

Boots For The Bayou

By Lisa Frazer

As you already know, the beautiful city of New Orleans was devastated by Hurricane Katrina. The men and women of the N.O.P.D. are working "24/7" in horrific conditions. As they work rescuing victims and protecting their city, many of them have lost their own homes and all of their belongings.

A few of us have a personal connection with N.O.P.D. and we are collecting the necessary items for them. The items are going straight our contact officer's home, where she brings them to work and distributes them to the needy officers on the front lines. If you are interested in donating items, please contact Liane Corrales at Juvenile or Lisa Frazer at Mission Station for shipping information.

Lt. Lynette Hogue, Insp. Robin Matthews, Insp. Liane Corrales and Ofc. Lisa Frazer gathered the donated items, consisting of BDU's, t-shirts, socks, boots and other necessities and shipped them to New Orleans. The cost of shipping the first group of boxes was extremely high, over several hundred dollars. Lisa contacted the President of the Upper Market Merchant's Association, Paul Moffett. Paul is the owner of PO Plus, a packing, shipping store located on her beat.

After Paul heard about the donations for the cops in New Orleans, he generously offered his services. Paul donated shipping boxes, packing supplies and offered to ship the items at



Officer Lisa Frazer, Paul Moffett and Insp. Liane Corrales

his cost. As of our most recent shipment, Paul has donated over \$500.00 worth of services to our brother and sister officers in New Orleans. We want to publicly acknowledge and thank Paul for his generous contribution.

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President's Message

Is Low Morale a Constant in Police Work?

By Gary Delagnes,
SFPOA President

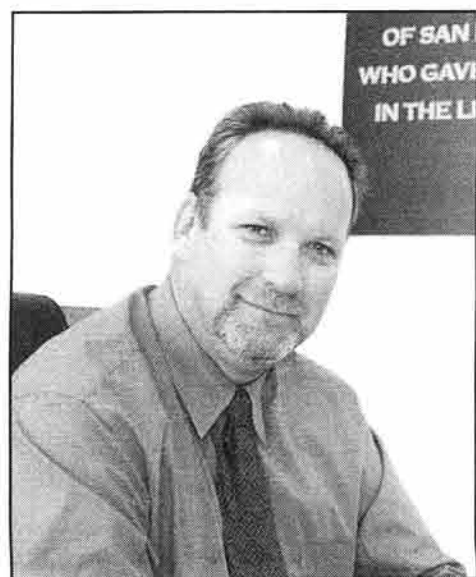
Every Thursday, Steve Johnson and I visit the Police Academy to address the Advanced Officers classes. My first question is the same every week, and the response is the same every week, MORALE.

Morale is a very interesting topic, not only in police work, but also in the world around us. I actually wrote my thesis in college, after I had already been a cop for a couple of years, on the "Reasons for low morale in a metropolitan police department". The results of my research in 1981, and the reading I have done since on this subject show that things have not changed much.

In every major city in America, the problems – real or perceived – are the same and not necessarily in the following order:

- 1) Lack of leadership by the command staff.
- 2) Lack of a fair promotional process
- 3) No support from city leaders.
- 4) Lack of appreciation from the citizenry
- 5) Lack of direction from the department
- 6) Inadequate or not enough equipment.
- 7) Unfair disciplinary process
- 8) Lack of timely transfer opportunities
- 9) Low pay
- 10) Inadequate pensions
- 11) Unaffordable housing
- 12) Incompetent DA's, Judges, Etc.
- 13) Unfair media coverage
- 14) Unfair work schedule

As you can see, whether you are in LA, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit, or San Francisco the complaints and dissatisfaction leading to low morale has been the same and probably always will be.



President Gary Delagnes

We have corrected many of our morale problems over the past 15 years. Most notably, and most importantly, our compensation, pension, and work schedule (4/10) have never been better. Overtime opportunities have never been more plentiful. The quality of life for our officers, and retired officers, has improved immensely.

However many of the other factors mentioned above remain, and most likely will for the rest of your career. Of course, our problems extend into other areas such as an incompetent OCC that subjects our officers to ridiculous allegations, while at the same time violating their own rules daily. We observe self-serving, politically driven Police Commissioners who use their positions to assuage their own egos with little regard for the feeling of our officers. Throw into the mix an anti-police daily newspaper that takes every opportunity to mislead the public with half-truths and innuendos and you have a recipe for long-term morale problems.

I see young police officers whose attitudes have already been destroyed by a system they can't understand or comprehend. Being a cop is not an

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Hurricane Katrina

Help For Cops Who Have Lost Their Homes

By Gary Delagnes, President

The P.O.A. has been in touch with NAPO (National Association of Police Organizations) and will be coordinating efforts with them to reach out and help the Police Officers and their families who have been affected by Hurricane Katrina.

If anyone wishes to donate any food or clothing, please contact Kevin Martin (415-861-5060) and bring by the P.O.A. (800 Bryant Street, second floor)

If anyone wishes to donate money, please make checks payable to:

NAPO's Relief Fund and mail them to: NAPO, 750 First Street NE, Suite 920, Washington, DC 20002

You can also donate on your credit card by calling NAPO at (202) 842-4420 or faxing the credit card information (Credit card type, number, and expiration) to (202) 842-4396.

The POA will be discussing their donation at the next Board Meeting to help these victims of such a tragedy.

Thank you for all your generosity.

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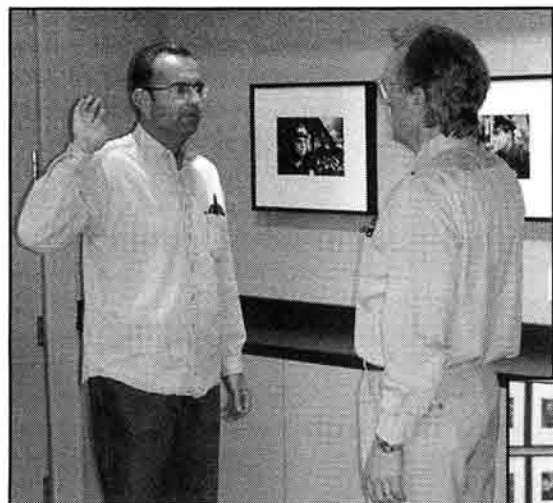
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SFPOA Board of Directors Meeting September 21, 2005

President Delagnes called the meeting to order at 1305 hours, followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call of the Board of Directors.

Board Positions

Parliamentarian Mike Hebel swore in new Board Member Sergeant/Inspector Larry Mack who will serve as a representative for the Narcotics Division. The ballots have not yet been counted for the special elections that were held for Mission Station and Tenderloin Task Force. As soon as the results are known, the affected



Parliamentarian Mike Hebel, left, administers oath to new POA Board member, Larry Mack.

members will be notified of the results. There is also a vacant Board position at Richmond Station. If more than one member shows interest for the vacant position, the POA will hold a special election. If no election is necessary, President Delagnes will most likely appoint someone to finish the term that was vacated by Sergeant Pete Dacre who transferred to Park Station.

New Business

At the request of Robin Matthews (EEO) and Liane Corrales (Juvenile), the POA's Community Service Committee donated \$2500.00 towards the purchase of supplies (BDU's, socks, shirts, personal hygiene items) for officers who lost their homes during Hurricane Katrina. Robin and Liane coordinated the purchase of the items and forwarded the items to the International Association of Women Police (IAWP) who got the items to the Police Officers in New Orleans.

At the recommendation of the Executive Board, Sergeant George Rosko (Central) made a motion that the POA donate \$10,000.00 to the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) for the Hurricane Katrina Relief. The motion was seconded by Inspector Jim Balovich (Investigations). The motion went a voice vote and passed unanimously.

Sergeant Tim Flaherty (Northern) raised an issue that has been brought to his attention by members of Northern Station. Certain members wanted the POA to look into the possibility of the POA replacing its current legal defense system and replacing it by having the POA join the organization known as Peace Officers Research Association of California (PORAC). This same issue was brought forward at a previous board meeting and the Executive Board authorized the concerned member's permission to do the foot work and to contact PORAC with

regards to the costs and coverage's associated with the PORAC. Apparently the concerned members did not follow up on this issue and it never moved forward. Although President Delagnes has several pressing issues that he is in the middle of working on, (Airport retirement, DROP Program, Lieutenants Exam, By Law changes, etc.), he



Treasurer Marty Halloran addresses the Board

has agreed to take on the task of doing the research. President Delagnes will convene a committee that will look at the plausibility of having the POA join PORAC. Once the committee has completed their task, they will give a presentation to the full Board of Directors at a general membership meeting.

Retiree Ray Allen asked the POA for their position on Proposition H (gun ban). The POA opposes Proposition H and will further discuss our opposition in the near future.

Sergeant at Arms Breen has been circulating suggestion forms at District Stations. The purpose of the form is to solicit concerns from members regarding issues that affect patrol. These forms can be located on your station POA bulletin board. If you have not seen the forms, please contact your station representative or the POA. Once Sergeant at Arms Breen receives the completed forms, they are discussed at his monthly Patrol/P-2 Committee meetings.

Legislative Committee

A motion was made by Officer Pat Burke (Park) and seconded by Sergeant Dean Sorgie (Richmond) and Officer John Scully (Taraval) to endorse Joe Driscoll for the Retirement Board. Motion went to a voice vote and passed unanimously.

Sergeant Dennis Callaghan (HQ) made a motion to endorse Jose Cisneros for City Treasurer who already occupies the position. The motion was seconded by Officer Theresa San Giacomo (TTF). The motion went to a voice vote and passed unanimously. Cisneros has also been endorsed by the Mayors Office.

After thorough discussion, I (Montoya) made a motion that the POA endorse Geraldo Sandoval for City Assessor. The motion was seconded by Officer Don Moorehouse (Co. K). The motion went to a roll call vote and passed with 27 yes, 0 no and 1 abstained.

Oakland Mayor Jerry Brown will be meeting with the Legislative Committee in the near future asking the POA to endorse him for Attorney General. The Legislative Committee will then report to the full Board of Directors with

their recommendation.

Financial Business

Treasurer Halloran provided each Board Member with a printed copy of the POA's YTD budget. Aside from the money that was donated to the Hurricane Katrina Relief (NAPO) no other financial requests were approved.



POA Secretary Tony Montoya

Executive Session

At approx. 1430 hours, the Board of Directors went into an Executive Session to discuss the status of President Delagnes. President Delagnes was excused from this session.

As of September 2, 2005, President Delagnes is on a two year leave of absence from the Police Department in order to run the POA. As a result of President Delagnes' leave of absence, the following changes have been made.

President Delagnes will no longer have his 832 PC status; however he will still be able to carry his star and weapon (much like a retiree) as long as he continues to qualify at the range. President Delagnes will no longer be entitled to work overtime, participate in deferred compensation, accumulate SP, OU, FH, EH, PE or VA time. President Delagnes' current time on the books will be frozen, however his time with the department will continue while he is on leave. President Delagnes will have 7.5% deducted from his POA salary which will go directly to the retirement system and he is now subject to social security deductions. In the event of a work related injury, President Delagnes will not be afforded DP status or a disability retirement.

President Delagnes will continue to

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SFPOA Board of Directors Meeting

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be paid at the salary of a Q-82 which will be paid in full by the POA; the city will continue to pay for health and dental with the POA paying the cost difference (approx. \$300.00 per month).

At the recommendation of Vice President Martin, Secretary Montoya, Treasurer Halloran and Sergeant-at-Arms Breen a motion was made by Officer Ed Browne (Central) to approve the items discussed during the Execu-

tive Session. The motion was seconded by Sergeant George Rosko (Central). A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 26 yes, 0 no and 0 abstained.

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Martin at approx. 1530 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tony Montoya
POA Secretary

President's Message

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easy job. We see the worst in people everyday. We are lied to for a living. We watch criminals commit the same crimes time after time with little or no consequences and yet when we are judged we stand before people who have no idea what we do or how we do it.

So what is the answer? How do you survive this crazy occupation for 30 years with your sanity intact? How do you avoid the stress and frustration that triggers alcoholism, broken relationships, sickness, and depression? How do you get to the finish line and live another 30 years to enjoy your retirement?

I can only tell you what I have found works for me, and believe me I have been through just about all of the above.

Take your job seriously but don't make it the focal point of your life. When you walk out the door of that station every night don't think about this job again until you get back to work. Never put this job ahead of your family. When the system let's a crook go that you know should be in jail forget about it, and rest assured that he or she will end up in jail, or dead, eventually. Don't read the *Chronicle* because it will make you crazy. It is only news when the cops fail, never when the cops succeed. Don't lower yourself to the level of the local press.

When you have to respond to OCC, do so with a sense of humor so you can appreciate the stupidity of their questions.

Don't kill yourself working overtime. Everyday lost not enjoying your

family is a missed opportunity at what's important in life.

Find a good partner at work and try not to surround yourself with negative people at your station. If you subject yourself to the "I'm getting screwed" club everyday you will become one of them too.

Keep a positive attitude about your life, and this crazy job and find your fulfillment elsewhere.

Don't live under the illusion that you are really changing anything in the grand scheme of things, and most importantly laugh as much as you can.

If you can do these things, you may keep your sanity, and enjoy your career because you can make a big difference in a lot of little ways. If you can't do these things you probably need to get out of this crazy profession as soon as you can.

In my opinion you are members of the finest police department in the country. You do more with less in the most complicated city in America, and you do it under more scrutiny and second-guessing then any other police officer must endure. You do it with class, restraint, and innovation and for this you should all be commended. Don't let it take you down. See this job for what it is and enjoy it.

It is true that no one will ever understand what you do except another cop. But it also true that you must be responsible for your own happiness, or perhaps another word would be MORALE. Let me represent you and take the heat. I will do my best to represent you aggressively and with honor.

Board of Directors Meeting Roll Call

Wednesday, September 21, 2005

President	Gary Delagnes	P	Co. G	Dean Sorgie	P
Vice President	Kevin Martin	P			
Secretary	Tony Montoya	P	Co. H	Jennifer Marino	P
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	Chris Breen	P		Jody Kato	P
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	George Rosko	P	Hdqtr.	Dennis Callaghan	P
Co. B	Mike Nevin	P		Neville Gittens	E
	Bill Roualdes	P	Narcotics	Larry Mack	p
Co. C	Mike Moran	E		Lynne Atkinson	P
	Derrick Jackson	E	Tactical	Mark Madsen	A
Co. D	James H. Miller	P		Jason Sawyer	E
			Invest.	Jim Balovich	P
Co. E	Tim Flaherty	P		Pierre Martinez	P
	John Van Koll	P	TTF	Theresa San Giacomo	P
Co. F	Mike Siebert	P			
	Patrick Burke	P	Airport	Robert Belt	P
				Bob Chapman	E
			Retired	Ray Allen	P



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September 2, 2005 #05-65

To: All Members
From: Kevin Martin, POA Vice-President

Attention All Members of the S.F.P.O.A.

We are updating our records, so...

If you have had a change of address, please make sure you have informed the POA. You may call or send it via department mail.

It is very important that we receive these changes as soon as possible due to the upcoming station representative elections.

Please keep this in mind for the future to always inform the POA of any change of address.

Thank you

Calendar of Events

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

Event	Location	Date & Time	Coordinator
Meeting, Veteran Police Officers Association	3255 Folsom, SF	October 11, 2005, 11:00 AM	Gale Wright (415) 731-4765
Meeting, Widows & Orphans Aid Association	Ingleside Police Station, Community Rm	October 11, 2005, 2:00 PM	Mark Hurley (415) 681-3660
POA General Membership Meeting	POA Building	October 19, 2005, 1:00 PM	POA Office, (415) 861-5060
Meeting, Retired Employees of CCSF	Irish Cultural Center	October 12, 2005, 1:00 PM	Sara Johnson (415) 681-5949
Retiree Range Re-qualification (First Friday of each Month)	SFPD Pistol Range	Friday October 7, 2005; 0730-1130 Friday November 4, 2005; 0730-1130 Friday December 2, 2005; 0730-1130	Range Staff (415) 587-2274
Retirement Dinner Honoring Co. K Solos & other Members	SF Italian-American Athletic Club	Wed. November 9, 2005 1800	Corrado (415) 553-1245
POA Sports Hall of Fame Induction Dinner	SF Italian-American Athletic Club	Friday November 11, 2005, 1800	POA Office (415)861-5060
Traffic Company Christmas Dinner	Olympic Club, Skyline Drive, SF	Sat. December 10, 2005 1800 hours	Joe Mayers (415)553-1398

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' Aid Association

September 13, 2005

The regular meeting of the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association of the San Francisco Police Department was called to order by President Fred Pardella at 2:05pm the conference room of Ingleside Station.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by President Fred Pardella.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: President Fred Pardella. Vice President Mike Kemmitt excused. Treasurer Jim Sturken, Secretary Mark Hurley. Trustees Joe Garrity, Dave Fontana, John Centurioni. Matt Gardner and Rene La Prevotte. Also present was past president William Hardeman and Ray Crosat.

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST MEETING. Motion by Bill Hardeman, seconded by Ray Crosat that the minutes be approved as published. Motion Carried.

BILLS: Treasurer Jim Sturken presented the usual bills.

COMMUNICATIONS: Judy Boyd, wife of Dale Boyd, sent a nice letter thanking us for all the help given her at a difficult time. Adeline Bragg, Mother of Allyn and Arlyn Bragg, in memory of her two sons who retired from Patrol and Traffic made a \$100 donation. Jaymi Mark Philips a teacher, at Westmore High, made a pact with her students that every time they were caught chewing gum or swearing they would put up one quarter. She would match their fine. As a result, she and her class sent us a check for \$24. Norma and Jim Sturken made a \$50 donation in memory of 17-year old Nicholas Barron, who was killed in an auto accident. A nice letter from Vice President Tim Geraghty of Bank of America thanking the Officers and Trustees for the many years we spent with the Bank.

We Had One Death This Past Month

DALE V. BOYD, 68-years. Dale was born in San Francisco and grew up in the Mission. He attended Poly High. He served his country in the Marine Corps. He worked as a fingerprint tech before entering the Police Academy in 1960. His first assignment was Southern Station, then Taraval, and then Mission. He worked in TAC for a brief time before going to Central. He then worked the Muni detail. He spent time in personnel before making Sergeant and transferring to the Range. His last assignment was six years he spent back at Central. Dale was awarded several Medals of Valor during his career. A Silver Medal for the arrest of an armed auto booster who pulled a gun on officer and was shot by the officer. A Bronze Medal for the rescue of occupants of a burning apartment building. He also received numerous Captain's Comp's. Dale enjoyed hunting and fishing, woodworking, and tinkering with his firearms. Dale retired in 1989 and lived in Grass Valley, California with his wife Judith.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES: We had no member of Bank of America, since we are changing our account over to Wells Fargo. We will be meeting with Wells Fargo Bank in a couple of weeks to go over our new account.

SUSPENSIONS: Pursuant to Article III, Section 3 of the by-laws - Did not complete their probationary period - Geoffrey Lynch.

REINSTATED: Pursuant to Section 5 of Article III of the Constitution. All back dues have been paid. Michael James Reesink.

ADJOURNMENT: President Fred Pardella had a moment of silence for our departed member and also for all the members of our armed forces. He set the next meeting for Tuesday October 11, 2005 at 2pm in the conference room of Ingleside Station. Meeting adjourned at 3pm.

Fraternally,
Mark Hurley, Secretary

POA Patrol Committee Update Report

By Chris Breen, POA Sergeant-at-Arms
Chair, POA Patrol Committee

On Monday, August 22, I met with Acting Deputy Chief Dave Shinn, to discuss his plans and ideas for the Patrol Bureau in the near future. As Chairman of the POA Patrol Committee, I was fortunate to have an "open door" policy with the former Deputy Chief of FOB, Greg Suhr. Deputy Chief Shinn assured me that he would like to extend the same courtesy to me as a way of increasing the lines of communication between the Patrol Bureau personnel and the Administration.

The Deputy Chief lead-off the meeting by telling me that he has decided to slightly alter the current FOB order that states that two officers shall remain at Mission Emergency Hospital with all prisoners until the person is medically cleared. Under the revised policy, which is expected to go into effect soon, the Platoon Commander will have the discretion to decide when two officers are necessary to stay with a prisoner. In situations where a prisoner is non-violent, only one officer is expected to remain with the prisoner. Under this revised policy, we should expect to see a few more officers on patrol, rather than guarding prisoners.

Several officers have mentioned to me that the Department should consider changing over from the traditional 26-inch wooden baton, to the Asp, which is the current weapon of choice among several other Police agencies in the State. Deputy Chief Shinn expressed his personal approval of the Asp, which is a collapsible impact weapon and can be carried on the gun belt at all times. With that being said, the Deputy Chief went on to explain that in light of the current political climate in our city, it would be difficult to sell the idea to the Police Commission. By no means is this dead issue, but more research and discussion needs to take place between the Patrol Committee and the Administration.

Deputy Chief Shinn went on to explain how business owners are now receiving updated Responsible Cards as part of their business tax statements. The business owners are being asked to fill out the responsible card, with the name and phone number of a person who lives near their business. The purpose of this new policy is to have someone respond to a broken window, or an alarm, and assume responsibility as soon possible, rather than having a police officer stand-by for several hours. Hopefully, this new system will work, and the patrol officer can get back to protecting the citizens of our City.



Chris Breen, Chair, POA Patrol Committee

Deputy Chief Shinn mentioned that even though we now have an "on-line" reporting system, officers are still expected to take any and all incident reports when dispatched. Evidently, the Deputy Chief has heard stories of officers responding to calls and then advising the reporting party that they could easily do the report "on-line". The Deputy Chief was adamant that this practice has to stop, immediately. The customer service philosophy is very important to the Administration.

"Finally, Deputy Chief Shinn impressed upon me the importance of the Administration and the patrol officers working together to solve problems, both internally and externally. It is no secret to anybody, including the Deputy Chief himself, that Department morale is an issue. As a way of addressing specific issues and concerns, Deputy Chief Shinn would like to see a "Suggest Board" posted at every station, or for officers to E-mail him at FOB (David.Shinn@sfgov.org). I would imagine that most officers would wish to remain anonymous, so feel free to send me your complaints at the POA. I assure you that your concerns will be sent to the Deputy Chief anonymously.

On a personal note, I want to say that the problems that we are all experiencing did not occur overnight, nor will the resolutions to those problems be reached in the near future. But as a means of addressing these problems, and eventually solving them, the POA is determined to work with the Administration in a respectful way towards that end. I truly believe that maintaining an open dialogue with Deputy Chief Shinn is the first step towards accomplishing our mutual goals.

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AROUND THE DEPARTMENT



By Al Casciato

...Calling All Moms:

Diane Stokes and Patty White of the Airport Bureau are trying to contact all those Moms who took maternity leaves of absence during their career. Diane and Patty are attempting to see if it would be possible to repurchase the leave time for purpose of retirement as is done for union officers who go on leave. If you are a Mom who went on leave drop Diane or Patty a note c/o the Airport Bureau with your name, leave dates and contact information...

...UCSF Community Center:

Lt. Jack Ballentine, Records, reports that the UCSF Community Center and Health Club facility will open October 1st at the Mission Bay Campus on 16th Street @ Owens Street. The Health Club is actively recruiting members from the San Francisco Law Enforcement family (Police, Sheriffs, DA's, Probation Offices etc.). Memberships are available at \$65 per month. For details call 415-476-5646 and ask for Perry Pownall or visit their web site at www.mbfitness.ucsf.edu....

...Double Probation:

Recently an Auto Booster broke into my truck on 7th Street. Luckily I saw him do it and was able to chase him down and make the arrest on the stairway of a set of flats on Decatur Street. I was surprised to learn a couple of weeks later that he had pled to a felony 459 auto and given probation. Since he was already on probation for another theft I questioned the sentence. What distressed me more was that on the day he was released he returned to the location of the arrest and demanded from the residents of the building that he be given the property he had hidden in their mailbox. Apparently did not know that I had recovered the property on the day of the arrest. The

supplementary report has been made and I'll be watching carefully what the court does with this apparently very active auto-booster that has been preying in the vicinity of the Hall for quite some time...

