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## November Election Will Impact SFPD Members Need to Get Involved

By Gary Delagnes  
SFPOA President

While the November election features several key races including Mayor and District Attorney, the members of the SFPOA have two issues about which they should be very concerned.

As most of you have followed over the past year Public Defender Jeff

Adachi has been on a crusade to take more and more money out of your pocket in his "retirement contribution" reform that was crafted by his billionaire cronies. If his proposal is successful, it could drastically affect your ability to stay in your home, raise a family, or maintain any decent lifestyle in one of the most expensive regions in the country. The reality is

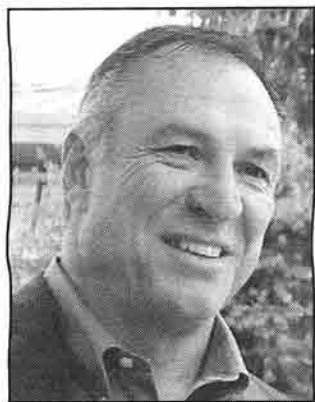
that Mr. Adachi has two motives; sell himself to the voters of San Francisco as a "pension reformer", and an almost maniacal hatred for police officers. He has written the legislation in such a way that it will subject SF public safety workers to the most draconian parts of the ballot measure. We must defeat Proposition "D" and we must pass Proposition "C." Failing to do so could have a catastrophic effect on your pay check in the coming years as Proposition "D" could cost you as much as an additional 10% of your base pay. We will be asking you to get involved in the campaign by carrying mailers and door hangers around the city and if you care at all about your paycheck and your quality of life it would behoove you to get involved and help ensure defeat of Proposition "D." Jeff Adachi is counting on you NOT being involved. His only chance for victory is your apathy and non-participation.

Secondly, Chris Cunnie, a former president of our association and a 28-year member of this department, has courageously entered the race for Sheriff despite a personal tragedy that would stop a lesser person from pursuing any public venture.

As most of you know Chris lost a son to a tragic accident in 2010 and has been taking care of his family, and himself, for the past year. Chris knew



SFPOA President Gary Delagnes that he was the best candidate and has come back against all odds to pursue the sheriff's position. As he continues to accumulate more and more endorsements, he is gaining quickly on his competition and will soon surpass them. It is up to our members to help Chris in his efforts and to get out there on the streets supporting his candidacy. I ask you all to make the same commitment to Chris that he has made to us. I assure you that the gains we have made over the last 15 years in the areas of compensation and pension benefits would not have been possible without Chris' efforts. Take a day or two and give back for all of the things Chris has accomplished for our membership.



### **Elect One of Our Own: Chris Cunnie for SF Sheriff**

As police officers, we know that safety in these difficult times requires the intuition of a seasoned officer, the management experience of a chief and the principles of a reformer in

the treatment community.

Chris Cunnie — who served this organization as president for seven years — is the only candidate for Sheriff who can bring all of these skills together for a safer San Francisco.

Chris Cunnie walked a beat in San Francisco for 17 years and earned two medals of valor. He's walked nearly every street and worked in every neighborhood in this city.

Chris is the only candidate who has managed large operations. He served as Undersheriff — the second-in-command under Sheriff Michael Hennessey — overseeing more than 800 sworn officers. He is a twice-decorated police officer who served as President of the Police Officers Association, Director of Emergency Communications under Mayor Gavin Newsom and Chief of Investigations under District Attorney Kamala Harris.

Chris is not a politician looking for another job — but he does understand politics. Chris has worked in Sacramento to coordinate statewide public safety efforts and represented the 90,000 men and women of law enforcement in California as Vice-President of the California Coalition of Law Enforcement Associations.

As police officers we know that some people don't need to be in jail. As Chris says, "Successful public safety is not just about punishment. It is not just about treatment. It's about both." Chris is a leader in the treatment community who served as President of the Board of Directors of San Francisco's storied Walden House and served as a board member of the California Narcotic Addict Evaluation Authority.

With Chris, we have an opportunity to elect a Sheriff who can bring all these experiences together at a time when we need them most — the implementation of the realignment process that is shifting responsibility for thousands of state prison inmates to local county jails.

