President's Message

Sharing Tragedy

By Chris Cunnie
SFPOA President

Fate has not been kind to our personal and professional lives this past year, law enforcement throughout Northern California has suffered a series of violent and untimely deaths. We shared with much pain and anguish with police and deputies in Millbrae, Lodi, Oakland, Alameda and Sacramento Counties, and the California Highway Patrol.

Our counterparts in Southern California have fared no better. LAPD lost three officers in the line of duty in 1998. One of them was Brian Brown, slain last November in a shoot-out. Our condolences for him appeared in the Notebook and were appreciated by Dave Hepburn, President of the LA Police Protective League. In a recent letter to me he wrote, "The concern and support of organizations such as yours demonstrates the fraternal nature of police work, which so poignantly sets police work apart from most all other organizations such as yours demonstrates the fraternal nature of police work, which so poignantly sets police work apart from most all other occupations."

Those words struck a chord with me. It is so true. We — all police officers — tend to pull together in times of grief and need. In that sense, this has certainly been a year of togetherness, of responsibility toward one another.

San Francisco police officers are a particularly compassionate group: a humble bunch of big-hearted individuals who respond without hesitation to the needs of others. The breadth of your kindness reaches beyond the confines of police work, which so poignantly sets police work apart from most all other occupations.

And we have the strength of forbearance. You have withheld more than a year of non-stop grief and sorrow. Yet you have risen to each occasion, helping families and coworkers through one of the most trying times in the history of our extended family.

Our dark passage began early last year in the South Bay. On January 7, 1998, a reckless driver ran down and killed CHP motorcycle officer Scott Greenly.

In April we mourned the untimely passing of Southern Station's Tom Mandelke. Only ten days later a Patriot gunned down Millbrae Police Officer Dave Chetcuti.

In May we gathered at Union Square with family and friends to honor and remember 92 of our fallen SFPD fellows.

In June we lost two more of our own. Jeanne McVeigh of the Mounted Unit to the scourge of Cancer; and Ken Sugrue of The Tenderloin Task Force to stress-induced heart failure.

Things began looking better as we moved from late Summer into early Fall. We thought we had seen the worst of 1998, and celebrated the passage of Proposition A in early November. Then, suddenly, Tom Feu- duc of the Fraud Detail died in a motorcycle crash on upper Market Street.

December was worst of all. Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Sandy Larson and Lodi motorcycle officer Rick Crawford died in unrelated traffic accidents. Days later, armed robbers ambushed and killed Alameda Sheriff's Deputy John Manzego. Then, just before Christmas, our own Manny Coreris of Ingleside Station lost a long fight with cancer.

As yet, 1999 has not proven any kinder. January saw the senseless ambush and killing of Oakland Police Officer James Williams and, on the same bitter day, the heroic death of Oakland Firefighter Tracy Toomey.

Then, as if in a bad dream, we lose Deputy George Stakos after an incredible night of gunfights and police car crashes.

The New Montgomery Street bank shoot-out well demonstrates the capacity of concern I spoke of earlier. Representatives from both the Department and the Association responded immediately to assist the officers and citizens involved in the critical incident.

Of course, the police response was immediate. Officers rushed to the aid of their fellow's call from all corners of the city, no easy task downtown during the Friday home commute. Captain Dennis Martel did a superb job of developing a coordinated command from the initial chaos. Certainly each officer who rushed to the scene was the epitome of the courageous, selfless professional. All are to be commended.

POA Treasurer Jack Miniel and Out-Going Representatives

POA Board Of Directors Pays Tribute To
Out-Going Representatives

POA President Chris Cunnie poses with outgoing POA Board of Directors B to F: Jim Millett, Airport Bureau; Matt Gardner, Co. F; Chris Cunnie; Dan Linehan, Co. B; Ben Spiteri, Co. B; John Scully, Airport Bureau.

Editor Ray Shire were among the Sokol who escorted ambulances to SFGH. Ray also responded with other officers to a crash involving police units that had been responding to the 406 call. Officers injured in that accident were transported to other local hospitals.

POA Vice President Gary Delagnes, working out of Narcotics, was on the scene just minutes after the dramatic climax: two police officers and a civilian lay wounded by gun shots; their shooter lay dead from return fire by the officers. Gary was instrumental in initiating POA legal representation for officers directly involved in the incident.

The Department's CIRT team also played a crucial role in the events of the day, and their contributions are too numerous to chronicle here. It is to the credit of Chief Lau and his

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Just as we go to press we have received late word that another Northern California law enforcement officer has been killed in the line of duty. Sacramento Police Officer William Bean, Jr. was shot and killed during a "routine" traffic stop on Tuesday, February 9, 1999. The suspected killer, a parolee named Bundell Wright, was arrested a few hours after the incident.

Officer Bean had served with the Sacramento PD for four years. He reportedly had prior law enforcement service in another jurisdiction. He is the first Sacramento PD officer shot and killed in the last 25 years.

The San Francisco Police Officers' Association extends condolences and sympathy to the friends and family of officer Bean. The senselessness of his killing bitterly compounds our agony and grief. May he rest in peace.

— Chris Cunnie

Gung Hay Fat Choy!

The San Francisco Police Officers' Association wishes you a happiness and prosperity in the year of the Hare. May you live long and well.
widows and orphans aid association

The regular meeting of the widows' and orphans' Aid Association was called to order by Vice President William Hardeman at 2 PM, Wednesday Jan. 20, 1999 in the conference room of Ingleside Station.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: President Don Lucey, Secretary Alma Simco, Treasurer Jeffery Forencich, Sergeant Alvas Minkel, Sergeant Steve Johnson, Sergeant Johnson, Sergeant Johnson, Captain Corrier, and Sergeant Johnson. All present called to order by Vice President Hardeman.

