407-6	GARCIA E	Co E	38/4
403-7	REYES	Co C	38/4
401-7	WITTCOP L	Co D	38/4
396-8	NOVELLO T	FOB	38/4
389-5	SYLVESTER G	PLANNING	9MM
385-8	YOUNG	Co H	9MM
385-2	CAIRNS R	Co I	38/4
379-5	GUELF J	Co E	38/4
376-7	MALONEY M	ROBBERY	9MM
373-5	FREDIANI	FOB	45
371-10	MARTINEZ B	FOB	38/6
370-3	SPEROS J	CO I	9MM
369-3	ELLIOTT B	SFSO	38/4
364-4	SWEENY J	CO E	38/4
363-2	MAUNU M	SFSO	38/4
350-1	ESGET T	CO B	38/4
347-6	DUDLEY J	BURGLARY	38/6
343-2	ACKERSON S	PLANNING	38/2
333-1	LALOR M	Co H	9MM
329-0	COOPER R	SFSO	38/4
326-1	MORGAN J	TAC	9MM
303-8	WRIGHT D	Co H	45
284-2	SELIGSOHN	SFGH	38/4
283-1	KLIMENKO, N	BURGLARY	9MM
270-1	O'BRIEN M	HOST	38/6
268-4	LOFTUS	SPECIAL INV	38/2
261-2	JIMENEZ G	ROBBERY	38/2
257-3	MC CULLAR D	Co I	38/4
235-4	CUNNINGHAM P	Co I	38/4
229-3	MACDONALD B	FOB	38/6
226-1	MANHEIMER S	SPECIAL INV	9MM
224-2	BUTLER D	Co I	38/4
223-3	DE HAVEN S	Co D	38/4
216-2	BISSELL S	Co D	38/4
214-1	LANDI S	Co H	9MM
112-0	TOM C	Co D	38/4

COUNT: 47



by Dennis Bianchi

Some of you apparently actually read this article each month. Those of you who do have noticed my blatant plagiarism of the current "Nike" slogan, "Just Do It." I confess...the slogan was used by them before me, but the idea is considerably older than both Nike or me.

In keeping with the national interest on baseball during September and October "Nike" ran an ad featuring Nolan Ryan, the fireballing pitcher of the Texas Rangers. Nolan will no doubt enter the Baseball Hall of Fame when he becomes eligible after his retirement - if he ever retires. Why have I written about a baseball pitcher in a column about running? Simple. Ryan epitomized the idea behind "Just Do It" His example is that of a person who gets up, gets out, trains and then offers his best at his every endeavor. Ryan's best is better than most others, but others such as you and I can find inspiration from his endeavors and successes. The article includes a few ideas for all of us to consider; 94-

year old swimmers, 89-year old weightlifters, 99-year old marathoners ... people who realized that it's easier to keep going if you never stop.

That philosophy is not just for distance runners, although it clearly fits for those of us who think 10 miles is a nice comfortable training run. It also applies to those of us pondering enlarging our world view. The philosophy applies to those ideas such as: go back to school, rebuild an engine, dig fossils, bicycle across the country, get rid of the flab and build up the muscle — **Just Do It.**

Two members who are practicing the Do It philosophy in November are John Newlin and Pamela Hofsass. The two Mission Station runners will be wearing the S.F.P.D. singlets at the New York City Marathon on Sunday, November 3. John warmed up for the event by completing the "Escape From Alcatraz" triathlon month. The "Escape" consists of one-and-a-half mile swim in the Bay, a 20 mile bicycle ride and a double Dipsea run ( 14 1/2 miles of steep rocky hills). Typical of John, he finished smiling.

Coming up in December is the Christmas Relays, an event that is fun and competitive. The relay race consists of four person teams running around Lake Merced. Training for the event and getting a team together might help keep those holiday calories under control. Give it some thought. Whatever you decide I hope you pick the option that involves the "Just Do It" philosophy.

