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*July 3, 1901 — July 3, 2001*

## One Family of Police Officers Marks a Century of Service to San Francisco

by Ray Shine  
Editor

One hundred years ago this month, on July 3, 1901, James Fogarty was sworn in as a San Francisco police officer. Like all officers before and after, James was issued his official identifier — star number 255 on his first day on the job. That number has been worn by an SFPD officer in the Fogarty family ever since.

Now, in July of 2001, the San Francisco Police Officers' Association tips

Sergeant Brian McDonnell, and injured nineteen other officers who were inside the station. Robert Fogarty was one of the most seriously injured. On April 2, 1971, Robert Fogarty was retired on a disability pension — a direct result of the shrapnel wounds he suffered in the explosion. On that date, he passed star #255 along to his cousin, Eugene Fogarty, in order to keep the number active within the family.

Officer Eugene Fogarty entered the San Francisco Police Academy on November 16, 1950, just six months af-



Owen Fogarty, Traffic Officer, circa 1935

its hat in admiration and gratitude to the descendants and relatives of James Fogarty, each of whom has served a portion of the past century in selfless and honorable service to the people of this city.

James Fogarty continued his thirty-two year tenure in the SFPD through February of 1933. Upon his retirement, James bequeathed his star number to his son, newly appointed Officer Owen Fogarty — a rookie cop who had just entered the San Francisco Police Academy on September 23, 1932.

Owen Fogarty wore #255 proudly during the following 29 years. Upon his retirement in October of 1961, Owen passed the star along to his son, Officer Robert Fogarty. Robert had been sworn in on April 1, 1950, but had to wait eleven years to take possession of the seven-pointed family heirloom.

Robert Fogarty #255 was on duty February 16, 1970 when a terrorist's bomb exploded on a windowsill at Park Police Station. The blast killed

ter his cousin Robert. Eugene retired on July 28, 1982 after serving more than thirty-one years with the SFPD. Not to break with tradition, Eugene passed the star along to his son, Officer Cliff Fogarty, who is currently assigned to Bayview Station.

The Fogarty tradition of public service does not stop here. Indeed, the latest chapter in the saga is being written up at 350 Amber Drive — the current location of the San Francisco Police Academy.

Although he can not technically be regarded as a "rookie", Dan Fogarty — grandson of Owen, and great-grandson of James Fogarty — is currently under going training with the 199th recruit class. The veteran deputy returns to public service in San Francisco after serving with the Sheriff's departments in Idaho and San Joaquin County. His first job in law enforcement was with the SF Sheriff's Department back in 1976. He is one of two of the great-grandsons of James

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## President's Message

### Perserving Tradition and Values Comes with a Cost

I asked Editor Ray Shine to run the Fogarty family piece on the front page of this month's POA Journal. Not only is it a remarkable story of one family's service and commitment to this city, it is also a testament to a rich San Francisco tradition that may stand in jeopardy — that of passing the public safety torch from one generation of dedicated civil servants along to the next.

My cause for concern is the high cost of being a San Francisco police officer. Aside from exorbitant housing costs, head-splitting commute snarls, and the highest consumer prices in the country, our officers also pay a premium in personal and family sacrifice.

Yet, despite the downside economics, our officers continue to choose to work in this great city. But, for how much longer can we expect the best law enforcement candidates in California to continue to seek public safety employment in San Francisco?

The Fogartys are an exemplar of an old and honorable tradition: public service. Our department has many second and third generation officers. Seldom does an academy recruit class assemble that does not boast at least one son or daughter, niece or nephew of an active member of the department. Factor in the generational descent within the Fire Department and the crafts, and the family tree of public service in this city becomes a virtual canopy of family branches that has shaded San Franciscans from the social fall-out and urban calamities that other American cities have long suffered.

My fear is that the family tree may wither as the cost of service becomes to great a burden for any single officer



to bear. Most new officers are young with growing families. Most can no longer afford a home in the neighborhood they grew up in. Long, grueling commutes to Burbs with faster and cheaper housing detrimentally effects the officers and their families. The distance is more than geographic. With each mile one travels away from his or her neighborhood beat, also go hours, then days, and then entire years of detachment from the community these officers serve. If we want local police officers with neighborhood and community ties, then we must invest in nurturing old traditions personified by the Fogartys, as well as new traditions yet to become handed-down legacies of service and pride.

This association recently negotiated a two-year contract that will go far in enabling these traditions to continue. Now it will be up to the Board of Supervisors to commit to the city public safety officers by passing the proposed contract.

Our civic leaders must realize the value of a generation continuum of officers such as the Fogartys. Surely they do not wish to preside over a city that must otherwise be served by a revolving door police department, an agency that imports public safety workers into its neighborhoods, well-meaning people perhaps, but people who lack a connection to the city they police. By voting for our proposed contract, they cast a vote for keeping San Francisco protected and served by San Franciscans, the descendants of San Franciscans, and those who will become San Franciscans.



Solo Officer, George Fogarty, poses in front of the old family home on Ulloa St. In the photo above, George's Grandfather, Owen Fogarty, stood in the home's driveway next to his SFPD side-hack Harley.

Editors Note: The term "Solo," used to describe a motorcycle officer, is unique to the SFPD. The term became a common reference to a two-wheel motor officer when SFPD pulled the sidecars from its traffic motorcycles, thus sending the bike rider out on patrol "solo." The term stuck, and the unit continues to call itself Co.K Solos. —RS



# WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' Aid Association

June 20, 2001

The regular meeting of the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association of the San Francisco Police Department was called to order by President Dave Fontana at 2 PM in the conference room of Ingleside Station.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by President Fontana.

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:** President Fontana, Vice President Crosat Trustees: Kurpinsky, Kemmitt, Redly and Aguilar. Excused Jeffery Treasurer Sturken and Secretary Hurley. Also present were past presidents Robert Mc Kee and William Hardeman.

**MINUTES OF THE MAY MEETING:** Motion by Sturken, seconded by Aguilar that the minutes be accepted as published. Motion carried. (With the correct spelling of Robert Mc Kee's name)

**BILLS-** Treasurer Sturken presented the usual bills Motion by Hardeman, seconded by Mc Kee that the bills be paid. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS** Lora Kracke (widow of Tom) called and requested a copy of our by-laws they will be mailed to her. A Letter for Mr. Timothy J. Geraghty, Senior Vice President with Bank of America for Northern California. Stating how the Bank valued our relationship and appreciated everything that the officers and trustees are or have done for the community. Donations, in the memory of William Langlois from Greg Winters, C. Hutchison and Marilyn Panelli. Also Jack Santos Jr. thru his payroll deduction.

**NEW MEMBERS:** None at this time.

**SUSPENSIONS:** Sharon Bissell (non-payment of dues- for six months, Section 3 of Article 111

of the Constitution.) Marcus Bronfeld (non-payment of dues for one year, Section 4 of Article III of the Constitution.) President Fontana dropped from the rolls of our Association the following members: Eamon, Conway, Chad Hunt, Robert Malloy and Thomas Wong. (did not complete their probationary period, Article 111, Section 3 of the by-laws.)

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES:** Mr. Bruce Bain of Bank of America gave a report on the state of our account. California will and is feeling the effects of the energy crisis, but this should not prevent a recovery in the other parts of our country. Companies have heavy inventories in their stores and warehouses. This is preventing them from buying until they use what they have. We are really just treading water in this current Market. Expect the S&P 500 to achieve a total return of roughly 7% this year. The Bank made a request to buy 2,000 shares of COSTCO @ \$86,000.00. Also buy \$400, 000.00 U. S. T- Note for 5-7 years. Trustee Kemmitt signed the necessary document.

**WE HAD FIVE DEATHS THIS PAST MONTH.**

**JOHN A. MAHONEY, 74-YEARS.**

John was born in San Francisco. He grew up in the Sunset and attended Poly High. (Poly Hall of Fame) He joined the Navy and upon his discharge he worked as a Milk Wagon Driver before he entered the Police Academy in 1953. His first station was Taraval, and then to Richmond, assigned to the Mounted Unit. He made Sgt. and was assigned to Mission. A couple years later as a Lt. He was assigned to Planning and Research and Internal Affairs. He left Internal Affairs for a short time and worked as a Captain at Southern and the Inspectors Bureau. He went back to Internal Affairs as the Captain and remained until he retired in 1993. John had a wonderful smile and manner about him that everyone who worked with him could not help but enjoy his fine company.

**ROBERT J. GLENNON, 84-YEARS.** Robert was born in San Francisco and grew up in the Mission and attended Mission High. He served in the Navy and upon his discharge he returned to San Francisco and was employed as a Machinist before he entered the Police Academy in 1953. His first assignment was the I.D. Bureau, then to City Prison where he remained his entire police career. Bob retired in 1970. Bob passed away on Jan. 19, 2001 however, his family just notified our Association of his death.

**JOHN A. SCANNELL, 78-YEARS.** John was born in San Francisco and grew up in the Richmond. He attended Sacred Heart High School. He served in the Navy and upon his discharge worked as a shipping clerk before he entered the Police Academy in 1947. His first assignment was Taraval. He then went to Traffic and, after a few years, hit the big lights of Central where he remained until he resigned in 1964. John was awarded a Silver medal of valor for stopping a runaway cable car before it could cause injury to several citizens. Also, he was awarded a Capt's. Comp. for the arrest of two armed robbery suspects holding up a liquor store. John, upon his retirement, worked as a funeral director and owner of Reilly Co., Goodwin and Scannell. (29th and Dolores) He was a great man with a heart of gold that touched many people. (Another example of keeping their widows' and orphans' when he left the department in 1964.)

**GEORGE SULLY JR., 83-YEARS.** George was born in Oakland and moved up to the Russian River. He worked as a Bullion Weigher at the U.S. Mint in San Francisco before he entered the Police Academy in 1943. Ingleside was his first assignment, followed by Southern and Central. As a Sgt. he was transferred to Northern then to, BSS before he made Lt. and was transferred to the Bureau. As a Capt. he worked Park and Planning and Research before he was appointed as Deputy Chief of Administration.

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# POLICE-FIRE Post 456 News



by Greg Corrales

*"Morale is the greatest single factor in successful war... In any long and bitter campaign morale will suffer unless all ranks thoroughly believe that their commanders are concerned first and always with the welfare of the troops who do the fighting."*

— General of the Army  
Dwight D. Eisenhower

The 83rd American Legion Department of California Convention was held in Riverside 20-24 June, and a great deal of important Legion business was conducted. The highlight of the convention occurred on Friday, 22 June when Officers Joseph Juarez and Jesus Pena were acknowledged as the California Police Officers of the Year on the floor of the convention. Eight of their colleagues from the Tenderloin District made the trip to Riverside to show their support for Juarez and Pena. The presence of the "Tenderloin Ten" livened up Riverside. Fortunately, Comrade Rene LaPrevotte and I are veteran conventioners, blessed with steely discipline which makes us immune to the entreaties of both seductive women, and demon rum. Comrade LaPrevotte has written a report with more details on convention activities. LaPrevotte did shake hands with Governor Gray Davis. As the governor shook his hand, I utilized my lip reading skills to discern Davis say, "So you're the Perve! I've heard so much about you! By the way, stay away from my daughter!"

After spending more than twenty years in the Marine Corps, retired Gunnery Sergeant Mary Perrot has a radi-

cally different vocation. Nowadays, she's Sister Mary Perrot of the Ursuline Sisters of Louisville, Ky. Perrot decided to join the religious order as she neared the end of her Marine Corps career. While stationed in Okinawa, Japan, and trying to figure out what to do as a civilian, she attended a religious retreat during which she was encouraged to pray and ask God how best to serve him. After praying, Perrot said, the idea of joining a religious order occurred to her and wouldn't go away.

In January 2000, about a year after retiring from the Marine Corps, Perrot entered the Ursuline Sister's convent and began a yearlong candidacy filled with prayer and study. Earlier this year, she began a two-year novitiate, or novice period. After Perrot finishes her novitiate, she will take temporary vows of sisterhood. She then must wait at least three years before making them permanent.

When I initially encountered this information about Gunny Perrot, I was quite surprised. Sister Margaret Ann Hagen, vice president of the order, said that it was quite unusual for a former Marine to join the order. After mulling over this information, however, I have realized that it is not so surprising. I know of two female members of the Department who were in the Marine Corps, Sergeant Kim Reynolds from Bayview and Officer Patricia Brown from Central.

I have known Kim Reynolds since she went to Northern Station as a rookie. Even then, one knew that Kim was one of those special outstanding officers. I have been fortunate enough to work with Sergeant Reynolds over

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Call the Secretary to join at  
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or write to us at  
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*The Veteran POA has 982 members. Stay in touch!*



# AROUND THE DEPARTMENT

by Al Casciato



## ...Birth:

Angel and Marieshelle Lozano, Mission Station, are beaming with joy as they announce the birth of their first child. Alyssa Stephanie Lozano 7 lbs. 18 inches was born June 22, 2001 at 0730 hours. All are doing well. Congratulations and best wishes...

## ...Car, or \$25,000:

The Protect Our Benefits Committee of the Retired City Employees Association is holding a car raffle to retire the Proposition E (health premium) debt and fund a proposition to make permanent the 3% C.O.L.A. for retirees. Only 2000 tickets will be sold, and the winner can either claim the car, '02 Mustang Convertible, or the cash. To purchase a ticket call 415-441-3063 or 415-759-0869 or mail in the order form printed in this edition...