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER MEETING: Motion by Jeffery Forencich that the minutes of the December meeting be accepted as read. All seconded and carried.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS AND SUSPENSIONS: None were reported for this month.

BILLS: Treasurer Jim Sturken presented the usual bills. Since our last meeting in December we had six deaths:

DON LUCEY. 71 years of age. Don was born in San Francisco and grew up in the Richmond District and attended Sacred Heart. Was a member of the U.S. Navy and worked as a Driver License examiner before entering the Police Academy in 1956. His first assignment saw him at Taraval Station and then to Mission. He worked back in his own neighborhood in the Richmond and then saw several years at Pacifica Co. Al received several Captain's Comp's for his arrests. He went back to his own Richmond District as a LT. and retired in 1985. Received several Captain's Comp's for his arrests. He went back to his own Richmond District as a LT. and retired in 1985. Made his home in Mill Valley where he passed away at 71 years of age.

HENRY COSTES. 75 years of age. Henry was born in New York City and worked as a salesman on the East Coast and also in San Francisco before entering the Police Academy in 1952. His first assignment saw him going to Taraval Station before he got his chance to enter the B.E. (Northern). From the Northern he made the Bureau of inspectors and worked there until he retired as a Captain in 1978. Henry was awarded the Silver Medal of Valor for his capture of a 211 suspect in a commission of a Robbery of a Liquor Store. Made his home in San Francisco where he passed away in Dec. of 1998.

DAVID ROSE. 75 years of age. Born in San Francisco and grew up in the Mission District. Worked for the Southern Pacific Railroad, a switchman before entering the Police Academy in 1947. His first assignment saw him going directly to Co. R (Soma) where he worked for two years before he resigned to pursue his real love of working on the railroad. Then he made his home in Redding California where he passed away in Dec. of 1998.

MANUEL CORERIS. 52 years of age. Manny was born in San Francisco and grew up in the Ingleside District and attended Lowell High. Was a member of the U.S. Army and worked as a butcher before entering the Police Academy in 1972. His first assignment was Ingleside Station and he never asked to be transferred to any other assignment in his career. Manny made his home in Pacifica where he passed away in Dec. of 1998.

DONALD DEREKALE, 65 years of age. Don was born in San Francisco and grew up in North Beach and attended College and Sacred Heart High Schools. In his senior year at S.H. his father signed for him to enter the United States Marines Corps. After his service he returned home and was employed as a garage attendant before he entered the Police Academy in 1958. His first assignment saw him going to the Big E (Northern) where he worked for a year before moving on to the Ingleside Station. Don made several arrests and was awarded a Bronze Medal of Valor for his capture of an armed robbery suspect in 1965. His second assignment was making a great contribution to the restaurant and tavern business in San Francisco as an Officer-at-Large. He made his home in our Department, the Fire Dept., the labor movement and San Francisco as he walked the whole walk of life. Don passed away at his home in San Mateo in Dec. of 1998.

GEORGE STASKO. 47 years of age. George made his home as a youth in the Mission. Many friends, was born in San Francisco and grew up in the Mission District or the Richmond District as you please. Attended Sacred Heart High School and St. Mary's College. Worked as a security guard for Mumm Brothers after entering the Police Academy in 1977. His first assignment saw him going back to old neighborhood of the Mission. That was moved on to the Big E (Northern) before being assigned to TAC where he remained on a extended leave from from July 29th for a long investigation to Sgt. He was assigned to the Bureau room (night investigations). His next assignment saw him back in University with the great new Housing Unit. Like any assignment Jake ever had he did a good job and was credited with a new approach with some very old problems. On his promotion to Captain he was assigned to be the Commanding Officer of the Tactical Division a job he held up until his untimely death in a auto accident. He was returning home to his family after puting in a very long day as the Tactical Commander in a major Bank Robbery, which saw one civilian, and two Police Officers shot and a suspect killed by the Police Officers. Jake went on two bronze medals of valor, Police Commission Commendations (to widows & orphans, page 17).
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Notebook

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...Beneficiary Alert:

D o you know who your benefi-
ciary of record is? In your re-
tirement file? The recent
deaths of several active City em-
ey caused me to double check our
own file. Surprisingly, the benefi-
ciary card on file was out of date. It
listed my father and sister, not my
wife of 25 years and our two children.
I told others to check and found that
almost 100% of those with twenty
deaths or better had an outdated beneficiary listed. Are you
sure your beneficiary is correct? If in
doubt. Check today. Note: retirees
update beneficiary files during the exit process.

...Traffic Psychology:

The other day, I saw a few people
who slowly cross a street against the red
light to block traffic. You were probably real angry
with them. Did you realize that their actions
are the actions of a powerless
person whose only power in life comes from being in traffic to a
stand still? Pathetic isn’t it.

...New Year’s Eve ’99:

Barbara Cook of the Hyatt Re-
cy gives reminders everyone makes to your
reservations today. ’99 parties are
expected to sell out by April. So if
you don’t want to drive that night, book
your room somewhere in the City soon.
You’re not the only one who won’t be
working that night.