Chris entered this race in July and has already won the support of the SFPOA, the APOA, LPOA, Officers for Justice and Firefighters Local 798 — and Senator Dianne Feinstein, Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom and Attorney General Kamala Harris.

The San Francisco Chronicle endorsed Chris and called him "a candidate with an unusual breadth and depth of experiences in law enforcement, management and navigating politics and public policy."

You can learn more about Chris' campaign, sign up to volunteer or make a contribution at [www.ChrisCunnie.com](http://www.ChrisCunnie.com). Let's take this chance to elect one of our own. Election Day is November 8. Absentee voting begins October 10.

**Vote Chris Cunnie for San Francisco Sheriff.**

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October 6-11**





# Minutes of the September 21, 2011 SFPOA Board Meeting\*

*Note: President Delagnes and Secretary Montoya were excused. Vice President Martin directed Editor Ray Shine to record the minutes of the meeting.*

1. Sergeant-at-Arms Valdez called the meeting to order at 1204 pm.

2. Sergeant-at-Arms Valdez led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Treasurer Halloran introduced and welcomed Kim D'Arcy to the Board. Kim is the newly elected representative from Headquarters/Administration.

4. Sergeant-at-Arms Valdez conducted the roll call.

5. Treasurer Halloran advised the Board that there are two vacancies on the Board of Directors due to the recent Sergeant promotions of Rep's Jayme Campbell (Co. B), Dan Laval (Tac). Secretary Tony Montoya (Co. D) was also promoted, but he intends to continue to serve in his capacity as secretary regardless of what his new assignment might be.

6. Treasurer Halloran introduced POA staff paralegal Steve Johnson and POA legal consultant and former SF Assistant DA Russ Giuntini to update the Board on "Brady" issues and changes on the DA's staff that will affect the processing of those issues.

7. VP Martin requested a motion to approve the minutes of the August meeting. The motion was made by Sorgie (Co. G), seconded by Pena (Co. E). Without discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

8. VP Martin updated the Board on the status of the officers involved in a recent officer-involved shooting incident in the Central District. He also extended his appreciation for the timely response to the scene by Rep's Kevin Lyons and Jody Kato.

9. VP Martin introduced Health Ser-
- vices System representative Sharon Ferrigno who updated the Board regarding proposed Prop. C changes to the System, and of the upcoming contract renewal process that will begin in October.

10. The Board discussed some aspects of the information delivered by Ferrigno.

11. VP Martin thanked those members who helped with the 9-11 Memorial Ceremony then expressed his chagrin at the poor showing at the ceremony by Police Commissioners. Others commented on the decreasing interest in such events by the rank-and-file, and the factors that are attributable to the waning interest.

12. Treasurer Halloran updated the Board on the status of the planning and preparations for the upcoming POA Golf Tournament. Val Kirwan suggested that next year the POA might consider hosting a fund-raising poker tournament rather than a golf tourney. Others in the room agreed, and Val volunteered to look further into the matter and report back to the Board in the near future.

13. Representative Pena (Co. E) initiated a discussion about the Sick Pay buy-out provision provided for in the recently re-negotiated contract, specifically section 300c.

14. VP Martin opened a discussion about LWLP pay for Station Keeper. Treasurer Halloran assured the Board that provisions of the MOU stand and trump any independent and/or improper directive from a District Commander.

15. Representative Taylor (Invest) initiated a brief discussion about the recent conflicting statements from Gary Delagnes and George Gascón regarding past affirmations made by DA Gascón on his seeking the death penalty for the murder of a