## ...Future Leaders:

The SFPD was well represented in the eighth grade graduation ceremonies at St. Vincent Elementary in Petaluma. — Kelly Glynn (daughter of Officer John Glynn - Airport Bureau) received the St. Vincent Leadership award while Jenny Minner (daughter of Dave Minner - retired, granddaughter of Inspector Henry Pengel - retired, and niece to DC Mindy Pengel and Lieut.'s. Molly and Miriam Pengel) was the recipient of the St. Vincent Citizenship Award. Lauren Von Koss (granddaughter of Captain Jack Kerrigan - retired) and Brian D'Arcy, Jr. (son of Brian D'Arcy - Hondas, grandson of the late Commander Gerald D'Arcy and the nephew of Sgt.'s. Jerry and Kim D'Arcy - Tenderloin Task Force) were both members of the National Honor Society and recipients of the Presidential Outstanding Academic Excellence Award. — Meanwhile, at Cross and Crown

School, Eighth grade graduate Vanessa Bautista (daughter of Mel Bautista - Hondas) was the class valedictorian and also received the Presidential Outstanding Academic Excellence Award. — Congratulations to all of you and continued success in your High School years. You are our future...

## ...Shawn Jones Fund:

On July 3rd the officers of the Ingelside Station deposited \$1,006 dollars to the account that is being used to cover the medical costs of Shawn Jones, the Richmond, California 10-year old who was mauled by three pit bulls last month. Donations continue to come in, and can be made c/o Ingelside Station/POA transfer account Shawn Jones' medical recovery account. A big THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts to all who have helped...

## ...Rest In Peace:

On July 1, 2001, Charlie Anzore of Richmond Station passed away after a courageous battle with a rare back cancer. Charlie was born September 21, 1949, and was one of the "bright lights" of this world. He always had a cheerful greeting and a warm smile for all that crossed his path. He will be greatly missed. Our condolences to his family, especially his wife Donna, and his brother Ed, Permit Bureau...

## ...Code 3:

Code 3 doesn't work unless you get there safely...

## ...Recruitment Drive:

The recruitment drive is in full swing. Contribute to the future of the department by finding some good candidates...

## ...Critical Mass:

During the May 25th Critical Mass Ride, five runners joined the crowd wearing shirts bearing the message, "One less car one less bike." I like runners. They're better behaved, friendlier than bicyclists...

## ...Not Good:

A couple of bosses are getting a reputation for being rude to subordinates. Still time to nip this in the bud. Tensions that come with command may be difficult, but taking out frustrations on those who do not know what is happening or has transpired is not good...

## ...Red Light Camera:

The newly installed red light camera at 8th and Harrison Streets is working overtime. We always knew this intersection was dangerous, and the camera is validating our beliefs. The

camera is sometimes capturing two and three cars at once coming off the freeway ramp. Too early to tell whether the intersection is any safer since the drivers coming off the freeway seem to be oblivious of the camera flash or the police and CHP vehicles in the vicinity...

## ...Auto Defibrillator:

Retiree, Mike McNeill, is looking to purchase an auto defibrillator for his Elks Club near Redding. In the last two months two members have suffered heart attacks, one fatal. If you have any

info as to where Mike can pick up a portable machine, please write him at elkslave@snowcrest.net...

## ...Too Much Paper:

Recently, I piled up all the manuals, codes, bulletins and assorted orders that we are expected to know and operate from. I know that I probably missed some but the pile was quite large anyway. How can anyone read and retain all the information? No one really can. That's why it is so important to help one another while on the job...

# Get POA Bulletins via Email

by Tom Feledy (Tom@sfpoa.org)

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In the past, retired members would rarely hear about such events, unless they happened to visit a station or the Hall, and saw a testimonial flyer posted on a bulletin board. The POA Bulletin email service can get the word out much more reliably, and help ensure a better turnout for your event!



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## TRAFFIC TIPS

by Rene LaPrevotte  
Traffic Co., STOP Detail

We've all seen the out-of-state plates around San Francisco. We are, after all a tourist city. Unfortunately, there are residents who drive on cars registered to foreign jurisdictions simply because a car that costs \$500 to register in California is \$40 in Oregon.

This is however, a crime!

Always watch for *expired* out-of-state registration. This is usually a waiving flag that the driver hasn't been back to his home state, and is in fact a resident of California. When you make your traffic stop, attempt to ascertain when the operator either took-up residence in the state, or began employment here. They'll usually try to BS you about how long they've been here. Run the out-of-state plate through "Scofflaw" (PIC channel #PD-A15) who will tell you the complete citation record on that license plate. If "Mr. Tourist" tells you he's been here a week, but has a citation record on the car back twelve months, guess what Seamus!

If the bum is also running on an out-of-state drivers' license he's a 12500a if he's been a resident over ten days.

Vehicle Code section 6700a requires anyone who comes in to this state and accepts **gainful employment** or **residence** to register their car in California within 20 days. While 6700a

doesn't allow for impound of the vehicle, if the owner can be shown to be a resident for *six months and twenty days*, he is towable under 22651-O-1 which is registration *expired over six months*. Since the subject's vehicle was subject to registration after twenty days of residence in California, and wasn't registered pursuant to the code for an additional six months, he is in violation of the statute allowing the impound of a car not registered for the past six months.

You'll also find people who will tell you that the car is daddy's back in Arkansas, but daddy just sent me the new Arkansas registration... guess what homer, that's a misdemeanor under 8804 CVC! Any resident who registers, or renews foreign registration on a car used in California, is subject to six months in the slammer!

Absent other probable cause, we don't stop someone merely for having an out-of-state plate. But does that out-of-state plate have a plastic license plate frame that says: "Joe's auto repair, San Francisco? How about a car with Nevada plates, but a San Francisco Residential Parking Sticker? Use your head and snoop around. All these violators are subject to tow and a hold for *Traffic Admin*. It won't take too long for the violator to realize the money he saved by not registering his car in California will quickly be eaten-up by tow and storage fees.



## SECRETARY'S REPORT



by Tom Shawyer, POA Secretary  
POA Board of Directors' Meeting  
POA Building, June 27, 2001  
1300: Meeting Convened  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call and Attendance

Unit	Present	Excused	Absent
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Co. G	Pierre Martinez		
	Dean Sorgie	Mike Dempsey	
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	Ben McAlister		
Muni	Mike Hughes	Bob Johnston	
		Matt Castagnola	
Tac			
	Mike Favetti		
Narcotics		Brian Olcomendy	
	Rich Struckman		
(Steward)		Lynne Atkinson	
Invest.		Jim Balovich	
	Dan Leydon		
HQ	Dennis Callaghan		
	Neville Gittens		
SFO	Bob Belt		
	Mike Chandra		
Retired	Gale Wright		

### Motions - POA Board Meeting - 06/27/2001

- Jennifer Marino (Co. H) advised the Board that the International Association of Women Police (IAWP) will be holding their 2003 annual conference in San Francisco in 2003. She requested that we donate \$5,000 to the IAWP to help defray costs associated with the hotel deposit.

Motion: D. Sorgie (Co. G)

Second: G. Lynch (Co. C)

**Motion unanimously passed by voice vote.**

- Val Kirwan advised the Board that close to 30 years have passed since the murder of Sgt. John V. Young. He said a commemorative plaque to be installed at Ingleside Station was being cast and he requested that the POA help underwrite the costs of the plaque through a \$1,600 donation.

Motion: S. Murphy (Co. E)

Second: G. Lynch (Co. C)

**Motion unanimously passed by voice vote.**

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk



Can this be a certain off-duty Sergeant in the S.T.O.P. detail returning from one of his recent trips South of the Border in search of the perfect margarita, with his trusty side-kick "Harley" at the reins? —ED.

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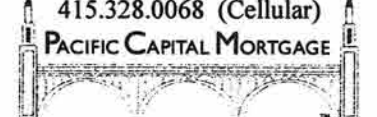
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## THANKFUL

by Daniel Hampton

**D**o you know the Bible says that the only thing we can bring to God is our praises of thanksgiving? What are you thankful for? I'm thankful to God the Father for sending His Son Jesus Christ to earth to pay the penalty for all our sins. Jesus' death on the cross, the shedding of all His blood, and His resurrection washes away all the sin and guilt of the person who believes in Jesus' atonement.

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It is very hard for anyone to have an attitude of thanksgiving without the Good News of what Jesus Christ has done for mankind. When you have an attitude of thanksgiving you'll have less stress in your life because you're grateful for what God has given to you.

You're grateful for your life and the gift of eternal life Christ has given you,

you're grateful for your spouse and children, you're grateful for your job, you're grateful for the opportunities to help people in need, you're grateful for your assignment at work, and you're grateful for the house of worship you attend with other believers so you can praise, worship, and sing hymns of thanksgiving to God. I hope all of us take inventory of where we are spiritually so that we can become thankful,

We had a good turn-out for the June luncheon. Brett Higdon gave us good information regarding caring for loved ones with an incapacitating illness. Brett gave us an outline on what trials he and his wife had to overcome during these difficult times. One officer in the audience gave her testimony of what she had to endure regarding the disabling illness of her dad who recently passed away. Thanks Brett for making us aware of the trials all of us will have to bear in the future.

Our luncheon in August will feature Lieutenant Larry Barsetti. Larry wants to share with us his experience of overcoming hate in our police environment. This will really help all of us. You know hate is a serious illness and disease that can harm the person who has hate in their heart. Hate is also a sin and has no opening for forgiveness and reconciliation. Please watch for Larry's flyer!

I'd like you to do me a favor. If this article tugs at your heart please write to me at the following address: Daniel A. Hampton C/O Church of the Highlands, 1900 Monterey Drive, San Bruno, CA 940662571. I'll send you information that will help your growth and development with our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association

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George was awarded several Captains Comps. and Two Gold medals of Valor; One for the arrest of burglary suspects and the other for arrest of armed robbery suspects holding up a liquor store. A silver medal for the saving of lives in a burning hotel. He was also awarded a Bronze medal of valor for the capture of suspect who fired several shots at another person. George pursued and captured the suspect.

**WILLIAM D. LANGLOIS 67 YEARS.** Bill was born in San Francisco and grew up in the Sunset. He attended Lincoln High School. He served in the Marine Corps, and upon his discharge he returned to San Francisco and worked as a investigator before he joined the Police Department and entered the Police Academy in 1962. He was assigned to Taraval for a short time before going to Southern. He was a member of the dog unit and his Shepard "Bourbon" and Bill made a great pair. Bill worked the bomb squad and TAC. Unit. Bill will always be remembered as "The Rug Rat". He would make him-

self up to look like an old retired man who lived in a hotel on a fixed income, and would walk down alleys and lay down in gutter waiting for a suspect to make an attempt to rob him. He was very successful along with his fine back-up from his squad. Bill made streets a little safer for the elderly and prevented many assaults or death for those residents he learned to love. Bill was awarded The VFW award for police officer of the year and was awarded special praise from President Ronald Reagan. Bill was awarded One Gold Medal of Valor, six Silver medals of valor and two bronze medals. Bill gave the Department and City a good run for their money. Semper Fi, Marine.

**OLD BUSINESS;** President Fontana, Trustees Reilly and Kemmitt will be continuing their study on possible alternatives to our investing in El Paseo Corp. and Duke Energy.

**ADJOURNMENT:** President Fontana had a moment of silence for our departed members and set the next meeting for Wednesday, July 18, 2001. At 2 PM in the conference room Ingleside Station.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:50 PM. Remember to keep your beneficiary up to date. Also address changes, Call 681-3660. Anytime.

Fraternally, Mark Hurley (Secretary)

## Fellowship Of Christian Peace Officers

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**Time:** 1200 hours

**Location:** Police Officers' Association  
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**Guest Speaker:** Lieutenant Larry P. Barsetti

Larry Barsetti has been a member of the S.F.P.D. since September 1971, serving the entire time in the Field Operations Bureau. He has been a member of the Specialist Team, a Field Training officer/sergeant, an Academy instructor, and is now serving as a Lieutenant at Northern Station. He has been a co-planner of the annual Police/Fire Memorial Service since 1995. Along with his wife, Pat, he has been active in the Catholic Church in various parish ministries, including pre-marriage counseling. He is a graduate of the Archdiocesan School of Pastoral Leadership in the subject of Homiletics. Larry would like to share with you how he has used the power of God's love to overcome the hate that can result from years of exposure to humanity's worst while working as a police officer. I highly recommend officers in all bureaus and units to attend. Larry has a love for the working cop on the street and he can help us deal with the stress out there.

Please attend and show your support for Larry at the luncheon.

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IAWP NEWS

By Robin Matthews, FTO Office

SFPD Unit T-shirts  
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On September 22nd through the 27th, several other officers and I will be attending the 39th Annual International Association of Women Police Training Conference in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. While at the conference, we will have a booth in the vendor area where we will be taking early registrations and promoting our conference, that will be held in San Francisco August 31st through September 5th, 2003 at the Hyatt Embarcadero.

While at the conference, we plan on holding a raffle as a fundraiser. One of the things that we'd like to do for the raffle is to obtain as many specialty SFPD t-shirts, polos, sweatshirts, hats, etc. from as many different units in the Department as we can, and put them together as a group to raffle off as one of the big raffle items. We feel that it has the potential of being a big draw and moneymaker for us, as law enforcement officers everywhere love to collect and trade police memorabilia. Having an opportunity to obtain a variety of t-shirts and other items from the agency that will be hosting the IAWP conference will undoubtedly be much desired.

Any station, unit, or employee organization that has a specialty T-shirt or other item that they would be willing to donate for our raffle (sizes large or extra large in t-shirts preferably) would be greatly appreciated and a tax write-off, too! Please contact either me

at the FTO Office (404-4081) or Sgt. Lynette Hogue at FOB (553-9860) to let us know if you can help out.