...Welcome Back:

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2nd European Cruise
SFPD 15th Group Cruise

By Jim Hennessy, TAC

Barcelona, Rome, Florence, Naples and Monte Carlo! These are just a few of the places you can visit on the next SFPD cruise to Europe. My wife and I took a group on this itinerary in the summer of 1997 and we liked it so much, we decided to offer it again. Many friends and acquaintances who took one were also very happy with Royal Caribbean. So, my research turned up the fabulous Legend of the Seas leaving from Barcelona, Spain on June 19, 1999, as one of the best dollar values sailing the Mediterranean this summer.

The Legend of the Seas is one of the newest and most modern cruise ships sailing in Europe. This extraordinary, state-of-the-art vessel is like a recreation center, and entertainment complex, a grand hotel, an art gallery, a health spa, several restaurants and a seaside resort — all rolled into one. When you board the ship sailing from port to port, you have a variety of activities and entertainment to choose from. You can play Pong-Pong, shuffleboard or jog; you can play 18 holes of miniature golf or go to the frilly equipped spa and fitness center; you can relax by one of the pools or hot tubs; or, you can gamble at the casino or shop in the shipboard boutiques. The children and teens can engage in activities at one of the best Youth Centers offered at an additional expense by Royal Caribbean Cruise Line.

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Time To Travel will be glad to work with you on customizing your vacation. You can take the RCI Air/Sea Package which means you board the plane in San Francisco and you are delivered directly to the ship in Barcelona. Or you can decide to fly early, spend time in a lovely hotel in Barcelona to unwind from the flight and arrive at the ship one to two days later, completely refreshed and ready to begin your Mediterranean odyssey. You may even decide to go early to another European destination, such as London or Paris, and pick up the ship in Barcelona. You may want to stay in Europe at the end of the cruise. All those options, and more, can be arranged.

I hope you will consider coming with us on this trip of a lifetime. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 415-421-3333. You may also call me at home in the evenings at 415-243-1489. I will be happy to hear from you and assist you with any questions.

Looking forward to hearing from you.
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Dear Member:

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

Qualified applicants will be limited to 1999 high school graduates with a "C" average or better. This presents a perfect opportunity for those creative students who may not have the opportunity to apply for other scholarships to do so now. Successful candidates will be judged on their scholastic records, extracurricular activities and, will be invited to participate in an essay competition. Further details will be provided to those who qualify.

The scholarship finalists will be selected by the SFPOA Scholarship Committee. Awards will be presented in June or July 1999.

Take advantage of this opportunity to compete for the scholarship assistance awards for the 1999 Fall college semester.

Applications are available from the SFPOA office located at 510-7th St., San Francisco, CA 94103, (415) 861-5060.

Pick up your application or mail the attached request for application to the SFPOA. Completed applications must be returned to the SFPOA no later than April 30, 1999.

REQUEST FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Scholarship Applications must be returned to the SFPOA no later than March 30, 1999. Applications received after that date will be returned.

Applicant's Name:
Address:
Home Telephone:
Name: ____________________________
Rank: ____________________________
of SFPOA member who qualified you as a scholarship applicant.
Assignment: ____________________________
Ext.# ____________________________
Your relationship to the SFPOA member who qualifies you as a scholarship applicant:

NOTE: This is not a scholarship application. It is a request form only.

SFPOA Announces Annual
Jeff Barker Scholarship Awards

Eligibility

- Applicant must be a California resident attending his or her senior year of high school in California.
- Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.
- Applicant must have been accepted to an accredited two- or four year college of university, or trade school in the United States, with intent to enroll as a full-time freshman by the Fall 1999 session.
- The applicant's parent or legal guardian must be currently employed full-time by - or if retired or deceased, must have been employed full-time by - a government entity. This definition of public employee includes, but is not limited to, peace officers; fire fighters; educators; postal employees; military personnel; and federal, state and local government workers.
- CSE employees, employers' relatives, and its agents and vendors are not eligible.

Procedure

- Send all materials to Scholarship Contest, CSE Insurance Group, P.O. Box 7764, San Francisco, California, 94120-7764. All materials must be received by March 31, 1999. Regular mail is preferred; avoid certified or special mailings. No facsimile or electronic submissions will be accepted. All directions on the application must be followed exactly, and all requirements for submission must be met. Mailed submissions will be legible. CSE is not responsible for lost or misdirected application materials.
- Scholarship winners will be notified by May 15, 1999. No other applicants will be notified.
W here have you been? Let me take a look. If you utilize AOL, there exists a directory called "download." Start up AOL at the title screen click on FILE, OPEN and viola, all the files that have been downloaded will appear there. Since this will show all files, you click on each one at a time, they will open. If they don't, then most likely another application is needed to open them. Write down the file name with the full path. Open your favorite Word Processor and locate the file that you jotted down earlier. Perhaps your first choice is to look at the file that you jotted down earlier. My Documents and etc. This directory called "download." Start up Netscape, in the URL line, type in "about:globalhistory" without the quotes. Well, are you surprised as to how many sites have been visited. If you are connected, you can click on the individual URL sites and off you go. This only applies to Netscape and will not work under Internet Explorer. While you are at it, on the same URL line, type in "about:cache", and a similar history appears. There are ways to get rid of your history info, but I will not divulge that, just be aware that it is there.

Within the Internet Explorer Browser, you can access the history by clicking on "GO", OPEN HISTORY FOLDER. Unless you have a knowledgeable user, these cache and history files will generally reside on the hard drive. Too few actually run utilize a browser on another medium other than a hard drive. Now that you have found the information, what will you do about it? Talk to the child, or employee? Immediately erase the files? Have any laws been violated? This raises many concerns and should be addressed before it's too late.