...Return Those Calls:

If you are one of those persons who does not return phone calls in a timely manner, you should consider changing your MO and becoming a prompt call returnee. Why? Because those who call and wait begin thinking and saying things like he or she is "Overwhelmed", "Doesn't care" "Is not doing well" or some other reason(s) conjured up by an uninformed mind. Returning calls promptly is not only good manners but is also a definite way to enhance your reputation...

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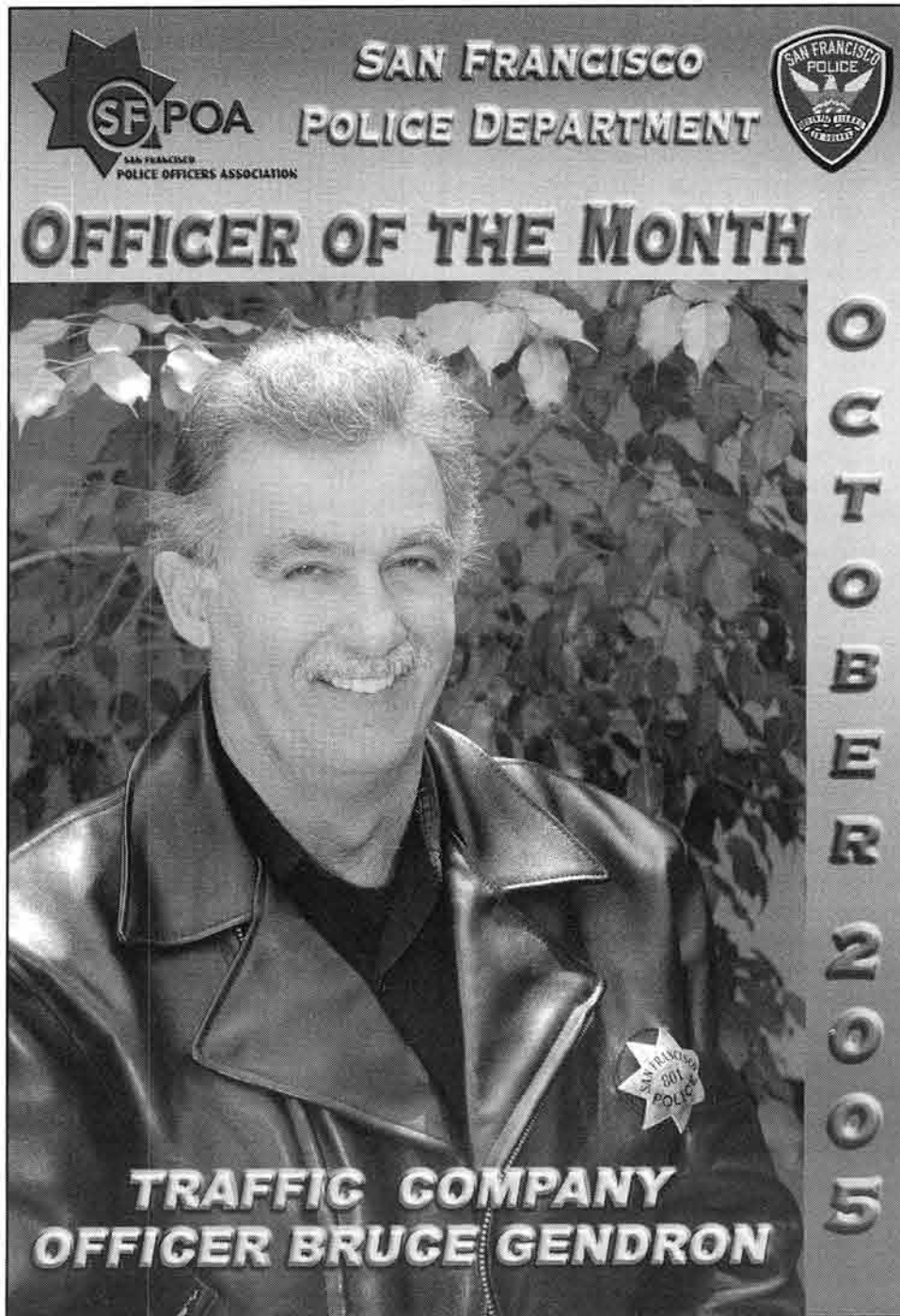
On September 23rd the 208th Recruit Class graduated from the Academy and was released to the FTO program. We congratulate all the graduates and welcome them to the Streets of San Francisco where they are sorely needed...

...News from Los Angeles:

From the Big 11 Association (An informal association of the 11 largest sworn law enforcement associations in the State of California) comes a report on the "Flexible Work Schedule". Seems that in conjunction with the DROP program the LA Mayor and Chief are hailing the Flexible Work Schedule as success. In a memo to the LA Police Commission Chief Bratton states "[i]t is evident that our employees feel better about their jobs today than they have in years past. Attrition has slowed and the department has been able to successfully attract and hire from a very diverse candidate pool". Other success factors cited in an LAPD League editorial are in part, Crime decrease; more time working cases; community involvement up; fewer complaints; improved morale; competitive recruitment; improved retention; overtime/sick days down, etc. - The flexible schedule currently in place in Los Angeles works as follows. Approximately one-quarter of LAPD officers on active duty work on the 3/12 schedule (156 hours per deployment period or 4 week cycle). An additional one-third of the officers are on the 4/10 schedule (150 hours per deployment period) and the rest are on the traditional 5/8 schedule (150 hours per deployment period). Los Angeles is taking the lead in being proactive in the area of improving working conditions for line officers and employees and we thank them for sharing the information with the rest of the law enforcement profession...

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Patrol Officer of the Month



COLLAGE BY MOONEY AND HICKS

By Ray Shine,
Editor

Seeking to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of San Francisco police officers, Police Chief Heather Fong established the San Francisco Police Department's Officer of the Month, a program that recognizes individuals who personify the admirable qualities common in all of San Francisco's finest.

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 Chief Fong and the Administration for recognizing the officers who proudly serve this city.

The Association also congratulates Officer Bruce Gendron of Traffic Company for being chosen as the October 2005 Officer of the Month. As with all such honorees, the selection of Bruce 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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SFPD Criminalistics Laboratory Achieves Milestone

By Morris Tabak
Investigations Bureau

During a ceremony held at Bldg. 606 on Wednesday, September 7, 2005, the San Francisco Police Criminalistics Laboratory was honored and presented with a "Certificate of Accreditation" from the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD-LAB). Chief Heather Fong, members of the SFPD and forensic laboratory directors from many of the Bay Area's crime labs were in attendance. This achievement is truly a milestone in the history of the SFPD. The San Francisco Police Department has had its own fully functioning Crime Lab since at least 1950.

To give one a sense of the significance of this achievement, consider that there are approximately 2,000 local, State and Federal crime labs in the US, and approximately as many more world-wide. As of September 9, 2005, ASCLD-LAB has accredited only 301 crime laboratories world-wide; 175 State laboratories, 80 Local laboratories, 23 Federal laboratories, 9 International laboratories and 14 private laboratories.

With support from Chief of Police Heather Fong, the laboratory submitted to an independent, impartial and objective operational review, or ASCLD audit, in September 2004. On March 1, 2005, accreditation was granted in the areas (disciplines) of Controlled Substances, Fire Debris, Gunshot Residue, Firearms, Tool-marks, Footwear, Biology and Questioned Documents. The laboratory has been accredited in DNA since 2001.

All of these "now" accredited disciplines are essential to the basic mission of the SFPD. It assists in our continuing efforts to protect life and property, prevent and reduce crime, identify perpetrators and seek prosecutions in State and Federal Courts. A high performance crime laboratory is critical. Without it, public safety would be compromised and those who live and conduct business in San Francisco would suffer.

Over the past year and a half, this Department has been successful in



Crime Lab Staff (left to right): Susan Morton; Sandra Sachs; Bonnie Cheng; Stefanie Pagano; Patrick Paton; Director Cydne Holt; Matthew Gabriel; Manager Martha Blake; Cherisse Boland; Pam Hofsass; Debbie Madden; Francis Woo; Louis Woodworth; Andy Smith; Armand Tcheong; John Sanchez.

reducing violent crime in the streets of San Francisco. In particular, gang-related homicides are down by over 50% and overall homicides are down by approximately 30%. The Crime Lab has played a key role in this success.

Virtually all of the gang-related homicides and shootings during this period had a firearms/narcotics component that was processed by the Crime Laboratory under direction of Lead Firearms Criminalist John Sanchez and Lead Controlled Substance Criminalist Francis Woo. With witnesses reluctant to come forward and provide the necessary information, and the identification of a suspect(s) involved in shootings and homicides, the only other alternative is to identify suspects by DNA analysis under direction of Lead DNA Criminalist Matthew Gabriel.

For example, the majority of the 14 indictments handed down by the US Attorney's Office this year for homicide/racketeering have one or more physical evidence components. Each of the 125 cases presented to the USA under the Trigger Lock pro-

gram this year could not have been made possible without firearms and DNA evidence. And it's not just the homicides and shootings that merit highlight. The Crime Lab also works tirelessly to meet court deadlines for sexual crimes, assaults of all kind, burglaries, robberies, auto theft, hit and runs, fraud, juvenile crimes and an enormous number of narcotics analysis. Around the corner, we have the advances offered under Proposition 69 likely to push more cases forward and place even further emphasis on the outstanding work that our "now" accredited laboratory will be called on to perform.

ASCLD-LAB accreditation was no easy task. Under the supervision and direction of Crime Lab manager Martha Blake, the Laboratory embarked on this self-improvement program in earnest in 2002. For two years they worked through the ASCLD standards, culling through revision after revision of operational manuals, protocols, training programs, safety inspections, procedures and criteria. The time and energy expended by every single mem-

ber in the Crime Lab towards this goal was exemplary. But none of this would have been accomplished without the vision and leadership of Dr. Cydne Holt the Director of the SFPD Forensic Services Division.

We should all feel pride that we have such a professional and dedicated criminalistics laboratory staff. They met the ASCLD-LAB accreditation challenge head-on and persevered. But their biggest challenge is still before them. The SFPD is being asked to vacate all of its facilities from Bldg 606 in the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard. This includes our criminalistics laboratory. Moving such a facility is no easy task. The technical requirements are overwhelming. I can only hope that the timeline of approximate one year given by the Navy can somehow be reconsidered. It will take time to identify the proper alternative location, and then retrofit it to suit the laboratory's accreditation requirements. San Francisco deserves and has a first-rate, world-class Crime Lab. We hope that this move will not compromise that standard.

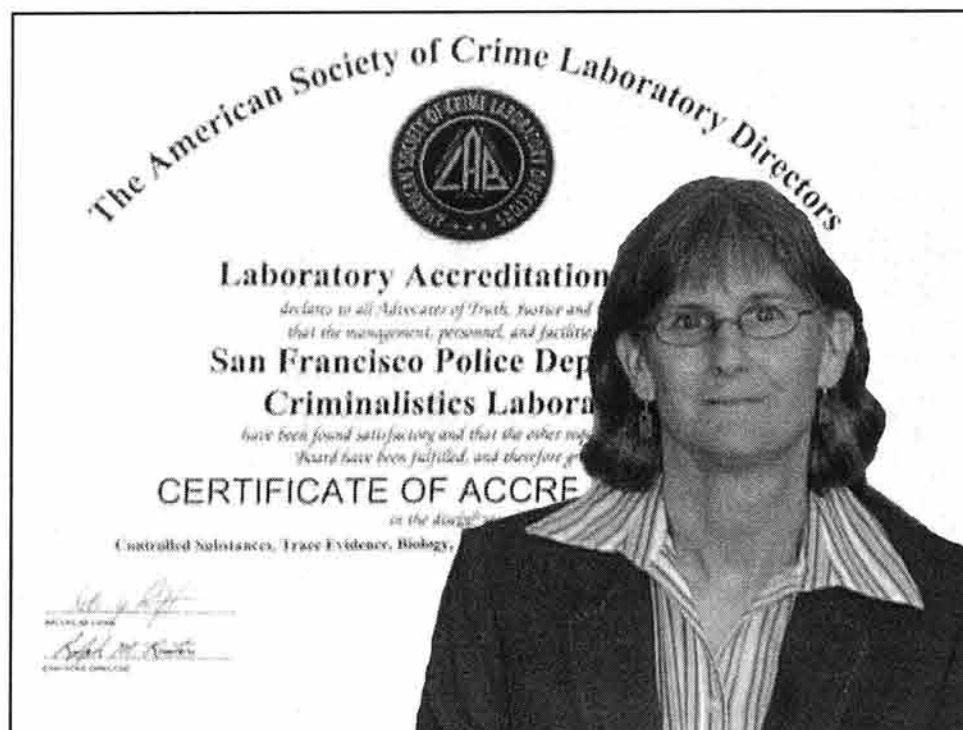
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Investigations Bureau Member of the Month

Martha Blake began her career in the Oakland Crime Lab in 1977 before joining the SFPD's Criminalistics Laboratory in 1990. In 1995, she became the Criminalistics Laboratory Manager of the Crime Lab. Martha "Marty" Blake was awarded her Masters in Criminology in 1978 from UC Berkeley. In addition, she received a commendation from the Department for a cold hit on a bank robbery note, an award for Most Outstanding Presentation at the Spring CAC Seminar and the Ordway Hilton Award from the Questioned Documents Section of American Association of Forensic Scientists. Ms. Blake has a certification from the American Board of Criminalists.

Under the supervision of Martha Blake, the Lab earned accreditation in March of 2005. This achievement was successfully met after months of preparation and full commitment of the laboratory staff and the Investigations Bureau. Ms. Blake has dedicated her professional career to forensic science and, in particular, the San Francisco Police Department's Crime Lab.



Training and Education

ASK THE CSI GUY

By Mark Hawthorne,
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What happens when science, technology, and physical evidence become integrated?

That question seems to be of interest to many of you. Let me begin by elaborating on the three most common forms of physical evidence obtained at crime scenes. Those are blood, fingerprints, and firearms. What happens to such evidence once it has been collected and booked?

I will begin with blood evidence. Once this evidence is collected, depending on the severity of the case, the evidence will be typed and uploaded into a database then filed and searched. The blood will be DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid) typed through a nuclear or mitochondrial process. Most labs today utilize the nuclear PCR (Polymerase chain reaction) based testing process. The PCR technique is more specific. A refined process of PCR that is currently in use is called STR (Short Tandem Repeat). Once the profile has been developed, the sample is then uploaded into a database known as CODIS. (Combined DNA Index System)

The CODIS system is to blood what an AFIS system (Automated Fingerprint Identification System) is to fingerprints. A CODIS consists of a felon database, evidence samples, and population files. CODIS is both a federal and state system. Once a profile has been uploaded into CODIS, the profile can be searched against the known felon base or against other evidence samples. This process enables the serologists to

determine if an individual is committing crimes within a certain region. Even if the identity of the perpetrator is not known, the DNA samples can be used and in some jurisdictions, John Doe warrants have been issued based upon the DNA profile.

As an aside, the perimeters surrounding the collection of samples in California will be changing in 2009. With the passage of proposition 69 by the voters, effective in 2009 anyone charged with a felony will be required to submit a sample of DNA. So keep on the look out for those felony violations and increase the size of the database.

When dealing with fingerprint evidence, those fingerprints developed at crime scenes or on other evidentiary items that are of sufficient quality will automatically be entered into AFIS.

Who is in AFIS? It depends on which system, but most systems include those persons booked and fingerprinted for Part I crimes and high misdemeanors.

What is an AFIS? An AFIS is a computerized filing and searching system of known fingerprints, and latent fingerprints from unsolved crimes. The latest versions have the capability of not only searching local databases, but state, regional as well as the national database. In California those searches are often referred to as a Local, A.L.P.S. (automated latent print search) or D.O.J. (Department of Justice or State search), W.I.N. (Western Identification Network - which is the eight western states including Alaska) and F.B.I. (Federal Bureau of Investigation). At the completion of a search, the computer gives the operator a list of possible or probable candidates from which to compare. The original known fingerprints are used to compare with the latent prints. Should an identification be made, that identification will be independently verified by another latent print examiner for accuracy. Since the inception of the AFIS, thousands of

hours have been saved, thousands of identifications have been made, and hundreds of individuals have been exonerated.

The third type of evidence - firearms - has been assisted with automated systems for identification of fired cartridge casings and bullet images. The newest of the systems currently in use is called NIBIN (National Integrated Ballistic Information Network). The system was developed to link firearms evidence and to solve open cases by allowing firearms examiners to compare evidence with fired bullets, cartridge casings, shotgun casings, and recovered firearms. By means of a microscope attached to the system, images of bullets and cartridge casings are electronically scanned and store for later retrieval and comparison with other case images. The system has the ability to compare the new images with images in regional or national databases. Ultimately, it is the firearms examiner who visually compares the images to determine if there is in fact a hit.

So now that you folks know a bit more about what happens to the evidence once it has been collected and booked, you can see why your role is so important in the proper identification, securing, and handling of specific evidence. Remember, investigators are only as good as the evidence allows them to be.



As another aside, in part, due to the advances in technology, closer relationships have been established between local and federal authorities regarding prosecutions for offenders.

In conclusion, the integration of science, technology, and evidence is beneficial and is impacting the manner in which public offenses are addressed.

Until next month stay frosty and keep up the good work.

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Bureau Tips

By Matt Krinsky,
Hit & Run Detail

Tows and impounds

Removal of vehicles occurs many, MANY times daily, in San Francisco.

Issues that arise following tows can be dealt with more easily if follow-up personnel have a better understanding of why the vehicle was removed initially.

The two types of removals that occur are:

1. **TOWS** (Where someone, other than the Police, has the vehicle removed)
- And
2. **IMPOUNDS** (Where the Police order the removal and storage)

Principally, there are only a few lawful justifications to tow/impound a vehicle. Keep these three categories in mind and it's impossible to make a mistake, or be successfully challenged later on:

1. Traffic Safety Or Hazard

Tows/impounds which result from breakdowns in traffic, collisions, or those which have been rendered inoperable by ANY means.

Typical authority sections:

- A. 22651 CVC
- B. 22654 CVC

2. Evidentiary Or Investigative

Tows/impounds which occur when vehicles, believed to have been involved in a crimes (whether a suspect or a victim vehicle)

Typical authority sections:
Same as above
And

3. Statute

Tows/impounds which occur when a vehicle was involved in any kind of prohibited activity.

Typical authority sections, as examples, include:

- A. 22652.6 CVC
- B. 22659.5 CVC

As a rule, towing vehicles for the more common violations (22500(e) CVC, driveways, for example) present little, if any problem...they are or they're not violating the law.

Tows that become problematic generally occur when there is no set policy or procedure (Such as holding a vehicle for a mechanical inspection, following a claim by the driver that "My brakes don't work...")

In cases like this, call your super-

visor and make sure that any action taken conforms to the law and Department Policy.

The two most common angles for people to claim that their vehicles were towed/impounded/taken in an unlawful manner generally fall under:

1. The 4th Amendment
(Where the owner claims improper/illegal seizure)
2. The 14th Amendment
(Where the owner claims a violation of due process in the taking of their vehicle)

You are authorized to tow vehicles as indicated above. When you impound them (or, HOLD them,) there MUST be a justifiable reason for that hold. If you hold a vehicle for Hit & Run or the Auto details, or the Traffic Division, someone is going to need to deal with the vehicle after it's been placed into storage.

Sending a note, through inter-Department Mail, to the appropriate detail, informing them of some kind of "out of the ordinary" impound is a HUGE help.

A note, something along the lines of: "Vehicle 1ABC123, a gray Mercury, was towed to 7Th Street and held for Traffic. The vehicle should be inspected, mechanically, as the driver claims his brakes and steering failed, and it was in-



involved in a collision. I couldn't just leave it at the scene, or tow it by owner request, as the owner could go right back and get it out, drive it again, and maybe cause another collision...."

Whenever a vehicle is **impounded**, a record of the removal needs to be made. Sending a copy of the tow slip, along with the note, to the appropriate detail assists follow-up personnel immensely.

If you make an arrest and impound a vehicle, or you recover a vehicle involved in a theft or other crimes, adding a photocopy of the tow slip to the report is also a big help....dozens of vehicles a day are impounded, and, at times, it is not possible to inspect them all. Having knowledge of the condition you found the vehicle in (Damage, keys in vehicle, window broke, etc.) aids follow-up and helps victims get their vehicles back more easily.

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DA Secures Guilty Verdict Against Man for Assaulting Three Police Officers with a Knife

Man also convicted of attempting to rob a hardware store in crime spree

SAN FRANCISCO, CA--District Attorney Kamala D. Harris announced today that Lawrence O'Sullivan, age 32, has been convicted of three felony counts of assault on a police officer with a knife and one felony count of attempted robbery.

The defendant was convicted Friday, September 23, for incidents that began on October 14, 2004. At about 6:30 p.m., the defendant attempted to rob the cash register of a hardware store on 512 Divisadero Street, threatening the owner with a knife. He also attempted to rip the cash register from the counter, but failed.

The defendant then ran from the store and rode his bike to Chinatown, where he allegedly attempted to steal

money from a man using an ATM machine. Police responding to the man's call arrived on the scene and chased the defendant on foot to Sacramento Street, where he threatened three officers with a knife while attempting to escape.

After deliberating for five hours, the jury found the defendant guilty of all four counts. The verdict followed a nearly two-week jury trial before Superior Court Judge Cynthia Ming-Mei Lee. Sentencing is scheduled for October 14 at 8:45 a.m. before Judge Lee in Dept. 25. The defendant faces a maximum statutory penalty of five years in state prison for each count of assault on a police officer with a deadly weapon. He also faces a maximum penalty of three years for attempted robbery.

William Murphy is the Assistant District Attorney who prosecuted the case.

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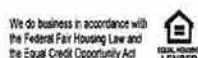
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A Profile in Courage

By Kevin Martin
POA Vice President

During the preliminary hearing in the case of The People vs David Hill, I had occasion to listen to the testimony of officer Barry Parker as he recounted the events of April 10, 2004. That was the fateful night when his partner, Officer Isaac Espinoza, was murdered in cold blood and Officer Parker was himself shot. I couldn't help but feeling empathetic towards officer Parker as he painfully relived and told the story, (one that I'm sure he would certainly rather forget) in graphic detail. I was equally touched at how officer Parker handled himself with great professionalism and dignity throughout his testimony. I was also touched by the presence of the Espinoza family and their continued presence and vigilance during their continued trying times.

Amid this current trial, which we all continue to closely monitor, shootings and senseless violence continue to erupt about our city. As every day passes, the men and women of this department and association continue their battle to keep the peace in the neighborhoods and to keep guns off the streets and out of the hands of cowardly thugs.

As we continuously place ourselves in harms way and work tirelessly to prevent great acts of violence to members of the community and their families, we are still the targets of malcontents in the community as well as with members of position and responsibility who treat us like we were the bad guys.

With all the civilian and departmental oversight we are faced with to insure we are within policy and procedure and not violating citizens' rights, I was rather taken aback by some

recent disturbing events. Recently, I asked OCC Defense Team member John Evans to represent two officers at an OCC investigative hearing. Upon arrival and prepared to represent the officers, John was met by OCC director Kevin Allen who asked John who he was. When John replied "I'm John Evans," Kevin Allen responded by telling John, "No you're not." John then reaffirmed his identity and was then told by director Allen that he would not be allowed to represent the officer(s). John informed director Allen that the officer would decide who was to represent her and, without hesitation, she informed the OCC director that she

to honor our rights to proceed with the hearing with the representative of our choice. We declined to go on without our rep and the hearing was delayed/postponed. I then asked for all the allegations to be dropped against all officers as we were in compliance with both our dept. and OCC directives. I was denied this request.