Since last month's Journal article, special thanks go out to the following officers who have either donated a shirt already, or have pledged to donate one: Lt. Tony Fotinas-TAC T-shirt; Officer Stephen "Val" Kirwan-Emerald Society T-shirt; and Officer Walt Scott-three Wilderness Program t-shirts.

Thanks go out also to Sgt. Tom Martin of FOB, who put me in contact with Curtis Rand Industries in San Francisco. The business made a large corporate donation of coffee cups, auto travel mugs, baseball caps, t-shirts, and invitation packs they had left over from the Police Week Festivities, and gave them to us so that we can use them for fund raising purposes for our conference. The items are inscripted with "Police — Dedicating Their Lives to Protect Yours". Watch for them at future fundraisers!

Please help us out with a donation, if possible. The more of a cross-section of items representing all units of the San Francisco Police Department that we can get, the more funds that we'll be able to raise for our conference, and the better that we'll be able to promote our Department, as well!

Thanks.



Legal Update

Vehicle Protective Search

Briefed by Mike Paganini  
Airport Bureau

People v. Thomas Robert Bush  
Court #C035985  
Third Appellate District  
Filed: -05/03/2001

**Question:** Are the police entitled to conduct a protective search of a vehicle during a routine traffic stop based on a record of violence and weapons possession that is six years old?

**Answer:** Yes

**Facts:** On the evening of September 16, 1997, Officer Gary Deming of the Oroville Police Department stopped a vehicle because the vehicle had no registration stickers on the rear license plate. Defendant Thomas Robert Bush was the driver and sole occupant of the car. Officer Deming radioed the dispatcher to check the vehicle registration and defendant's license. Officers Deming learned that the registration was not current and the defendant's license had been suspended. Additionally, the dispatcher advised Officer Deming that defendant "had a history of violence, possession of weapons and was reported to be a kick-boxer." Unbeknownst to Officer Deming, the dispatcher relied on computer records citing an alert from September 15, 1991 that indicated defendant "has history of 12021/12025 PC, very violent, kick-boxer."

After another officer arrived, and because Deming was concerned for his safety, Deming had defendant get out of the car.

Officer Deming was concerned that defendant might have a weapon so he looked inside the passenger compartment of the defendant's car. Directly underneath the driver's seat, Deming found a loaded handgun. At that point, Officer Deming arrested defendant for possession of a concealed firearm in a motor vehicle (PC 12025). A search of defendant's person incident to arrest led to the discovery of methamphetamine.

**Discussion:** In Michigan v. Long (1983) 463 U.S. 1032, the United States Supreme Court held that an officer effecting a traffic stop could constitutionally search portions of the passenger compartment of the vehicle, without a warrant, in certain circumstances. The high court said: "Our past cases indicate then that protection of police and others can justify protec-

tive searches when police have a reasonable belief that the suspect poses danger, the roadside encounters between police and suspects are especially hazardous, and that danger may arise from the possible presence of weapons in the area surrounding a suspect. These principles compel our conclusion that the search of the passenger compartment of an automobile, limited to those areas in which a weapon may be placed or hidden, is permissible if the police officer possesses a reasonable belief based on "specific and articulable facts which, taken together with the rational inferences from those facts, reasonably warrant the officer in believing that the suspect is dangerous and the suspect may gain immediate control of the weapons."

The rule applies even where a defendant is outside his car and nominally under the control of law enforcement officers. Here, the "specific and articulable facts" justifying Officer Deming's search of the area underneath the driver's seat are found in information conveyed by the dispatcher to Deming that the defendant "had a history of violence and possession of weapons." The Appellate Court held that this is precisely the kind of information that would justify an officer in the field in searching under the front seat of a vehicle for weapons. (Note: This is also the kind of information that would justify a pat-search.)

The remaining question was whether the information had to be entirely discounted because it was six years old. The Court concluded that it did not.

Courtroom experience has led to the conclusion, unfortunately, that felons convicted of illegal weapons offenses often later carry concealed weapons, and they do so more than six years after an initial conviction. Moreover, while some persons who are "very violent" reform such tendency, many, many others do not. The information possessed by the dispatcher was not unreasonably stale. The information provided "specific and articulable facts" which reasonably warranted the officer in believing that defendant was dangerous and could gain immediate control of weapons. Thus, the Appellate Court upheld the defendant's conviction on firearm and drug charges.

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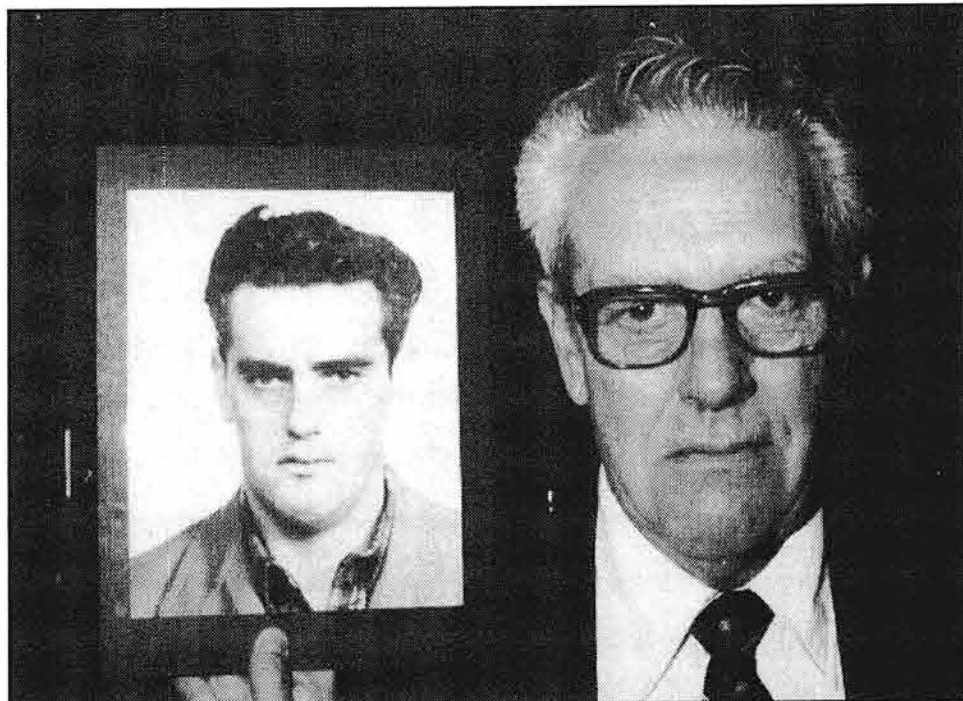
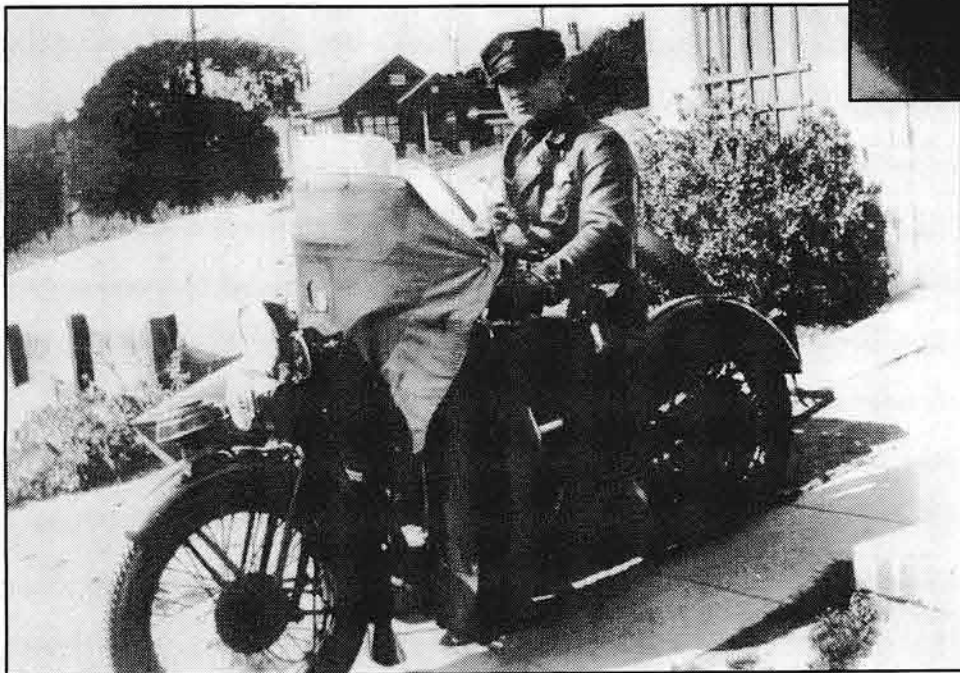
## One Family of Police Officers

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Fogarty who are currently serving with the department. The other is Solo Officer George Fogarty, Dan's brother. George has followed in the footsteps of their grandfather, Owen, by serving with the motorcycle unit in the SFPD Traffic Company.

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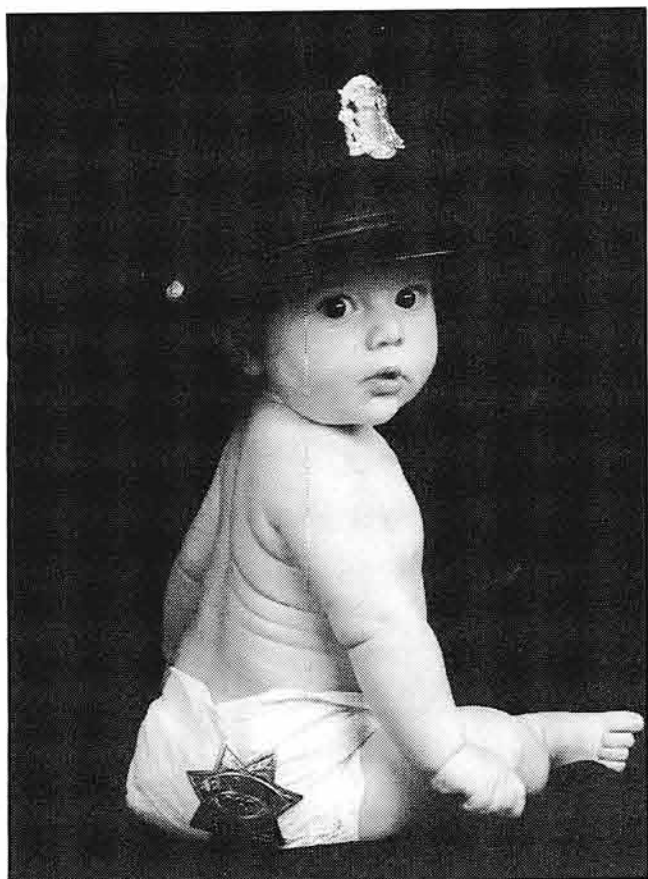
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# The Law Plays Soccer with the Gangs

by Suzanne E. London,  
executive director, San Francisco SAFE

Last year, as winter faded and the days lengthened and warmed, Gabriel Morera grew increasingly anxious about the young men in his neighborhood, the Mission District of San Francisco. He knew that neighbors complained of loitering, drinking, and drug dealing. Many of these young men carried weapons and had divided the Mission into gang territories. They designated a playground as a night hangout. The basketball courts and soccer field changed from sports sites to trouble sites. The recreation center became all but off-limits for families. The center may have remained open until 10 at night, but, in effect, it closed at dusk, yielding to fear.

Morera, 43, works for a crime and violence prevention program, The Neighborhood Safety Partnership. He is not a police officer; he is a community organizer. Paid through the San Francisco Mayor's Criminal Justice Office, Morera works with city police, residents, and businesses of the Mission District. Morera, who is married and has a 14-year-old daughter, tried to improve conditions at the park so that families would return. He worked with local groups to set up a neighborhood watch. He talked strategy with community organizers. He thought he was making all the right moves following the text.

Nothing worked.

The Mission District prides itself on a diverse population. It enjoys its own

mini-climate of sunny, warm days and cool nights. When Gabriel Morera arrived from Peru in 1980 with his parents and brothers, the Mission was a small Latino city within San Francisco. Spanish was the dominant language, \$5 bought plates of Latino food, housing was cheap, and Latino businesses thrived. The district comprised other immigrants mostly Asians. Artists created studio and performance spaces. Even the face of gentrification, rising rents, and the consequent loss of some businesses and artists, the Mission retains its flavor and charm.

One evening, Morera went to the playground to talk to the young men. They refused to leave the park. They said they had no place to go and nothing to do. He asked them what they wanted.

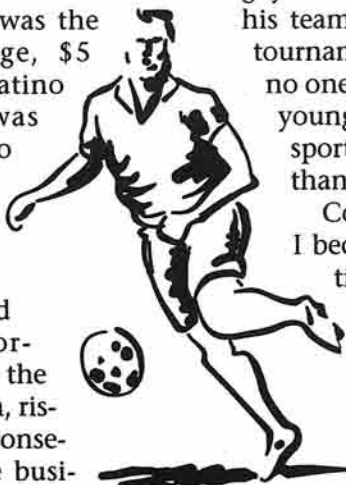
They wanted to play soccer.

The next day, Morera pulled together some of the folks he had been working with. They talked soccer. After several weeks, they had organized soccer tournaments on the playground blacktop. The recreation director provided soccer equipment. Folks volunteered as referees and scorekeepers. Food was donated from here and there for barbecues after each tournament.

Morera's new effort had had an acre in the hole. Greg Suhr, who at the time

was captain of the Mission Police District, is a soccer fiend. He played on the police soccer team. Suhr, now a commander, is a persuasive, popular guy. It didn't take him long to persuade his teammates to play in the soccer tournaments. The irony was lost on no one. The police and many of the young men, soon to be joined in sport, had met before under less than friendly circumstances.