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Wanted: Adventurers To Tour Ireland And Walk In The Saint Patrick’s Day Parade in Cork, San Francisco’s Sister City

By Patrick Burke
Northern Station

After a magnificent first S.F.P.D Trip of a Lifetime to Ireland for Saint Patrick’s Day in March 1998 one wonders how such a memorable trip could be improved on. Well, the 1999 Circle of Ireland Tour is set up to do just that. The one complaint about itineraries.

The First Eighty Adventurers Signed up will have the following itinerary.

March 15—Depart San Francisco on British Airways at 8:45 PM. Dinner will be served shortly after departure.

March 16—Arrive London Heathrow at 1:00 PM. We will transfer to Aer Lingus and depart for Cork at 3:30 PM, arriving in Cork at 3:55 PM. We will be transported from the airport to the hotel in a Deluxe Coach. Dinner and Overnight will be at a luxurious international hotel, which is across the street from the Saint Patrick’s Day Parade Reviewing Stand.

March 17—Saint Patrick’s Day and we are in Ireland. After a full irish breakfast in the hotel we will own, fight in the time ever, the Saint Patrick’s Day Parade through Cork City. We will partake of the many festivities of Saint Patrick’s Day, Dinner and Overnight in the hotel.

March 18—after breakfast we will go on a tour, through the green fields and rolling hills, to the Lakes of Killarney. We can stroll around the beautiful downtown Killarney, or perhaps take a jaunting car ride to the famous Muckross House and it’s beautiful gardens. On the return to Cork City we will travel along a portion of the Ring of Kerry through Kenmare and Glengariff on Bantry Bay. Dinner and overnight in the hotel.

March 19— A drive north to County Tipperary for a visit to the imposing Rock of Cashel. There will be an audio/visual presentation and time to explore the gardens. Then on to Waterford for a tour of the famous Waterford Crystal Factory and a visit to it’s magnificent showrooms. Return to Cork City for dinner and overnight. The above is just a barebones itinerary as many entertainment activities will also be scheduled.

It is very important that you phone Pat Burke immediately, (650) 755-2299, to hold a spot on this wonderful multi-day tour and we can only guarantee the above itinerary to the first 80 with their deposits in. We expected 60-80 this year but 120 ended up going.

First Annual Dinner Dance to be Inducted into Emerald Society

By Val Kirwan
Ingleside Station

The San Francisco Bay Area Law Enforcement Emerald Society (SFBALES), has announced their first annual Dinner Dance to be held on Friday March 5th, 1999 at the United Irish Cultural Center, located on 45th Avenue and Stou Boulevard.

The SFBALES, a non-profit organization, was formed in May of 1998, and encompasses sworn law enforcement officers from San Francisco, Oakland, Napa Valley, Vallejo, San Mateo, Hillsborough, Colma, Alameda, Broadmore, Petaluma, San Leandro, Martinez, Contra Costa County, and Albany, and seeks to extend its membership to all interested law enforcement personnel from the nine Bay area counties.

The purpose of the Emerald Society is to unite all law enforcement, clubs, and associations to recognize and promote the contributions of the Irish-Americans to law enforcement, and to strengthen and develop community relationships between law enforcement and our communities at large, to uphold and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States, and to work with other fraternal law enforcement organizations, agencies and Irish-American groups on areas of mutual concern.

Scheduled to attend the dinner dance are officers from the National Emerald Society, including: National President, Lt. Pat O’Brien, U.S. Park Police, N.Y.; and Sgt.-at-Arms, Sgt. McFadden, Domestic Violence; Pat Burke, North Bay; Marty Halloran, Inspector’s Bureau. Anyone interested in membership planning is well underway and looks to be sold out. A non-host bar will be available from appetizers to dessert.

A portion of the proceeds from the dance will be contributed to The Junior Irish Dance Organization, was formed in May of 1998, and encompasses sworn law enforcement officers from San Francisco, Oakland, Napa Valley, Vallejo, San Mateo, Hillsborough, Colma, Alameda, Broadmore, Petaluma, San Leandro, Martinez, Contra Costa County, and Albany, and seeks to extend its membership to all interested law enforcement personnel from the nine Bay area counties.

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The San Francisco Animal Care and Control has an abundance of animals who are in need of a home. For those of you who have “rescued” any of our four legged friends you know that you are the recipient of much love and gratitude. If any animal I feature has been adopted by the time we go to publication don’t despair! Animal Care and Control has lots of critters to go around.

Here’s an update on last month’s featured animals: Winnie and Rosie were adopted on January 25. Roscoe was adopted along with another pooch named Lucky. Two at once, what luck. Bam Bam is now available at the SPCA, ID# 122524.

Lucy
ID: A098588
Age: 5 years
Sex: Female
Description: Black Lab — Nice, easy going. Needs some one-on-one socialization, may have been left in yard, so needs to bond and learn the basics.

Clover
ID: A098214
Age: 1 year
Sex: Female
Description: German Shepherd — Sits, shakes hands, very affectionate.

Delliah
ID: A098664
Age: 5 months
Sex: Female
Description: Boxer/Hound mix — Very sweet, gentle and affectionate.

Thomas
ID: A098051
Age: 8 months
Sex: Male/neutered
Description: Mastiff mix — gentle and sweet.

Regina
ID: A097733
Age: 5 months
Sex: Female
Description: Doberman/Shepherd mix — sweet and eager to please.