On Wednesday September 21, 2005, John Evans, Jason Sawyer, and I addressed the Police Commission regarding these rather disturbing events. John spoke of this specific incident. Jason spoke of the continuous violations by OCC personnel of their own policies and procedures and the

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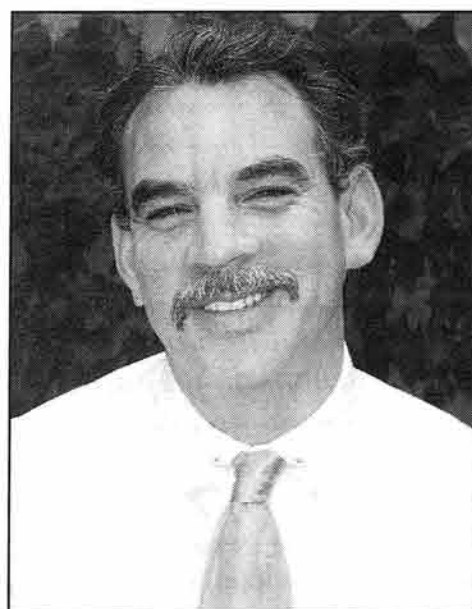
Upon being notified of this, we immediately contacted legal counsel who advised us this was a clear violation of our Peace Officer Bill of Rights under Section 3300 of the Government Code.

Subsequent to that initial violation of our member's rights, two sergeants and I responded to an OCC interview with the rep of our choice that being... John Evans. Again we were met by director Allen who adamantly refused

fact that some OCC personnel are not aware of their own policies and have asked the POA for copies of THEIR OWN RULES AND GUIDELINES. And this is the body charged with investigating us?

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Director Allen is an attorney in the state of California and as such an officer of the court. Director Allen is charged with assuring that citizens' rights are not violated nor trampled upon. Maybe director Allen needs a refresher course to remind him that police officers are citizens, too. And yes, Director Allen, as much as it may disturb you and your ilk, we do have rights and we will make sure they are honored and enforced.



Vice President Kevin Martin

Two notes to director Allen:

First: As ignorant as you may think we are, please give us credit for knowing our own names. John Evans is in fact John Evans...just ask him.

Second: You should consider taking a page from Officer Barry Parker's book and show some courage by doing the right thing...no matter how difficult it might be.

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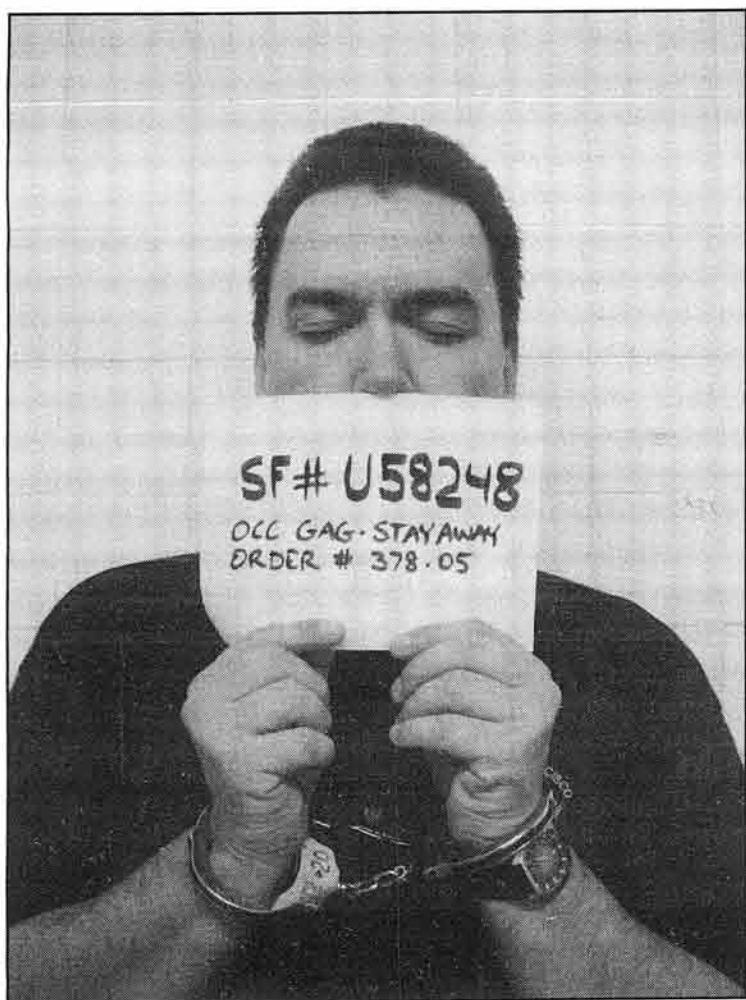
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Attention Director Allen



We hereby affirm to OCC Director Kevin Allen that the above pictured individual IS SFPOA Defense Representative John Evans. This has been confirmed by ten-point AFIS-DOJ Fingerprint and Mitochondrial DNA Identification.

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Commentary

POA Opposes Proposition H: San Francisco's Gun Ban Initiative

By Michael Nevin, Jr.
Southern Station

The San Francisco Gun Ban Initiative (Proposition H) will appear on the next election ballot in November. Several supervisors have touted the ban as a step in curbing violence and increasing public safety. The San Francisco Police Officers Association (POA), representing men and women dedicated to a life of service to public safety, must evaluate any legislative effort affecting its membership. After careful review and analysis, the POA does not support the proposed ballot initiative that would nullify the personal choice of city residents to lawfully possess a handgun for self-defense purposes.

The Handgun Ban

The proposed ordinance would prohibit San Francisco residents from possessing any handgun, and they would have 90 days to relinquish their property. The sale, manufacture, and distribution of firearms would be prohibited. Visitors to the city would not be subject to the ban if they are in compliance with applicable laws. Police officers and members of the military would also be exempt while "carrying out the functions of his or her government employment." And it should be noted that no exemption for retired members of our association or other law enforcement agencies is stated in the proposal.

The role members of the police department, represented by the POA, will play in any door-to-door gun confiscation scheme is cause for concern. Nearly 22,000 handguns have been purchased by residents since 1996, according to the state attorney general's office.^[1] But there is no way to determine how many total guns exist because local governments are forbidden under state law from requiring firearms to be registered or licensed. It is unclear what database the city would utilize to track San Franciscans who have lawfully purchased handguns.

National Statistics and Studies Do Not Favor the Handgun Ban Argument

- According to the National Crime Victimization Survey, conducted from 1993 through 2001, violent crime declined 54%; weapon violence was down 59%, and firearm violence decreased by 63%.^[2]

- A study conducted by the Centers for Disease Control released in 2003 found no proof to support the claim that gun-control laws are effective in preventing violence. The task force found firearms-related injuries declined since 1993 despite approximately 4.5 million new firearms sold each year.^[3]

- In December of 2004, the National Academy of Sciences released the findings of a study: "Firearms and Violence: A Critical Review." "Current research and data on firearms and violent crime are too weak to support strong conclusions about the effects of various measures to prevent and control gun violence," according to the panel.^[4]

- Guns are used defensively, ac-

ording to some estimates, more than 2 million times annually – four times more than the estimated use of a gun in commission of a crime.^[5]

Case Study—Washington D.C.

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Washington D.C. provides a glimpse into gun prohibition after it banned handguns in 1976. How successful has our nation's capital been in reducing violence? D.C. has consistently been dubbed "Murder Capital U.S.A.," dating back to the early 1990s. The Department of Justice found that guns accounted for 80 percent of Washington D.C.'s homicides between 1985 and 1994.^[6] With a murder rate nearly 8 times the national rate, it is clear that something is not working.^[7]

Washington D.C. had a homicide rate of 44.2 per 100,000 population in 2003, while San Francisco had a homicide rate of 8.9 per 100,000 in 2003. D.C. had more than double the overall violent crime rate when compared to San Francisco in 2003.^[8]

FBI Uniform Crime Report—San Francisco

- In 1995 San Francisco had a population of 738,371. There were 99 homicides and 10,903 violent crimes.
- In 2003 San Francisco had a population of 772,065. There were 69 homicides and 5,725 violent crimes.
- From 1995 through 2003, the homicide rate decreased by 33.3% and the violent crime rate decreased by 49.8% in San Francisco.
- Although San Francisco had an unusual number of homicides, 88, in 2004, the city has averaged 71 homicides each year over the past decade. 63 of the homicides in 2004 involved a firearm.^[9]

Societal Problem Not a Gun Problem

We need to look no further than across the bay in Oakland to find anecdotal evidence highlighting the need for citizens to have lifesaving options when facing violent encounters. Patrick McCullough has spent a decade reporting drug dealers to police. He is the face of the law-abiding citizen who lives with urban terror. When McCullough shot and wounded someone he believed was posing a threat to him, the Alameda County D.A.'s office found that McCullough acted in self-defense.^[10] McCullough may not live in a gated community or be able to afford armed bodyguards, but he has an inalienable right to defend himself and his family.

Jeff Weise, 16, killed his grandfather, who happened to be a retired police officer, before stealing his guns and going on a killing spree on the Red Lake Indian reservation in Minnesota. "Everything that kid did that

day, practically from the moment he walked out of his bedroom, was a felony," said Joe Olson, a Hamline University law professor and president of the Gun Owners Civil Rights Alliance.

Olson concluded, "I don't think any gun-control laws would have made a difference."^[11]

To believe that the proposed handgun ban would have an impact on handgun violence, one would have to assume that criminals would actually abide by the new law. After all, criminals are undoubtedly responsible for the high crime rates and firearm violence. Considering the very definition of a criminal, it would be hard to imagine that such enlightenment would occur. In fact, both reason and empirical research suggest that most criminals are attracted to places where they meet less resistance.

Guns and Violence—A Law Enforcement Approach

The proposed handgun ban initiative states: "The presence of handguns poses a significant threat to the safety of San Franciscans." In reality, the presence of criminals in possession of any firearm poses a significant threat to the safety of all Americans. Guns are nothing more than a tool that if in the wrong hands will hurt innocent people. 9/11, the worst terrorist attack on American soil, proved that box cutters and deadly intentions could be as dangerous as almost any weapon in a military arsenal.

Proactive law enforcement targeting crime-infested neighborhoods has been the most effective method in curbing the violence. The S.F.P.D., in conjunction with federal authorities, has established a gun task force known as "Triggerlock II." A police department bulletin explains: "'Triggerlock II' is committed to disarming violent criminals and reducing gun violence by identifying the most dangerous offenders and referring them for prosecution under state and federal firearm violations."^[12]

When homicides in San Francisco surged in the first half of 2004, the Gang Task Force and other specialized units of the police department stepped up and cut the homicide rate by 40 percent in the second half of the year. According to an article in the *San Francisco Chronicle*: "The most important factor in the decline, police say, is authorities' attempt to take those they consider the most violent, incorrigible criminals off the streets with the help of the federal 'Triggerlock' law, which provides for prison terms of 10 years or more for felons who are caught with a gun."^[13]

A targeted response to violent crime coupled with tough state legislation such as "Three Strikes" ensures that

predators are not in a position to wreak havoc on society. The District Attorney has made it clear that she will aggressively prosecute anyone using firearms in the commission of a crime and/or found to be in unlawful possession of a firearm.

Cities across the nation that employ a "zero tolerance" approach to violent crime are reaping the benefits. New York City, which leads the way in policing tactics such as CompStat, saw its peak of 2,245 murders in 1990 drop to 571 in 2004. Chicago, the nation's murder capital in 2003 with 598 homicides and a city that banned handguns in 1982, watched as homicides in 2004 fell to 447. Police in the Windy City credited the Targeted Response Unit that saturates areas known for gang violence.^[14]

While the handgun ban initiative does a good job in circumventing the Second Amendment, it does little to address the deeper cultural issues of crime and violence. Random or targeted acts of violence personally affect the law enforcement community. Those dedicated to public service understand that we need to support any reasonable effort to stem the tide of violent encounters threatening citizens and law enforcement alike. However, good intentions don't necessarily make good law. Disarming law-abiding citizens is not the answer.

Guns and Civil Liberties

The Pink Pistols, the largest national Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender organization dedicated to the legal, safe, and responsible use of firearms for self-defense of the sexual-minority community, has a San Francisco chapter and is outraged by the proposed handgun ban. "The idea is to make the people better, so they don't commit the crimes, or if you can't do that, at least stop them when they do. A gun is the law-abiding citizen's best tool to stop the criminal in his tracks," states Gwen Patton, International Media Spokesperson for the Pink Pistols.^[15]

San Francisco has a storied reputation as a stronghold of personal liberty. The Bill of Rights explicitly refers to rights of individuals, not rights of government. And most San Franciscans are not in favor of allowing government to be in the business of abrogating civil liberties.

No Constitutional Right to Police Protection

In *DeShaney v. Winnebago County Dept. of Social Services* (1989), the United States Supreme Court held that the state has no constitutional obligation to protect citizens from private violence.^[16]

California Government Code section 845 states, in part: "Neither a public entity nor a public employee is liable for failure to establish a police department or otherwise to provide police protection service or, if police protection service is provided, for failure to provide sufficient police protection service."

Since even the fastest calls for service (9-1-1) are measured in minutes rather than seconds, how does a law enforcement agency explain to victims of violent crime that the agency sup-

Candidate for State Assembly

POA Endorses Fiona Ma



Supervisor Fiona Ma

Staff Report

At their September meeting, the POA Board of Directors acted on the recommendation of the POA Legislative Committee and voted to endorse Fiona Ma for State Assembly in 2006.

Fiona Ma is a licensed C.P.A. and tax accountant. She was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in December 2002 to represent District 4, the Sunset/Parkside, a neighborhood that stands for strong, working families, law and order and good government. She is the only Chinese/Asian American member on the 11-member board.

At the Board, Supervisor Ma serves on several committees, including the Finance & Budget Committee, the City Operations & Neighborhood Services Committee and the City & School

District Select Committee. She is a neighborhood supervisor who works Citywide. She is a strong, qualified and compassionate leader who has been successfully:

- tackling quality of life issues
- increasing pedestrian safety
- fighting for more police services and keeping neighborhood firehouses open
- standing up for women and girls and leading the fight against domestic violence
- increasing funding for our public schools
- advocating for seniors and senior services
- encouraging economic development and job creation
- fighting to keep our mental health clinics open and increasing access to affordable healthcare
- promoting affordable housing and homeownership opportunities
- demanding fiscal accountability and open government

Supervisor Ma began her public service career in 1995 as a District Representative (part-time) for then-State Senator Burton helping constituents in the areas of MediCal, Workers' Compensation, Unemployment Insurance, Franchise and Employment Development Department taxes, and professional licensing.

Supervisor Ma earned her Bachelors of Science from the Rochester Institute of Technology, a Masters of Science from Golden Gate University, and a Masters of Business Administration from Pepperdine University.



The Sandoval family

Thank you for your Endorsement

By Geraldo Sandoval
Candidate for SF Assessor-Recorder

I want to thank the members of the San Francisco Police Officers Association for their endorsement. I am a candidate for Assessor-Recorder this November because the funds we need for schools, for senior services, for police protection, for everything we care about...starts with the work of the Assessor-Recorder. I have said it many times before. When I pay my property taxes every year, there is one thing I absolutely want in return: a cop at my door when I call. I have a two year old daughter at home and I think I feel the same way as most San Franciscans.

I hope you will feel confident that you have chosen the best qualified candidate for the office. Like many of you, I chose public service as a career when I was still young. I have spent the last fifteen years developing the experience I need to serve. I have a law degree from Columbia University and Masters Degree in City Planning from UC Berkeley. I worked as a Finance Analyst for the Mayor's Office, putting together the budgets of many departments including the Assessor-Recorder's Office. I served as a Transportation Commissioner overseeing MUNI. And I have been a member of the Board of Supervisors for the past five years, including serving as Chair of the Budget Committee last year. I know the City, I know budgets, public policy, civil service rules and I know to stand up for what's right.

The most important issue facing the Assessor-Recorder's Office right now is the \$100 million dollars in revenue that the City could lose from the

many appeals by large property owners. Nothing against the Giants (hey, I wish Barry had come back sooner), but when they won their property tax appeal on SBC park this year, the City lost \$3.6 million a year. That's \$36 million over 10 years. And there is another \$100 million dollars a year on the line from all the other appeals. These large property owners should make their case with every tool at their disposal. The City should do no less. As Assessor-Recorder, my client is the City and my job will be to fight these appeals fairly but aggressively. I don't want to leave one dime on the table.

I know that many members of the Department are concerned about Proposition H [Police Commission reform initiative enacted in 2003]. Let me say that I think civilian oversight is important. But it is clear that the acrimony and lack of civility at many of the Police Commission meetings is serving no one. I am open to taking another look at Proposition H and fixing what is wrong. I have always had a good relationship with police officers at Ingleside Station. Just ask Captain Chignell or Captain Dillon. I think they will tell you that I was a great partner. In fact, that is why in 2002 I supported a ballot measure which gave members increased retirement benefits. I understand that cops are moms and dads and that their families come first. My sister is a cop and reminds me all the time.

On Nov. 8, voters will have a chance to elect someone new to run the City's troubled Assessor-Recorder Office. I have the right combination of experience to bring true leadership, accountability and reform to the Assessor's Office.

No on Proposition H

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ported efforts denying them reasonable means of self-defense? That's a tall order.

Conclusion

Police officers and members of the military would also be exempt while "carrying out the functions of his or her government employment." But does this mean that San Francisco police officers or F.B.I. agents living in San Francisco would be forced to leave their weapons at the office upon the completion of their shift? The danger associated with that scenario is unfathomable. And it should be noted that no exemption for retired members of our association or other law enforcement is stated in the proposal.

Italian criminologist Cesare Beccaria wrote in 1764: "The laws that forbid the carrying of arms...disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes. ...Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants; they serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man."^[17] Doesn't this ring true today?

When we disarm honest, law-abiding citizens, we contribute to empowering criminals and endangering society-at-large. The San Francisco Police Officers Association supports the right of our members (active and retired), neighbors, and law-abiding citizens in this city to choose reasonable means of self-defense while in their homes or businesses. We oppose Proposition H, the S.F. Gun Ban Initiative.

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The Darker Side of Disaster

By Kevin J. Mullen

As San Franciscans prepare to celebrate the centennial of the city's triumph over the great Earthquake and Fire of 1906 in a few months, we are reminded by events in the wake of Hurricane Katrina of the darker side to such cataclysms.

Army General Frederick Funston, realizing that the disaster was beyond the ability of the city officials to deal with, immediately – and on his own initiative – ordered 2000 troops from the Presidio into the city to maintain order. Mayor Schmitz issued a written proclamation later that day declaring that looters should be shot on sight.

When San Francisco Mayor Eugene Schmidt made his way down Market Street on April 18, 1906, on the morning of the disaster, he observed saloons in full-swing and signs that looting had already taken place. He ordered that all alcohol sales be suspended.

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The first looter was shot while trying to break into Shreve's Jewelry Store at Post and Grant streets at 10:00 a.m. on the 18th. Over the next few days, according to official counts, nine men were shot by military and volunteer forces. Not all were looters.

A relief worker returning from a visit to his family in San Mateo with a Red Cross flag prominently displayed on his automobile was shot dead by a group of volunteers at 22nd and Guerrero. Joseph Mayer, Superintendent at the Children's playground, was killed by a National Guard corporal at 8th and Harrison streets in what appears to have been an altercation about whose authority should prevail.

A retired National Guard captain killed a man carrying a chicken – he incorrectly thought to have been stolen – at Lombard and East Street (The Embarcadero). Frank Rioridan was shot and killed on Cedar Street by a National Guardsman with whom he had an oral confrontation.

Cadet Irvine Aten, who had come from Berkeley with the U.C. Cadet Corps to help with relief, was shot non-fatally by a drunken soldier at Polk and Eddy streets. Police Officer John Alpers was shot in the arm by a group of volunteers when he questioned their authority to possess firearms.

Some reports were exaggerated. One survivor claimed that 10 looters had been shot at the Shreve's break-in. A contemporary *Oakland Tribune* account of 14 killed while attacking the Mint at 5th and Mission is known to be false.

Still, it's probable that substantially more were killed than was recorded in the official count. Despite all that, by most accounts, order was reasonably well maintained during the three days of the cataclysm.

But in its aftermath, the city suffered a very real crime wave. Immediately after the quake, thousands of San Franciscans left town, almost 200,000 of them taking advantage of the free transportation furnished by the Southern Pacific Railroad.

Another 100,000 camped in the parks and graveyards in the less damaged western portion of the city. In a stroke, the city's population was reduced by half, and, with no tax base to pay them, 20 percent of the city's police officers were forced to take leaves of absence.

By summer, the military was withdrawn and the saloons reopened, and with the infusion of ready money in the form of insurance payments, an "eat drink and make merry" attitude seized the town. The ferries which had transported San Francisco families to Oakland a few months earlier returned with a less savory passenger list.

"[R]umors of a thieves' paradise," says chronicler Walton Bean "had increased the number of criminals by attracting newcomers from all over the country." Human scavengers prowled the unlighted downtown ruins, looking for targets of opportunity. The St. Francis Hotel warned its guests not to venture more than a block from the building after dark, for fear they would be robbed.

"That this city has become a refuge for desperate criminals is evident," bristled a contemporary editorial. "The city is infested with people who do not work and are well supplied with

money. Brutal robberies occur in broad daylight and in crowded streets."

"Hardware dealers sold an estimated twenty thousand pistols in one month," says writer Lately Thomas, "and women walked the streets clutching long hatpins." Their fears were not unfounded.

On October 9, the *Chronicle* reported on a "Crimson Record of Two Months of Unchecked Crime in San Francisco," enumerating a long list of unpunished violent crimes occurring in all sections of the city. Most vicious was a series of commercial robbery/ murders committed by the "gaspipe gang," so named because of the weapon they used to bludgeon their victims.

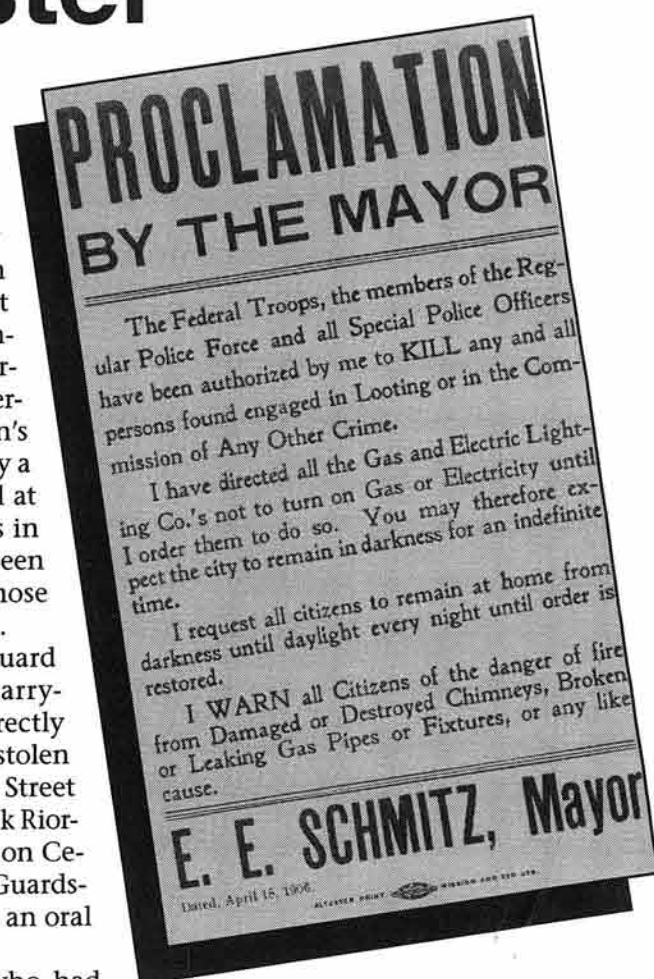
In response to the crisis, officers placed on leave were returned to duty and at a special meeting of the Police Commission on October 10, Chief of Police Jeremiah Dinan was given his marching orders. "His tenure of office will be short," said the Commission, "unless he proves himself able to cope with the present situation."