Commander Suhr said, "When I became captain at Mission Station in 1997, there was a big summit at this very playground because gang violence was at an all time high. I like to think that now gang violence is at an all time low. We mix it up



*At first, the young men were afraid to play against the police because "these are the guys that arrest us."*

pretty good, so we figure, better to leave it here on the blacktop rather than anyone gets hurt out on the streets. And if they want to push us around a little bit, that's OK."

At first, the young men were afraid to play against the police because "these are the guys that arrest us." However, sports are natural icebreakers. The police soccer players soon became like guys from the neighborhood. Now, when the officers see any of the young men drinking in public, or loitering, or whatever, they can approach them on a different level, a level of growing respect.

Recreation director Luis Azucena says "Peace for Parks has made a big difference for teens and young adults in this playground. Everyone's having a good time."

Organizers realize that the tournaments serve as a small and temporary solution to disruptions at the park. The illegal activity, with deep roots, demands more pervasive attention.

Mario, one of the young soccer players, is from El Salvador. In Spanish, he said that the tournaments are a "good

thing because you can think about the game and not about fighting with other people." Mario, who asked that his last name not be used, added "We always see the police in their uniforms and it's good to see that he's a different person."

Officer Pete Richardson repeated that theme: "I've been working here in the Mission for nine years and have known a lot of these kids since they were real young and basically grew up with them. To play soccer with them is a lot different than being the big bad policeman. It's fun; we can interact on a more human level."

Once the tournaments took hold, organizers tried to raise the caliber of play by hiring trained referees and a paid tournament coordinator and by handing out trophies and "Peace For Park" T-shirts. The San Francisco Foundation contributed \$10,000 to sustain the community-police partnership. Youth hosts were hired to clean up after the games, prepare the field, direct parking, and maintain crowd control. Organizers are seeking funds for another year of tournaments.

If the playground itself wanted to go on record, it might pick Sgt. Pablo Ossio as its spokesman. Ossio, one of the soccer players for the police team, said: "Before, this playground used to be dingy, dark, and we had a hardly ever saw any families with kids come into the playground. There were a lot of problems, like drinking, garbage, and drugs. Now, the playground is clean, there are kids everywhere, families and also the youth come in to use the playground."

Residents around the park sit on their front steps at night and cheer along with the rest of the soccer fans. The games have attracted crowds of up to 200 people, mostly family, friends, and off-duty officers.

Mario says he and his teammates want the games to continue because they take us away from only being on the streets."

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# Evolution of a S.F.P.D. Volunteer

by Sgt. Steve Balma

Webster's Dictionary defines **altruism** as, "the unselfish concern for the welfare of others."

It seems that in today's fast paced and financially demanding society, these seven simple words often get lost in the battle to get to work, pay the bills on time, get the kids fed and off to school, keep yourself in reasonable shape, and spend a few hours of quality time with your loved ones. I know how hard it is. It's like trying to juggle 10 balls in the air at the same time, while walking a tightrope covered in banana peels, in roller skates. Now throw in night school two times a week caring for an ill parent, and of course, the overtime that we all have to work in order to survive living in the Bay Area, and you have the per-

passion. "No problem working with kids or seniors, as long as I'm detailed."

But because we have consciences, we soon discovered that we had a hole in our hearts where one never existed before. Many of us have attempted to fill that hole by making monetary contributions to the organizations that desperately need our help. This "quick fix" though, is like eating a candy bar when you are hungry. At first you feel satisfied, but a few minutes later you realize that your stomach is still empty and you feel guilty for eating junk food. Although I encourage everybody to continue to generously contribute money to charitable organizations, I can assure you that there is no substitute for the feeling you get when you have given someone in need a few hours of your time.

It is unfortunate, that the people who are most in need of our time have

law enforcement agencies in the Bay Area to follow. I know this because we already have a hard-core group of officers within our department who consistently dedicate hundreds of hours of their own time (not paid) to needy groups each year. Organizations like Operation Dream (Chief's Night at the Circus, Disney on Ice, Giants games, Easter egg hunt), San Francisco School Volunteer Program (read books to elementary kids), Wish Upon a Star

(Crop a Cop), St. Anthony's Dining Room (serve meals), S.F. Police Activities League (coaching), S.F. Police Youth Fishing Program (take kids fishing), are just some of the organizations that are always looking for compassionate and enthusiastic volunteers.

If you want to rediscover the feelings you had when you first chose to be a cop, volunteer today! For more info., call me at Southern Station, 553-9191. Thanks.



A recent night at the ball game with fourteen kids from the South of Market Recreation Center. "Operation Dream" will take similar groups to thirty-one home games this season.

fect recipe for a divorce, a 12-step program, or an ulcer.

When we chose our profession in law enforcement, we knew that we would never be millionaires, and that we would always have goofy schedules. I have always been proud of our profession for those reasons because it shows that we often make sacrifices, and put others before ourselves. Chasing the all-mighty dollar is not what we are all about (teachers and nurses are similar professions). I suspect that, like me, the main reason most of us wanted to be police officers is because we genuinely had concerned for the welfare of others. Police officers have consciences, have morals, and have virtues like altruism.

Unfortunately, over a period of time our "unselfish" concern for the welfare of others slowly began to erode once we got the taste of overtime. We quickly realized that we could be paid handsomely for our good deeds, and soon we put a price tag on our com-

to compete with our own families for the few remaining hours of our busy schedules. The same dedication to duty that we all feel toward our profession, bums even stronger when it comes to our loved ones at home. But this is no longer an acceptable excuse. More and more businesses, corporations, and public agencies with large employee ranks are developing partnerships with needy groups to provide a steady stream of volunteers. That's right, volunteers (not a paid detail or assignment). These employees, who share the same responsibilities to their families as we do, are finding a few hours a month (any amount of time would be greatly appreciated) to give to the organizations that their companies have partnered with.

Just like we have done with the Employee Contribution Program where we have contributed more money, and have more participants than any other city agency. I know that the S.F.P.D. can set the standard for all

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# SAFE Night Run & Walk

by James I. Dudley  
Captain, Park Station

The SAFE Night Run and Walk is a monthly running and walking event sponsored by Park Police Station, Richmond Station, Safety Awareness For Everyone (SAFE), Run4Life, the Neighborhood Safety Partnership (NSP), Rec and Park, the Impala Running Club, and Friends of Rec and Park. The FREE event provides a safe environment to those who wish to stretch their legs in the early evening hours on the first Wednesday of each month. The group stages from the Kezar main gate plaza on Frederick Street for stretching, water, orange slices and a brief announcement of the route and safety tips.

The purpose of this Safety Night Run and Walk is to provide a safe course for runners and walkers of all ages and abilities. Police Officers on bicycle and volunteers on foot accompany the groups along the course. Runners and walkers are strongly encouraged to obey all safety signs including crossings and traffic light controls. Safety tips and pedestrian safety measures will be covered prior to the run/walk. Recent events in May and June included raffles for prizes and

"blinkies", a battery-operated strobe sponsored by Cheryl Shwe and Run4Life.

The long-term goal of the SAFE Night Run and Walk program is to promote ongoing safety awareness and increase practices of all park users. It is one of a handful of ideas coming from the Golden Gate Park Safety Committee. Additional plans include sponsoring the annual Bicycle Safety Fair in Peacock Meadow on September 23rd, increased lighting, and installation of emergency phones in the park. This program is a good fit for those who wish to run and walk in Golden Gate Park or near Kezar Stadium. We are encouraging other groups to conduct SAFE-night Runs in other parts of the City such as McLaren Park, Lake Merced, the Embarcadero and other similar routes.

Wednesday night runs start at 7pm and go up to 9 PM. Future dates are: July 11th, August 1, September 5, and October 3.

Remember to hydrate, stretch, and follow the rules of the road. Run with the direction of traffic, stay on paths, wear reflective gear, leave the headphones at home and stay SAFE!

## Buzz The Fuzz Events



Officers Judith Riggle, Kim Koltzoff, and Sgt. Tom O'Connell were among officers who sacrificed their locks on behalf of the Buzz The Fuzz fundraiser. More than \$1500 was raised in the Co. A shave-off held on June 17th at the North Beach Fair.



## "Buzz The Fuzz" Visits U.C. Hospital

by Jennifer Forrester

Recently a group of members had their heads shaved in order to raise funds for the "Buzz the Fuzz." As a special treat, we had the opportunity to visit some very special children receiving various types of treatment at U.C. Hospital. This was just one small way that we could show our support for this very worthy cause.

Our visit was at times just overwhelming! The children were so encouraged and happy that we were supporting them in their battle against their illnesses. Whatever pains they

had seemed to dissipate when our visit began. We were able to present a small stuffed animal, candy, and a Polaroid picture to each child. The smiles on their faces and the cheer in their voices could melt your heart!

Special thanks to Judy Riggle, Kim Koltzoff, Joel Walter, Pat Tobin (Central Station); Mike Siebert (Park Station & "Buzz The Fuzz"); and Jeffrey Skover (Juvenile & "Buzz The Fuzz") for your time and special efforts. I truly believe that you made a very special and lasting impression on these children, their relatives, and U.C. Hospital staff. You were awesome!



In front Adriania's Mother, Kim Koltzoff, Adriana and Judy Riggle; in back, Mike Siebert and Joel Walter



Officers Pat Tobin, Kim Koltzoff, Joel Walter, Judy Riggle and Mike Siebert stand behind Elsey & Elsey's Mother



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# Mother's Day at the Cathedral Hill Hotel

by Jennifer Forrester

The Mother's Day event started off in a big rush. The buses that transport our ladies from Laguna Honda Hospital arrived almost an hour early! Needless to say, we were in quite a rush to make sure that everything was just right for our special guests. The ladies from Laguna Honda settled in quite quickly. Many of them were very familiar faces.

Judy Riggle, Willa Brown (Central Station), and Carol Margetts (Northern Station) did such a fantastic job in helping to make our guests feel very special, at least for a day. At the brunch each lady was presented with a lei, goodie bag, candy, and a Polaroid picture. It was clear to see that our guests truly enjoyed themselves. Thank you so much Judy, Willa, and Carol! It was such a pleasure to work with you and I couldn't have done it without you!



Officers Willa Brown, Judy Riggle and Carol Margetts help the mothers into the buses

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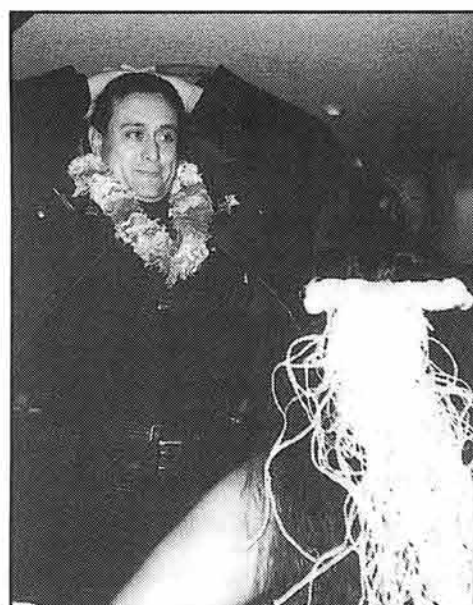
# Father's Day

by Jennifer Forrester

Our father's day brunch was also at the Cathedral Hill Hotel. This time the buses arrived only half an hour early, but we were waiting for them! Our special hosts Ivan Sequeira (Mission), Calvin Chow (Taraval Station), Jerrell Bell, Tom Wong (Airport), and Ben Vigil (Treasure Island) went to work right away in tending to the needs of our honored guests.

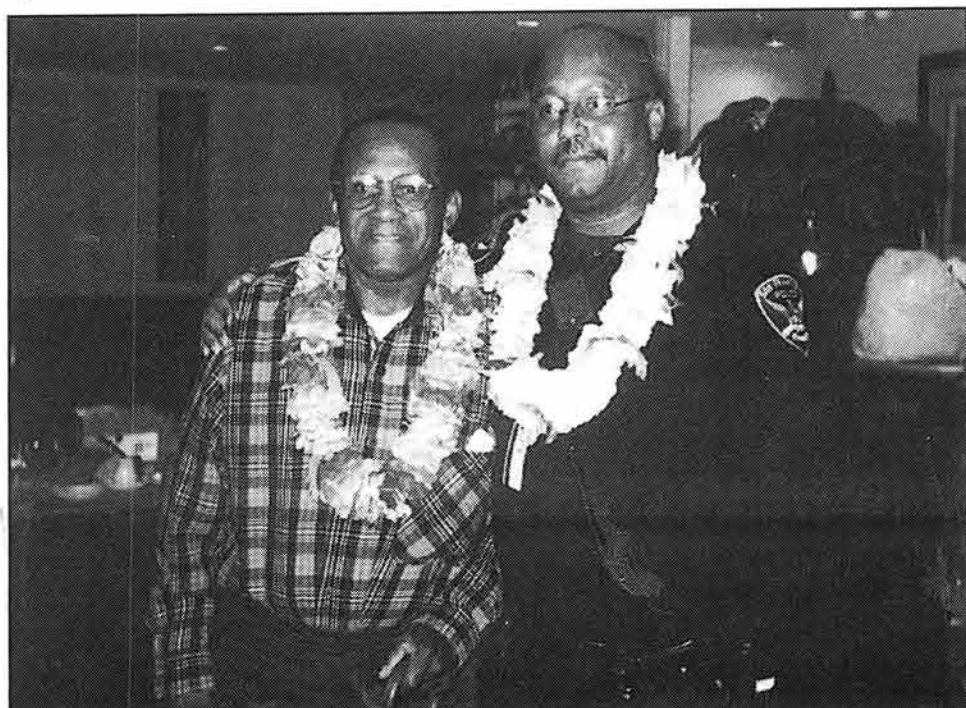
As an added and very special feature for this event, we had a very special performance "Makalapua, Marama Te Mafatu Nui," a Polynesian dance troupe from San Bruno. They show was outstanding! Our honored guests thoroughly enjoyed the dancing. To top this even more, the dancers gave dance lessons to our hosts Ivan, Calvin, Jerrell, Tom, and Ben. This was certainly a sight to be seen! I never knew that these officers could move in such a manner! Needless to say, their performance was enjoyed by all.