## San Francisco Airport Police 25th Annual Police Summer Games

by Rich Cirimele and John Franicevich

Thirty officers of the San Francisco Airport Police competed in the Police Summer Games held this past July in Oakland, California. These officers gathered fourteen (14) medals during the games. Brad Dahl and Andy Fracchia placed fourth in senior tennis doubles. Kathy Feyling took third in the women's road race and fourth in the women's 100 meters. John Franicevich finished third in table tennis. Alex Jackson finished second in both the men's master's 100 and 200 meters. Alvin Louie received a gold medal in wrist wrestling and silver medals in the 1500 and 5000 meter runs. Bob Massola finished fourth in bowling. Tom McGee received a silver medal in handball doubles and came in fourth place in singles. Jean Schlotz finished third in the women's 100 meters. Judy Peters took the gold medal in women's wrist wrestling.

Our eighteen player slow pitch softball team was one and one before being eliminated in game three in a very strong section. Managers John Glynn and Nick Allen were very instrumental in guiding the team to our victory.

Our triathlon team of Nick Allen (cycling), John Webb (swimming), and Terry Carey (running) came in a very respectable sixth place.

Other Airport officers who competed were Cecile Porter in the women's 100 meters, Sharon McNally in racquetball, Tim McGuire in golf and Ed Reinfeld in skeet and trap shooting.

All of the officers competing wish to thank the Oakland Police Department for hosting these 25th annual games and for providing the opportunity for us to work out, compete and renew acquaintances with other police officers from throughout the state.

## 1992 International Police Winter Games: Feb. 27-March 5, 1992

### Alpine Events

#### Nordic Events

Races to be held at Heavenly Valley & Kirkwood

To receive information and entry form, send card to: IPWG, Box 7004, Auburn, CA 95604. OR call toll-free number of 1-800-FON-IPWG (366-4794) and leave name and address. Recorder on the toll-free line...so just call and leave your name and address to receive info on entry, room rates, lift rates, etc.

Ski races will be held March 1-5, 1992.

Hockey events will be held in Reno, Feb. 27-March 1.

Lift rates for 3 or more consecutive days at Heavenly will be \$28.00.

Limit of 340 racers.

For more info: contact Insp. Duane Otis/Robbery, ext. 1204.

#### Eligibility

Anyone competing in the International Police Winter Games must be a full time peace officer, or an honorably retired full time peace officer (including retired for disability), from any police agency in the world. Final eligibility will be determined by the Board of Directors.

#### Identification

For the benefit of all racers, verification of police officer affiliation with photo I.D. will be required at time of registration.

#### Hockey Competition

Sierra Nevada Ice Area in Reno/Sparks, Nevada will host our hockey competition.

Competition will be open to the first twelve (12) teams. Each team will compete in four (4) qualifying games to determine eligibility for the finals, which will be held on Sunday, March 1, 1992. Interested teams contact the I.P.W.G. for further details. 1-800-FON-IPWG (366-4794).

#### Family Race

Family members and guests of our participants are encouraged to participate in our Family Race on Sunday, March 1, 1992 at 2 p.m. at the World Cup Run. Entrance fee is only \$5.00.

#### Race Clinic

Heavenly race department will provide a free race clinic for our participants. The clinic will be held on Monday, March 2, 1992 at Canyon Run beginning at 10 a.m.

#### Nordic Competition

The 1992 Nordic competition will be held at Kirkwood Ski Resort.

The 5K course will be flat with a few slight rises and a groomed and grooved track.

The 10K course will be the same, with two loops.

The biathlon is the real test, with the law enforcement officers using his or her service pistol and professional shooting skills under stress (aerobic conditions). This event will be 1K, with an intermediate loop. There will be three shooting positions:

standing, kneeling and prone, on skis. There will be six shots, bull's eye target, per position at a 40 foot distance. Starting at 30 second intervals, the skier does a 1K loop, returns to start and fires position one, then continues until three firing stations and 4K's are completed. Time penalties will be given for missed shots.

#### Alpine Competition

There is competition for all levels of ability within four age groups 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, and 50 and older. Expert racers will compete in an open class.

Ability levels will be determined by our seeding race held on Monday, March 2, 1992. Competition will include Slalom, Giant Slalom and Modified Super Giant Slalom. A Dual Slalom competition will be held for the fastest 32 Slalom racers.

Medals will be awarded to the top five racers in each age and ability level.

There is a limit of 340 racers in the Alpine Competition.