For his part, Dinan ordered his men to take their guns and clubs to "idlers and criminals around the refugee camps." Every man or youth who could not give a satisfactory explanation of his activities, the chief said, was to be put on a ferry to Oakland.

Historians have criticized General Funston for moving his forces into the city without legal authority. And Mayor Schmitz has been roundly criticized for his order to shoot looters. Chief Dinan has been faulted for his crime prevention methods as well.

But if recent events following Hurricane Katrina are any measure of how people can act when the social fabric is torn, the citizens of New Orleans might well have benefited from the presence of such men today.

Former Deputy Police Chief Kevin Mullen's most recent book is *THE TOUGHEST GANG IN TOWN: POLICE STORIES FROM OLD SAN FRANCISCO*. It may be ordered from Noir Publications 448 Ignacio Blvd. #202, Novato CA 94949. \$16.95 plus \$3.00 S&H www.SanFranciscoHomicide.com



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Investment Clubs

By Mike Hebel, Financial Commentator

There are about 100,000 local investment clubs (with nearly 500,000 members) in the United States and Europe, which together account for more than \$500 billion in their portfolios. **Three of those clubs are within the SFPD.** New investment clubs are still forming, although at considerably slower pace than during the 1990's given the three years of stock market declines (2000 - 2002). Nationwide, more than 10,000 clubs quit during or just after this market decline including two within the SFPD (HOJ Club and Academy Club). This is a familiar, though regrettable pattern. Club numbers grow during boom times and contract during market declines - just when stocks become a bargain.

Club numbers grow during boom times and contract during market declines - just when stocks become a bargain.

These three investment clubs, with active/retired SF police officers, are doing well having participated in the greatest bull market of the 20th Century. While their portfolios have suffered from the recent 3-year slide in market indices, the clubs have seen this before and are confident that the future is bright for equity investing. In sizing up the near future, the clubs had a very positive experience in 2003 - 2004 with all advancing more than 30%. Returns for 2004-05 were much more modest - up about 10%.

The three SFPD clubs are members of the National Association of Investor's Corporation (NAIC) following its investment principles of: regular monthly investment, reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains, purchasing growth stocks, and diversifying the portfolio by industry and company size. The NAIC is a not for profit investor education organization to which over 23,000 investment clubs are affiliated. Its education website (www.betterinvesting.org) is certainly worth visiting.

Bob Brinker's Advice

Bob Brinker has established an extraordinary record as a market timer, perhaps, the best in the last quarter century. He began broadcasting his weekly, radio program "Money Talk" in 1981 when it was heard only in New York. He advised his callers in August 1982 to be 100% invested in equities. The program went national in January 1986 with the advice to remain 100% invested in the stock market. He turned bearish in 1987 only to return to a 100% stock position in January of 1991. He urged his subscribers and listeners to remain and stay fully invested in stocks through the great bull market of the 1990s, as the Dow Jones Industrial Average surged from 2470 to 11700. Then on January 8, 2000, he issued his famous call - put 60% of your assets into cash for capital preservation. He was right; a very financially painful bear market took the popular averages down almost 50% with the technology loaded NASDAQ down over 75%.

This prescient recommendation was followed, on March 11, 2003, with a recommendation to return to a 100% stock position; on that day the DOW closed at 7524 and over the next nine months it would rally to above 10,000. With this outstanding record of protecting assets in bear markets and growing assets in bull markets, he is considered America's #1 market timing newsletter advisor.

Bob Brinker can be heard each weekend on KGO (810 am) from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. His web site (www.bobbrinker.com) is definitely worth visiting.

Mr. Brinker currently believes that the US equity markets are in a cyclical bull market phase of a secular bear market. He remains positive on the outlook for the stock market and continues to recommend a 100% commitment to equities. He expects to see significant additional stock market progress develop in the 4th quarter of 2005 and going forward into 2006.

In the latest (September, 2005) issue of his *Bob Brinker's Marketimer*, Bob discussed the 5 root causes of a bear market (tight money, rising interest rates, high inflation, rapid economic growth, and equity overvaluation). "In summary, the five root causes of a bear market do not provide a basis for stock market concern at this time, in our view."

Star Performers Investment Club

Formed in August of 1995, this Club of 27 partners recently saw their portfolio cross the \$550,000 mark. There has been some drop off in partnership attendance at monthly meetings, but the club still enjoys a core of dedicated partners actively participating in the stock presentation and selection process. The club has recently been struggling with developing a sell strategy - arguably one of the most difficult exercises in investing.

This club's prominent investments include: AFLAC, Amgen, Biogen, Cisco Systems, Corning, Costco, Ebay, General Electric, Essex Properties, Harley Davidson, Home Depot, Intel, Johnson and Johnson, Medtronic, Microsoft, Novellus Systems, Pfizer, Starbucks, T Rowe Price Group, and Wal-Mart. In order to obtain international diversification as well as concentration in the health care industry, the club also has invested in the Longleaf Partners International Fund and the Vanguard Specialized Portfolio - Health Care.

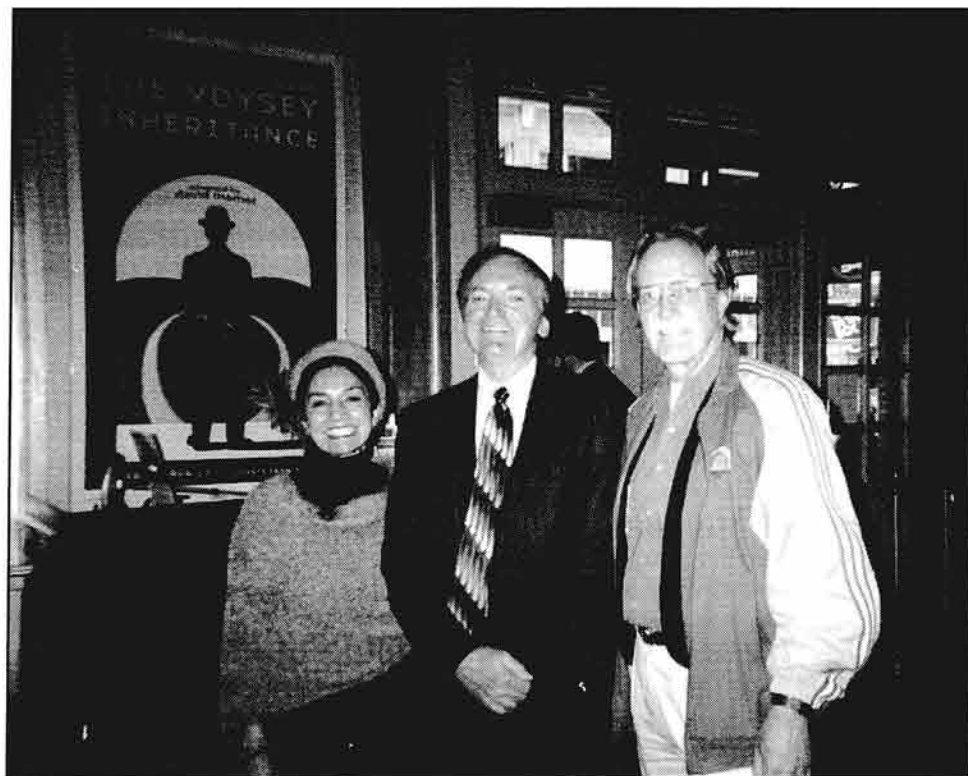
This club has recovered nicely from the recent market decline which saw the club's portfolio retreat to \$309,000. The 2000-2002 bear market required the club to defer its goal of accumulating a one million-dollar portfolio by 2004; the club now sees 2008 as the year it will reach a 7-figure portfolio value. Partner's, on average, contribute \$175 per month. It meets the last Tuesday of every month at the Northern Station community room.

The Club will hold a celebratory dinner in January, 2006 at which time it hopes its portfolio has crossed the \$600,000 mark.

Star Performers welcomes new partners. If interested, please contact Mike Hebel at 861-0211 for further details.

The KMA Investment Club

The "Kiss My Assets" investment club was formed in November 1996 with 42 partners. It now has 27 partners. Its \$459,000 portfolio is a source of much pride for the partners. This



Mike and Gity Hebel with Bob Brinker (host of national radio program "Money Talk", prominent investment advisor, and editor of Bob Brinker's Marketimer) at a recent investment conference in San Francisco

club, like the others, has felt the effects of the NASDAQ market collapse of 2000 - 2002. The club reached a high point in August 2000 at \$290,000 and then retreated to \$206,000 in October 2001 from which it began an impressive, steady upward climb.

This club's prominent investments include: Cisco Systems, EBAY, Fortune Brands, The Gap, General Electric, Harley Davidson, Home Depot, Intel, Lennar, Johnson and Johnson, MBNA, Microsoft, PepsiCo, Pfizer, Schlumberger, Symantec, Sysco, United Parcel, Vodophone, Wal-mart, Wells Fargo and Zimmer Holdings.

This club is also well on its way to achieve its goal of accumulating a one million dollar portfolio by 2010. Partner's, on average, contribute \$125 per month. It is now scheduling its annual celebratory luncheon at the POA.

It meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Police Officers' Assn. building at 800 Bryant Street. KMA welcomes new partners. If interested, contact its president Farrell Suslow at the Taxi Detail (553-9844).

The Alvord Lake Investment Club

12 partners, of whom 20% are active/retired SFPD officers, formed the Alvord Lake investment club in July 1997. Many of the partners are CCSF employees representing several departments including the City Attorney's office, Library, Recreation and Park, and the Department of Parking and Traffic. The club's portfolio is now just over \$202,000. It saw substantial deterioration in recent bear market with its low point at \$104,265 in January 2003. It is rapidly approaching its former high portfolio value of \$211,205

achieved in October 2000.

This club's prominent investments include: Applebees, Dell, First Republic Bank, General Electric, Home Depot, Immucor, Johnson and Johnson, MBNA, Walgreen, and White Mountain Insurance Group. It has begun to accumulate shares in the Dodge and Cox Stock Fund and the Dodge and Cox International Fund so as to develop solid core holding of domestic and international equities. This club meets the second Wednesday of every month in the Community Room of Northern Station.

The Alvord Lake Investment Club is also welcoming new partners. If interested, contact Mike Hebel at 861-0211.

These three clubs were formed for education, enjoyment, and enrichment. Their partners admit that the recent bear market was "no fun." The club experienced partner resignations as well as some pessimism about stocks in general. However, this has changed since the market bottom of October 2002. There is now more cautious optimism. The partners note that their ranks were depleted during the bear market when former partners left at market lows. As can be seen with the results listed above, the current partners have enjoyed a financial renaissance with their patience and persistence having paid off handsomely.

Those who remain with their investment clubs for another 10 + years will certainly achieve results to provide the financial resources, when coupled with their deferred compensation program and CCSF retirement plan, for a most financially secure retirement.

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IAWP News

IAWP Conference 2005 Leeds, England

*By Robin Matthews
EEO Unit*

Greetings! By the time this issue of the *Journal* goes to press, the 43rd Annual International Association of Women Police (IAWP) Training Conference in Leeds, England will be history. Next month, I will write about the conference and will undoubtedly have some pictures to share with you. Ten members of the San Francisco Police Department will be attending the conference this year, along with one member from the San Francisco Sheriff's Department. We look forward to yet another year of outstanding training on a daily basis during the conference, as well as getting an opportunity to network with officers from around the world. If you haven't experienced an IAWP conference before, I hope you'll consider attending one in the future. It will be an experience you won't soon forget.

Sergeant Sylvia Morrow from SID will be awarded the prestigious Medal of Valor Award

I am proud to let you know that Sergeant Sylvia Morrow from SID will be awarded the prestigious Medal of Valor Award at the annual Awards Ceremony during the conference. What makes this even more impressive is that Sylvia is the ONLY member from the United States who will be receiving an award of any kind this year! I don't believe that has ever happened before. Congratulations Sylvia! You deserve it. Watch for next month's *Journal* for details about the award and photos from the awards ceremony. Sylvia's father, retired Lieutenant Billye Morrow, will also be attending to proudly watch his daughter receive her award.

On a sadder note, I am sorry to let you know that on August 23rd, 2005, Mary Jo Blahowski, a long time member of the IAWP and Region 8 Coordinator, as well as a member of the U.S. Air Marshals, lost her battle with breast cancer. She was 43 years old. Many of you who attended the IAWP conference that we hosted in San Francisco in 2003 may remember Mary Jo. She had just finished her first round of chemo and was getting ready to start radiation, but was determined to come to our conference. She did and had a wonderful time, and was an inspiration to all who met her or knew her. I'm proud to have called Mary Jo my friend. For those who knew her and would like to send condolences to the family, there is a web site set up where you can leave messages for her partner and her family. It is www.mjb2005.com.

For those attending this year's conference, there will be a tribute done to Mary Jo, which will include a beautiful six minute DVD tribute that Lieutenant Lynette Hogue put together on the request of the conference directors. Any who can't attend and would like to see it, let either one of us know and we'll bring it into work for you to see. It's quite moving.

Academy receives a little over due TLC

By Brenda Walker
Academy Staff

The pictures say it all. The 208th and 209th Academy Recruit Classes joined together with the staff on September 10th to give the Academy an over due clean up. What, you missed it? Check it out. Weeds were pulled, windows washed, doors painted, and much more was done to help breath new life back into the campus grounds. The wooden benches by the flagpoles were stripped, sanded, and painted; and the Academy sign on Amber Dr. can now be seen from the street. Pressure washers were roaring and rakes and brooms were flying. The two Academy classes joined forces and attacked the grounds to prove that they have what it takes to accomplish anything they set out to do. Both classes worked side by side to have a chance to get to know each other. Everyone brought all the necessary tools and gardening equipment to complete the job. It truly was an



organized group effort that ended in a job well done. Each recruit class is responsible for one major community project during their 29 weeks at the Academy and both classes agreed that cleaning up the Academy would be a little extra project that they would be proud of.

A huge thanks to the Vice President of Marketing and Business Development, Darlene Hong of the S.F. Police Credit Union who kept her promise to be a part of the Academy

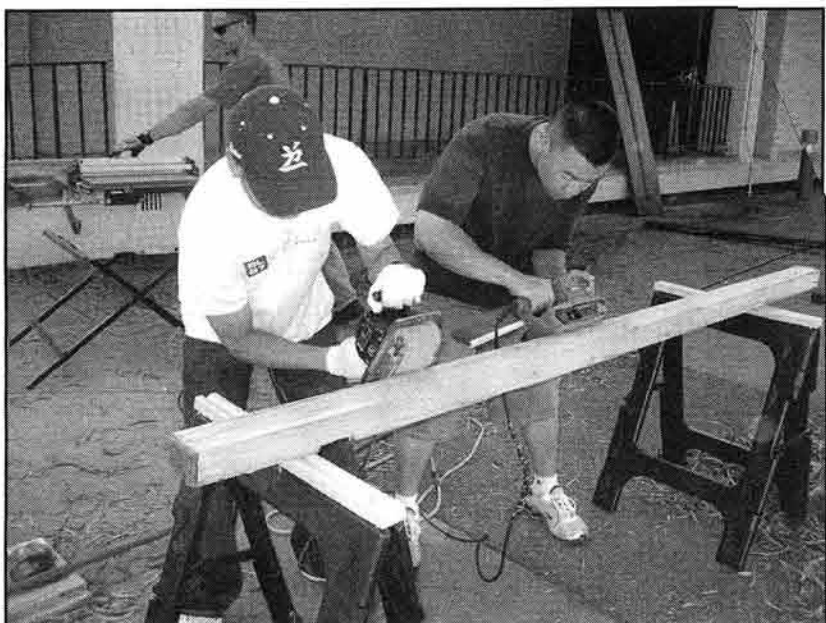
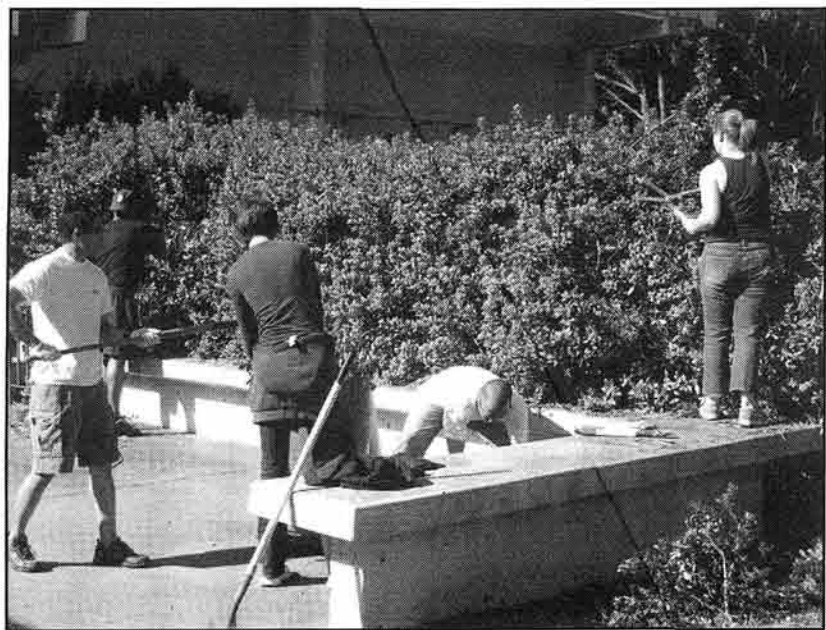
heartbeat. The S F Police Credit union sponsored our lunch and wow did we have a good lunch. Thanks Dar!

The 208th recruit class recently painted a beautiful three-panel mural for their major community project. This mural was placed inside the gymnasium at Edgewood Community Center. The recruits volunteer for these projects and do it on their off time. They also interacted with the kids who helped paint the mural for their center. Recruit Officer Matthew Racine was responsible for creating the artwork and overseeing the completion of the project. Each class selects a project that they can be proud of and that will leave an ever-lasting impression on their community.

Police work is also about participating in the community we protect. Hats

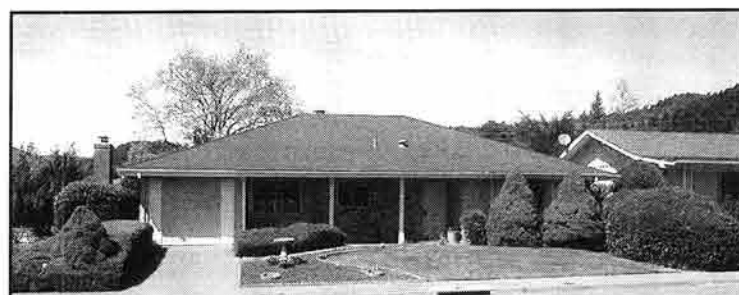


off to the 208th and 209th recruit classes. Oh by the way. The 208th class graduated on Friday the 23rd of September. Please welcome to the police force 38 more very needed officers.



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SFBALEES Golf Tournament

By Ed Carew, Mission Station
Photos by Patrick Burke, Park Station

For those who did not play in the San Francisco Bay Area Law Enforcement Emerald Society's (SFBALEES) 4th annual golf tournament, you missed out. There was sun and fun had by all who attended.

The golfers returned to Harding Park Championship Golf Course, which will be hosting the PGA's American Express Championship. Being that the Amex Championship was so close to the SFBALEES tournament, the course was in pristine condition.

Although the fairways were a bit narrow and the rough was high, many groups rose to the occasion and put up some low numbers. This year's first place honors went to Jeff Forbes, Brian O'Connor, Tim Riordan and Pat Quinn. Close behind were Tim Hettrich, Gary Delagnes, Harry Pearson and Bob McMilton. Returning champions Tom Costello, Mike Costello, Andy Fogarty and Sean Shannon also gave it a great run with a tied for second.

The pro-like conditions didn't seem to bother Vincent Ferrer who landed an incredible hole-in-one and landed himself

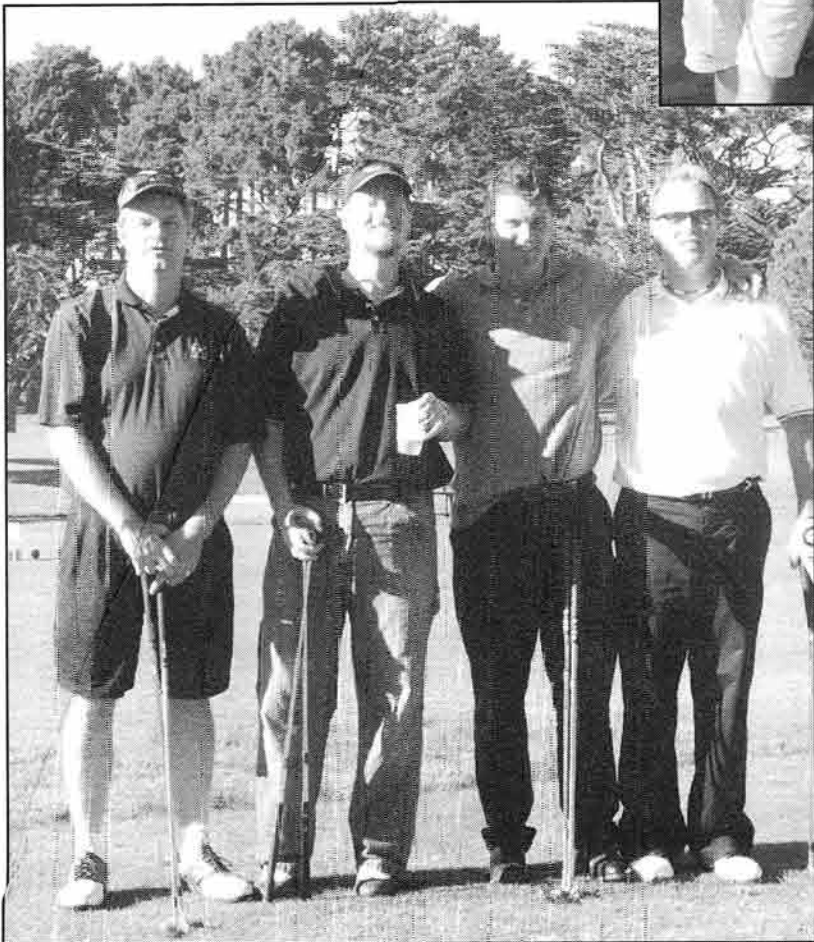
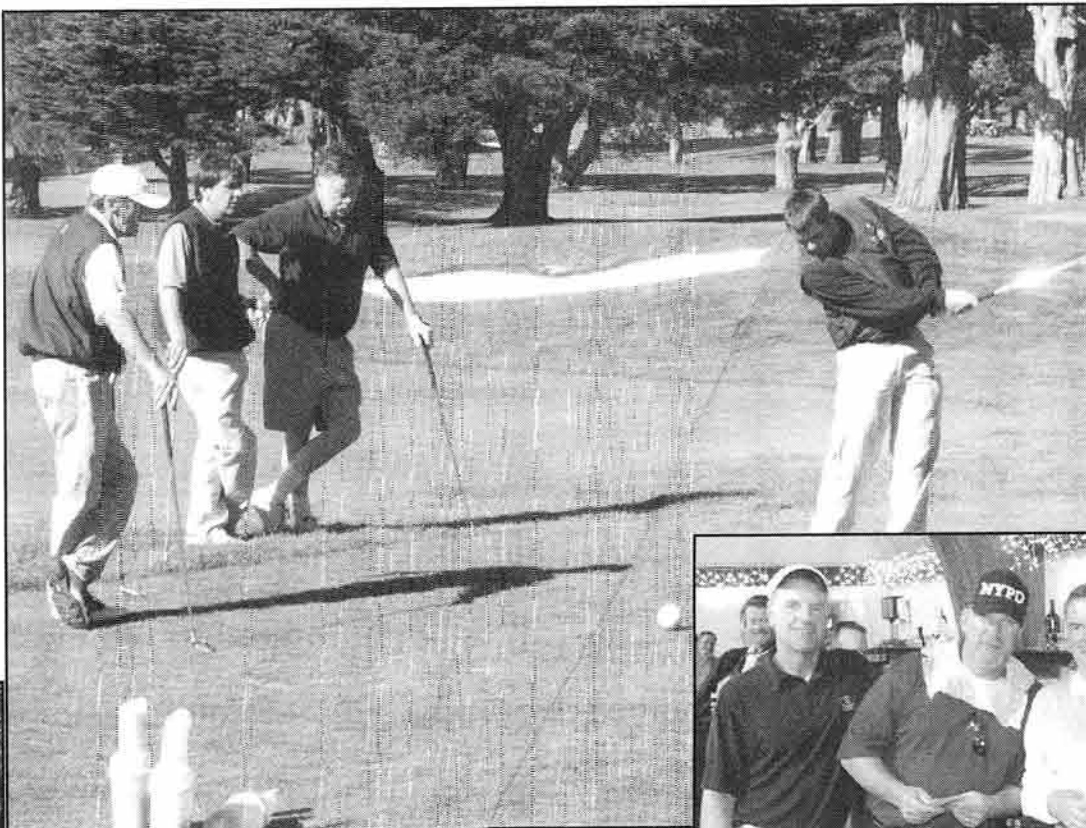
\$10,000. Not bad for a day of golf. The ace was legit because Joe Barretta and our biggest sponsor, Kerry Egan, witnessed it. Chris Schaffer was also on hand to witness the money shot.