Our guests were each presented with a lei, goodie bag, candy, and a Polaroid picture. Special thanks to Glenn Sylvester (Crime Scenes Unit) &



Ivan learns how to dance the Polynesian way

Desiree Peachey (Gary's-TTF wife for coordinating the performance of the dance troupe. Glenn's children Kimberly, Krystalyn, and Jonathan were part of this amazing performance. Your efforts helped to make this father's day event unforgettable! Thanks to Ivan, Calvin, Jerrell, Tom, and Ben your performance was also unforgettable in more ways than one! Good luck to Robert Vernenga as you begin your career in the police academy!



Jerrell Bell poses with a happy father

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# Jesus Pena and Joe Juarez Receive Statewide Recognition

by Rene LaPrevotte  
Traffic Co., STOP Unit

Riverside, California  
Jesus "Chuy" Pena and Joe Juarez, of the elite Tenderloin Task Force, were honored by the American Legion, State of California at the Annual State Legion Convention held on June 22nd at the Mission Inn in Riverside, California.  
Joe and Chuy were awarded **State Police Officers of the Year for Valor**, as a result of the harrowing shoot-out and chase with two fugitives wanted in connection with a murder in Indianapolis, as well as the slaying of a deputy Sheriff in San Antonio, Texas.  
Captain Greg Corrales proudly presented our guys to the General Assembly on the convention floor after a speech by Governor Gray Davis. After Captain Corrales read the application for the award (see text of Greg's speech below), the entire assembly gave Pena

and Juarez a standing ovation.  
While the accolades from the general membership of the American Legion weren't to be taken lightly, an even greater honor was bestowed on the men when eight fellow officers from TTF flew down to Riverside to honor Joe and Jesus. Theresa Sangiacomo, Joe Fischer, Levant Mitchell, Willie Morales, Steve Haskell, Damon Hart, Rick Araujo and Chris Muselman flew to the convention at their own expense to support their comrades during their moment of statewide recognition. I'm told there would have been more, but there was a small problem with minimum staffing at TTF that prevented even more members from attending.  
There was a hilarious moment when the TTF'ers tried to rent a full-sized van to get from the airport to the festivities at the convention center. It seems Thrifty Rent-a-Car was flat out of vans, but offered our troops one of their



The troops singing a lullaby to the "Arch Enemy Of Evil"

courtesy shuttles, and a 25% discount. You know cops, anything for a discount. There's a rumor floating around Southern California that our guys were seen picking-up fares to pay for their trip, but that has yet to be substantiated.  
There are many thanks that need to be expressed besides those to Joe & Chuy's colleagues. The **SFPOA** donated \$200 to help defray the cost of the boy's rooms. **Captain Steve Tacchini** allowed the Station's Floral Fund to pay for the airfare of Joe's wife

Cindy and Chuy's wife Monica, The Legion Law and Order Commission paid for a night's lodging and SF Police Post #456 paid for Joe & Chuy's airfare. Last but certainly not least, Captain Greg Corrales (USMC) was instrumental in this award going to our brothers through his eloquent submission to the State Law and Order Commission on their behalf. It isn't a coincidence that the last three honorees statewide for **VALOR** have been members of Corrales' beloved SFPD. Semper Fi!

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## Police-Fire Post 456 News

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the years at Northern Station, Bayview Station, and the Narcotics Division. I am certain that much of my saintly demeanor rubbed off on Sergeant Reynolds making her a perfect candidate for the convent.  
Officer Patricia Brown is still a Marine. After completing four years of active duty, she has remained a member of the Marine Corps Reserve. I have known Officer Brown all her life, as her father is one of my very best friends. Her dad, Al Brown, a former police officer, like all of my close friends is a very pious man. I can think of no better preparation for the convent than being raised by a wonderful mother and a father known as "Angelic Al."  
Although, like Sister Mary Perrot, I am sure that Sergeant Reynolds and Officer Brown would be valuable members of any religious order. Police officers of their calibre, however, are too valuable for us to let get away!  
In October be sure to look for the USA Network broadcast of the Armed Forces Eco-Challenge, a grueling 5-day race in the treacherous wilderness of Alaska. Team American Legion, a group of four U.S. Army professionals, will be competing. This team of Legionnaires displays the qualities of

America's best military athletes with their proven abilities in running, biking, climbing, and paddling. Team American Legion is: Captain Mary Van Dyke, USAR; Captain Stephen G. Kreis, USAR; Captain Michael Dunlavey, USA; and Staff Sergeant Don Kent, USA.  
Police-Fire Post 456 next meets on Tuesday, 14 August at 1800 hours. Meetings are at the POA Building, 510 Seventh Street. Try to attend a meeting. A good deal of important Legion business is conducted. At the conclusion of business refreshments are served.  
A truck driver was driving down the highway when he saw a priest at the side of the road. He stopped to pick up the priest and give him a ride. A ways down the road the truck driver saw a lawyer on the side of the road. He turned the truck on a direct course with the lawyer. Then he thought, "Oh no, I have a priest in the truck, I can't run down this lawyer," and at the last second the truck driver swerved to miss the lawyer. The truck driver heard a thump outside of the truck, however, and looked in his rear-view mirror but didn't see anything. He turned to the priest and said, "Sorry father, I just missed that lawyer at the side of the road." The priest replied, "Don't worry son, I got him with my door."  
Semper Fi, Jack. Semper Fi, Dale.

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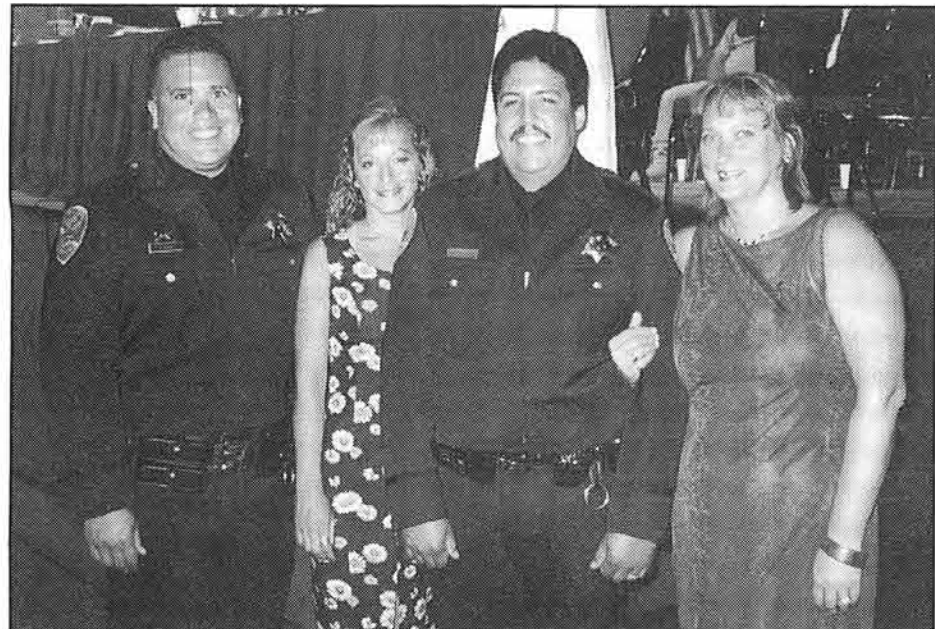
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On Tuesday, 17 October 2000, at approximately 4:40 p.m., Officers Jesus Pena and Joe Juarez observed a vehicle with Texas plates go through a red light. They stopped the vehicle and provided SFPD Communications with the license plate number and their location. As they began to approach the vehicle on foot, Officer

pects traveled the wrong way on very busy one way streets in an effort to evade Officers Pena and Juarez. At one point, the driver of the vehicle being pursued leaned out of his window and fired several shots at Officers Pena and Juarez. One of the bullets penetrated the passenger side of the police vehicle's windshield, directly in front of Officer Juarez' head, and passed through the dashboard before it came to rest at the feet of Officer Juarez. The entry of the bullet through the windshield caused glass fragments to fly into the eyes of Officer Pena, creating an added obstacle to the harrowing pursuit. Un-

drove evasively. Fully aware that their lives were in danger and that a peaceful resolution of this incident was unlikely, Offices Pena and Juarez remained undaunted in their efforts to apprehend the murderous suspects and continued to pursue, as they received continuous gunfire. The suspect vehicle, visibly damaged by gunfire, continued to flee and attempted to gain access to freeway on-ramps that were crowded with commute traffic. With no option but to remain on City streets, the suspects drove recklessly and aimlessly in their attempt to escape capture. Ultimately the suspects became trapped in a traffic backup that left them no way to escape. Left with no alternative, the suspects finally complied with demands they surrender, and were taken into custody by Officers Pena and Juarez. A subsequent search of the suspect vehicle revealed three loaded firearms. The suspects in this incident were fugitives from Indianapolis, where they had committed a brutal murder. They were also fugitives from Texas,

citizens. Looking back at what could have gone wrong and didn't, it is clearly due to the exemplary work and heroic actions of Officers Pena and Juarez. The courage displayed by Officer Pena and Juarez by continuing to pursue the murderous gunmen after narrowly escaping death is to be commended in the highest degree. The discipline they demonstrated by not firing when they were under attack due to their concerns for the safety of citizens in the area is amazing and admirable. Their determination in a situation where they would never have been censured had they backed off and afforded themselves the safety of waiting for additional assistance is an act that must be recognized as heroic. Officer Pena was acutely aware of the life threatening danger he faced, but his sense of duty compelled him to continue his attempt to capture the murderous pair he knew must be stopped. Officer Pena and his partner exemplified the will and desire to protect others even if it meant



The Officers and their wives: Joe & Cindy Juarez with Jesus & Monica Peña

Pena sensed that something was amiss. He stopped at the rear of the vehicle and ordered the driver to turn off the engine. At that time the vehicle sped away at a high rate of speed. Officers Pena and immediately returned to their vehicle and pursued the fleeing suspects. At that time Communications informed the officers that the vehicle they were pursuing was reported stolen and was wanted in relation to the homicide of a Deputy Sheriff that occurred in San Antonio, Texas. Further information indicated that the suspects were to be considered armed and dangerous. As the pursuit continued through congested traffic, the desperate sus-

deterred by the deadly assault, Officers Pena and Juarez continued their relentless pursuit of the extremely dangerous suspects. Taking into consideration the heavily congested streets with commute hour traffic, the officers had to use tremendous discipline to refrain from immediately returning fire to protect themselves. Officer Pena was operating the police vehicle using evasive maneuvers to avoid the suspects' repeated attempts to shoot them, with his eyes painfully injured by the flying glass. When the opportunity arose to return fire without danger to innocent motorists and pedestrians, Officer Juarez returned fire at the suspects, while Officer Pena



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where they had murdered a San Antonio Deputy Sheriff. It is clear from the previous actions of these suspects that their intention was to kill to accomplish their escape. It is miraculous that the events of this incident resulted in the capture of two murderous criminals without the loss of life to police personnel or innocent

making the ultimate sacrifice. The indomitable fighting spirit and extraordinary intrepidity of Officer Jesus Pena and Officer Joseph Juarez, at great risk to their lives reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the San Francisco Police Department.

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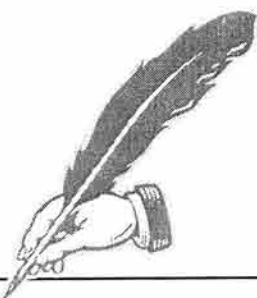
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# Letters



April 19, 2001

Mr. Chris Cunnie —  
President, SFPOA

In the April issue of the Journal, you wrote a brief article asking police officers to attend the Police Memorial in Sacramento to show their support for Officer Jim Dougherty

and Inspector Kirk Brookbush's families. You were quite correct when you stated that the surviving families need the support of their loved one's fellow officers. You said "We need to be there."

Being a seasoned survivor (it will be 13 years on August 2nd since my husband, Officer Jim Bloesch, died),

your plea for moral support for the most recent families, triggered some of my own survivor issues and need for support — support of a different kind.

For the last couple of years, there has been an attempt to get the POA to support a charter amendment to give survivors a more equitable pension. Because it affects so few of us, that is — only the survivors of police officers, firefighters, and paramedics killed in the line of duty, I have felt frustration in trying to get anyone to pay attention. I keep hearing that the date for placing the proposal on the ballot has been postponed, due to any number of reasons.

This charter change, as you know, would allow the widows of police officers to continue receiving survivor benefits, but they would be equal to a living officer's pay and health benefits until the deceased officer would have been in the department for 30 years. Presently, the widow is required to take a retirement at either 30 years or at the officer's 50th birthday, whichever comes first. Presently, we receive one half the pay raises of on-duty officers.

Unfortunately, Jim's 50th birthday comes before what would have been 30 years in the department. So I am required to take Jim's retirement this August, at a considerably smaller percentage than if he had worked for 30 years. This will affect my benefits substantially... to the tune of almost a thousand dollars per month. The financial loss per month will hurt, along with the fact that my health benefits will change. Even though I am 49 years old and still raising a teenager, I will begin receiving and paying for retirement health care. Also, since my raises have only been half of what living officers received over the last 13 years, my check is already minimal.