SFPD Veteran Named K-9 Unit’s Rookie of the Year

Officer Alexandria Brunner and Police Dog “Mike” have both been honored as the SFPD K-9 unit’s “Rookies of the Year” for 1998. Alexandria, a seven year veteran, was transferred to the unit from Park Station. Her co-honoree, “Mike”, came from much further away. He is a 3 year-old German Shepherd bred in the Czech Republic. He has been cross-trained for search and for narcotic detection.

On January 4, 1998, Alexandria and “Mike” officially became a K-9 unit team. Since then, they have searched over 200 buildings, schools, warehouses, and offices. They handled 475 alarm calls, and performed 115 narcotics searches. Their combined team efforts resulted in many exceptional arrests, mostly of burglars and drug offenders.

The POA extends congratulations to Alexandria and “Mike”, and also thank them for their unflagging effort last year. They have worked hard to do their part on behalf of the police department to develop the K-9 unit into one of the best in the state.

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The Hebel Analysis of the Aetna Retirement Plans

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As Retirement Board President Joe Driscoll says: "Your personal success with your deferred comp account is based on two main decisions which you control. First is how much to save, and second is where you invest your savings. To that end, lower fees will make a significant contribution."

The Hebel Economic Forecast For 1999

- Dow Jones Industrial Average range: 8975 to 10,500
- Inflation (CPI): 1.7%
- Real growth of domestic production (GDP): 3.3%
- Average yield on money market funds: 4.4%
- Unemployment: 4.2%
- 30 year treasury bond yield: 4.8%
- 30 year fixed rate mortgage: 6.8%
- interest rate trend: steady, little change
- increase in corporate operating earnings: 7%

Never before in the 74 year history of the Standard and Poor 500 index has there been 4 consecutive years of stock return advances exceeding 20% (1995: 34.1%; 1996: 20.3%; 1997: 31.0% and 1998: 26.7%). The Dow-Jones Industrial Average has posted 4 consecutive years of double digit annual returns (1995: 33.5%; 1996: 26%; 1997: 22.6% and 1998: 16.1%). The prominent pundits of Wall Street said this couldn't happen. It did! This is a Superbull market, soaring its way through just about every imaginable difficulty. Since the start in 1995, the stock market's streak of annual gains has outpaced anything ever known.

These gains are so sustained, so far beyond expectations, that most market prognosticators say it is hard to imagine how stocks can do it again in 1999. I forecast a 15% rise in the average of the previous years in 1999.

We are now entering the 9th year of economic expansion. With inflation in retreat, no recession is in sight. The business cycle has moderated, but has not vanished. Gross domestic product (GDP) will continue to expand albeit painfully, and is now reaping its rewards which will continue for many years ahead. If our political leaders continue to support free trade, annual budget surpluses, and pro-growth fiscal policies, the Dow-Jones Industrial Average will easily vault 10,000 by the year 2000. The bull will continue to run; no bear in sight.

There are plenty of reasons for long term confidence in the stock market. The US economy is sound, interest rates are relatively low, corporate profits are healthy, and our political leaders are focusing on a budget surplus. I do not foresee any prolonged stock price slumps. Stay focused on the long term, remain patient and disciplined.

THE FINAL REPORT
Hartford’s Net Investment Performance

On February 1, 1999 the Hartford transferred all deferred compensation plan assets to the Aetna Retirement Services. With this act Hartford ended its 20 year tenure as our service provider. With this act, Aetna began to fulfill its 5 year contract as our new service provider promising lower total expenses/fees, award winning communication and education materials, excellent investment options from 10 mutual fund families, no deferred sales charges, and internet access (www.Aetna.com).

The Retirement Board selected Aetna because of Aetna’s: (1) significantly lower fees; (2) increased participant services; (3) added investment flexibility; (4) added account representatives dedicated to San Francisco; (5) and better communication and education materials. You have already received from Hartford a "liquidating" statement for your account showing what is being transferred to Aetna. Aetna will send you an "opening" statement for your new account with them. The total account values on both statements should exactly match. Aetna has pledged to be our "Retirement Planning Partner." We expect and deserve nothing less.

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PERFORMANCE COMPARISONS

(If = old Hartford fund option = new Aetna fund option)

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The DC Provider Change:

participation must become more active and diligent in their fund selec-
tions/allocations.

(5) My ultimate criterion for determining whether the switch from Hartford

to Aetna was successful is this: Did participants enjoy larger monthly/
quarterly distribution checks to fund their retirement goals/dreams???

This question will be answered by the quantity and quality of Aetna's total

commitment to the CCSF deferred compensation plan - individual/group

services, communications, education, and fund performance.

I did support the change from Hartford to Aetna. I intend to closely

monitor the activities of Aetna to insure that we, as participants, get the

benefits promised. Aetna now has 5 years to prove that our trust and

rating (its highest). Its return is high accompanied with above average risk.

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And remember, past performance is no guaranty of future returns.
There were only four contested races and one by-laws change on the ballot. The results are as follows:

Co. B board representative
Kevin Martin 46
Ed Santos 9
Steve Balma 7

Co. D board representative
(2 positions)
John Evans 66
Jeff Smith 44
Troy Peele 20
Alex Medina 1

Co. I board representative
Joe Flugan 25
Kyle Ching 23

Airport board representative
(2 positions)
Robert Belt 76
Mukesh Chandra 53
Robert Chapman 36
Daniel Lava 25
Dorree Donnelly 13

By-laws Amendment
YES 552
NO 67

To All:
Thank you so much for your thoughts and concern and very generous donation for Tony. We are deeply touched and words cannot even express our appreciation. It’s great to know that in a time like this there are wonderful people like you who are willing to help and who truly care. Thank You.