- police officer slain in the line of duty.
16. Halloran discussed the POA PAC that will be used to campaign for Prop C and against Prop D, as well as efforts that will be under-taken on behalf of Chris Cunnie for Sheriff. VP Martin commented on the fact that the other PEG groups have not been supportive of the POA golf tournament and have not actively supported recent POA political action.
17. Treasurer Halloran delivered his fiscal report, including the fact that we are under-budget by \$478,000. He cautioned, however that the surplus would soon be diminished by political activity.
18. Representative Dorgan inquired about the possibility of obtaining POA donation to Co. C for gym equipment. Treasurer Halloran advised him that the request could be made and will be reviewed after January 1, 2012 due to exhausted gym funding for this calendar year.
19. VP Martin hearing no other business adjourned the meeting at 1:13 pm.
- \*These minutes will not be adopted by the Board of Directors until the next General Membership meeting. Corrections and amendments might be made prior to a vote to enter the minutes into the permanent record. All corrections and/or amendments will be published in the succeeding issue of the Journal.*

Board of Directors Meeting Roll Call					
Wednesday, September 21, 2011					
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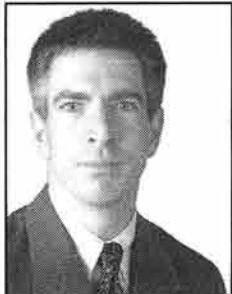


## Counselor's Corner

# Retirees and Active Employees: Standing Shoulder to Shoulder

By John Tennant,  
SFPOA Counsel

As the attacks on public employee retirement benefits continue in full force, we must be on our guard not to allow the opposition to divide rank-and-file workers from retirees. This tactic is a variation on the theme of stoking private-sector worker anger against civil servants on account of the latter's retirement benefits (what some cynically label as "pension envy") — anger which redoubles when cuts to public services are then threatened as a result of maintaining such benefits.



A recent editorial from the *Marin Independent Journal* — only one of many such pieces that abound in the press — illustrates the shape this tactic may assume: "The reality of laying off workers to have enough money to pay those who are no longer working should be troubling to local taxpayers." Note here the author's clever equation of the interest of active public employees with that of private-sector taxpayers in an attempt to make both groups believe that it is the retired public servant who is their common enemy. This cannot be allowed.

There has always existed a potential tension — or "tradeoff" if you like — between wages and retirement benefits: more of one necessarily entails less of the other. Indeed, public-sector retirement systems found their very

origins in the thought that because service to the public could never be remunerated at anything approaching the level of private-sector compensation, retired public servants should not have to spend their golden years in penury. The less you made, the more you deserved a pension, or so the thinking seemed to go.

Contrary to what some may believe, this tension never abated, even during the economic boom times when wage increases as well as retirement benefit enhancements were simultaneously achievable. More of one necessarily resulted in less of the other, resulting in a dynamic which could potentially divide older from younger, retiree versus active employee, veteran versus rookie, etc. As I wrote in the pages of another POA's monthly journal nearly ten years ago in a vastly different economic world, "I have urged the membership at some of our recent meetings to begin having what I call the 'intergenerational conversation' now. There needs to occur an extended dialogue between younger officers who often place their highest priority on a pay raise and older officers who will probably be the strongest champions of attaining the [90%-of final-average-salary retirement] cap." Such was my counsel in light of arbitration decisions which valued pension gains against pay raises (and vice versa), as well as the realities of then-recent collective bargaining agreements.

The need for those intergenerational conversations has not lessened but, rather, increased exponentially, today when many public employees are, at best, seeing their wages decline or, at worst, witnessing the loss of

*"... just as retirees are not the villains and should not be blamed for the present fiscal challenges, so too should active employees not be made to shoulder alone a disproportionate burden of pension costs..."*

those wages in the most extreme of cases: layoff. It is to be expected that our enemies will seek to turn active employees against retirees by blaming the wage cuts and the layoffs on pension costs, in the age-old, divide-and-conquer strategy. Again, we must not allow that to happen.

But solidarity is a two-way street: just as retirees are not the villains and should not be blamed for the present fiscal challenges, so too should active employees not be made to shoulder alone a disproportionate burden of pension costs for benefits that may

prove illusory to them if their wages continue to decline. To put it in the blunt but terribly accurate words of a former police union president who rightly observed many years ago, "Ninety percent of 's\*\*\*' is still 's\*\*\*'."