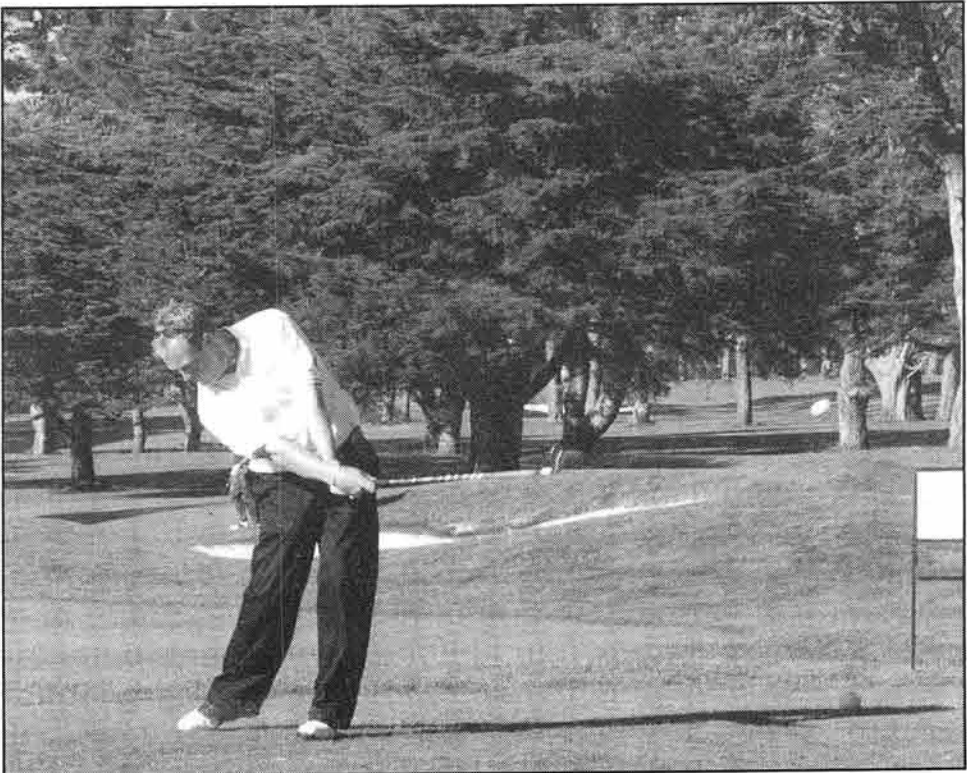
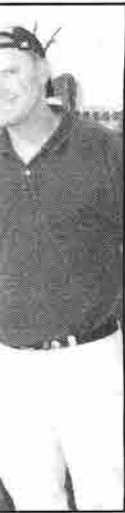
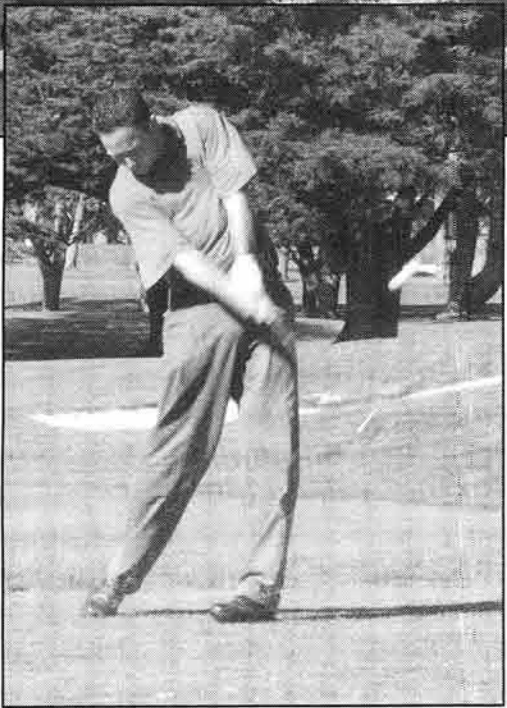
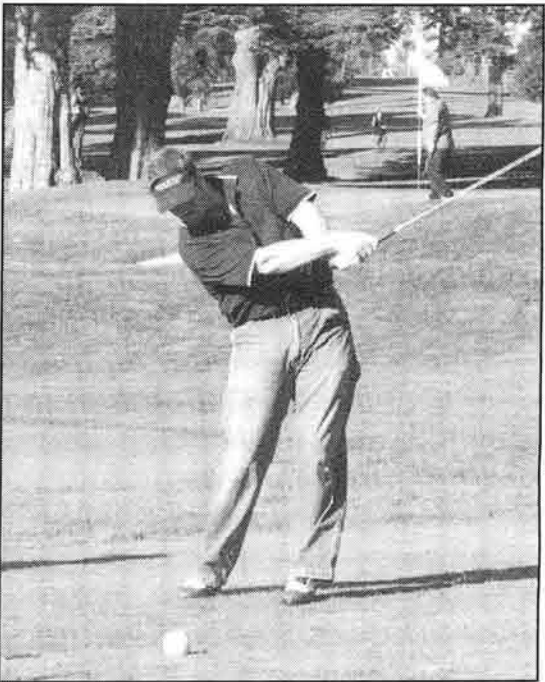
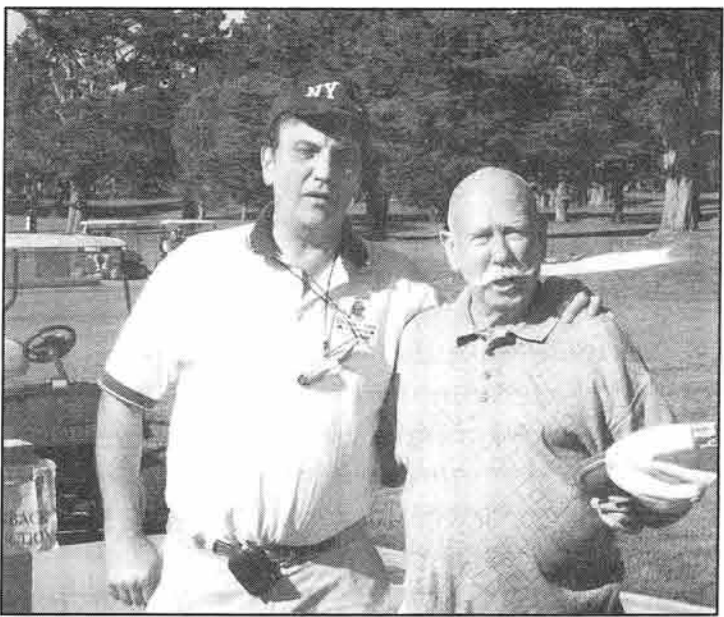
On behalf of Pat Burke, Brian Philpott and I, we would like to thank all those who helped to make this the finest tournament we've put out to date. A special thanks to my lovely wife, Anne Carew, Teresa Sequeira and Diarmuid Philpott for helping us get things off the ground. I'd also like to thank John Lopes and Tom Severence of Freemont P.D. Hats off to Harding Park and their staff who assisted in making the day run so smoothly. Good luck with the upcoming PGA tournament.

A big thanks to all of our hole sponsors and those who donated so many wonderful prizes. Their generosity will not go unnoticed when the SFBALEES host a Christmas party for the children at UCSF Hospital this year. Other proceeds went to assist the families of Police Officers who experience a catastrophic ordeal as well as our scholarship fund.

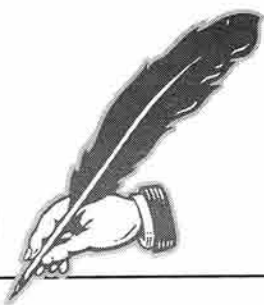
Thanks again to Kerry Egan of Egan Properties and the Villagio Resort and Spa of Yountville for all of his support and generosity.

We look forward to seeing you all out on the links for next year's tournament in 2006.





Letters



Dear POA Scholarship Committee—

Thank you so much for awarding me the \$500 scholarship through the POA. It meant a lot that I was able to contribute to my college tuition.

Thanks again,
Natalie Centurioni

Dear SFPOA –

Thank you very much for the \$500 scholarship. I greatly appreciate it.

Thanks again,
Chantilli Elmore

Dear Scholarship Committee –

Thank you so much for the opportunity to participate in your scholarship program. I am honored to attend Cal-Poly and this will certainly help with the many expenses of college. Thanks again, your generosity is truly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Colleen Mahoney

Dear POA –

Thank you so much for awarding me a scholarship. You have no idea how appreciative and thankful I am that you thought so highly of my essay.

The money that I have won will be so helpful in aiding my parents in paying for the high cost of a college education, as well as allowing me to accomplish my goals for my future at UC San Diego.

I have worked very hard for the past four years of high school, and I know that I will continue to reach my high standards in the coming years. Thank you for acknowledging all of my hard work in the community and school, and believing in my future by bestowing this honor upon me.

Sincerely,
Kimberly Mullins

Dear POA Scholarship Committee—

I would like to thank you and the POA for the generous scholarship awarded to me. Your generous award will be put to good use as I pursue my education at UCLA.

I fully realize how important my college education will serve me in the future. Thanks again for helping me fulfill that pursuit.

Gratefully,
Matthew Curran

Dear SFPOA –

Thank you so much for the scholarship! I cannot put into words how honored I am to have been chosen. I am so grateful for this scholarship and appreciate it greatly! It really means so much to not only me, but to my family as well. Once again, thank you so much!. It is an honor!

Love,
Kelly Glynn

Dear POA Scholarship Committee—

I would like to thank you for awarding me a POA scholarship. I am honored to have received it. I am looking forward to college and really excited to start school. This scholarship will be useful toward books and various other fees.

Sincerely,
Gina Puccinelli

Dear POA Scholarship Committee—

Thank you very much for the Police Officers Association scholarship. As I am responsible for half of my costs for school, I have no need to point out that this scholarship money is very helpful for this upcoming school year. I am thankful that you and your colleagues have recognized my writing ability and I would like you to know how much I appreciate this honor.

Sincerely,
Brandon Hoyer

Dear SFPOA –

Thank you very much for taking the time to read my scholarship essay. It was very generous of you to grant me with such a huge scholarship. The \$500, in which you sent me, will be of great use as I proceed through the next semester of college at the Santa Rosa JC. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Megan Martinez

Dear POA –

The Department of Parking and Traffic Enforcement Division held their Second Annual Family Day Picnic on Sunday, August 14, 2005, at Contempo Community Center in Union City. Over 300 family members of our Parking Control Officers were in attendance. We would like to personally thank the POA Good & Welfare Committee for your contribution. Your funds assisted in the purchase of food and prizes for the children, which contributed to the overall success of our event.

Your generosity was greatly appreciated by the members of DPT Enforcement.

Sincerely,
Commander Sylvia Harper
Enforcement Director
Department of Parking and Traffic

Dear POA –

Thank you for the San Francisco Police Officers Association's generous donation to Huckleberry Youth Programs (HYP) in support of our Cirque Du Soleil benefit show on December 2, 2005.

We are proud to say that since 1967 we have provided critical health and social services to over 100,000 at-risk youth. We could not have done so without the support of organizations like the San Francisco Police Officers' Association.

Sincerely,
Bruce Fisher
Executive Director
Huckleberry Youth Programs

Dear POA—

On behalf of the 208th recruit class, we would like to thank the POA for providing lunch on Saturday, August 20th for our final simulations test. We appreciate your support during our training, and we look forward to our continued partnership with the POA after our graduation.

Our sincere gratitude,
SFPD 208th Recruit Class

Dear SFPOA –

On behalf Father John Crews, the event committee, and the boys, I would like to thank you for supporting Hanna Boys Center's 13th Annual Golf & Tennis Classic on Friday, September 23rd at Silverado Country Club & Resort in Napa.

Your generous donation ... will be a day to support the courageous boys who have made the difficult decision to leave their families and friends and come to Hanna for life-changing help. Without you, the over 150 boys, and families, we serve each year would have nowhere else to go.

Sincerely,
D. Scott Singer
Chief of Operations
Hanna Boys Center

Dear POA –

On behalf of the Mission YMCA of San Francisco and all of the children and families that we serve, thank you for your generous gift in support of our 2004-2005 Strong Communities Campaign.

Thanks to your support, the funds raised will be used to provide a wealth of vital services to seniors, children and families, many of whom live in economically disadvantaged.

Sincerely,
Tanya Bluford
Executive Director
Mission YMCA

Dear SFPOA –

On behalf of the Greater Bay Area Make-A-Wish Foundation, I would like to thank the POA's Community Service Fund for a very generous donation supporting our Bowl Across the Bay event. As you may know, the Make-A-Wish Foundation was inspired in 1980 by the love that a family and friends had for a seven-year-old boy named Chris, who had leukemia. Chris dreamed of becoming a police officer for a day. His wish came true with Chris' own helmet, badge, and tailor made uniform. Chris' mother and those who helped to grant his wish created the Foundation in his memory. This could not have been accomplished without the support of people and organizations such as the POA. A hearty thanks to all POA members, your donation will go a long way.

Ron Roth
Academy

Dear POA –

On behalf of Crime Victims United Charitable Foundation, we wish to thank you for your generous donation to our 15th annual fund-raising golf tournament.

The money raised from this event gives us the ability to provide financial assistance to victims' families when they attend trials out of the area (due to change of venue), as well as fund our programs focused on children. The Teddy Bear Proj-

ect is dedicated to assisting in the adoption of at-risk youths, and the Literacy project provides reading and educational materials to under privileged children in California.

Our foundation could not accomplish the goals we have set without the assistance of your organization.

Sincerely,
Harriet Salarno, Chair
Crime Victims United of California

Dear SFPOA –

On behalf of the Positively 6th Street Community Fair Planning Committee, now that the dust has settled, we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks for your donation. The primary goals of our community fair are to connect local residents, many of whom are homeless or formerly homeless, to tools for personal change, improve the image and reality of the neighborhood through positive celebration, support the local economy, provide positive role models and sources of entertainment for inner-city youth and increase community cohesion. Your contribution helped us realize these goals through the production of the fourth annual Positively 6th Street Community Fair on June 25, 2005. Please accept our best.

In service to our community,
Denise Jackson, Co-Chair
Positively 6th Street Fair

Dear SFPOA –

Thank you for the kind donation to Sedona Humane Society in Patty's name.

By the family of Joel Harms

Dear Friends at the San Francisco Police Officers Association—

On behalf of the pets and people served by the Humane Society of Sedona, we thank you very much for the memorial donation for Patricia A. Harms. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for caring and sharing!

Sincerely,
"B" Skielvig
Executive Director
Humane Society of Sedona [AZ]

Dear SFPOA –

Enclosed please find correspondence of July 31, 2005. Our thanks go out to you for your excellent support in helping us obtain the coverage due on Clayton's hearing aids. This was quite a struggle, and your assistance on this matter certainly aided in finally putting a closure on this claim.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Clayton W. Matthews
Rio Linda, Calif.

Dear POA –

Thank you for the tickets for the POA Variety Show.

The children at the Daytop Adolescent Program enjoyed the show and appreciated your generosity.

Sincerely,
Mary Hutchings

Dear POA –

Thank you so much for your prayers and support! For information and updates on Officer Mike Newton, click on www.coryskitchen.com. Your contribution was deposited into the Mike and Susan Newton Special Needs Trust Account.

Donna Kadling, Retired
West Covina Police Department

POA Book Review

Dead Irish

By John Lescroart
Signet Book, 420 pages

By Dennis Bianchi,
Retired SFPD

I have recently discovered what thousands of readers of police procedurals or courtroom thrillers have known since the late 1980s; John Lescroart (pronounced less-squaw) writes a book full of complex characters and challenging mysteries, all set here in our beautiful city, San Francisco. Being a newcomer to the writer and his series, I read his latest novel, "The Motive", but wanted to know more about where all of these characters came from. I went to his first novel, "Dead Irish," in which he introduces characters Dismas Hardy and Abe Glitsky, and found a gem.

If you prefer criminal justice novels that center on police investigations and courtroom drama then "The Motive" and the six or so previous novels are what you are looking for. "The Motive" has included, as part of the plot, political dealings regarding San Francisco's towing contract. How's that for local color? But the action is focused upon a double homicide that the perpetrator tried to conceal behind arson. I learned more about how the San Francisco Fire Department fights fires in the first ten pages than I ever knew before. Lescroart does a great job of research and gives the details that make an investigation seem authentic.

My complaint with this novel was having to suspend my disbelief over and over, and I found the ending was not as successful as his previous

novels. A Deputy Chief of Investigations typically does not conduct a lot of detective work (Abe Glitsky) at the behest of a criminal defense lawyer (Dismas "Diz" Hardy). And I found the ending a bit of an overreach. I have since read several others and found they can all stand alone but I would recommend starting by reading his early works first.

In "Dead Irish," I found more of what I was looking for: gritty beginnings. Lescroart is not in a hurry to develop characters or plot lines. Some may want more slam, bang action right from the start but I found his pace perfect for bringing the reader into Dismas Hardy's life and worldview.

Hardy is a former marine, a former police officer, and a former lawyer, who lost an infant child to an accident, left his wife and now finds himself tending bar at "The Little Shamrock," a bar on Lincoln Avenue. A bit of research reveals that the author Lescroart once tended bar at The Little Shamrock, giving him real on-the-job training for parts of this book. As a matter of fact, San Francisco is a primary setting in most of Lescroart's books, which keeps me reading more of them.

Hardy is asked to look into the death of the brother-in-law of the owner of The Little Shamrock. The death is being considered a suicide, which would prevent the owner's sister from collecting any insurance. No one who knew the deceased, Eddie Cochran, believes he could have possibly killed himself, and as Hardy finds his previous training and instincts coming back, the reader is led to the same conclusion.

But who did kill Eddie?

San Francisco is a primary setting in most of Lescroart's books...

Hardy discovers a failed drug deal that Cochran's boss became involved in, but is that really the cause of his murder? Was it a planned murder or was Eddie just in the wrong place at the wrong time? Lescroart has created a good mystery here, filled with many characters straight from the Irish neighborhoods of the Sunset District, including a most interesting parish priest, Father Kavanaugh. I particularly liked the very unusual ending, but you will have to read that for yourself.

The main characters of this book will also be found in the Lescroart novels that followed, particularly Hardy and the San Francisco Homicide Inspector, later several other ranks, Abe Glitsky. As Lescroart's many books move through time, these characters change in a real-world fashion; growing older, changing positions and learning from their experiences. Their families grow, the City changes, and Lescroart's focus evolves. This is a welcome departure from the formulaic crime-thrillers that have appeared over the last ten years. Lescroart's characters mature, while those of many other authors do not. Lescroart uses San Francisco as an integral part

of the book, and I found myself trying to catch him in a geographical error, but that seldom happened.

There are a few other writers who use our City as their setting, but Lescroart has authentically captured the feelings of our many neighborhoods. I chalked it up to his tending bar here while trying to make it as a writer. And make it he has.

Many of the readers of this journal, should they read any of Lescroart's books, will recognize a familiar name who Lescroart gives credit for assisting him in the legal aspects of the stories: Al Giannini of the San Francisco District Attorney's Office. The two have been friends for years. Lescroart is quick to point out that he didn't study law, but has a Bachelor's Degree in English Literature from U.C. Berkeley, making Giannini invaluable. The English Literature degree is evident. He opens "Dead Irish" with a quote from W. B. Yeats: "I have certainly known more men destroyed by their desire to have a wife and child and keep them in comfort than I have seen destroyed by drink." Here's to you, Mistresses Lescroart and Yeats.

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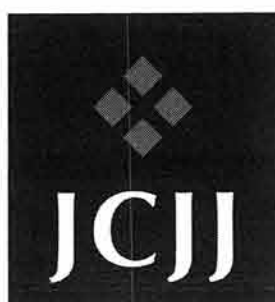
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In-Town Personnel

By Edward Browne
Central Station

As our civic leaders and emergency personnel administrators huddle over a round table to discuss concerns about emergency response here in San Francisco in light of the disaster in New Orleans, the number of front line police officers assigned to field operations keeps dwindling to a skeleton crew at best. We have witnessed the catastrophe in New Orleans and know for certain that the staffing of our district stations is of a paramount community and officer safety issue. We have learned from the disaster in the Gulf Coast and from the terrorist attacks in New York City that the response of local emergency personnel is the fine line between life and death.

Opinion

In an article published on Sept. 2, 2005, *SF Examiner* staff writer, Jo Stanley, wrote, "SF frets about in-town personnel, numbers troubling in Katrina's wake." Stanley interviewed Phil Ginsburg, the director of human resources for the city, who is quoted in the interview. "Civil servants, especially public safety workers like firefighters and police officers, are crucial in the first hours of an emergency. But that's only if they can be on the scene quickly."

Ginsburg continues to state that he is watching post-hurricane Katrina struggles with an eye toward how a serious disaster in San Francisco would leave emergency responders on what he described as "our little island." In other words, we would be cut off from all outside aid and relief for quite a while.

Most earthquake experts agree that

a major quake effecting considerable amounts of carnage and lost of life will occur in the bay area along the major fault lines. It is an inevitable part of our reality living and working in the Bay Area. Water department personnel tell me that our one hundred year old water system will be non-functional for months in the event of a major quake. So much for infrastructure upgrades.

The issue now is full and adequate staffing of front line emergency personnel to respond in an appropriate and timely manner to a major disaster within the City and County of San Francisco.

Mayor Gavin Newsom signed off on a 5.3 billion dollar budget this fiscal year, yet the staffing levels of our district station personnel – our first responders – is spiraling to an all time low. There are "brown outs" imposed already on SF firehouses, an effort to curtail budget costs. The mayor and board of supervisors are playing with fire with the likelihood of a potential disaster bearing down upon San Francisco. This is unconscionable. The operating and staffing budget of the SFPD must be increased to facilitate the full staffing of all district stations within the next fiscal year. A mandate must be made by our civic leaders and police chief to orchestrate and construct a long range plan of recruiting, retaining, training and deploying patrol officers to the field on a timely and consistent basis.

There is no excuse to be caught unprepared with insufficient personnel. Revenue must be allocated and channeled for essential emergency services, otherwise the communities in which we serve will suffer greatly and our in-town, on-duty personnel will be found to be isolated and left without the support they need to save lives in the event of a major catastrophe.

Bay Area Law Enforcement Assistance Fund

BALEAF Report
By Mike Walsh
POA Representative to BALEAF

I was recently honored to be asked by Kevin Martin to represent the POA on the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Law Enforcement Assistance Fund. BALEAF is an organization which provides financial assistance to law enforcement families in those times of need which are unique to the loved ones of a police officer: the murder or accidental death of a police officer, an injury which ultimately leads to a permanent or temporary loss of income, or a catastrophic event to which, as has been illustrated in New Orleans, the families of police officers are not immune.