#### Alpine Team Competition

Team competition is ongoing through the week. A team will consist of a maximum of 4 Alpine racers from the same department and there is no limit to the number of teams from any one department.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Hockey:

February 27 - March 1, 1992  
Sierra Nevada Ice Arena, Sparks, Nevada

### Alpine:

March 1 through 5, 1992  
Heavenly Ski Resort

### Nordic:

March 2 & 4, 1992  
Kirkwood Ski Resort

### Sunday, March 1, 1992

- Registration/check in (8 a.m. to noon & 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.)
- Mandatory Racer Meeting 7 p.m. Horizon Casino Hotel, Sequoia Ballroom
- FAMILY FUN RACE, 2 p.m. WORLD CUP RUN

### Monday, March 2, 1992

- Alpine Seeding Race for all Racers
- Race Clinic 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Canyon Run
- Nordic: 5K and Biathlon

### Tuesday, March 3, 1992

- Alpine: Slalom Race
- Nightly Awards 7 p.m. Sequoia Ballroom

### Wednesday, March 4, 1992

- Alpine: Giant Slalom Race
- Nordic: 10K
- Barbecue and Awards on Hill
- 4 p.m. World Cup Run
- Dual Slalom (top 32) 5 p.m. World Cup

### Thursday, March 5, 1992

- Alpine: Modified Super "G" Race
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Wismer tests the greens.

# Loon's Nest Report

by Ed Garcia

The first week of October saw the famous Northstar Resort at Lake Tahoe hosting a three day golf and fun extravaganza for the Loon's Nest Golf Club. This was the club's third visit to the Northstar resort in five years and we enjoyed weather in the 85 degree range for each day of play. On the first day half the Loons played at Cherry Island Golf Course, and the remaining Loons went into the higher altitudes to play Tahoe Donner, prior to arrival at Northstar on Wednesday night. After check-in the Loons gathered at the hospitality room prepared by tournament director Ron Parenti. Multiple Pedro games were hot and heavy while the Loons enjoyed cocktails and hor d'oeuvres. That evening the Loons made trips to North and South shore locations to try their luck at various games of chance.

On Thursday the Loons teed off at Northstar for the first of two separate tournament formats. The first day's play was a two-man "blind draw" contest. Each player turned in the individual net score and all the scores were put into a hat and partners assigned through a blind draw. The winners of the contest were Art Stellini and Bill Roualdes, who posted a combined net score of 146. Second place went to Brian Canedo and Jim Miranda, who currently work a bicycle patrol at Co. E. Brian and Jim posted a combined net score of 147. Third place went to Mike Favetti and Earl "the Pearl" Wismer, as they posted a score of 148. The winners split cash prizes and gift certificates. Upon the completion of the first day's play, the staff of the Northstar resort had prepared a fine barbeque which was served on the picnic grounds at the resort.

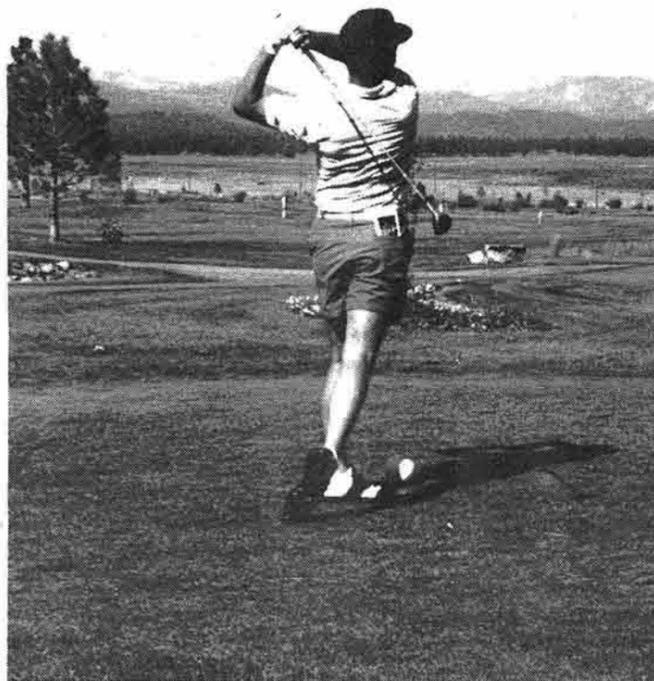
After a second night of fun and gaming, the Loons were back on the tee next morning for a round of intensive individual competition, as they played in two flights of handicap golf. In the second flight, first place went to Co. M's Rich Daniele. Rich fired a 90 with a 24 handicap, giving him a net 66. Rich was tied at net 66 by John Loftus, as scorecards were matched from hole number one to break the tie as Daniele won the tie breaker. Third place went to Art Stellini, a golfer known as a real tournament player, who always puts forth his