Current retirees, veteran officers, junior officers, rookies — in short, all of us together — must be part of a larger conversation as to how we help fashion a solution to our current challenge. As the old adage goes, whatever it is that unites us is far stronger than that which divides us.

**"Roll the Union On..."**

## From the Archive

# SFPD Solos Meet Ike



President Eisenhower spoke at the Commonwealth Club. He is departing SF. October 20, 1960. From left to right, the officers are John Coffee (Chief's Driver), Jim Cane (shaking hands), Lou Barberini, Rich Armitage, unknown, Herbert Nelson, Ed Carlton, and Al Milan.

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## Correction

The First Place winner of the 2011 POA Scholarship was David Juarez. He was inadvertently listed as the daughter of one of our members. In fact, David is the focused and accomplished son of Officer Joe Juarez from Co J.

I very much regret the error that appeared on Page 10 of the September issue of the *POA Journal*. That article was titled *Jeff Barker Scholarship Awards*. — Ed.

# Calendar of Events

Mark your calendars for the following meetings and events by the POA and its friends and supporters. 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](mailto:journal@sfpoa.org).

## Regularly Scheduled Meetings or Events

Event	Location	Date & Time	Coordinator
Meeting, Veteran Police Officers Association	Pacific Rod & Gun Club 520 John Muir Drive, SF	Second Tues. of Every Month, 11:00 AM	Larry Barsetti (415) 566-5985 <a href="mailto:larry175@ix.netcom.com">larry175@ix.netcom.com</a>
Meeting, Widows & Orphans Aid Association	Hall of Justice, Room 150, (Traffic Co. Assembly Room)	Second Tues. of Every Month, 2:00 PM	Joe Reilly (415) 681-3660 <a href="mailto:woaasfpolice@gmail.com">woaasfpolice@gmail.com</a>
Meeting, American Legion SF Police-Fire Post	War Memorial Building 410 Van Ness Ave., SF	Second Tues. of Every Month, 6:00 PM	Greg Corrales (415) 759-1076
<b>POA Board of Directors Meeting</b>	<b>POA Building</b>	<b>Third Wed. of Every Month, Noon</b>	<b>POA Office (415) 861-5060</b>
Meeting, Retired Employees of CCSF	Irish Cultural Center	Second Wed. of Every Month, 11:00 AM	Reyna Kuk (415) 681-5949
Retiree Range Re-qualification	SFPD Pistol Range	First Fri. of each Month, 0730 – 1130	Range Staff (415) 587-2274

## Specialty Scheduled Events

SF Airport Golf Tourney	Green Hills Country Club Millbrae, CA	Monday, October 3, 2011 11:30 am	Bob Massola (650) 821-7032
NorCal Retiree Luncheon	The Villa Restaurant 3901 Montgomery Dr, Santa Rosa	October 26, 2011 Noon	Mickey Shea (707) 481-2520
Memorial Mass SF Probation Officers & Family	St. Michael's Ukrainian Church 345 7th Street, SF	Friday, November 4, 2011 Noon	Kerry Totah (415) 553-1496
Retirement Celebration Honoring Robin Matthews	Hyatt Fisherman's Wharf San Francisco	Saturday November 5, 2011 6:00 pm	LAHogue@aol.com



# WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' AID ASSOCIATION

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September 13, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Widows and Orphans Aid Association was called to order by President Matt Gardner on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 1:51 p.m. in Room 150 at the Hall of Justice.

President Gardner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Roll Call of Officers:

President Matt Gardner, Vice-President Mark McDonough, Secretary Joe Reilly, Treasurer Dean Taylor, Trustees John Centurioni, John Keane, Al Luenow and Harold Vance were present. Trustee Bob Mattox was excused.

### Approval of the minutes of the August meeting:

A motion made by Centurioni, seconded by Luenow to approve the August minutes passed without objection.