BALEAF is predominantly represented by members and friends of the San Francisco Police Department, yet provides assistance to many Northern California law enforcement agencies. BALEAF has recently administered funds to the families of the officers who so tragically and heroically lost

their lives in the line of duty in San Leandro and Pittsburg. BALEAF will soon be reaching out to our neighboring communities to introduce them to our services as well as the need to broaden the scope of our donor base.

In October the SFPD, along with all city employees, will be given the opportunity to designate to whom we wish to share our good fortune in the Combined Charities payroll deduction program. You may designate a one time gift, or a bi-weekly payroll deduction which will be dispersed throughout the year to BALEAF. We all know of so many worthy causes and you can designate several on the form. Won't you please consider BALEAF? What other designee will be there for you in the future should you need assistance?

BALEAF is committed to providing that immediate financial help which is so important to a family in times of distress. Your help and caring gift can make the difference in helping an officer's family through a difficult time.

The Grieving Person's Bill of Rights

By Robin Matthews
EEO Unit

Greetings! Since both of my parents died within the past couple of years, I continue to receive flyers from the Hospice Care group that took care of them in Illinois. I received the last one, coincidentally, when I returned home from my friend, Mary Jo Blahowski's, funeral in Texas on August 29th and thought that I would share information on The Grieving Person's Bill of Rights, which was in this quarter's publication. I hope it helps any who are currently going through the grief process.

1. Experience your own unique grief. No one will grieve the same way you do. So, when you turn to others for help, don't let them tell you how you should be feeling.

2. Talk about your grief. Talking about your grief will help you heal. Seek out others who will let you talk as much as you want, as often as you want.

3. Feel a multitude of emotions. You will feel many emotions during your grief journey. Some may tell that feeling angry, for example, is wrong. Don't take these judgmental responses to heart. Instead, find listeners who will accept your feelings without condition.

4. Be tolerant of your physical and emotional limits. Your feelings of loss and sadness can fatigue you. Respect what your body and mind tell you. Get daily rest. Eat balanced meals. And don't allow others to push you into activities you're not ready for.

5. Experience grief "attacks". Sometimes, a powerful surge of grief may overcome you. This can be frightening, but it is normal. Find someone who understands and will let you talk it out.

6. Make use of ritual. Rituals do more than acknowledge the death of someone. They provide you with support from caring people, as well as a way to mourn.

7. Embrace your spirituality. If faith is a part of your life, express it. Be with people who understand and support your religious beliefs.

8. Search for meaning. You may ask, "Why did he or she die? Why this way? Why now?" Some questions may have answers, others don't. Watch for cliched responses people may give you like, "It was God's will," or "Think of what you have to be thankful for." These sentiments are not helpful, and you do not have to agree with them.

9. Treasure your memories. Memories are one of the best legacies that exist after the death of a loved one. You will always remember. Instead of ignoring your memories, find others with whom you can share them.

10. Move toward your grief and heal. Reconciling your grief will not happen quickly. Remember, grief is a process, not an event. Be patient with yourself, and avoid people who are impatient with you. Neither you nor those around you should forget that the death of someone loved changes you life forever.

(Vitas Innovative Hospice Care,
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On The SAFE Side.....

Bayview Community Public Safety Resource Meeting

By Cindy Wandel, Executive Director, and Pam Matsuda, Program Director, San Francisco SAFE, Inc.

San Francisco SAFE, Inc. (Safety Awareness for Everyone) and the Bayview Station hosted the first Bayview Public Safety and Resource Meeting for Residents and Merchants on Tuesday, September 20th at the Bayview Station. SAFE and Sergeant Mike Moran implemented this project by first canvassing a targeted area of the Bayview and surveying residents and merchants about their safety and quality-of-life concerns. We then gathered the information and invited various city agencies and community organizations to this resource event.



Providing public safety resources to the residents and merchants of the Bayview is a priority for Bayview Station and SAFE. We urge residents and merchants to be actively involved in creating a safer San Francisco by organizing a SAFE Neighborhood Watch or Business Watch Program.

The goal of the meeting was to provide the public with access to information and contacts so that everyone can become actively involved in improving neighborhood safety.

Those in attendance were able to:

- Learn how SAFE's Neighborhood Watch and Business Watch programs can be of benefit in reducing crime and violence on your street and revitalize the feeling of community.
- Sign up to receive Bayview Station's newsletter called "Community Updates" for daily postings of recent crime incidents and the latest on important community events and information.
- Hear all about the dynamic safety discussions that take place at the monthly Bayview Community Relations (R.O.S.E.S.) meetings and how you can join.
- Dialogue with Barbara Lynn of SAFE, the Bayview Station Officers and service providers about safety in the community.

Participating organizations and city agencies include: City Attorney's Office Code Enforcement Task Force, Net-

work For The Elders, DPW (28 Clean), NERT, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, R.O.S.E.S., Job Corps, Young Community Developers, Operation Dream, Municipal Transit Authority, San Francisco Public Defenders Office and more.

Halloween SAFETy Event for Kids

SAFE is hosting a Halloween Safety Event for Kids in the OMI Community on Wednesday, October 26th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. This event will be held at the OMI Community Service Center, located at 103 Broad Street @ Plymouth. Children and families in the neighborhood are encouraged to attend to learn about how to stay safe while trick-or-treating and while enjoying the Halloween festivities and treats. At the safety event, there will be snacks, goodie bags with safety stuff, police officers present to talk about safety tips, and a visit by McGruff the Crime Dog! There will also be a poster coloring contest - posters will be circulated prior to the 26th, and the winners will receive prizes. Posters can be picked up at SAFE (850 Bryant St., Room 135), and at the OMI Community Service Center, and must be turned in no later than Friday, October 21st.

For more information on SAFE and our services, please call (415) 553-1984, or visit our website at www.sfsafe.org.

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Textile Maker Settles Lawsuit

From The Associated PressSeptember 10

LOS ANGELES - A Japanese textile maker whose material was used in allegedly ineffective body armor sold to the Los Angeles Police Department agreed to pay the city \$647,000 to \$1.3 million to settle a class action lawsuit.

The City Council approved the payment Friday as part of Toyobo Co.'s \$29 million settlement with police departments and officers nationwide.

Toyobo used the synthetic fiber Zylon in about 2,900 bullet-resistant vests sold to the LAPD by Second Chance Body Armor Inc., which replaced the vests in the fall of 2003 with those made with Kevlar. Second Chance said tests showed the material was degrading from sweat and heat before its supposed five-year life expectancy was reached.

In separate federal government

tests, bullets penetrated about half of Zylon-fortified vests, prompting the government to no longer help fund vests made with the fiber.

An estimated 200,000 of the nation's 700,000 police officers wore Zylon vests last year, according to the Fraternal Order of Police.

Questions about the safety of Zylon vests arose in 2003 after a Pennsylvania officer, Edward Limbacher, was wounded in the stomach when a .40-caliber bullet penetrated his vest. The same year, a California officer, Tony Zeppetella, was shot and killed while wearing a vest made with Zylon.

Toyobo maintains that the vests are effective.

The amount the city of Los Angeles will receive depends on how many plaintiffs agree to the settlement, said Jonathan Diamond, spokesman for the city attorney's office.

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Rest in Peace, K-9 Eddy

By Brenda Walker
Police Academy

On Sept 8th, proud and brave San Francisco Police K-9 "Eddy" was laid to rest. He was eleven and half years young and still wanted to do the work he was trained to do. Unfortunately Eddy had half of his front right paw removed because of cancer two and half years ago. He was still able to walk and run, but it was time to give him a break from the physical work he endured on a daily basis.

K-9 Officer Sonia Mariona was his handler for six years. Eddy was a multi purpose dog that was trained to do patrol, protection, narcotics, and search. He got his bites and he got the bad guys. If we gave medals to K-9s he would be wearing them from head to tail.

Eddy weighed in at 90+ lbs on his good days and had the most beautiful long full tail of any dog I knew. He was gentle with kids

and with one long deep look into your eyes he would steal your heart. He had a very full and happy life living with Sonia and her new work partner K-9 Lark. Lark and Eddy became immediate buddies. Eddy must have shared his personal experience with Lark because Lark is off to a great start.

K-9s are not supposed to be referred to as pets because they are actually department property and they are trained to do specific jobs. I can't help but think how strange that sounds when the handler is with the K-9 ten hours each day on the job and sleeps and eats with the handler and interacts with the entire family. Lack of the word pet still makes this animal my best friend and I loved him as that. Though Eddy was as gentle as a lamb while not at work. He could scare the bad guys into surrendering simply by his loud and ferocious barking.

Thursday night, Eddy was treated to human food for the first time in his life. He tore into those turkey burgers like they were

candy. He received lots of hugs and pets and even had his favorite toy with him. We then opened the back of the police Expedition and, with a little help, he entered into his final resting place. It was very peaceful, and I truly believe in my heart that he was asking us all to bid him farewell and to be at peace with him.

Tears flowed as his body slowly went limp. Eddy was now home with all the other proud K-9's that have served law enforcement. They too have a very special place in heaven. Sonia would like to thank everyone who knew Eddy and for all their support over the last few weeks of Eddy's life.

K-9 Eddy 10-7 end of watch.
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After Dogs Die And Deputies Take Ill, Baltimore County Closes Canine Center Built On Dump

From The Baltimore Sun,
September 10

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD – Two Baltimore County police dogs have died of cancer, and officers who handle the animals have complained of health problems – prompting the department to close its canine facility until environmental tests are done.

The decision to close the facility, in a park built on top of a former landfill, came yesterday, the same day that police union officials sent a letter to Chief Terrence B. Sheridan asking that its members and the dogs be relocated. Thirty-one employees at the police dog center, including 27 officers, have filed injury reports with the department,

some complaining of headaches, dizziness and respiratory problems.

The injury reports are "clearly a statement, to say, 'We don't feel safe,'" said Cole B. Weston, president of the Baltimore County Fraternal Order of Police.

Police spokesman Bill Toohey said yesterday: "Right now, the effort is to get people off of there and dogs off of there."

Since February, two police dogs have died and a third has been diagnosed with brain cancer, police officials said. The cancer cases come two years after the department moved the center to Southwest Area Park in the Baltimore Highlands area. Before the move, the unit, created in 1961, had lost one dog

to cancer.

Supervisors in the unit raised concerns this week about the park with a county environmental official, Weston said. The county has hired a firm to test the soil for contaminants, David A.C. Carroll, director of the county Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management, said yesterday. Test results will take three weeks.

The park will remain open to the public, Carroll said.

He added that linking the cancer cases with the park "is an unverified and, in my opinion, unprofessional leap of faith. But what you always want to do is err on the side of precaution."

When the police dog unit moved to the facility in March 2003, tests concluded that soil and ground water met environmental standards, Carroll said.

In February, Jeb, one of the unit's three bloodhounds, died of cancer. A month later a German shepherd named Enno was diagnosed with brain cancer. The dog has since retired. And in July, a black Lab named Leon died of cancer.

The police dog unit will work out of other department facilities in the county until the environmental tests are done, Toohey said.

Boston Officer Sues Trooper Over Horse Butting Incident

From The Boston Globe, September 19

It is not the kind of case generally seen in federal court: a Boston police officer suing a state trooper over an incident involving a horse.

The lawsuit springs from the police officer's allegation that the trooper had intentionally made his police horse butt him with the animal's head, after a New England Patriots game, leaving him with injuries that kept him out of work for five months.

In opening arguments last week, the trooper's lawyer, Brian Rogal, said Massachusetts State Trooper John Linquata would never have used his horse to assault someone. "He wouldn't inflict pain on the horse," Rogal said. "He respects the horse."

But the police officer, Lawrence Calderone, told jurors that Linquata became furious at him for jaywalking and yanked hard on the reins, causing his horse to hit Calderone's face. The blow felt like being hit with a baseball bat, he said, and it left him with a concussion, blurred vision, severe headaches, and dizziness.

"It destroyed my family life," said Calderone, a father of four young children, who said he could not help his wife during those months he was out of work.

The jury of four men and four women are scheduled to hear final arguments and jury instructions from US District Judge Reginald C. Lindsay today.

Jurors will then start deliberating over Calderone's claim that Linquata should be ordered to pay him damages for using excessive force.

The confrontation occurred the evening of Sept. 23, 2001, outside what was then Foxboro Stadium.

It was the Patriots' home opener against the New York Jets, and they lost 10-3, but it was a notable game. Tom Brady had been called in to replace injured starting quarterback Drew Bledsoe. He became the Patriots' starter for the remainder of the year, and led them to a Super Bowl championship.

Calderone said he cut across Route 1 with his brother and two friends behind a dozen other fans when Linquata, riding a horse named Magnum, yelled at him to come back and use a crosswalk.

"Trooper Linquata asked me if I was stupid," said Calderone, who told jurors that he had apologized for not using the crosswalk, identified himself as a Boston police officer, and asked if it was really necessary to go back across the street, since he and his friends

were only a few feet from their car.

"He said he didn't give a [expletive] who I was," said Calderone, an 11-year veteran of the Boston police who works as a community liaison officer at the West Roxbury station.

When he asked Linquata for his badge number, he said, the trooper used the horse's body to bump him into cars that were stopped in traffic on Route 1. Calderone also told jurors that he was kicked in the shoulder by another trooper who had arrived on the scene, and then was struck on the head by Linquata.

Rogal suggested that Calderone was feigning his injuries, noting that neurological and eye tests on the officer had found no damage, although one doctor said it was possible he had suffered some damage to his jaw joint.

Linquata, an 18-year veteran of the State Police, said the assault on Calderone didn't happen. He never heard Calderone say he was a police officer, he said, and he never hit Calderone with his horse.

Linquata said he believed Calderone, who he said stood in the middle of Route 1 arguing with him, was drunk -- an allegation Calderone denied to jurors.

Linquata admitted that he had sworn at Calderone but denied calling

him stupid.

Linquata said police on detail outside the stadium are under orders not to let anyone cross Route 1 without using the designated crosswalk because of possible injuries and traffic disruptions.

"I wouldn't let a trooper cross," Linquata testified. "It sends the wrong message."

"They think if one person can do it, everyone could do it," Linquata said.

The last time he saw Calderone that night, Linquata said, Calderone yelled, "You're a [expletive] jerk. Don't worry, you'll get yours."

Linquata said he has arrested only one fan in the five years he has worked at the stadium in Foxborough, and that was because the fan had punched his horse.

Calderone said he was ostracized by some fellow officers for suing another officer, but felt compelled to bring the case because of the damage done to his health and his home life.

He added that after the incident, someone at the station left a fake transfer notice on his locker, indicating he was being sent to the mounted unit of the State Police, while Linquata would be taking his Boston police post.

Beware! New Credit Card Scam

Forwarded by Frank Reed
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Note, these scam callers do not ask for your card number; they already have it. This information is worth reading. By understanding how the VISA and MasterCard Telephone Credit Card Scam works, you'll be better prepared to protect yourself. The scam works like this:

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If you say yes and confirm your address, the caller continues. "I will be starting a fraud investigation. If you have any questions, you should call the 1-800 number listed on the back of your card (1-800-VISA) and ask for Security. You will need to refer to this control number."

The caller then gives you a six-digit number. "Do you need me to read it again?"

Here's the IMPORTANT part on how the scam works. The caller then says, "I need to verify you are in possession of your card". He'll then ask you to "turn your card over and look for some numbers". There are seven numbers; the first four are part of your card number, the next three are the security numbers that verify you are the possessor of the card. These are the numbers you sometimes use to make Internet purchases to prove you have the card. The caller will ask you to read the three numbers to him. After you tell the caller the three numbers, he'll say, "That is correct, I just needed to verify that the card has not been lost or stolen, and that you still have your card. Do you have any other questions?"

After you say No, the caller then thanks you and states, "Don't hesitate to call back if you do", and hangs up.

You actually say very little, and they never ask for or tell you the card number.

The real VISA Security Department told us it was a scam and what the scammers want is the 3-digit PIN number on the back of the card. Don't give it to them. Instead, tell them you'll call VISA or Master card directly for verification of their conversation. The real VISA told us that they would never ask for anything on the card, as they already know the information since they issued the card! If you give the scammers your 3-Digit PIN Number, you think you're receiving a credit. However, by the time you get your statement you'll see charges for purchases you didn't make, and by then it's almost too late and/or more difficult to actually file a fraud report.

Retirements

The San Francisco Police Officers' Association congratulates the following members on their recent service retirement from the SFPD. We are always disappointed when old friends move on, but it must be agreed that each of these members is deserving of a long and healthful retirement. They will be difficult to replace, as they take with them decades of collective experience and job knowledge. List alphabetically by last name, the most recent retirees are:

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Percentage Of Businesses Offering Health Insurance Has Declined

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WASHINGTON, DC – The percentage of businesses offering health insurance to their workers has declined steadily over the last five years as the cost of providing coverage continues to outpace inflation and wage growth, according to the 2005 Annual Employer Health Benefits Survey released by the Kaiser Family Foundation and Health Research and Educational Trust.

The survey found that three in five firms (60%) offered coverage to workers in 2005, down significantly from 69% in 2000 and 66% in 2003. The drop stems almost entirely from fewer small businesses offering health benefits, as nearly all businesses (98%) with 200 or more workers offer such benefits.

"It is low-wage workers who are being hurt the most by the steady drip, drip, drip of coverage draining out of the employer based health insurance system," Kaiser Family Foundation President and CEO Drew E. Altman, Ph.D., said.

Premiums increased an average of 9.2% in 2005, down from the 11.2% average found in 2004. The 2005 increase ended four consecutive years of double-digit increases, but the rate of growth is still more than three times the growth in workers' earnings (2.7%) and two-and-a-half times the rate of inflation (3.5%). Since 2000, premiums have gone up 73%.

The annual premiums for family coverage reached \$10,880 in 2005, eclipsing the gross earnings for a full-time minimum-wage worker (\$10,712). The average worker paid \$2,713 toward premiums for family coverage in 2005 or 26% of the total health premium. While workers' share of their premium has been relatively stable over the past few years, they are now paying on average \$1,094 more

in premiums for family coverage than they did in 2000.

insurers, and therefore may have a financial incentive to reduce their

just 3% of covered workers.

"It is low-wage workers who are being hurt the most by the steady drip, drip, drip of coverage draining out of the employer based health insurance system,"

"While premium increases slowed this year, they continue to rise much faster than inflation and other economic indicators. As a result, workers and businesses alike are finding it harder to afford health coverage," said Health Research and Educational Trust President Mary A. Pittman, Dr. P.H. High-deductible health plans

The survey found that 20% of employers who offer health insurance now provide a high-deductible health plan option. Jumbo firms – those with 5,000 or more workers – are significantly more likely than smaller firms to offer a high-deductible plan option, with 33% offering one in 2005. The survey defines high-deductible health plans as those with at least a \$1,000 deductible for single coverage or at least a \$2,000 deductible for family coverage.

Among employers who offer a high-deductible plan, relatively few (19.5%, or 3.9% of all offering employers) also make a contribution to a health reimbursement arrangement (HRA), offer a plan that would permit an enrollee to establish a health savings account (HSA), or do both. HRAs and HSAs are tax-favored accounts that employees can use to pay for medical expenses. Such arrangements are often described as consumer-driven because patients pay for a greater share of their health care directly, rather than through

health-care spending.

Despite the growing availability of high-deductible plans, relatively few workers are enrolled in consumer-driven arrangements. The survey estimates that this year about 2.3% of non-federal covered workers, or 1.6 million people, are enrolled in high-deductible health plans with an HRA, and about 1.2%, or 810,000 people, are enrolled in plans that are eligible for use with an HSA.

"Consumer-driven plans are proving attractive to some, but with just a couple million people now enrolled, it's too early to know whether they'll have a meaningful effect on the health system," said Gary Claxton, a Kaiser Family Foundation vice president and co-author of the study. "The jury is still out on whether employees feel that these arrangements work for them, particularly when they get sick, and on whether employers feel that they have a real impact on costs."

The survey also provides a detailed look at the features of high-deductible health plans, including premiums, deductibles, use of spending accounts, and employer and worker contributions. Such plans can cost less than other forms of employer-sponsored health coverage, but also leave workers exposed to greater potential out-of-pocket costs.

"Premium increases have slowed somewhat, but there's little confidence out there that we have an answer to health care cost growth," said Jon Gabel, co-author of the study. "In the mid-1990s, premium hikes dropped to less than 1%, and we're still far away from that right now."

Other highlights from the 2005 survey include:

- Reasons for not offering coverage. Firms that do not offer health benefits to their workers – the overwhelming majority of whom are small firms – were most likely to cite cost as a key factor, with nearly three in four (73%) saying high premiums were "very important" to their decision. In comparison, just over half (52%) said their firm's small size and one in three (33%) said the fact that their workers had access to other coverage were very important to their decision.

- Type of insurance. In 2005, PPO plans were more common than ever, with 61% of all employees with health coverage enrolling in a PPO (up from 55% in 2004). Enrollment in HMOs, which generally cost less than PPOs, fell to 21% in 2005 from 25% in 2004. Conventional, or indemnity, benefit plans have all but disappeared, covering

- Future plans. Looking toward the future, more than 40% of large firms (200 or more workers) offering health benefits say they are "very likely" to ask employees to pay more in premiums next year, while just 15% of smaller firms say they plan to do so. Across all firms offering coverage, relatively few say that they are "very likely" in the next year to raise deductibles (8%), raise office visit cost-sharing (7%) or raise prescription drug copayments (7%). About 1% of firms say they are "very likely" to drop health coverage entirely in the near future.

- Utilization and disease management. About eight in 10 covered workers (81%) are in a health plan that uses case management for high-cost claims. Most covered workers also must get prior certification for inpatient services (75%) and outpatient surgery (55%). More than half (56%) of covered workers are enrolled in a plan with at least one disease management program. Among workers in these plans, virtually all (99%) are in a plan that provides management for diabetes. Large majorities are also in plans that provide management for asthma (86%), hypertension (82%), and high cholesterol (66%).

- Confidence in cost-containment strategies. Few employers have a lot of confidence in strategies to contain rising health-care costs. For example, 16% of employers say consumer-driven health plans are "very" effective at controlling costs, while another 45% say they are "somewhat" effective. Nearly as many view higher employer cost-sharing as very (12%) or somewhat (46%) effective, and view disease management as very (14%) or somewhat (38%) effective. Fewer see tighter managed-care networks as very (7%) or somewhat (37%) effective.

The 2005 Employer Health Benefits Survey was conducted between January and May of 2005 and included 2,995 randomly selected, non-federal public and private firms with three or more employees (2,013 of which responded to the full survey and 982 of which responded to an additional question about offering coverage).

The full survey is available online.

A briefing on the survey's findings was webcast live beginning at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 14. An archived version of the video has been posted. In addition, two articles based on the survey's results have been released by Health Affairs and are available online for free.

The survey is a joint project of the Kaiser Family Foundation and the Health Research and Educational Trust. A research team at Kaiser and HRET conducted and analyzed the survey, led by Gary Claxton, Vice President and Director of the Health Care Marketplace Project at Kaiser, and Jon Gabel, formerly of HRET and now Vice President of the Center for Studying Health System Change.



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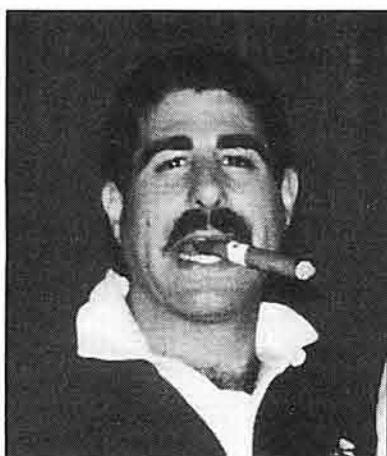


Nick's Notes

By Nick Shihadeh
Journal Sports Editor

Inaugural POA Sports Hall Of Fame Banquet On Nov. 11th

Check It Out: On Friday November 11th, the first SF POA Sports Hall of Fame Banquet will take place at the Italian American Athletic Club in North Beach (Stockton between Union and Green) and will feature the induction of over twenty-five retirees from the department. This dinner is sponsored by the POA Sports Hall of Fame Committee lead by Gary Delagnes and only costs \$30.00 to attend. It will be taking place every other year to honor exceptional athletes who have participated in department sports as well as represented the SFPD very well when competing over the years. This is a can't miss event with more details stated in an announcement shown in this same *Journal* – hope to see you there!