Favetti, Loftus, Daniels and Stellini



Garcia, Panina, Roualdes, Ballard



Mike Paulsen shows winning form.



Payne, McMillan, Pearson and Siragusa

best efforts when the chips are down. Art fired a 94 with a 24 handicap, giving him a net 70. In the first flight, Ed Garcia took first place with a net 71. Second place went to Dominic Panina of the Tenderloin Taskforce, as he posted a net 74. Mike Paulsen of Co. E captured the third prize with a net 75. The two winners in the "closest to the hole" contests were John Payne, who had a shot of 9'10" from the hole on day one and the second day's prize went to Steve Roche, who put the ball 90" from the pin. Each man received \$25.00 gift certificates. After the completion of play, the Loons gathered at the 19th hole for the presentation of trophies and awards before heading off in their different directions. A great deal of thanks should go to tournament director Ron Parenti, who made the reservations, prepared the hospitality rooms and took care of all the details so that the Loons could all enjoy a great trip.

**First Day Scores**

Stellini-Roualdes	146
Canedo-Miranda	147
Favetti-Wismer	148

Pearson-McMillan  
Panina-Loftus  
Clary-Ballard  
Cuff-Roche  
Mino-Paulsen  
Kinney-Everson  
Payne-Garcia  
Parenti-Daniele  
Siragusa-Allegro

**Second Day Scores**

Flight One	Gross	Net
Garcia	82	71
Panina	91	74
Paulsen	92	75
Parenti	90	76
McMillan	91	76
Mino	87	77
Everson	97	80
Allegro	105	87
Second Flight	Gross	Net
Daniele	90	66
Loftus	99	66
Stellini	94	70
Cuff	95	71
Rache	98	74
Roualdes	107	74

153	Siragusa	105	75
154	Clary	104	77
157	Payne	111	78
158	Wismer	101	78
161	Kenney	99	79
162	Favetti	115	82
165	Ballard	119	86
166	Miranda	113	89
168	Canedo	116	92

**Loon's Nest Membership Drive**

In January of this year, the Loon's Nest Golf Club had 56 paid members. We then began a membership drive through the first half of this year. I am happy to say that with the addition of new members Charlie Coates and Jeff Barker, we now have 79 members paid in full. If any department members are interested in joining this NCGA Associate Club, please contact Ed Garcia or Ron Parenti at Co. E. 553-1563.

**Awards Update**

A few S.F.P.D. athletes (and their successes) have not been given their rightful place in the paper. Let's get the record up to date, right now.

Jessie Washington of Potrero Station won two medals in this past summer's Police Games in Karate. Competing in the men's open 195-pound and over division Jessie won a Silver Medal in Kumite and a Bronze in Katas. Very well done, Jessie! This certainly bodes well for the future, as our karate team seemed to be the dominant team at the past Games and this was Jessie's first appearance at a Police Summer Games. Look for this team to really bring home the medals next year.

Also Mel Dangelo, Taraval, gave it his best shot on the pool tables at the Summer Games in Oakland but was overlooked in the results page.

One last winner that deserves recognition is Frank Falzon. Frank was known for years as a dominant baseball and softball player. His latest exploit, however, involves golf. Frank showed up for the Homicide Golf Tournament and walked away the winner. Congratulations to a smiling, personable cop-athlete. Nice going, Frank!

I hope this gets me out of the doghouse with a few of the competitors. You deserved a more timely acknowledgement of your feats. If there are others who have been slighted, let me know, please.

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# San Francisco Police Officers Basketball League

by Steve Ortiz, Commissioner of Basketball

This year our basketball league opened the season with seventeen teams . . . the largest it has ever been, so I have been told.

FBI looks like the team to beat in the Western Conference title once more.