Tony is doing remarkably well. It’s amazing! God has answered our prayers. However, we have a long road ahead of us. There will be future surgery — both reconstructive and plastic. Also, he will need help with his memory and cognitive skills, but we’re hoping for a full recovery. We have faith.

Thank you again from the bottom of our hearts.
Sincerely,
The Castillo Family

Chris —
I am sorry I left you hanging, but on that day I was trying to fix you the info, my transition team terminated my employ.
I want to thank you so much for your support! This process is truly a partisan matter. I will be returning to the District Attorney’s Office sometime within 2-3 months. Not all is lost. I learned a lot: workers comp, I am working with Angela Alrto on employment discrimination and learning a lot on civil matters. Will see you soon. Yours truly, Gale Leung

Every Penny Counts 1998
Dear Chris Cumie & Phil Dito — The results are in and “Every Penny Counts 1998” was a smashing success. This year, more than 45 schools and over 100 local businesses worked together to raise over $80,000 during the campaign. We could not have done it without you!

Your tax deductible donation of $100.00 has been included in the final amount. Your contribution will help the AIDS Emergency Fund continue to provide financial assistance to those living with AIDS.

“Every Penny Counts 1999” ended with a spectacular day in Union Square on World AIDS Day, December 1. A host of schools and businesses returned their penny jars and were treated to fun and festive day. A special thanks is extended to those who volunteered their time during the day and those who made a special trip to return the penny jars to us there.

“Every Penny Counts Day” received incredible attention in both local and national media. Numerous television stations, radio stations and newspapers helped to bring the word of Every Penny Counts to San Francisco and beyond.

Again, a sincere thank you for your incredible contribution. We look forward to your participation in “Every Penny Counts 1999”.

Sincerely,
Clark Sealy
Pennies Project Coordinator

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By Kathy Miranda
POA Friend and Supporter

Last month we lost a friend. We all loved him as "Jake". And we all respected him as Captain George Stasko. Jake often spoke of the spiritual side of life, and we had numerous conversations comparing our experiences and how they changed the way we looked at life. We will all miss you Jake, and I for one know that you are in a better place now.

I spoke with Jake a couple of days before his tragic accident. We talked about how important it was for Police Officers in particular to maintain their health, vitality, and alertness. Jake agreed, and asked me to go before the line-ups. I promised him I would return in a few days with some products for him to try. I now feel that I was too late in my return.

I don't know if it would have made a difference, but I know I shall continue to agitate over it.

The past few weeks have been horrific in the number of losses and near losses sustained by this Department, and others, including Fire Departments throughout the Bay Area. On average, one Police Officer dies in the line of duty nationwide every 54 hours. There are also approximately 64,000 criminal assaults against our law officers each year resulting in more than 22,000 injuries. You must maintain not only your health, but full mental and physical alertness while working this job. Coffee and junk food simply won't cut it. There are products available to you that will allow you to perform and react at your absolute best!

Did you know that the average life expectancy of a law enforcement officer, who dies from natural causes is 5.5 years after retirement! But as most of us have been witness to, often these deaths occur much earlier. These statistics are unacceptable! We can change these stats, and it starts with the individual. During this sad time, and as I write, I do so with a heavy heart. I don't like the news, or the reality of the news, but I am a former nurse, and you as Police Officers deal with these realities, on a daily basis. We are willing, and sometimes unwilling participants in these realities. We know them better than most. And through them, we suffer, in many ways, more than most. Sometimes our objectivity, and "it's the other guy" mentality is replaced by the personal realization that we too, are vulnerable, and most assuredly, human.

Police Departments have come a long way in providing their personnel with the finest weapons, vehicles, training, and safety equipment. I feel that the most important area overlooked is that of Nutritional Supplements. Not that I feel it's the Department responsibility, nor should it be, but certainly, the problem must be addressed. On to other things. As I write, we are preparing to welcome Dave Redding (formerly of RC Chief) to San Francisco. Dave will be heading a conference planned at the SF Police Academy February 3. We have invited 60 Police Departments, including their SWAT Teams, and numerous Fire Departments to this Conference. This also includes San Francisco Fire, and Oakland Fire.

By the time you read this, the conference will be over. Dave will have shown you many new and innovative techniques for strengthening your bodies in whatever endeavor you're involved with. We hope that many will have made the decision to begin taking better care of the most important asset that your family and your Department has, and that's YOU!
Wilderness Program Among SFPD’s Most Successful Outreach Efforts

By Ray Shine, Editor

The San Francisco Police Officers’ Association has long been a major supporter and contributor to the Wilderness Program. Each year the program coordinator, Officer Walt Scott, appears before the Board to solicit more annual support. At the January 19 meeting he gave the following report. It is very impressive, and outlines in a dramatic fashion how this program has impacted disadvantaged youth in San Francisco in positive and effective ways.

Since 1981 the San Francisco Police Department’s Wilderness Program has accomplished the following:

- Provided 1,217 outdoor adventures, of which 616 were three to seven day programs, for 25,018 boys and girls.
- Police officers have taken part in every one of these adventures.
- Provided outdoor leadership opportunities and training for over 2,000 teenagers.
- 100% dependability — have never cancelled a planned program.
- Built the Glen Park adventure ropes course in cooperation with McAtee high school urban pioneers and 4-H University of California Cooperative Extension.
- Provide ropes courses for all police academy classes since 1996.
- Acquired six vans with roof racks and over 100 sets of backpack equipment.
- Lease 2,000 square feet of office space, storage, and staging area from the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.
- There is so much demand for this program that we have long since ceased to publicize it. Two or even more such programs could not meet the demand.