Please take note of the baseball article in this sports section submitted by Pablo Ossio (FOB) and Rob Fung (Northern) with pics from Clayton Goodwin (Mission). It's about the gold medal that was won in Reno in a very interesting fashion.

The Isaac Espinoza Softball Tournament

The second annual Espinoza Softball Tourney took place at the end of August and the SFPD Blue all star softball team competed along with other teams from within the department. The Blue team won it last year but wasn't as successful this year; they played tough in all their games while not letting up, but just couldn't get over the hump. It was a well run tourney just the same by Southern's Marc Marquez and Central's Kevin Worrell – see the article and pics submitted by Marquez in this sports section.

Otherwise, I want to acknowledge the Blue Team that played inspired ball in Isaac's memory: Kevin Worrell, Nelson Ramos (Southern), Jake Fegan (Narcotics), Quoc "Q-Dog" Do (GTF), Rob Fung, Greg Buhagiar (Southern), Glenn "The Rotation" Ortega (Mission), Josh Kumli (Ingleside), John Ferrando (Central), Mike Hara (TAC), Greg Latus (Marine Unit), Chuck Collins (Mission), Matt Hanley (Narcotics), Gary Delagnes and even I got to play in a few games. We'll hopefully represent the department even better when we play a team from the Navy in honor of fleet week on Oct. 11th.

Emerald Society Golf Tournament

The Emerald Society Golf Tourney also took place at the end of August at The City's Harding Park and was once again a success with thirty-six foursomes competing on a beautiful day. Ed Carew (Mission) and newly appointed Sergeant Brian Philpott (Ingleside) did a fabulous job with the help of Ed's wife Ann and Brian's sister Teresa Sequeira and retired Deputy Chief Diarmuid Philpott. See the article by Ed Carew with fabulous pics taken by Park's Patrick Burke in the center spread of this same *Journal*.

Speaking of golf tournaments, there was a classic golf event that was to take place in the gold country last month and it appears that I was once again

shunned from it. I was so excited to play in the prestigious tourney that I went out and purchased new golf attire at Sears, a new pair of golf shoes and golf balls from Big 5, and I even arranged to use Steve Caniglia's infamous lady's clubs. Unfortunately I didn't receive a flyer, didn't get a phone call; I didn't get anything. This shouldn't happen to a seasoned sports columnist like myself who was told that I would always be invited back – you know who you are Jimmy Z!

This And That

I want to thank Dave Maron for submitting a well written article (with pictures and stats) about the Iron Man Competition that took place on the 5th floor of the Hall of Justice last month. It was a well run event with many fine competitors as usual.

In the meantime, the POA Golf Tournament will have already taken place at the printing of this *Journal*. There will be a center spread on that fine tournament in the November issue.

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

First Annual POA Sports Hall of Fame Induction Dinner

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Friday, November 11, 2005

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Letters to the Sports Editor

Dear Mr. Shihadeh,

Come on Nick, lay off my old man! I can speak from experience. My Dad does live vicariously through both Danielle and me. Yeah my Dad loves watching my soccer games but you should see the gleam in his eye when he watches Danielle perform in her musicals. My Dad may not talk about himself much, but I must let you know that he earned the leading roles in the four plays he participated in while in seventh and eighth grades at St. Paul's. He even played Jesus one year!

Speaking of soccer Nick, you know I attended several of your games at this year's Police/Fire Games. I haven't seen that many men go down since I watched that movie Platoon! You guys kept yelling Medic so often I had to ask my Dad what position the guy named Medic played. All joking aside, way to go S.F.P.D. Soccer Club!

Your Friend,

Stevie Rector

12 years old

Pine Valley Middle School

San Ramon

Dear Sports Editor,

Please allow me a few lines to address a letter received by your office in the August *Journal* written by Matt "everyone knows your REAL nickname CUPCAKE" Mason. In that letter Matt made a plea to his fellow Bulldogs to jump on his chiseled back, "come on board" and allow him to lead them back to softball dominance.

Having just recently been awarded the very prestigious Brian Olcomendy Memorial 2005 Softball Manager of the Year award, and after shepherding Matt into the department softball league as a rookie, I feel that there is no better person to bring Matt back to reality.

Let's face it, Matt, your listing of the "glory days" at Burlingame High School impress no one unless you count the few pubescent fans you may have once had at BHS. And having played football in a far distant past will do nothing to cover the fact that you rode the pine on all my Airport Bureau teams. And once Bayview mercifully picked you up off the waiver wires, all we saw or heard from you was your voice coming from deep inside their dugout. Hardly anything to be proud of.

So what gives you the gall to think that your "sideline" leadership skills would be able to return the very prestigious Bulldogs softball program back to glory? I daresay nothing! I send these words of advise to anyone at Northern Station who cares to listen: For those guys who show up to play next season (and there might not be many), look past the smokescreen sent up by Matt "Cupcake" Mason and uncover him for the sham that he is. Following him into battle would be like running up against the First Armored Division with a broomstick in one hand and a plunger in the other!

Sincerely,

Michael Etcheverry
Airport Bureau

More On The Police/fire Games

I want to congratulate TAC's Bassey Obot on the silver medal that he won in the triathlon while competing in the "weighing over 200 lbs." category in Reno a few months back. This was quite an accomplishment for Bassey as he had to recover from a torn Achilles tendon that he suffered last year shortly after his silver medal performance in last year's games. Good stuff.

Next I want to mention Northern's Scott "Buddy Buddy" Warnke who took a bronze in golf in the individual competition and took another bronze in golf team competition combining with Gary Watts of Narcotics. Congrats to both of you.

Other athletes competed in various events in Reno without placing but just preparing and attending is an accomplishment in itself. I know that Jude Farrelly (Northern) wrestled, that Rodney Lane (Bayview) put together a flag football team, and that there was a 3 on 3 basketball team featuring Carl Bryant, Gerry Newbeck, and Brett "Ogle" Thorpe. What I really have been waiting for is news on bowling as Ed Anzore, Steve Morimoto, Joe Fischer, and of course Dennis O'Mahoney competed at the world famous National Bowling Center in Reno. I've been promised a decent article with pics for the November issue of the *Journal* and am looking very forward to it.

One successful athlete who usually brings home golds every year in bicycling is retired inspector Jeff Broesch who is now working as an inspector for the Alameda D.A.'s Office. He didn't compete this year as he wasn't able to prepare as he usually does. Jeff is doing great and will definitely make a come back next year in San Diego where the games are scheduled in June.

2005 Ironman

Story and photos by Dave Maron
Tactical Unit

This year's 2005 Max Muscle S.F.P.O.A. Ironman Isaac Espinoza/Jeff Barker Memorial brought out a good showing from many members of the department. The competition was fierce at times, and everyone seemed to try to out do each other. We witnessed some notable feats of strength and endurance from several of the competitors.

This year brought the return of some familiar faces including 2-time Ironman Open champ Johnny Burke of Tac, Malcom Anderson of Northern Station, and past champion Eddy Yu of GTF.

We also saw a return of last year's Men's Senior over 200lbs champion Dennis Hughes of the S.F.Sheriffs who came ready to challenge anyone in his class.

We also had an array of teams competing including new entries from Park Station and GTF.

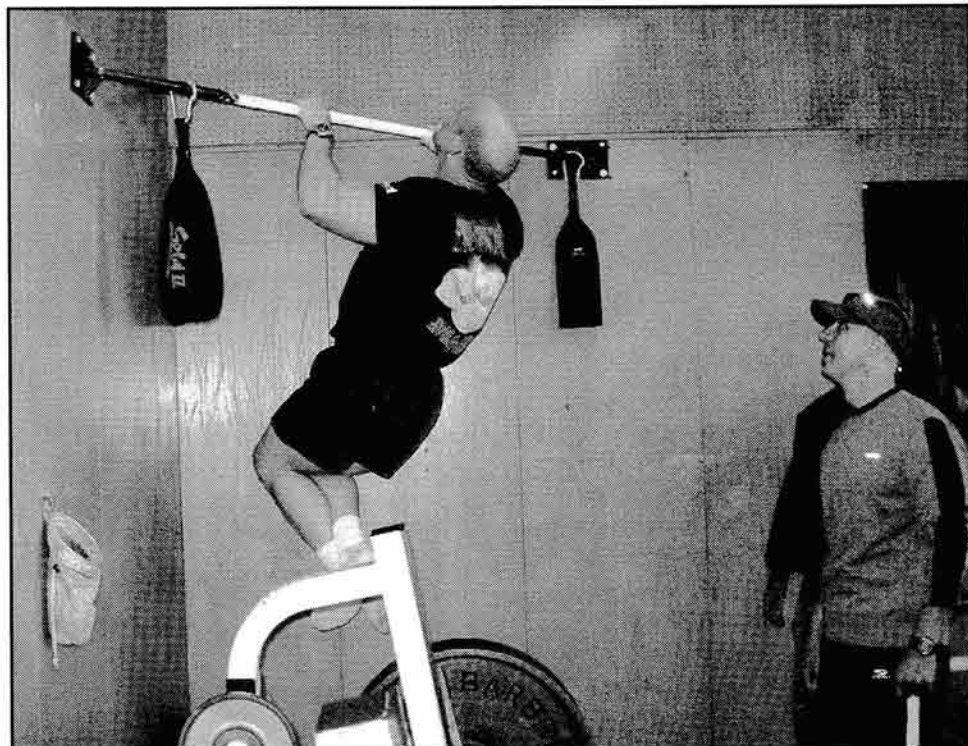
As the competition began, we could tell we would be in for another exciting day of events. Eddy Yu of GTF started the show off early with a staggering bench press of 100 reps at 100lbs. Not to be outdone, Damon Kieve of TAC followed with a Herculean effort of 30 reps at 225lbs.(although 25 already gave him max points). Dante "Soprano kid" Giovannelli of Park Sta-

Marina Chacon representing herself in the Ironwoman senior and mixed doubles category was able to hang on the bar just shy of 2 minutes.

Moving on to the sit-ups, we saw other standouts including Pete Richardson of Mission station who crunched out 162 reps. Steve Thoma of Mission Station(Master's division) showed all of us that age does not matter by completing 134 reps. Mathew Neves of Mission station and competing in the Ironman 200lbs category and Team Open was able to complete 139 reps. The only other competitor to top Richardson's mark was Johnny Burke of Tac who completed the fabled 200 rep max mark with time to spare.

After completing the sit-ups, we continued the event at the Lake Merced Police Range. Malcom Anderson of Northern Station shot well with a score of 705. Damon Kieve(TAC) scored 720 while Mathew Neves (Mission) shot a 755. Alex Takioko representing Northern Station's Senior Team shot a 745, but Paul Weggenmann of Park Station had the best score of the day with an awesome 800. Nice shoot'n kid!

Moving on to the last event of the day - the 4.7 mile lake run. Up to this point, we knew that we had some close competition taking place in the Ironman Open category, and Team Open category. With just one event left, the competitors took their mark and started off up the hill from



happily provided by Pollo Supremo on Mission St. As the competitors sat down and ate and talked about the day's events, my team (Herman Diggs, Mark Williams, and Angelo Spagnoli) began to tally up the numbers and scores.

James Johnson of Max Muscle S.F., and this year's major sponsor of the event showed up just in time for the awards presentation. James Johnson was also the major sponsor for last year's Ironman event as well. James kindly spoke a few words about the competition, and followed it by presenting me with a \$1,500 check made out to the Isaac Espinoza Trust fund. In fact, all entry fees and t-shirt sales from this event go directly to the Isaac Espinoza Trust fund. This year, we collected a total of \$2323.00.

After counting up all the scores and re-checking our results, we finally had our results. Marina Chacon of TTF took the Ironwoman Senior category.

Mathew Neves(Mission Station) placed first in the 200lbs and over Ironman category with Bassey Obot (Tac) finishing second.

The Ironman Senior category was very close. Damon Kieve (Tac) put up some high marks across the board, but fell a little short to Dennis Hughes' (SF Sheriffs) impressive scores. With just 167 pts separating first from second,

pull-ups and sit-ups, and fast run time that made the difference.

In the Team Open category, GTF edged out Mission Station by just 190 pts to take the title. Mission Station was actually leading prior to the lake run thanks in part to Gaffud's 775 range score. Sean Griffin (GTF) quietly wiped away all of Mission Station's hopes by beating everyone around the lake, and giving GTF the 2005 team open title.

TTF and Bayview #1 finished 3rd and 4th respectively with just 87 pts separating them. Newcomer Park Sta-



tion showed up to the event wearing a dark black suit (a little odd since everyone else was in athletic gear). Dante soon showed us that he was not just another "Joe Blow" in a suit. Partially disrobing in front of the crowd to just his slacks and a white muscle t-shirt, Dante pounded out 22 reps at 225lbs, while his team partner Eric Vintero cheered him on.

Dennis "Strongman" Hughes of the Sheriffs department also displayed some of his own strength by quickly benching 94 reps at 100lbs. Carlos Manfredi of Mission station also had an impressive bench of 93 reps at 100lbs. Lastly, Les Smith of TTF also showed us a very respectable 90 reps at 100lbs.

After catching our breath from the bench press, we moved on to the pull ups. Dein Ha of TTF, and Eddy Yu of GTF both completed an impressive number of 47 pull-ups, just 2 shy for max points. It was only Johnny Burke of Tac who was able to reach the 49 pull-up mark. Dennis Hughes of the Sheriffs department completed 43 pull-ups, while Kevin Knoble of GTF did 37.



the range.

At the 28:16 mark, Sean Griffin of GTF crossed the finish line first; he didn't even look winded at all. Very impressive! Close on his heels was Johnny Burke(TAC) with a great time of 28:30. Third to cross the line was Dennis Hughes(SF Sheriffs) with a time of 31:11. As time went on and more competitors crossed the line we began to wind down the long day of events.

The competitors were then treated to an endless bounty of hot food

Dennis was able to take the title. I have a feeling that Damon will be back next year now that he's fired his manager (me) and will be a force to reckon with in the Senior, or possibly the over 200lbs category. (Mathew Neves take note.)

In the Ironman Open category, we had just three competitors. Both Malcom Anderson and Eddy Yu put up some great numbers, but it was Johnny Burke who edged out Eddy Yu again for the third straight year to take the title. It was his 1000 pts in both the



tion finished an admirable 5th, while Bayview #2 finished 6th. The camaradery at Charlie Company must be high since Bayview sent two teams to compete this year.(If we could only get more stations like yours to compete.) Great Job!

Northern Station took the team senior category, while Mission Station repeated to win the Team Master's division.

In all, everyone that participated helped make this year's event a memorable one. This event experienced a 12 year absence in the 80's to the 90's. It would be a shame for it to fade away again. The Tactical Unit has had the honor to host the event for the last two years. Now we pass the torch on to GTF to host this honorable event next year.

Thanks to all who helped put this event together. A big thank you to "T-shirt fever" in Colma for putting together the new shirts, Pollo Supremo, Max Muscle of SF, and the S.F.P.O.A.

Also a special thanks to Lamont and Tonelli from 107.7 THE BONE (you too Sully) for giving us the airtime to help promote our event.

Take care and be safe.

2005 MAX MUSCLE / S.F.P.O.A. IRONMAN COMPETITION RESULTS

MEN'S OPEN	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN
1. JOHN BURKE Tactical Unit Total Score: 4140 pts	75 x 100 (750)	49*(1000)	200* (1000)	480	28:30 (910)
2. ED YU Gang Task Force Total Score: 3830 pts	100* x 100(1000)		47 (940)	151 (755)	540 33:45 (595)
3. MALCOM ANDERSON Northern Station Total Score: 3122 pts	75 x 100 (750)	28 (560)	107 (535)	705	34:08 (572)

* Denotes maximum reps for that event

WOMEN SENIOR	BENCH PRESS	HANG-TIME	SIT-UPS	SHOOT_RUN __	
1. MARINA CHACON TTF Total Score: 1294 pts	32 x 100 (320)	1:53 (339)	88 (440)	185	43:40 (10)

MEN'S OVER 200 LBS	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN
1. MATHEW NEVES Mission Station Total Score: 3000 pts	70 x 100 (700)	17 (340)	139 (695)	755	35:11 (509)
2. BASSEY OBOT Tactical Unit Total Score: 2430 pts	49 x 100 (490)	23 (460)	100 (500)	455	34:55 (525)

MEN'S OVER 40 YRS	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN
1. DENNIS HUGHES SF Sheriffs Department Total Score: 3509 pts	94 x 100 (940)	43 (860)	152 (760)	200	31:11 (749)
2. DAMON KEEVE Tactical Unit Total Score: 3342 pts	25(225lbs)* x 40 (1000)	35 (700)	106 (530)	720	37:08 (392)

* Denotes maximum reps for that event

IRONMAN DOUBLES	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN
1. MARINA CHACON/ JOHN CONWAY Tenderloin Station Total Score: 2371 pts	32 x 100 (320) Chacon	1:53 (339) Chacon	106 (530) Conway	530 Conway	32:48 (652) Conway

IRONMAN 2-MAN	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN
1. ERIC VINTERO/ DANTE GIOVANNELLI Park Station Total Score: 3159 pts	22(225lbs) x 40 (880) Giovannelli	35 (700) Vintero	129 (645) Vintero	500 Vintero	36:26(434) Vintero

TEAM OPEN	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN
1.GANG TASK FORCE Total Score: 3714 pts	17(225lbs) x 40 (680) Murphy	37 (740) Knoble	151 (755) Yu	615 Lau	28:16 (924) Griffin
2. MISSION STATION Total Score: 3524 pts	93 x 100 (930) Manfredi	25 (500) Lew	162 (810) Richardson	775 Gaffud	35:11 (509) Neves
3. TENDERLOIN STATION Total Score: 3027 pts	90 x 100 (900) Smith	47 (940) Ha	87 (435) Anton	70 Defilippo	32:24 (676) Moser
4. BAYVIEW STATION #1 Total Score: 2940 pts	76 x 100 (760) Erb	21 (420) Wakayama	99 (495) Archini	575 Festa	32:10 (690) Perez
5. PARK STATION Total Score: 2827 pts	51 x 100 (510) Whatley	35 (700) Vintero	105 (525) Elieff	800 Weggenmann	38:48 (292) Harrell
6. BAYVIEW STATION #2 Total Score: 2239 pts	65 x 100 (650) Chiang	22 (440) Borgen	72 (360) Cahill	200 Chu	33:51 (589) Weise

TEAM SENIOR OVER 40	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN_
1. NORTHERN STATION Total Score: 2752 pts	67 x 100 (670) Rodgers	28 (560) Anderson	113 (535) Kreps	745 Takioko	39:38 (242) Brennan

TEAM MASTERS	BENCH PRESS	PULL-UPS	SIT-UPS	SHOOT	RUN
1. MISSION STATION Total Score: 2038 pts	36(60lbs) x 100 (360) Lucas	21 (420) Tong	134 (670) Thoma	175 Neitz	36:47 (413) Escobar

Isaac Espinoza Memorial Softball Tournament 2nd Edition

By Marc Marquez,
Southern Station

With each passing day, week, and year of our lives' work and play, we scarce have time to catch our collective breath. We make time, however, for this one weekend a year. This is our time, not just on the Anniversary day, to remember Isaac, Alias- ZAK. That is the very reason why Kevin Worrell and I put on this Tournament-bringing together those whom Isaac, alone, brought together.

Well, even though donations were slim this year, Kevin and many others - all of whom forgive me if I don't individually acknowledge you by name-made it happen. San Bruno Park and Rec., once again, were very generous with the use of their fields. This year, Kevin Edison and Jeff Aloise were able to get us donations from Del Monte Meat Company. Jeff used his Chef skills and with the help of Kevin Edison, Damon Jackson and Sgt L. Leow from Northern Station, put on a Great Barbecue for everyone on both Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, they prepared Chicken, Ribs, Hotdogs and Links. On Sunday, it was savory Tri-Tip, Salad and Beans. Unfortunately, Jeff suffered by being the first casualty of the Tournament-he had his front windshield smashed by a foul ball as he prepared for the Barbecue.

and defend their title.

The second day of the Tournament, Saturday, August 27, 2005, was a long but great day. We had a grand total of 28 games on tap for the day, highlighted by two of the "favorite" teams playing each other in the loser's bracket- SFPD Blue Vs Rapid Transit (Mr. Pickle). This was the heavyweight title-fight, NFC Championship game, NL Championship game, or any other analogy that you could make it out to be. SFPD Blue reloaded as Glenn Ortega and Shoeless Rob Fung made it to the game. Everyone believed that the winner of this game would be playing for it all on Sunday... That was not to be!

These teams were head-and-shoulders above the rest of the field, but as we all know, the best team doesn't always win. This was a battle of epic proportion and in the end it was Rapid Transit posting a 4-run victory over SFPD Blue. The game didn't go without its well-anticipated static. In the first inning, the sheer desire to win charged the teams-we almost had a fight. Cooler heads prevailed, and the teams took it out on the field. Once again, an SFPD Blue player had issues on the field. This issue was not against another player, but against his own tooth! Yes, I said his TOOTH! I will not name the player (see attached photo). The player was told by several players, his wife and



Gary Delagnes (on ground) looking for a missing tooth with help from his family.

The entire Espinoza family made it out for the opening game. Renata Espinoza's younger sister Ruth gave us the honor of singing the National Anthem. We had five games scheduled on Friday Night. All of the games went off without a hitch and all teams came ready to play. By night's end, five teams fell into the loser's bracket. The opening game, reserved for last year's defending champions, was between SFPD Blue and Forty's, (last year was known as Café Roma). Once again SFPD Blue was the Department hand picked ALL-Stars loaded with talent. It was a great game and Forty's surprised everyone by showing up with some talent of their own. Glen Wilson (Mission's Patrol Special) put a quality team together this year and it showed with a stunning one run victory over SFPD Blue. SFPD Blue, to their credit, was not at full strength and they were missing players like John Rochlin, Glenn Ortega and Rob Fung. Take nothing away from the winners, however, as SFPD Blue dropped into the loser's bracket. They would now have to champion their way through in order to repeat

even I told him to take the lose tooth out so he wouldn't lose it. But he did not listen and during one of his at-bats he hit the ball. During his run to first base, out popped the tooth. In fact, the player yelled: "Time out-I lost my tooth!" So now we had several people on the field searching for a front tooth. It was like looking for a parking spot if you work at Southern Station. Well it took the players WIFE to locate the lost tooth. Now, the player not only had to live with embarrassment of losing his tooth on the field, but that his wife had to find it for him. Way to save the day, and especially some money, the Tooth Fairy thanks you.

Back to some of the other games-another team that played well all weekend long was SF All-Stars, assembled by our own Rafael Labutan from Richmond Station. The SF All-Stars made it through the loser's bracket to play on Sunday and had to play three tough games in order to make it to the title game. Another team that played very good after their first loss was Local 6. Local 6 lost their first game Friday night to SF All-Stars and came



SFPD Blue (1 to r): Kevin Worrell, Quoc Do, Greg Buhagiar, Nelson Ramos, John Ferrando, Josh Kumli, Chuck Collins



SFPD Blue (1 to r): Josh Kumli, Chuck Collins, Gary Delagnes, Greg Latos, Mike Hara, Nick Shihadeh (Not shown: Glenn Ortega, Jake Fegan, Rob Fung, and Matt Hanley)

back on Saturday ready to play. Local 6 won their next 4 games knocking off SFSD, Team "925", Bruno Boys and Sierra Lumber finally losing to Chuy Gomez.com.