Ingleside and Central look good, but then there's Kurt Bruneman who is leading all scoring with 79 points in 3 games. He has taken the Northern Gnats, last year's B Division winner to an early two win, one loss season start.

Southern has a healthy Jerry Lankford, who is back from a year layoff. Also back on the court is Jerry Donovan, with TAC/HQ, after a brief retirement from basketball. (Nice to see you, Donovan).

Strong teams in the Eastern Conference in week three are the US Customs with good strong play; San Mateo Task Force is also showing signs of being contenders with strong scoring out put from Spain and Chase.

Here are the standings after 3 weeks and the leading scorers so far.

### WEEK 3 RESULTS

U.S. CUSTOMS	63	SAN MATEO	40
HEADQUARTERS	51	DALY CITY	28
CENTRAL	81	POTRERO	44
NARCOTICS	65	PARK	42
AIRPORT	31	NORTHERN GNATS	62
MISSION	49	SOUTHERN	51
INGLESIDE	WIN	CHP VS FBI	TBA
NORTHERN 2	FORFEIT	RESCHEDULED	

### SCORING

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

BRUNEMAN	NORTHERN GNATS	79 PTS	3 GAMES
HONNIBALL	SOUTHERN	49 PTS	3 GAMES
CALGARO	CENTRAL	46 PTS	2 GAMES
GUY	FBI	40 PTS	2 GAMES
PUTS	TAC/HEADQUARTERS	40 PTS	3 GAMES
LANKFORD	SOUTHERN	34 PTS	3 GAMES
GREENWOOD	CENTRAL	28 PTS	2 GAMES
RODRIGUEZ	CENTRAL	28 PTS	2 GAMES
LINDO	TAC/HEADQUARTERS	27 PTS	3 GAMES
GUILLERMO	TAC/HEADQUARTERS	27 PTS	3 GAMES
DELCARLO	INGLESIDE	24 PTS	3 GAMES
SIEBERT	INGLESIDE	23 PTS	3 GAMES

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

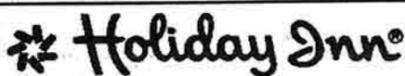
CHASE	SAN MATEO TASK FORCE	59 PTS	3 GAMES
SPAIN	SAN MATEO TASK FORCE	52 PTS	3 GAMES
WALLRAPP	U.S. CUSTOMS	43 PTS	3 GAMES
CORTEZ	U.S. CUSTOMS	42 PTS	3 GAMES
GALLEGOS	MISSION	39 PTS	3 GAMES
DEMPSEY	NARCOTICS	36 PTS	3 GAMES
KEANE	AIRPORT POLICE	34 PTS	3 GAMES
CURTIN	INSPECTORS	30 PTS	3 GAMES
JAMISON	POTRERO	30 PTS	3 GAMES
WALKER	POTRERO	29 PTS	3 GAMES
MANNIX	PARK	28 PTS	3 GAMES
SUHR	NARCOTICS	28 PTS	3 GAMES

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

#### WINS LOSSES

INGLESIDE	3	0	SAN MATEO	2	1
FBI	2	0	TASK FORCE	2	1
CENTRAL	2	0	U.S. CUSTOMS	2	1
CHP REDWOOD CITY	2	0	MISSION	2	1
NORTHERN GNATS	2	2	INSPECTORS	1	1
SOUTHERN	2	2	PARK	1	2
NORTHERN 2	1	2	POTRERO	1	2
TAC/HEADQUARTERS	0	3	DALY CITY PD	0	2
			AIRPORT PD	0	3
			NARCOTICS	0	3



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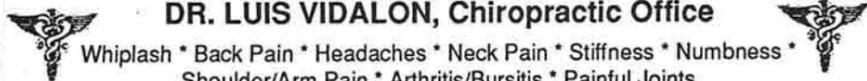
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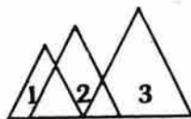


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## ON THE STREET/Tom Flippin



## Funny ...But True

by Tom Flippin, Editor



**JUST HORSIN' AROUND:** A Colorado hunting guide is thanking his lucky stars after a recent incident. The guide was taking a would-be "mighty hunter" into the back country to hunt elk. Unfortunately, he got a little ahead of his guide on the trail . . . and, when he rode into a clearing, the guy shot his horse out from under him. Sounds like the hunter may have needed a seeing-eye guide dog, not a hunting guide.