There has been a great deal of talk about SF police salaries not being sufficient to live in the Bay Area. I agree. It's also hard to survive on my current survivor's pension. I don't mind hard work, however, I don't think this is what Jim had in mind twenty years ago when he said, "Don't worry, Stephanie. If anything happens to me on the job, the department will take good care of you."

I have tried to prepare for this day by completing my bachelor's and

master's degrees. Unfortunately, I also acquired a huge student loan. I have worked full time while raising my three children. However, my own salary will be minimal for a couple of more years, while I complete 3000 hours towards a license in Marriage and Family Therapy. I am also still supporting my youngest child, who was only three when his dad died and is now sixteen. I just need a little more immediate support and a little more time to help me survive another couple of years. This charter amendment would give me that relief.

You were right when you said "We need to be there." We survivors need the help of the POA and of the members of this department. The proposal that would postpone my retirement until a full 30 year retirement has already been drafted by the department. A ballot proposal to give police survivors a more fair survivor's pension, would be a major gesture in "being there" for us. I find it difficult to read about how "we need to be there for the survivors" when I am forced to continue to live with the day to day reality of the financial impact of Jim's death.

Each time I cry over another name engraved into that wall on Bryant Street, I sadly wonder how long it will take for the next surviving family to feel the financial repercussions of the loss of their spouse. Although years go by and we do our best to try and heal and move on, the financial impact of our husbands' deaths becomes more and more apparent.

Please support us by getting the current, written charter amendment on the ballot this Fall. Please don't make us wait another year and a half for another retirement proposal. We need your help now. We need you to "be there" for us.

I ask you to look around and see how many cops are retiring at age 50. I don't believe anyone believes that a police widow can afford to retire at age 50. Sometimes, I feel as though my children and I are being punished for my husband's death. I know that it's very painful for police officers to imagine that this could happen to them. I also know that they really do want to know that their spouses and children will be taken care of properly. Please let them know that by supporting this change in the charter now, not some time in the future, that they are "being there" for their fallen officer's widows, and also providing more security for their own families in the case of an on-duty tragedy.

Thank you for listening. Please help us get the kind of survivors' benefits our husbands thought we would receive.

Sincerely,  
Stephanie Bloesch  
Widow of Officer James Bloesch, '88

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Dear Chris and POA Members,  
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I would like to thank you, Officer Matt Gardner, the committee, and the POA members for very generous donations. Beneficiaries range from our local Page Street Boy's and Girl's Club of San Francisco, Huckleberry Youth Programs, the San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center, and the Haight Street Sweepers, just to name a few. Other donations of Safeway certificates, tickets to sporting and entertainment events change lives as well.

Sincerely,  
Captain James I. Dudley  
Park Police Station  
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Dear Captain Ashe,  
We drive to the St. Dunstan Church at 1 p.m., Saturday, June 2, 2001, in Millbrae, California. We arrive looking for a parking space, feeling very sad, even though it is a warm sunny day. We are attending a funeral for our former daughter-in-law Delores Curry Negro.

The first scene we witnessed was police cars parked along the street and a regiment of Police Officers standing in unison on both sides of the church entry ways. I wonder out loud saying "What are all these police officers doing here?" "They are here for our grandson" my husband explains. Instant peace, and joy adds to our astonishment. Slowly our sadness diminishes.

I am the grandmother of Police Officer Richmond Earl Curry, III. We were celebrating at the funeral services on behalf of my grandson's

parents Dee and Jack. The awesome sight of all the Officers in full dress standing at attention warmed my heart. Their very presence sent a first class message to us. Their compassion lightens the heavy burden of the day. It was a thrill to witness their support. I attest fully to the kindness of the Officers.

Forty three years ago, we lived in San Francisco. Captain Tom Cahill created the first Police Community Relations Committee, where I served as a volunteer. I told him "It would be an honor to have one of my five sons become a Police Officer." My sons chose other careers. A generation later, Richmond, III became an Officer. We are so happy over his choice. Our telephones ring from the West to the East Coast. Our entire family is proud to have our grandson become one of San Francisco's finest.

We want to thank you for the magnificent image the San Francisco Officers displayed at the celebration. They were attentive, courteous and gracious in all their actions. More of our citizens should have an opportunity to witness the human side of Police Officers.

Sincerely,  
Eleanor Williams-Curry



Dear Chris:  
The Santa Clara Valley Peace Officers' Memorial Run, held on May 19, 2001, was an unprecedented success! More than 1,200 participants gathered to commemorate the peace officers who have fallen in the line of duty. In their honor, we raised \$10,000 to be donated to scholarships for the youth of our community through Abrazos and Books.

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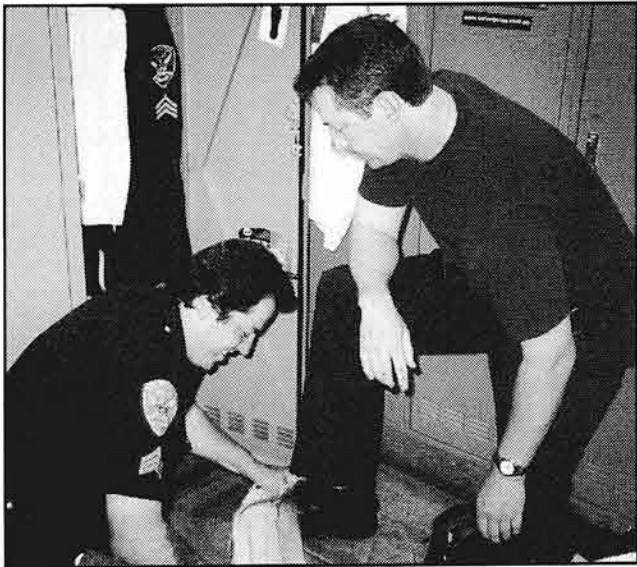
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# Court Expands Immunity From Lawsuits Held By Police And Other Public Employees

(From The Associated Press)

Affording police more protection from civil lawsuits, the Supreme Court ruled last week that an officer protecting the vice president acted reasonably when he pushed a demonstrator into a van. Sued by the uninjured demonstrator, the officer should have been granted immunity and his case dismissed because the policeman suspected a threat, Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote.

Seven justices concurred with Kennedy's conclusion while Justice David Souter concurred in part and dissented in part. The ruling makes it more difficult to get lawsuits against officers before a jury. Taking the issue beyond protection of the vice president, Kennedy wrote that officers should be granted immunity even if force resulted from "reasonable, but mistaken beliefs" about the situation they faced.

The case originated when animal rights activist Elliot Katz was arrested during a speech by then-Vice President Al Gore in 1994, when the Presidio Army base in San Francisco was turned into a national park. Military Police officer Donald Saucier hustled Katz away from a waist-high fence separating Gore from the public after he attempted to unfurl a 4-by-3-foot cloth banner reading, "Please Keep Animal Torture Out of Our National Parks." Katz later was released but mounted a challenge to Saucier's use of force. The case had not gone to trial, but came to the high court to determine whether Saucier had immunity.

Television videotape shows an officer pushing Katz into the back of a van but no other struggle. Some of the justices had watched the news footage before they heard oral arguments in the case in March, prompting Justice Sandra Day O'Connor to question whether the case was worth the court's time. "I just kept looking at it over and over and I came away thinking, 'Why are we here?'" she said in annoyance during the arguments.

Kennedy made clear that in this case, there were reasonable grounds for

Saucier to suspect a threat existed to the vice president. The officer acted "within the bounds of appropriate police responses" after Katz approached the fence. The officer "did not know the full extent of the threat" or "how many other persons there might be who, in concert with respondent (Katz), posed a threat to the security of the vice president."

The 294,000-member Fraternal Order of Police, the nation's largest police organization, praised the ruling. "It gives an officer the immunity he needs to pursue lawful actions," said Executive Director Jim Pasco. "It does not give officers license to run amok but it does provide them with the protection they need as they perform their duties."

The FOP filed a friend-of-the-court brief on behalf of Saucier and the American Civil Liberties Union did the same on behalf of Katz. David Rudovsky, a University of Pennsylvania law professor who wrote the ACLU's arguments, said the ruling sets a bad precedent. "In our view, the decision rests on the illogical proposition that police officers can reasonably believe they are entitled to use unreasonable force. Even if a judge said you didn't have to use that much force, this allows the judge to say, 'Even though it was excessive, I'm finding immunity because the officer could have thought it was reasonable.'"

The ruling reversed a federal trial judge and the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. They decided a jury should hear Katz' argument and that Saucier was not entitled to "qualified immunity" from being sued.

Government lawyers had argued that qualified immunity is intended to protect officers from being sued unless they are "plainly incompetent" or knowingly violate the law. Courts generally should defer to the "split-second decisions" by officers on the street, Justice Department lawyers said.

## Animals Die Rapidly If Left In Locked Cars

Submitted by Deborah Braden



Leaving an animal in an unventilated car risks death or brain damage for your pet, according to San Francisco Animal Care and Control (ACC) officers. The officers, who respond daily to such emergencies, say that even a few moments in a car with its windows closed often proves fatal for animals.

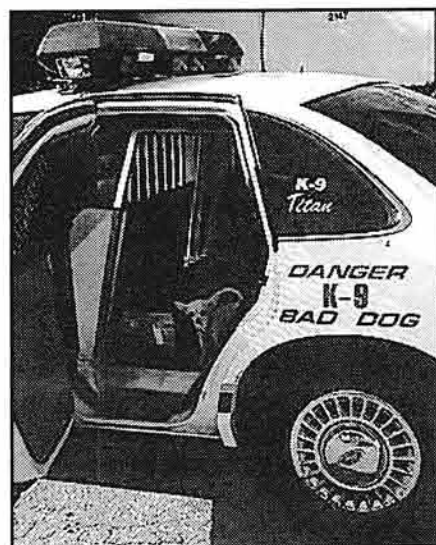
Car temperatures quickly reach up to 160° in the sun or to over 120° in the shade. Animals rapidly develop heat illness, which is difficult to reverse unless treated immediately. Signs include rapid panting, followed by agitation and confusion, loss of consciousness, seizures, brain damage, and death.

"Even on a mild or cloudy day, it isn't safe to leave your dog or cat in a car," says Melissa Flower, ACC community affairs coordinator. "Cracking the windows does not protect an animal from the heat."

First aid includes moving the animal to a cool or air-conditioned area. Give water only if the animal is conscious, and transport immediately to a veterinarian.

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# Clean Team 2001

The following essay was written by Lauren Harris, a member of the Mission Clean Team 2001, and a joint project of Mission Police Station and St. John's Educational Thresholds Center.

In its fourth year, the Mission Clean Team has matured into a job skills training program with a more defined educational component. Team members were asked to write an essay on what their goals were, and how they plan to achieve them. (Keep in mind that Clean Team members are ages 13 to 16.) Lauren's essay is so impressive that the Clean Team Coordinators wanted to share it with the readers of the Journal.



Lauren Harris with Steve Thoma & Ethel Newlin

## Goal Setting

by Lauren T. Harris

Webster's definition of the word Goal is "the end toward which effort is directed". I have been taught that goal setting is the strongest force in human motivation,

I have set my goals first by writing them down. My eventual goal is play in the WNBA and become an attorney. I have broken this down into steps. I expect to graduate from high school and get a scholarship to college. I hope to go to one of the following universities UCLA, University of Tennessee, Stanford, or University of San Francisco. A second part of goal setting is to tell someone. I have discussed this with my parents, teachers, and coaches who are supporting my efforts to reach my goals. The next step is to follow through to achieve my goal. I have begun to take my schoolwork more seriously and my father has found a good coach and team for me to develop my basketball skills.

The most important part of goal setting is the journey that it takes us on. I find myself reacting to my pend-

ing goals. When I don't do as well as I should in basketball or school. I get discouraged and have to pump myself up to do better. I find myself responding to positive comments by friends and parents, but appreciate everyone keeping it real. If I expect improvement in my life, I must be able to accept constructive criticism.

In reaching my goals, I always review my resources. By resources, I mean help or support system. My support system is my parents, my church, my friends, and people on my job. Another important resource is my financial support. As I said I am working toward getting a scholarship to college and as a professional basketball player, I would be able to finance my legal studies.

The final step in goal setting is the reevaluation of goals or adjustments. Although I have set my goals on the WNBA and becoming an attorney, I am continuing to evaluate these goals. I am working toward making them a reality, however if along the way I decide to become something else I won't consider myself a failure. I will consider it only an adjustment in my goal setting and continue my journey to success.

# Sign-up for SFPD Wilderness Programs

Submitted by Officers Walt Scott and Roger Keenan, Richmond Station

Officers, take this opportunity to work with San Francisco's public school students on three or four-day outdoor adventures this school year. Three-day trips consist of a 3-day mid-week backpack trip in Point Reyes National Seashore, while four-day trips include a Tuesday adventure ropes course followed by a Wednesday through Friday backpack trip in Point Reyes. All equipment, food, and transportation are provided; and there will be at least one teacher from the school plus other outdoor-trained personnel on each trip.