A typical year includes:

- 24 three-day backpack adventures for 600 students.
- 35 adventure ropes courses for 675 students.
- 12 day hikes for 300 students.
- 8 two-day river rafting adventures for 44 students.
- 5 sea kayak adventures for 120 students.
- Police officers participate in all these adventures.
- To make this possible, the SFPD Wilderness Program’s staff must:
  - Schedule one year’s programs and fulfill all commitments.
  - Coordinate all programs with schools, agencies, participants, and police officer, teacher, and teenagers.
  - Directly supervise all or parts of each adventure.
  - Be a fully trained and experienced course team leader.
  - Prepare and maintain all equipment, supplies, and vans.
  - Have and maintain a class b driver’s license.
  - Have the knowledge and ability to train other leaders.
  - Raise and budget money to cover expenses of the program.
  - Provide support and direction in emergency situations.
  - Maintain positive relations with all groups and individuals.

Genuinely believe in the program, and genuinely care about each participant and leader.

Thanks to the San Francisco Police Department, San Francisco’s low-income youth are able to experience and learn from these adventures.

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San Francisco Police Department Wilderness Program
Flying Ace Goes Down In Flames

By T. Roy Smiley
Special Assignments Correspondent
As told to Jim O'Shea, Co. K

One of the lesser known unfortunate incidents associated with the funeral services for slain Oakland Police Officer James Williams is that two SFPD Solos crashed while participating in the formation ride from the cemetery to the reception. Solos John Kranci and Tony Pulvirenti tangled in an odd situation that sent John to Oakland Kaiser Hospital, and put Tony off with a sprained ankle and some road rash. The crash occurred on Broadway in downtown Oakland, and would have gone without any notice had it not been for the fact that the POA Notebook Special Assignments Correspondent, T. Roy Smiley, happened to have been an eyewitness to the accident. His dispatch from Oakland follows. — Editor

Highly decorated flyer John Kranci went down today. This courageous pilot having flown the British Bomaya Sapphire and French Absolut Citron in hundreds of aerial sorties over Cathay during the big one. In the minds of many, and John, he is the most decorated officer in the San Francisco Police Department.

During today's incident, John was the only one who alertly spotted the low flying French Citron. He unselfishly sacrificed himself and his Harley Davidson so as to avoid the imminent aerial collision between the entire motorcycle squad and the aircraft. Officer Pulvirenti who was also injured will be reprimanded for inattention and interfering with Officer Kranci's heroic deed.

A room full of "test drivers" are run through the new UCS report writing programs at the Academy. Soon to be launched department-wide, the paperless system will be a radical departure from the way the SFPD currently conducts its business and manages its workflow. Seated at the closest table are POA Webmaster and computer buff Tom Feloney (White shirt) and Craig Farrell of MIS.

The test drivers advice to all of you: learn to type!

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GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION: A meeting was proposed with Chief Lau in order to update our members who do not have a current beneficiary. We will arrange a meeting in the next couple of weeks. Once again we like to remind our members that the benefit is $16,000.

Past President Bob McKe became the new officers for 1999. President BILL HAIDREVIC, Vice President JOE GARRITY; Trustees, DAVE FONTANA, MIKE KEMMITT, GEORGE JEFFERY, RAY CROSAT, and TOM DEMPSEY; Treasurer JIM STURKEN; and Secretary MARK HURLEY.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the membership, the President, set the next meeting for Wednesday, February 17, 1999 at 1 PM. (Note the change, the Police Credit Union's annual meeting is at 2 PM, so we will be able to make their meeting.)

Fraternally,
Mark Hurley Secretary

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The San Francisco Police Officers' Association is proud to announce a Family Benefit Show entitled "Parade Of Stars" to be held at the San Francisco Palace of Fine Arts on Sunday, November 7, 1999 at 1 p.m., and a second show at 3:30 p.m. Proceeds from the fund raiser will support various Police Officer Association activity projects.

The Association has contracted with T.B.S. Productions to produce and produce the show. All ticket sales will be handled via a telephone solicitation program beginning Monday, January 25, 1999. The Association would greatly appreciate your cooperation in verifying the legitimacy of the campaign.

We would appreciate any questions or concerns about the "Parade Of Stars" Show to be forwarded to Chris Cumme or Laverne Petrucci at our local office at (415) 861-5060. All ticket or show inquiries should be forwarded to: Steve HaggT.B.S. ProductionsP.O. Box 2089 Daly City, CA 94017(415) 587-0012

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support!

Chris CummePresident, SFPOA

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and a Meritorious Conduct Award. Jake was a star in the history of the San Francisco Police Department and will be missed.

COMMUNICATIONS: We have had an average of five phone calls per day at our office regarding individual questions on beneficiaries and other related matters. For the information of our members they can call our number at 681-3660 and leave a message and we will get back to you.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES: Mr. Tom Abbott of Bank of America, gave his will have a recession in 1999. Corporate profits should rise 5 to 6 percent. The rally in stocks in the last of our members they can call our number at 681-3660 and leave a message and we will get back to you.

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Submitted by Mickey Griffin, SFPD Range Manager

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The two classes are held monthly on a Saturday, once in the morning and once in the afternoon. Members just have to call the Range Staff to enroll their family members (Refer to Department Bulletin 98-155 for details).

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Please contact me at your earliest opportunity. As I have assisted my son in the college application process in the last few months, I have been pleasantly surprised at the number of top universities across the country that specifically ask if the applicant has attended Boys State or Girls State.