(Say, anybody know Sgt. Dave Robinson's whereabouts recently?)

**ATTENTION ALL SOLOS:** The Connecticut State Police have banned their troopers from using hand-held radar guns. Officers in many states have claimed health risks in the use of the guns . . . linking them to cancer.

The ban, believed to be the first of its kind by a state-wide agency, came after a municipal police officer from Windsor Locks, Connecticut filed a workers' comp. claim saying he developed cancer. The officer, who will remain unnamed, said he developed a cancerous tumor on his left testicle after years of resting his radar gun between his legs.

"Nobody ever gave me a warning," he said. "Nobody ever said don't put it between your legs . . . don't leave it on."

Kustom Signals Inc., the leading manufacturer of radar guns, denied the guns posed a health risk . . . but don't tell that to the Windsor Locks cop.

**HOW DRUNK? HE WAS SOOO DRUNK . . .** (Editor's Note: I haven't verified this as an absolutely true story, but it's such a great story I've just got to use it.) CHP officers recently stopped a suspected drunk driver on a local freeway. Having gotten him out of his car, they were just starting a field sobriety test when there was a multi-car accident right beside them. Telling the suspected drunk not to move, they ran to take care of the accident.

The drunk figured he had it made. The officers hadn't gotten his driver's license, maybe they'd forget his license plate, if he could just get home. So he drives home; he tells his wife, "If the cops show up, tell them I've been home in bed all night."

Sure enough, a short time later there's a knock on the door . . . when she opens

it, she sees a high ranking CHP, several CHP officers, etc. The ranking CHP says, "Is this the residence of so-and-so?" "Yes."

"Is he home?" "Yes."

"Does he drive such-and-such kind of car?" "Yes."

"Where is this car?" "In the garage."

"Can we see it?" "Yes."

Whereupon the wife pulls open the garage door and shows the CHP . . . the nice, new CHP patrol car the drunk had driven home.

**ANOTHER STOP 'N ROB STORY:** A would-be stick up man goes down to his local Stop 'N Rob store . . . he holds the place up and takes off with the loot. A couple of hours later the cops show up at our hero's house and arrest him. So, what was his downfall?

The dope took his dog with him, but when he saw the sign on the store saying "No Animals Allowed" he tied his dog outside . . . after the hold up he was in such a hurry to make his getaway that he forgot his faithful friend. The cops see the dog, check the dog license, get the address and another dumber-than-dumb gets introduced to the criminal justice system.

**JUST ANOTHER KISS OFF:** Police at Beijing University are cracking down on offenses against decency. The criminal acts they're getting tough about are hugging and/or kissing.

Protesting students said over 100 people have been arrested for public displays of affection. They reported that first-time offenders have their names recorded but repeat offenders may be fined or (get this) given school demerits.

"OK, kid, use those lips again and you've had it!"

## FRANK

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the opportunity of a position in any runoff election.

But, alas, this was not meant to be. Frank Jordan's campaign strategy proved extremely successful, and he enters the December 10 runoff election with a surprisingly strong position to defeat Art Agnos. And therein lies our ultimate objective — To Defeat Art Agnos — The POA's arch enemy.

The POA's Executive Board was incorrect in its assessment of the current electability of Supervisor Alioto considering the circumstances surrounding her candidacy and late entry into the race, but the POA's assessment of our citizen's dissatisfaction with our current Mayor is right on the button. Many of you who walked precincts during our successful Proposition D campaign soon realized that our measure was sold to many San Franciscans once it was learned that Art Agnos was opposed to it.

On November 19th, our Board of Directors will convene and I will recommend that the POA fully support the efforts of Frank Jordan in his bid to become Mayor.

Frank Jordan's campaign focuses on his ability to bring consensus amongst San Francisco's diverse groups. This would be a breath of fresh air given the current attitude at City Hall. But can Frank Jordan win? — The POA believes that he can! Go Frank Go!

## JORDAN

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ment away from the politicians and give it back to the people. But apparently Art Agnos wasn't listening. Instead of trying to figure out where he's gone wrong, he has already started attacking me. It's no wonder people are so fed up with 'politics as usual.'