As for Isaac's team, Bayview played Taraval Station in their opening game and won. They then moved on to play the eventual runner-up, SF All-Stars, in their second game. Bayview lost that game and now moved into the loser's bracket and was scheduled to play the other team that Isaac used to play on, Sierra Lumber (Old Clam House). Sierra Lumber was not at full strength as Manager Tony Mares was hurt and

could only watch from the dugout. Sierra Lumber was able to pull out the victory over Bayview. Sierra Lumber for the second year in a row played in the final game on Saturday Night and came up a little short from playing on Sunday. There were other games that were outstanding and I could not go into details on all the games and for that I apologize to all the teams that I did not mention.

Sunday, August 28, 2005, was the final day of the Tournament. Six games were on tap-seven if the undefeated team lost the Championship game. The first game was SF All-Stars Vs Rapid



Champions of the tourney: the Yard Sale Softball Team

Transit. SF All-Stars won that game by the 12-run mercy rule after 5 innings. Their second game came against Chuy Gomez.com, a team sponsored by the radio personality Chuy Gomez from KMEL. Once again SF All-Stars won that game and now moved on to play Forty's for the right to play in the title game VS Yard Sale. Both teams had one loss and both teams had the talent to win it all-but we all know-if you don't hit you cannot win. Forty's played well but just could not come up with the much needed two out hit to get the runner home and ended up losing by only two runs. Forty's first loss was against the eventual Champion Yard Sale on Sunday Morning. Forty's lost both of their games by a combined three run total.

Now, for the Championship game: the undefeated Yard Sale vs. SF All-Stars. Both teams took the field and lined up on their respective sides of the diamond. They stood as Renata Espinoza threw out the ceremonial first pitch. SF All-Stars, coming off of playing three tough games, played as hard as they could but it was not enough against well-rested Yard Sale. Yard Sale showed why they won the Tournament Championship-they came up with all the necessary hits at clutch time to post the VICTORY!! After some pictures with Renata and Isabella Espinoza, both teams were ready for some of that outstanding Barbecue. While the teams enjoyed the food, everyone else was ready for the Raffle. The Grand prize was a three-day, two night trip to Las Vegas. We also had Giants Luxury Suite tick-

ets, 49er tickets and some restaurant gift certificates. Well with the help of Isabella Espinoza, Mike "Bugsy" Moran will be going to Las Vegas. Bugsy wanted to let everyone know that last year he was only two numbers off from going to Hawaii. Well, I guess he was going to win it sooner or later. I would like to take this time to thank the Espinoza Family for allowing us to put on this Tournament in the name of ISAAC.

We had a great showing of teams this year-a Grand total of 20 teams, up from 14 last year. We had some contenders and also a few pretenders, but for the most part everyone that came out had a good time and that is what this Tournament is all about. I would like to thank every team and every person that came out to support the Tournament this year. We hope to see you all next year. We still have some Tournament T-Shirts, visors, and Women T-Shirts for sale, so please contact me at Southern Station or Kevin Worrell at Central Station, to proudly wear your Isaac Espinoza Memorial Softball Tournament garb.

Thanks to the Following Teams and Organizations for your support:

Yard Sale SF All-Stars SFPD Blue Sierra Lumber Bayview Taraval Chucky's Bruno Boys Forty's DC Dawgs Chuy Gomez.com Local 6 MC 3 Rapid Transit 925 Pacifica PD SFPD Carl T's Cable Car Brew's Bros.

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Espinoza paraphernalia (hats, T-shirts) from tourney are still available through Marc Marquez @ Southern Station.



Renata Espinoza (Isaac's widow) throws out the first pitch before the championship game.



The SF All Stars featuring Raffy Labutan (Richmond Station) took 2nd place in the tourney.

PHOTOS BY RAFAEL LAUBTAN



Tournament organizers Kevin Worrell of Central Station (far left) and Marc Marquez of Southern Station (far right) congratulate Bayview's Mike "Bugsy" Moran (middle) after Mike won the trip to Las Vegas.

Donation to Espinoza Softball Tournament

Local Businesses Contribute to Espinoza Softball Tourney

The San Francisco Police Officers Association is grateful to the both of the following local suppliers who were gracious enough to donate meats and produce for the Espinoza Softball Tournament.

Thank You, Del Monte Meat Company

By Kevin Edison
Southern Station

We thank Chris Fontana of the Del Monte Meat Company for the generous donation of tri-tips, chicken quarters, and a variety of sausage for the barbeque at the Espinoza Softball Tournament.

Del Monte Meat is a neighbor of the SFPOA and a thriving local business located at 757 Bryant Street. The company has been serving the restaurants and merchants of San Francisco and the greater Bay Area since 1927.

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Thank You, Demartini Produce Company

By Jeff Aloise
Northern Station

We also thank Annette Lee and Amy Richardson of John Demartini Produce Company located in the San Francisco Produce Terminal at 2080 Jerrold Street. They donated food to The Isaac Espinoza Softball Tournament.

Their generous donation consisted of 20lbs. of garden salad, 6 cases of plums, 8 cases of apricots, and 40lbs of organic bananas.

Thank you very much.

Sports

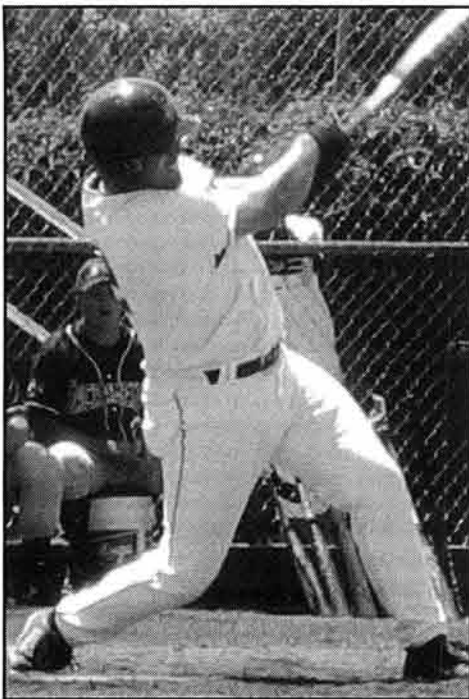


The SFPD Baseball Team Wins the Gold

By Pablo Ossio with help from Rob Fung

The SFPD blues traveled to Reno, NV to compete in the 2005 Western States Police/Fire games. The team had a new look this year with Rob Fung taking over the managerial duties for Jake Fegan. He made all field decisions (rolled the dice, pulled the strings) with the assistance of Jon Rochlin and myself. The team's ultimate goal was to represent our department in the finest manner and bring home a gold medal. We were able to do both with a 7-6 victory over Sacramento P.D. in a shortened game to win the Gold Medal.

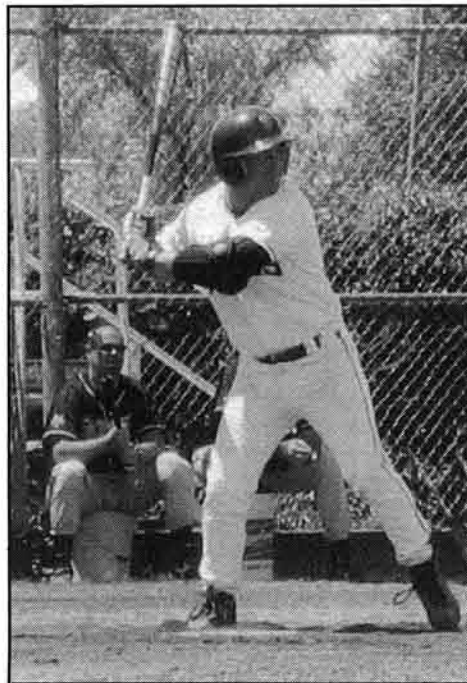
Early in the week, our first game was an 18-8 victory over a combo Santa Clara Alliance Team. Our plan was to start Steve "leave me alone on the mound" Griffin from Southern Station. I knew Steve's competitive nature would allow us to start him twice in the week and he did not disappoint. He pitched six super innings working both sides of home plate before being relieved by Greg "Everyday" Buhagier. Greg's new nickname is because he pitched in 3 of our 5 games. Our offense scored early and often to hold off the Santa Clara team.



Steve Griffink, Southern Station

Our second game was against the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department. Our founding father Jake "Big Daddy" Fegan from Narcotics took the mound. Jake left the game with a leg injury with the score tied 1-1 in the 4th inning. Rob Fung and Jon Rochlin singled in the bottom of the 4th to start the inning. Kevin "Elvis" Worrell from Central Station entered the game as a pinch hitter for Jake and he laced a double down the right field line to push us ahead 2-1. The back breaking double opened up the floodgates to an 11-1 victory. Greg "Everyday" Buhagier was called on to close out the game again.

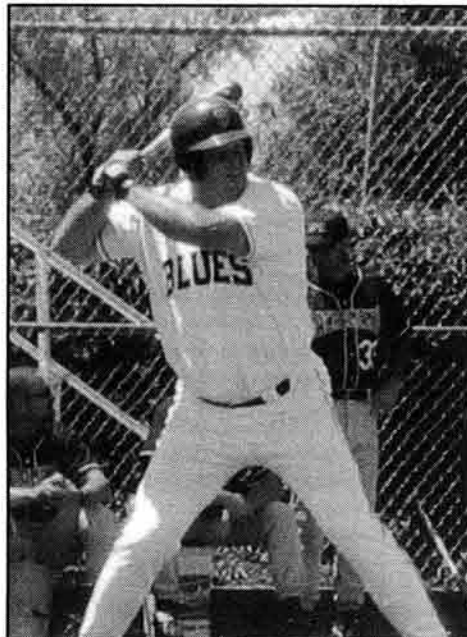
Our third game was against a team



Greg Buhagiar, Southern Station

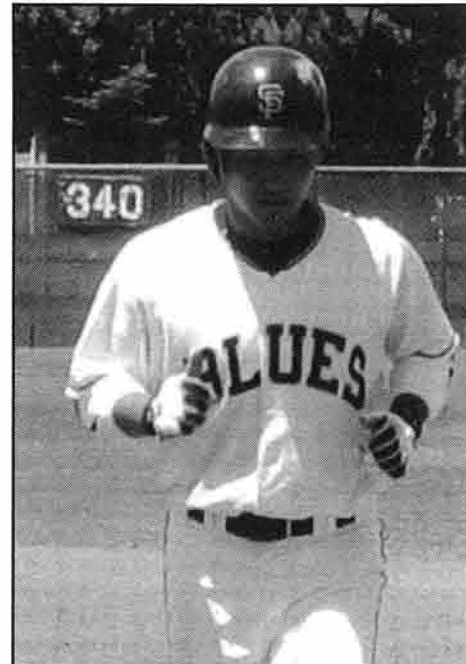
The key to this game was a tactical move made by Sac PD late in the game. With the SFPD team trailing 13-2, Rob Fung decided to clear his bench. He sent up three pinch hitters, Rick Yick from Southern, Dom Celaya from Mission, and Glenn Ortega from the Solos. Two of the pinch hitters reached base to start a small rally. Sacramento then decided to walk Jon Rochlin and load the bases with two outs. We all know how talented Jon is but how was he going to hit a 12 run homer with only 2 guys on base? These moves "woke the sleeping dog" The SFPD Team and its spectators "The Hooligans" were infuriated. It also set up the rivalry. You could call it the start of another Giants-Dodgers rivalry or Red Sox - Yankees series. Take your pick?

The loss put us in the position of being the second seed in our division. That meant we would have to play the Orange County Sheriffs, the first seed in the other division. They were the silver medalists at last year's games and by all accounts the favorites to return to the gold medal game. OCS was putting up an average of 14 runs



Jake Fegan, Narcotics

per game. Once again we called on Greg "Everyday" Buhagier, and he responded big time. This was Greg's third appearance in four days. Thank goodness for protein shakes and vitamin supplements. Greg pitched a complete game victory. Our offense was firing on all cylinders as we scored a total of 22 runs. We out slugged our opponents 22-14 to advance to the gold medal round. Leading the way was Jon Rochlin who unleashed two homeruns (1-grand salami and a 3 run homer). Josh Kumli started his first game of the tournament and never broke stride, he drove in 5 runs with a base-clearing double and triple. The Sac PD team was conspicuously present in the front row scouting our game. You really couldn't miss them, as all you had to look for was the 1980's mullet haircut the team was fashioning.

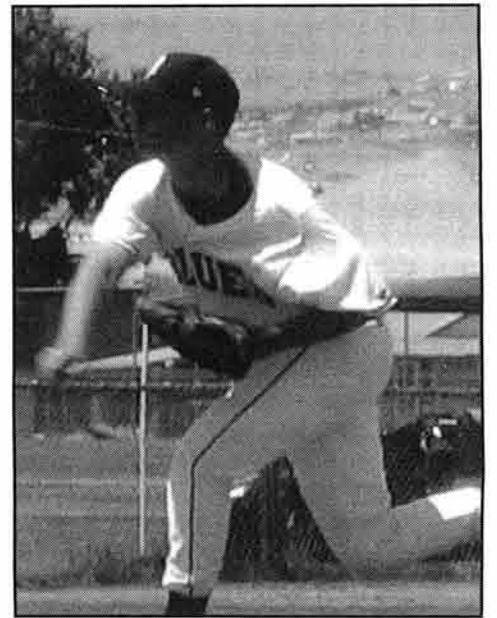


Mike Hara, Tac

Now for the Championship Game

The team was ready and excited to avenge the loss to Sac PD. The plan was on target as we were sending Steve Griffin back to the mound. It was a seesaw battle as we took turns scoring runs. The Sac PD team drew first blood as they scored one run in the bottom of the 1st inning. We responded by scoring 4 runs in the top of the second with timely hitting from Josh "Grizzly Adams" Kumli and John "I'll get my cousin Bruno on you" Ferrando.

Sac PD scored 5 runs in the bottom of the second and took a 6-4 lead. We came back and scored 3 runs in the top of third. The stage was set with runners on first and third with Jon Rochlin coming to the plate. Sac PD was constantly complaining about calls throughout the game and this was only the third inning. Their pitcher would walk towards the plate and argue balls and strikes with the umpire, a definite "NO! NO!" in baseball. They had already pitched around Jon and walked him intentionally in his previous at bat. Jon battled to a full count



Adam Choy, Central Station

and took a pitch off his left elbow to load the bases. The Sac PD pitcher began to argue the call as well as his catcher and manager. I can only think the pressure must have been too much because I have never seen anyone lose their composure and argue a call that much so early in a championship game. The score was only 7-6 in the 3rd inning with the bases loaded, two outs, and at least 4 more innings to be played. This game could have gone either way. The umpire ejected the manager, the pitcher and the catcher for arguing. The umpires conferred and made a game breaking decision; Sac PD's conduct was unacceptable and we were awarded the game and gold medal.

Our team battled throughout the tournament scoring a total of 60 runs in five games and had a batting average of .430. The team jelled for the first time and no one put themselves before the team. We got timely hitting up and down the lineup and great defense from Quoc Do of GTF and Mike Hara of TAC. Both guys came thru when they were called on to do the little things (steal bases and move guys over). The long relief duties fell on the shoulders of Adam "Yes, K.C." Choy, who shut down Sac PD in the first match-up for 3 innings. Ryan Seto from the Academy coached first base and Clayton "I can't find a pair of navy socks" Clayton was in the dugout. Last but not least Jim "Rudy", "I love you guys" Trail once again made his presence felt on and off the field (Hotel Bar). He battled on the field by fouling off numerous pitches at the plate, and downed many beers off the field. The entire TEAM contributed to our victories in one way or another.

I would like to thank all the fans who were able to attend our games. The "Hooligans" were our tenth man. It was impressive to see the stands filled with the San Francisco contingent drowning out the other spectators. Great Job!


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Close Encounters

By Steve Johnson
SFPOA

The Police Commission meetings held every Wednesday night at City Hall are pretty much turning into an additional oversight committee. I don't think that was the purpose of having a Police Commission. One would think they would be just as interested in maybe something like a 5-year plan determining where their Police Department is going in addition to personnel matters. Might be nice to know just how many police officers you're going to have left each year, with retirements creeping up, as well as whether/not you'll have the resources to make sure they can do their job. Instead, the Public Comment section at the very beginning of each week's agenda more or less drives the rest of the meeting turning the greater portion of the evening into a kind of mix of Jerry Springer reruns, the Not Ready for Prime Time bunch, and Jay Leno's Jaywalking All-Stars. Yet, to be fair, every once in a while there are some very well-intentioned speakers who are there for the right reason.

Unfortunately, there has been a rush to judgment by many of those who speak during Public Comment as they constantly remind the Commission that, rather than wait for an investigation to be completed – depending on the situation at hand – they want greater “accountability” of police officers now – this very minute – with/without due process. Oh really. Never mind that we already have an Investigations Bureau, a Management Control Division, a District Attorney's Office, an Office of Citizen Complaints, and Federal Courts always willing to receive legal papers involving police officers, nope – they want more. In reality, the accountability “problem” has nothing to do with police officers. The “problem” exists because people who should be responsible (i.e. parents, friends, and other family members) are not accepting their role. They want the Police Department to do that for them.

Police officers cannot be blamed when a person joins a gang. They cannot be blamed when someone takes a gun and shoots people. They cannot be responsible for people who want to kidnap others, become addicted to narcotics, assault police officers, and who, basically, commit any felony at any time whenever they feel like it. This is not what accountability is in the scope of a police officer's responsibility. People who want to transfer their adult responsibilities try to do so by blaming the Police Department. We are not talking about accountability here . . . we are talking denial. And, as soon as members of our community realize who really is responsible for what happens on the street every day, then maybe we'll see a change for the better. Until that time we will continue to have . . . Public Comment.

So far, from January 2005, to the

end of August 2005, we have lost 40 law enforcement officers in the United States. 5 of the officers killed were investigating suspicious persons... Officer Ajay Singh and his partner Officer Dave Batchelder were driving by the restaurant at 3rd and King Streets at 3:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 4, 2005, when the manager of the establishment flagged them down and asked them to detain a woman who had failed to pay for her meal and who was walking down 3rd Street. The officers approached the woman and, as Ajay got closer, he touched her arm and asked if they could talk. The woman immediately spun around with a gun in her hand and pushed the gun into Ajay's chest. Ajay could see her index finger on the trigger. He immediately grabbed her arm and a struggle for control of the weapon took place with Officer Batchelder joining. The officers soon had the weapon and the suspect, a 34-year old homeless woman with a previous criminal record, in custody.

Of the 40 police officers who lost their lives so far this year, 37 of them were killed by guns... Officer William O'Brien and Officer Keith Matthews were flagged down by a group of tourists at Broadway and Montgomery. They were all pointing at an individual walking down the street saying that he had a gun and that he had just robbed them. William and Keith ran after the suspect who suddenly turned on the officers and had his hand reaching into his waistband. The officers ordered him to show his hands and, fortunately, he did. The gun he was reaching for was a fully-loaded, 9mm semi-automatic weapon, the same one he had just used to rob the tourists.

Officer Brian Oliver and his partner Officer Paul Doherty pulled a car over after it had failed to stop for a red light and as soon as the car was stopped everyone got out. The driver and 2 passengers all tried to leave but Brian and Paul kept control of the situation that is, until the passenger refused to show his hands. This subject tried to then run away but was detained and then there was a struggle because he was trying to get to the fully-loaded, 9mm semi-automatic he had concealed on his person. The suspect was eventually taken into custody and a search of the car revealed it was pretty much a rolling pharmacy, without a license to distribute.

Several officers have volunteered to work the Department's Operation Ceasefire and Officer Ray Lee, Officer Angel Lozano, and Officer Greg Buhagiar were 3 who did. The officers watched a suspected gang member for a short period of time and it was obvious why he was walking rather suspiciously, it all centered around the fact that he was armed with a Tec 9 assault weapon. As the officers approached this individual he decided to discard the weapon – fortunately. There are many other suspects out there who do not.

The same thing happened to Officer Mike Androvich and Officer Jim Trail. They spotted someone they had wanted to talk to but who, instead, decided he'd try his new running shoes out. The chase didn't last long because he was running a little heavier than normal – the extra weight was from the Mini-14 assault weapon he had been carrying. The weapon had the stock sawed off and was fully-loaded with a fifty-round magazine attached.

And it was very fortunate that there was a group of officers who were working together in the Bayview on one particular night. Officer Jason Kirchner, Officer Mike Ellis, Officer Craig Leung, Officer Ray Lee, Officer Reginald Scott, and Officer Mark Lantrip happened upon a group of young men who, it had been rumored, were associated with a local gang. Sure enough, the young men were caught with ski

masks, a 9mm semi-automatic pistol equipped with a mounted laser scope, and an assault rifle loaded with 100 rounds of ammunition.

And, over in the sunset District there was a report of an individual who was wearing a bullet-resistant vest armed with a gun. Officer Lamar Toney found the suspect and, with the assistance of Officer Buddy Siguido and Officer Herman Chu, alleviated him of the option of waiting for the next opportunity to turn his weapon in voluntarily... the vest went too.

Just how early can they start...

Officer Sylvia Petrossian arrested a man and a young woman for sales and possession of some serious narcotics in the Tenderloin District. Sylvia just didn't know how young the girl was – turned out she was only 14 years old and 'promised' not to return to her life of crime. We'll see...

Officer Dan Simone and Officer Pilar Torres also caught up with the driver of a red sports car who was demonstrating his driving techniques of spinning donuts and other fancy maneuvers – unfortunately, for him, he was demonstrating his skills in a dead-end street. Dan and Pilar simply blocked him off and he gave up. Turned out the car was stolen and the driver...a child of 13 years.

Somehow, I wouldn't be surprised to have a bunch of new arrivals at the Public Comment portion of the next Police Commission meeting, no doubt friends and parents of those who have been caught driving stolen cars, selling drugs, joining gangs for the purpose of killing others, carrying assault weapons around, and other nefarious deeds... and they will echo the mantra we've already heard so often and which we are all so tired of hearing... “the police officers in this City need to be held accountable!”. And then the speakers will leave the meeting satisfied they've completed their moral obligation as friends and parents of those who, it turns out, are really suffering from the denial of those friends and parents they've always wanted to count on.

First Annual POA Sports Hall of Fame Induction Dinner

Don't Miss This Spectacular Inaugural Event Honoring the Best Athletes in the San Francisco Police Officers Association, Past and Present

Friday, November 11, 2005

Hosted Cocktails 6:00 – 6:45 PM • Dinner at 7:00 PM • \$30 per person

Italian-American Athletic Club, Stockton Street between Union and Green

To RSVP or more info, contact Nick Shihadeh at 415.242.3000, or the POA at 415.861.5060

The following group of outstanding athletes will be the first inductees into the POA Sports Hall of Fame

Gary Bertucci* -- Softball
Ken Sandstrom -- Softball
Jeff Barker* -- Softball, Basketball
Harry Brown -- Softball
Jerry Donovan -- Softball, Basketball
Mark Porto -- Softball, Football
Mike Keys -- Softball
Gerry Calgaro -- Basketball
Charlie Mahoney -- Basketball
Steve Venters -- Basketball
Ed Rodriguez -- Basketball
Anthony Rodriguez -- Basketball
James Deignan -- Basketball
John Brandt* -- Soccer
Jim Deasy* -- Soccer

Tom Bruton -- Soccer
Phil Dito -- Soccer
Bill Dyer -- Soccer
Brian Olcomendy* -- Soccer, Softball Commissioner
Ben Vigil -- Boxing
Lucio Perez -- Distance Running
Jay Christman -- Marksmanship
Frank Petuya -- Swimming
Jeff Brosch -- Cycling
John Currie -- Football, Weight Lifting
Layne Amiot* -- Softball Commissioner
Ann Mannix -- All Around Athlete

Robert Redd -- Football
Joe Garrity -- Football
Jack Minkel -- Football, Softball, Track & Field
Joe Currie -- Football, Weight Lifting
Joe Mollo -- Judo, Founding Organizer of Police Olympics
Dave Herman -- Softball, Soccer
Harry Pearson -- Football
Frank Falzon -- Softball
Leon Sorhondo -- Basketball
Bob Puts -- Basketball/Commissioner

* Posthumous Award