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By Nick Shihadeh, Sports Editor

CHECK IT OUT: I want to tell you about a fund raiser for the Washington High School varsity baseball team coached by Northern Station's own Rob Fung. They want to head down to San Diego in the last week of March to participate in the forty-ninth annual "Mike Morrow Tournament" to help prepare for the upcoming season. This tournament is the largest one in the state consisting of five divisions and over eighty teams, and the experience will prove to be great competition for last year's SF Division A high school champs — Fung's Washington team beat Philip Burton High in '98 after losing to Tenth Street Howell High (my alma mater) in '97.

It was his first championship either as a player (varsity ball for 6 years) or as a coach, and Fung hopes to continue the good run. Part of this run is getting his returning varsity team down to 50 so for this tourney. He has eleven returning players from last season's team who have grown and developed but he's also added 12 new players to build the chemistry and camaraderie among them and the others. Any contact would be welcome and very much appreciated please make checks payable to "Washington Varsity Baseball" and send to Officer Rob Fung, Northern Station or to the POA.

I don't have much info on the department's basketball team but I do know that the Park Station Islanders are still trying to compete despite a wireless season. They are in the A Division (0-5) in their record thanks to a former star Brian "Monkey" Olcomendy and Eddy "D" Delanders are still trying to compete among them and the others. Any contact would be welcome and very much appreciated please make checks payable to "Washington Varsity Baseball" and send to Officer Rob Fung, Northern Station or to the POA.

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Dear Lee Guelif:

It was great to see you in San Luis Obispo. You live in a wonderful part of California.

I read the materials you gave me on the plane and I intend to do everything I can to see that the James Guelif Body Armor Act becomes federal law. It is so important that so many others worked extremely hard to pass the state law; I am truly inspired to work with the Vice President on this legislation.

Please make sure to keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Senator Dianne Feinstein

James Guelif Body Armor Act

The Vice President announced that the Administration will send Congress legislation calling for increased penalties for criminals who commit federal crimes while wearing body armor. Under this legislation, any person prosecuted in a federal court on a charge of armed robbery in progress, New Montgome- ry and Mission Streets. United to respond. The call had definite potential on the early evening of Fri-

day, January 15, 1999. "This may now be a bank takeover. Shots have been fired," the information from police communications was not en-
couraging.

The suspect has now left the bank", a description would follow. Let's try Mission Street. Damn.

day evening, this place is packed

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suspect's gun was a large caliber

The first round fired from the suspect's gun was a large caliber .357 that struck Officer Mark Cota in the knee as he stepped from his police car. The suspect had pulled the gun from his waistband.

The second round struck Mark's partner, Officer Dennis O'Mahoney, in the face. He was down instantly.

It's a tortuous time for the husband, wife, partner, brother, or sister of each San Francisco police officer because they know that there's no assurance that the one wearing the uniform will safely complete his/

her tour of duty.

The Vice President called for this legislation in May in remarks at the National Police Offic-
ears Memorial Service.

September 28, 1998

The Honorable Bill McCollum
Chair
Subcommittee on Crime
House Judiciary Committee
207 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman McCollum.

Last month California Governor Pete Wilson signed into law "The James Guelif Body Armor Act of 1998," which makes it a felony for a person convicted of a prior violent felony to purchase or possess body armor unless a waiver is granted by local law enforcement. As co-sponsors of H.R. 959 we are writing to urge the Subcommittee on Crime to build on the momentum of this legisla-
tive victory in California, and act on Congressman Zachos's bill, which seeks to curtail access to body armor for felons at the federal level.

The critical issue of the illegal use of body armor was brought to our attention by the tragic death of Captain George 'Jake' Stasko, which makes it a felony for a person to wear this time of year.

Zachos' attention was directed to-

the late 1980's. The use of body armor has become a significant and emerging problem for law enforcement. H.R. 959 would prohibit the mail order sale of body armor and over the Internet. Police have noticed an individual standing on the streets.

To wear this time of year.

Warden an individual who stood over the body armor for illegal purposes.

Our attention by the tragic death of Captain George 'Jake' Stasko.

Dear Chris,

Sorry it has taken so long to get this to you, unfortunately, the duplicate is not nearly as clear as the original. I suppose I should not complain though, at least we made it to the White House. The Vice President was gracious with his time and comments and took me as measured and pragmatic in his remarks to the audience. Less interested in ideology than how to make the existing situation work better for law enforcement, I have enclosed a copy of the bill for you. If you get a moment, would it be possible to send me a few copies of the "Hearts of the City" tape. I would deeply appreciate it.

Sincerely, Lois Capps, Member Of Congress

Nancy Pelosi, Member Of Congress

Zoe Lofgren, Member Of Congress

Bart Stupak, Member Of Congress

Bill Pascrell, Jr., Member Of Congress

Bennie Thompson, Member Of Congress

Thomas Marino, Member Of Congress

Brad Sherman, Member Of Congress

Elizabeth Furse, Member Of Congress

Jim Ramstad, Member Of Congress

Lynn Rivers, Member Of Congress

Eleanor Norton, Member Of Congress

Matthew Martinez, Member Of Congress

John Lewis, Member Of Congress

Earl Blumenauer, Member Of Congress

Louise Slaughter, Member Of Congress

Gary Ackerman, Member Of Congress

Congratulations.

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to congratulate you on your remarks at the National Police Officers Memorial Service.

I hope all is well...give my re-

gards to all.

Sincerely,

Lee Guelif

James Traficant, Member Of Congress

Matthew Martinez, Member Of Congress

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