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November 6 through 9, 2001:	Gloria R. Davis Middle School
November 13 through 16, 2001:	Benjamin Franklin Middle School
December 4 through 7, 2001:	Aptos Middle School
January 15 through 18, 2002:	Alice Fong Yu School
March 13 through 15, 2002:	Martin Luther King Middle School
March 19 through 22, 2002:	Bret Harte Elementary School
April 3 through 5, 2002:	Balboa High School
April 9 through 11, 2002:	James Denman Middle School
April 16 through 18, 2002:	McAteer High School
April 30 through May 2, 2002:	Lakeshore Elementary School
May 7 through 9, 2002:	West Portal Elementary School
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### In Memory of...

by Sophia Isom

Carol Oliver started the San Francisco Police Activities League Youth Cheerleading Program in 1983. Although she did not have any experience in cheerleading, she felt a need to implement a cheerleading group because other Pop Warner teams had cheerleaders, but the San Francisco Seahawks did not. She also knew how to recruit helpers. At one of the games, Carol was seated next to someone who kept saying "the cheerleaders should be doing this, they should be doing that, etc." and so Carol asked that lady to get involved in the program. The number of participants grew from one squad with 12 participants to 5 squads with 115 cheerleaders. Her official role remained "Team Mother."

Carol was a strong community advocate and was well-respected in the Fillmore community. She was involved with various communities and task forces affiliated with Bethel AME Church, Booker T. Washington, Ella Hill Hutch Community Center and other programs.

Although her physical presence is gone, her spirit will live on with the San Francisco PAL Seahawks. The 2001 football and cheerleading season will be dedicated to the honor and memory of Carol Oliver. She will be sorely missed by all.

### Soccer

The PAL Soccer season concluded on June 10th. One hundred and fifty-six (156) teams participated in various divisions. In the Under 8 division, there were 20 boys teams and 13 girls teams who played at Grattan playground. There were 26 girls teams and 23 boys teams in the Under 10 division. The Under 10's played at West Sunset. In the Under 12 division, there were 19 girls teams (3 of whom played in the boys division) and 17 boys teams. There were 10 Under 14 girls teams and 15 boys teams. The Under 18's were composed of 5 girls teams and 8 boys teams. Although there were two rain-out and numerous field clos-



ings, the season ended with the following winners:

Under 10 Girls North Division-  
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Under 10 Girls West Division-  
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Under 10 Boys North Division-  
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MEXICO  
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EARTHQUAKES  
Under 14 Boys West Division-  
COMETS  
North Girls Division-  
VIKING RED  
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TITANES

Thank you's go to Ernie Feibusch (for his help and assistance), Jeff Staben (who had the thankless job of assigning referees), Illia Song (did we see you lining those fields and setting up goals and nets at West Sunset?), Dana Ketchum (for her help at Morton), Roberto Cano, (for help at Sutter), Libby Rappolt (for lining Grattan and setting up goals/nets), Fernando Picazo (setting up nets), and Jim Hayashi (set up nets at Lowell).

To those mentioned above, thank you for your efforts in making this a successful season. Thank you to all referees who are yelled on by parents, coaches and fans. You refs did a great job. As for coaches, most were great, some like the one who left a message saying he and his team were going to burn their jerseys, because they lost their games and especially to "girls teams" — haven't we gone beyond that! And what about the coach who was put to shame by one of his players after the coach refused to shake hands with the other team (sour grapes, they lost). The young player

went over to the opposing coach and said, "Sorry coach, it was a great game." Was that sportsmanship and courage shown by a 12-year old, or what???

### Basketball

The PAL Invitational Basketball League for 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade will begin in September. Anyone interested in entering a team, please contact the PAL at 415-401-4666 in August.

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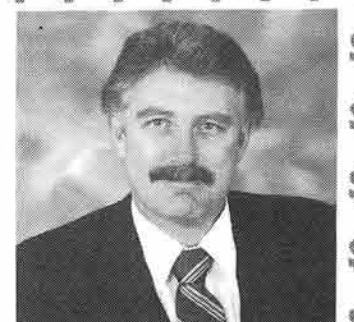
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# Sports



## Nick's Notes

by Nick Shihadeh,  
POA Journal Sports Editor

**CHECK IT OUT:** The 2001 SFPD Softball League ended its season last month with the tier-1 and tier-2 championship games taking place on Thurs. 6/21 at Jackson Park, and the softball banquet taking place a week later at Ron Dumont's Forest Lodge. Congratulations are in order to Mission #1 and TAC who were the respective winners.

In the tier 2 championship game that was played at 10:00 am on that Thursday, TAC was matched-up against a strong Park Islander team that had beaten them soundly during the regular season and was rolling through the playoffs as well. To get to the final though, TAC first beat Southern Station in a first round contest by a score of 7-4. This was due to the fact that Southern showed up to the wrong field (Rossi) because of a scheduling mix-up, had to pack it up and move to the other side of The City (Jackson Park), and thus interrupted their warm-ups which quieted their usually potent offense.

TAC next played the Bayview Pitbulls who were peaking going into the playoffs, but had a long layoff between games when they drew a bye in the first round. This proved to be costly for Bayview as they couldn't out-last TAC in a slug fest and lost by a score of 25-20.

The Islanders got to the final game by first beating a TTF Rats team that wouldn't go away in their first round match-up. Park took an early big lead in this game 12-3, but TTF rallied back with 6-runs. Park would then pad the lead once again and eventually win by a score of 17-12. The Islanders second round game would be against Ingleside Station who had previously beaten them by 1-run in their controversial

regular season contest. This playoff game would be no contest at all though, as Park scored 10-runs in the first inning and coasted to a 22-10 victory over an Ingleside team that was definitely missing some players (Where was Mike Howard??).

As far as the championship game was concerned, it was TAC that went up on Park 3-0 early. Park finally got their bats going and scored 6-runs to take the lead, but TAC bounced back with 3-runs of their own. It was tied 6-6 going into the seventh inning with a great pitchers duel going on between TAC's Al Miranda and Park's very reliable Juan "Corona" Gala. This is when TAC put 5-runs onto the board to take a commanding lead. The big hit was provided by outfielder Mark "I've Got The Monkey Off My Back" Madsen who delivered a sharp single to left with the bases loaded to bring home 2-runs and get the rally going all with 2-outs in the inning. The bottom of the seventh would prove uneventful as Park could muster only 1-run (thanks to Kevin "Hey Buddy" Rector who got 4-hits during the game), and TAC went on to win it by a score of 11-7.

Other standouts for TAC would include Bob Puts, Bobby "Hammer Head" Miller, Mike "Gonzo" Gonzales, and Ed Callejas. For the Park Islanders, it was the players they were missing on that day that stood out in their minds—they needed the enthusiasm of Dante "Big Daddy" Giovanelli (who was in Ireland drinking pints of



Brian Olcomendy,  
Quok Do, Nick  
Shihadeh, Dante  
Giovannelli, Greg  
Kane and Bud  
Clinton



Standing: Nick Shihadeh, Bill Tuiaosopo, and Jack Webb,  
Sitting: Greg Kane, Quok Do, Dante Giovannelli and Bud Clinton

Guinness) as well as the skills of Greg "Pukie" Kane and Mike "Bert" Siebert (who decided that fishing, golfing and partying in Montana was way more important than department softball).

Once again congratulations to TAC for winning the tier-2 championship—they were able to pull it off even without long time player Al McCann who apparently couldn't afford to lend his services to the club this year.

In the tier-1 championship game that was played at 12:00 noon that day, Mission #1 was matched-up against Northern #1. To get to the final though, Mission first had to take care of Taraval/Richmond in a contest that was never close. Northern on the other hand had to come from behind in the bottom of the seventh (as they had been doing all season long) against a relentless Inspector's team. Down 3-runs in their last at bat, Northern rallied and then won the game on a 2-run walk away home run by Scott "Buddy, Buddy" Warnke.

This now pitted two teams that have been in the final many times against each other in the past. As the game began, Mission stormed to a 7-0 lead but would watch Northern score 9-runs of their own to go ahead. Mis-

sion kept their bats alive though, and would go back in front by a score of 12-9. The hit parade continued on both sides throughout the game with Mission holding a 25-17 lead going into the bottom of the seventh. Northern started to rally again and scored 5-runs, had two runners on, and the tying run at the plate with 2-outs. This is when 2nd baseman Pablo Ossio made a diving stop of what was almost a sure hit, get up on his feet and throw the runner out to end the very exciting game at 25-22.

Other standouts for Mission were Glen Ortega, Mike "Stoney" Flynn, Gary Hazelhoffer, and Brian Philpot. For Northern, there was Joe "7-11" Zamagni, Dave Herman, Mark Hutchings, and Steve Collins doing the job. Apparently for Northern though, having tryouts before the season started still didn't help get them a championship. Nevertheless, it is time one again to wish congrats to Mission #1 for their fine championship season.

At the annual SFPD Softball Banquet, the first and second place clubs were rewarded with team trophies and were eventually to receive snappy individual golf shirts as well. The Mike

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# Nick's Notes

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O'Brien Memorial Softball award (in honor of the former mainstay at the Police Range) was also announced that evening. The award was given to a very



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deserving retired Captain Dave Maron, Sr. who has participated very competitively in department softball for many, many years as both a current and retired member (still pitching for Ingleside).

Saying kind words about Capt. Maron was former O'Brien winner Gene Traversaro, who has played with him and against him over the years. Ingleside player/manager Bob Lazzaretto also said a nice speech about the man he's managed for many years. The final speaker was Dave Maron, Jr. who came up to say a few words and then help present the plaque to his dad. Dave Sr. said the best speech of the evening mentioning the many former winners of the award that he played with and against, and saying how proud he was to be amongst them. This was concluded by a wonderful standing ovation that was given by the very enthusiastic crowd.

The banquet was a great success with everyone enjoying an excellent prime rib dinner with lots to drink; even Frank Walker and Bud Clinton

were honoring the group with their presence. There were some shenanigans that took place as once again team trophies were taken from the scene. Apparently Northern's second place trophy was left unattended on a table and was quickly swiped up (they should've known better). Mission did know better and locked their first place trophy in one of the vehicles outside. Well, whoever it was, daringly obtained the trophy without damaging the vehicle, and now both teams have to wait for some kind of ransom note or something. I'll keep you posted.



The Crew from Tenderloin Station

Otherwise, thanks go out to Ron Dumont, Jimmy Potts, and the hard working women who make up the rest of the staff of the Forest Lodge. Thanks also go to the SFPOA for supporting and sponsoring this fine league that benefits so many department members during the season. Commissioner Brian "Monkey" Olcomendy deserves lots of credit for taking over and running a most difficult league despite the many obstacles that appeared in his way during the year. Rafael "Raffy" Labuton also gets thanks for taking and providing these photos. Finally, I want to welcome back to the league Tony "Raised-like-a-veal in North Beach" Manfreda, who had a successful season with Northern #2 after a long respite.

That's all for now...So See Ya next month....



By Rene LaPrevotte

## 8th Annual Sacramento Police Memorial Ride

Friday: July 27, 2001 10:00 hours

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Saturday: July 28, 2001 09:00 hours

We will ride en-mass to the Sacramento State Capitol to join four-thousand other riders and sign-up for the police escorted ride up to the "High Hill Ranch" in Apple Hill, California. (Just above Placerville., There will be more BBQ, more live music, raffles, giveaways, "Slow Races," and all forms of entertainment.

That afternoon, after the party, we will ride to the "Best Western-Camron Park Inn (530) 677-2203 where we will spend Saturday night. Again, you will have to make your own reservations (\$65.00 plus tax). All hotels sell-out in advance for this weekend, so don't delay. If you get stuck, I've reserved five rooms in my name... first-come first-served.

Sunday: July 29, 2001

Ride back to the Bay Area after breakfast.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** This is likely the last Police Memorial Event, as the cost of the construction of the Sacramento Police Memorial at the Capitol has been attained with this year's event. If you miss this one, you won't likely get another chance! Any questions, call me at 553-4986.

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# Rock-n' Roll Marathon

by Rowena Wilson Lozada

June 18, 2001

Well I did it! I crossed the finish line at the Suzuki Rock 'n' Roll Marathon, in San Diego, on June 3 — an incredible experience on many fronts. Over 17,000 participated in this marathon (of which 3,700 were Leukemia Society Team in Training entrants) which is the fourth largest nationwide and seventh in the world!

When I began the training program with Team Leukemia they told us "it's not the completion of the marathon as much as it is the JOURNEY". They were right! After 4 months of intensive training including every Saturday morning, and nearly every weekday for a total of over 550 miles, I was not only well trained, but more humbled, compassionate and inspired than when I began!

## Here's how the day went:

**Start Line:** I head for my "corral" just before 6:30 am. Chelsea (my running partner) and I make a pact that since we made it through the entire training program together — we were going to finish together. Almost every runner has a bright new purple singlet like ours — a testament to 4 months of grueling training and fundraising. The gun goes off and we're on our way — a flood of people running down the street.

At each mile marker, Chelsea and I give each other "high five's" and say out loud "only \_miles to go". We also see hundreds of spectators, and residents yelling out words of encouragement.

**Mile 13:** Halfway at 2 hours and 49 minutes, I feel great. My feet start feeling sore and I rub Vaseline over them, especially my toes (a blister preventer) but I notice the blisters were already forming. Oh well, can't think about that now, let's think about something else. The weather was a perfect "running day" — overcast with little sprinkles cooling our already overheated bodies. The bands were pretty good so far — at each mile, a different live band was performing just for us — giving us a beat to run to. My favorite so far was an African drumming band. I wished I could stop and enjoy the sounds but I knew if I did, I

wouldn't start back up. Chelsea and I each stopped to use the restroom. Before the marathon, we heard horror stories about runners "relieving" themselves ON themselves and also people, right after they cross the finish line, "losing" it, we vowed not to be one of them.