Jordan went on to delineate his reasons for running. For the past three and half years, he said, the Agnos style in City Hall has been characterized by vindictiveness, arrogance, and closed-mindedness. "We've had an 'anything goes' philosophy that has made our streets dirtier, our neighborhoods more dangerous, and our city less livable. And we've had a mayor who has tried to blame everyone but himself for the failures of his administration."

On election day, hundreds of Jordan volunteers from across the city hit the streets in the name of change. They started at 4 a.m., putting up door hangers all over town and worked to get out the vote right up until the polls closed at 8 p.m. The results of their hard work were evident when the first returns started coming in with the first count of absentee ballots at 8:30, with Jordan taking a commanding lead with 41% of the initial vote.

The conventional wisdom was that his early lead was attributable to the generally conservative tilt of absentee voters. But as

the polling results of the city's over 600 voting precincts began to flow in, Jordan's lead remained solid.

The results of the balloting on the propositions bear out the Jordan campaign's claim to a broad-based support which cuts across ideological, generational, racial, and ethnic lines. Even as "yes" votes began to pull away from the "no" votes, Jordan was still putting distance between himself and Agnos.

When the breadth and scope of Jordan's support are combined with the obvious level of general disenchantment of city voters, Jordan's prospects in the Mayoral runoff on December 10th must be taken far more seriously than were his initial prospects. In stark contrast to Agnos' insular and combative approach thus far, Jordan intends his campaign — like his administration — to be as inclusive as possible. "Rather than meeting with power brokers and political king-makers, I'm going to meet with regular San Franciscans. Just as I've done for the past seven months, I'm going to take my campaign to every neighborhood in this city. I'm not an ideologue. I'm a San Franciscan, and I want to make this city work again. I believe the voters of this city are a lot smarter than Art Agnos gives them credit for. On December 10th, San Franciscans are going to the polls again. And like they did on November 5th, I believe they are going to vote for a change."

## Support Frank Jordan

Al,

A short note to follow up our phone conversation of yesterday.

You are aware of my support for Frank Jordan's candidacy, but, I am writing you now not as an advocate for Jordan, but, as a concerned member of this association.

There was some internal division within this association regarding our endorsement for Mayor. The POA executive board took a strong leadership position based upon, then sound, political reasoning which had as its sole motivation the over all benefit to our membership.

Although objected to, by some, because of form, no one I talked to ever accused the board of acting out of self-interest (as has been charged of previous POA administrations)

I say this because I feel the overwhelming endorsement of Angela Alioto was as much a referendum on the degree of trust and confidence the POA membership has in you. I believe this trust and confidence is well placed and much deserved.

Unfortunately the POA endorsed candidate did not make the Mayoral run-off.

Still, the POA's position is crystal clear as to our support for a run-off candidate. You have said as much in memorandum issued by the POA: (I paraphrase) "should Jordan make the run-off, I would recommend we throw our full support behind him."

Now, to the point.

Our telephone conversation yesterday left me with some concern that we, as an association, would "fully" and "expeditiously" support the candidate who now op-

poses Art Agnos.

I would submit that we must support Frank Jordan in full measure and in the manner in which we supported Angela Alioto.

That is: 1. We must encourage financial support of the Jordan campaign, by our membership, as was done for Alioto. Donation envelopes should be mailed out along with a POA memorandum unequivocally supporting Jordan. Many POA members can reasonable be expected to support Jordan's candidacy financially; it seems only right and appropriate that these monies be "channeled" through the POA (as was done with Alioto) so that the cumulative "weight" of such support is correctly attributed to the POA membership as a whole.

2. The POA must take an active leadership role in encouraging and informing our membership as to involvement with the Jordan campaign organization (as was done with Alioto), and, the importance of such personal involvement.

In short, we must be actively and fully involved in this effort to remove the incumbent. While the first part of the campaign might be compared to a marathon; this run-off is a sprint.

The POA can't be left in the blocks...

Your firm leadership of this Association must be focused on directing this membership's energy and resources to defeating Art Agnos . . . clearly that means total support for Frank Jordan.

Fraternally,  
Kelly Carroll