**Mile 19:** The "Wall" hits. Up until this point, I felt like I could run this entire marathon. But suddenly, my body was telling me different. The Marathon becomes mental at this point. They warned us in training that the first 3rd of the marathon will be a nice easy pace, (45-60 seconds slower per mile than normal pace) just go with the flow, the second 3rd, that's when our training kicks in as we start running our regular pace. The last 3rd, mental training kicks in. I was there!!

My body suddenly wanted to stop running, but my mind was telling it NO!!!! I look down at my honoree bracelet and see all the names of people I was running for, and tell myself, I am running for them, and couldn't let them down. I silently start talking to my Dad, my guardian angel, for some strength. I needed it!

**Mile 20:** 4 hours and 42 minutes later, my feet are killing me. Some Team-in-Training folks are passing out fig Newton's, crackers, pretzels to the runners. It was delicious. My pre-marathon meal consisted of a raisin bagel and half of a banana. I burned that fuel off within the first 3 miles. I start thinking about food, and wondering what my post-marathon meal would be. I also start wondering when my "runner's high" would kick in. I remember what Tom Martin told me about this feeling that I could run forever. I felt like kicking him at this point — no high, pain in my feet and wondering what possessed me to do this and when would this marathon be over.

**Mile 22:** My blisters are starting to pop. I could feel a gush of wetness between my toes. I hobble to the medic tent and had them wrap all five blisters, yes FIVE, in padding and band aids.

**Mile 25:** I begin to believe the people who are yelling "you're almost there". We run up this hill (they told us we only had 1 hill, but it was more like 4) and around to the final stretch.

**Mile 26:** As we enter the Marine base, we could hear the crowds and knew that we were close. Everyone is cheering, and music is playing. We try to sprint to the finish line. We raise our hands overhead to be ready for our final "high-five".

**Mile 26.2:** I DID IT — HIGH FIVE! The most wonderful sight was my husband, Paul, waiting for me at the finish line. As they placed my marathon medal around my neck, I felt like I was in the Olympics — winning the gold to find the cure. It was so emotional! Complete strangers clapped and shouted for those two women they didn't know.

We had done it — we were marathon finishers — less than 1% of the entire world population.

It was a small thing done in a big way. I thought of our honoree, Alejandro, and how he and his family must have felt when they heard the



Rowena Wilson Lozada

word remission.

I felt we made a difference in those 6 hours on our feet.

Team-in-Training runners raised \$10.5 million for the Leukemia Society.

But so much more has happened than just fundraising. Yes, we are now closer to finding a cure. But, I was asked so many times in the last few months, "why are you doing this?" and not until that moment; far away from home as strangers cheered us on, did I realize the power of people coming together making anything possible.

Maybe to find more compassion within ourselves, or having the ability to love each other with no expectations, or doing something simply for another person. Whatever the lessons I learned, I walk away from this life experience with greater understanding of myself and others, admiration for all those who participated and knowing that giving one day of my life may save the life of another.

## With special thanks for your support during the Marathon training and after:

**Paul** — My dear husband for supporting me everyday, cheering me on Race Day and giving up our Saturdays — I LOVE YOU!!!

**Antoinette and PJ** — My step-kids for being in awe over my progress and positive influence

**Mom and Auntie Beth** — My family for their continuous love and support

**Raquel and Rochelle** — My sisters for their "confidence building" words of wisdom

**Martina and Melissa** — My nieces for always keeping me laughing/smiling!

**Chris** — My brother, for your company and "ego" boost during our lake runs

**Chelsea** — For being the best running partner, for your help, inspiration and daily support — WE DID IT!!!

**Michael** — For being the best Mentor, caring so much about all of us, and giving selflessly!

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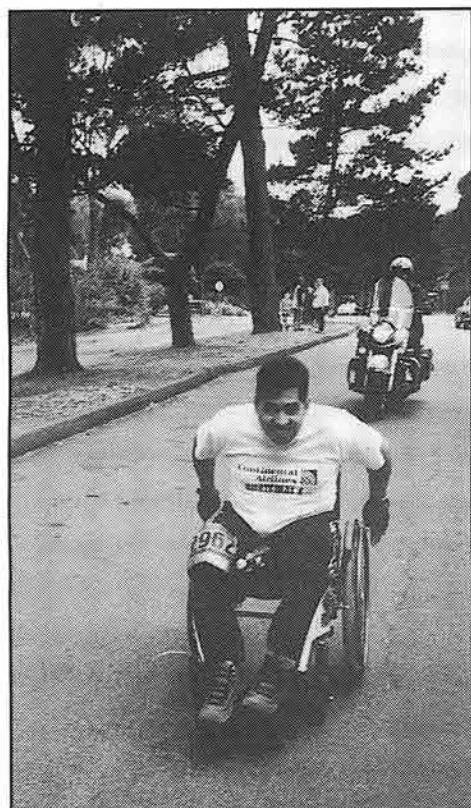
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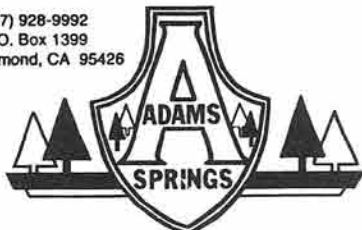
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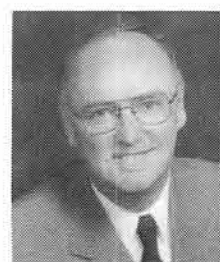
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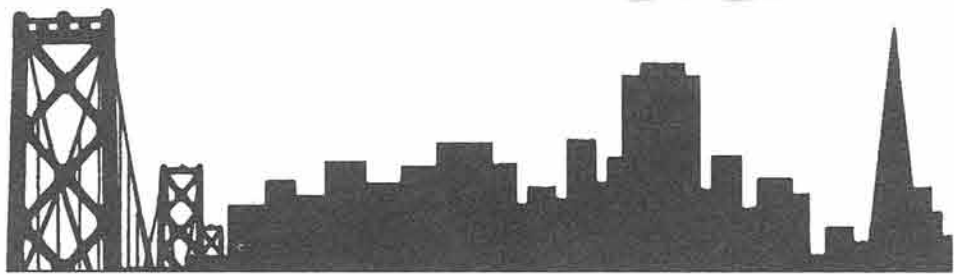


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# Code 33



by Michelle Jean

**A**pril 23rd, 2001, Richmond Station. An armed robbery occurred at the "Hemp Center" where the suspect vaulted the counter, knocking two employees to the ground. The suspect pointed a gun at the two clerks and ordered them to lay face down on the floor. The terrified employees, believing they would be shot, complied with the demand. The suspect stole \$12,000 in marijuana and \$620.00 in cash, and was seen fleeing in a Toyota Forerunner driven by a female suspect. Officers Nancie Stockwell and Bobby Cheung responded to the area along with numerous Richmond units. While other units were searching Golden Gate Park, the above officers drove to Ocean Beach to search for the outstanding suspects. Great hunch, because Officer Stockwell soon spotted the suspects' vehicle. They advised HQ they had the vehicle, conducted a felony stop, and took the suspects into custody at gunpoint. A search of the car turned up the marijuana, money, and the handgun. A cold show was conducted, and both suspects were positively identified. At the station, the male suspect was discovered to be a parolee with a history of violence, and the female suspect once thoroughly searched, was discovered to have inside her pant pocket a map of the "Hemp Center" and evidence linking the pair with another armed robbery. A tip of the service cap to Officers Stockwell and Cheung for a job well done by removing this dangerous pair off our city streets.

**April 26th, 2001, Bayview Station.** Officers Benny Chin and Hugh Hall were on patrol when they spotted a vehicle at a stop sign without any headlights on. They made a traffic stop and the vehicle pulled into a driveway of a residence. Officer Chin ap-

proached the driver and asked for his driver's license. While waiting for the computer results, the suspect explained to the officers that he was having car trouble and pulled into his girlfriend's driveway, who he claimed was the owner of the vehicle. Of course our curious officers knocked on the door at the residence to confirm the suspect's story, but the only person who lived there was a man who didn't know our not-so-truthful suspect! Why lie! Anyway, the computer check revealed that his driver's license was suspended, and the suspect was placed under arrest for driving on a suspended license. Officer Hall inventoried the vehicle prior to the tow and located the following; suspected crack cocaine, narcotic paraphernalia, suspected heroin, AND a handgun. Lesson learned here? Always drive with your headlights on, or run the risk of being pulled over by SFPD's finest.

**May 16th, 2001 Mission Station.** Officers Anthony Nelson and Rain Daugherty were in the area of 16th and Capp St. when they were flagged down by a visibly shaken woman who said she had seen a man with a gun. The woman described the armed suspect as a big man who looked like a "cowboy". The witness entered the patrol car to help locate the outstanding suspect. As they approached 17th St., the witness said, "there he is". The officers stopped the patrol car and began to approach the suspect on foot, but the suspect noticed their presence and started to walk away. Officers Nelson and Daugherty, knowing the man was armed, drew their weapons and ordered the guy down onto the ground. Once handcuffed, they located on him a loaded 9mm handgun, two additional magazines, and a holster. With the suspect safely in custody, the witness told the officers the following. She had first seen the suspect place the handgun on the top of a

parked car, and then remove it from the top of the car and conceal it inside his jacket. A few seconds later a suspected prostitute approached and struck up a conversation with our bad guy. The conversation must have taken a turn for the worse because the suspect removed the gun and pointed it at the prostitute, who quickly decided this guy didn't want a date! Thanks to the involvement of a civilian, and the quick actions of Officers Nelson and Daugherty, this wanna be "cowboy" was corralled and handcuffed before he could harm anyone.

**May 15th, 2001, Tenderloin Station.** Officers Jeremy Miller and Christine Magayanes were in their radio car when they on-viewed a physical fight between two men. They pulled up to investigate, and one of the men took off running, while the other yelled, "he took my money!" Officer Magayanes called a "Code 33" and advised dispatch of what they had. Officer Miller pulled up next to the fleeing suspect and told him to stop, but instead the suspect reversed direction and continued to run. Officer Miller having enough of this foolishness, got out of the patrol car, ran after the suspect, and tackled him to the ground. Hey, maybe the Forty-Niners could use a few of our cops on defense. The suspect continued to resist arrest, but with the assistance of Officer Magayanes, they finally got him cuffed. They interviewed the victim who said the suspect had grabbed his money from his hand and took off running. The victim chased after him demanding his money back, but when he caught the suspect, the suspect held up a hypodermic needle and threatened to "stab and infect" the victim. Officer Miller and Magayanes' hard work recovered the victim's money and put this suspect behind bars where he belongs.

**May 20th, 2001, Mission Station.** Officers Jacob Feegan and Kirk Yin responded to a man with a gun call at Treat and 25th St. Approximately five minutes earlier they had abated a verbal argument at the same location between three Latin males. The initial broadcast description of the armed man was a crippled male wearing a red shirt and black pants. That description matched one of the suspects that had been involved in the prior abated verbal argument. They responded back to

the area and located the suspect at 24th and Harrison. They performed a high profile cursory search on the suspect, and Officer Yin located in the suspect's waistband a loaded revolver with the hammer pulled back into a 'cocked' position. Officers Yin and Feegan's quick response captured an armed and dangerous man without incident. If the two officers didn't capture this suspect, this call could have turned into a homicide. Great job!

**May 24th, 2001, Tenderloin Station.** An incident occurred where the victim was struck in the neck by a suspect with a meat cleaver. The assault resulted in an injury that required immediate medical attention. No doubt! The victim was unable to provide any information or description of the suspect, but a witness to the incident did provide a suspect description and an overview of what occurred. The suspect's description was broadcast, and the area searched, however the suspect was not located. Several hours later, the same witness spotted the outstanding suspect in the area of Turk and Taylor streets and called the police. Officer Thomas Westbrook responded to the area, but was unable to locate this suspect. Armed with a description of the suspect, and having knowledge that the violent suspect could still be armed with the meat cleaver, Officer 'Bloodhound' Westbrook was not about to give up the search till he had this guy in custody! Sure enough, in the area of Eddy and Leavenworth, Officer Westbrook located the suspect. Officer Patrick Butherus arrived on the scene to assist in the arrest. Officer Westbrook conducted a pat search on the suspect and located a stainless steel meat cleaver in the inside of his jacket pocket. They could see on the meat cleaver what appeared to be dried blood. At the station they conducted their follow-up investigation and arranged for CSI to respond. Officer Westbrook's determination and painstaking search is the only reason this violent and dangerous suspect was found and placed under arrest. Excellent!

"Code 33" needs incidents of outstanding police work performed, or funny but true stories from all District Stations and the Inspectors Bureau too! Don't be shy! Please forward those incidents to my attention at Legal Division, Room 575. Thanks! See you next month.

## Patrol Officer of the Month

By Ray Shine  
Editor

**S**eeking to publicly acknowledge the hard work and dedication of uniformed police officers, Commander Rick Bruce has implemented the *San Francisco Police Department's Patrol Officer of the Month*, a program that recognizes individuals who personify the admirable qualities common in all San Francisco street cops.

Each month, Commander Bruce will ask a district captain to nominate one of their uniformed officers for this special recognition. The selection of a single officer, or team of officers, for this honor will prove to be an unenviable task. It will, after all, be very difficult to single out one or two officers from

among so many, all of whom are as focused on their duty; every one as unassuming as the next; all as worthy and deserving.

The San Francisco Police Officers' Association applauds Commander Bruce and the Administration for so pointedly recognizing the uniformed patrol officers who comprise "the backbone of the Department".

The Association also congratulates John Paige of Taraval Station, for being chosen as the July, 2001, Patrol Officers of the Month. As with all such honorees, the selection of John serves to exemplify the strength of character, compassion, and commitment to community that is embodied in all of the men and women of the SFPD.

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