### Receiving applications for new members, suspensions and reinstatements:

The following persons were report-

ed to the Board as being delinquent in the payment of their annual dues for more than six months: Raymond Austin, Alex Bini, William Darr, James Escobar, Michael Farrell, Robert Gin, John Kranci, Jerry Lankford, Axel Lunn, Alfredo Matteoni, Dennis Moody, Stephen Morimoto, Vincent Neeson, Gerard Neybert, John Poelstra, Kimberly Reynolds, Joyce Watkins, Joseph Yanuska. President Gardiner ordered that these members be suspended from all benefits and privileges pursuant to Article III, Section 3 of the Association's Constitution. If you have contact with any of these members please have them contact the Association immediately.

### Report of the Trustees:

No member deaths were reported during August.

### Communications:

Routine correspondence and the usual monthly bills were received in August. Several donations were received in memory of Thomas Dempsey: \$450.00 from the Nurses at

the California Pacific Medical Center Neonatal Intensive Care Unit; \$50.00 from Mark Conlon. The Association also received a \$1500.00 disbursement from the Fleck Family Trust, which had named the Association as a Trust beneficiary.

### Bills Payable:

Treasurer Taylor presented the routine monthly expenses of the Association and requested approval for their payment. A motion by Centurioni, seconded by Vance to approve payment passed without objection.

### Unfinished Business: None

### New Business:

Tiret & Co., the firm that handles the Association's audits and accounting, reported that amended W-2 statements were issued for tax year 2010 as the result of unreported salary discovered during the annual audit. Since this was an apparent oversight on the part of the Association, the Board considered paying reasonable expenses for amended tax return preparation incurred by those persons affected.

A motion by Centurioni, seconded by Vance to pay such expenses, if a claim is submitted, passed without objection.

### Good of the Association:

If you are a Widows and Orphans member who will be retiring soon, or if you have retired in the last year, please remember that payroll deductions for dues will stop. Please contact the Association for instructions on maintaining your membership. Members can contact the Association at [woaasfpolice@gmail.com](mailto:woaasfpolice@gmail.com) in addition to the Association's voice mail phone number (415) 681-3660, or speak to any one of the Association officers.

### Adjournment:

President Gardner set the next meeting for Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 1:45 p.m. in Room 150 at the Hall of Justice. A moment of silence was observed for our deceased members. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Fraternally  
Joe Reilly  
Secretary

## Retirements

The San Francisco Police Officers Association congratulates the following POA members on her recent retirement from the SFPD. This veteran will be difficult to replace, as she takes with her decades of experience and job knowledge. The most recently retired SFPD members is:

- Inspector Jennifer Forrester #1478 from Medical Liaison



## Memorial Mass for Deceased Probation Officers and Families

St. Michael's Ukranian Church  
345-7th Street • San Francisco  
Friday, November 4, 2010 • 12:00 Noon

Coordinator: Kerry Totah at (415) 553 1496

## Deaths

The POA Journal was notified\* of the recent deaths of the following SFPD members, non-sworn employees (n/s), or affiliated persons:

Name of Deceased	Date of Death	Age	Status	Notification by
Andrew Farren	September 12, 2011	98	Retired SFPD	M. Ortelle
Chris Mills	2011	Unk	Retired SFPD	R. LaPrevotte
George Rosko, Sr.	September 3, 2011	87	Retired SFPD	R. Shine
Christopher Sullivan	September 2, 2011	74	Retired SFPD	M. Ortelle

\*Notifications are made by a POA member, family member, or other reliable source.  
The POA Journal believes the information to be true and correct, however the staff or employees of the SFPOA make no official confirmation.

## Submitting Obituaries and Memorial Tributes

Any member may submit a separate memorial tribute to a deceased member. Any such piece will not appear in the matrix, but will be placed in the Mail section, or, with prior approval of the editor, as a sidebar piece. The Journal will also accept and publish in the Mail section short letters about a deceased member written by a person in the immediate family. However, the Journal will not reprint obituaries or photos that were published in any other print media, web site, or Internet blog.

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## AROUND THE DEPARTMENT

By Al Casciato



### ...Chief's Message:

Editor Ray Shine tells me that he decided to place the column written by Chief Suhr on the same page as *Around the Department* because it would be seen by the maximum number of readers. Ray says that not only is *Around* one of the most widely read columns, it is also the longest running in the history of the POA Paper (At least 35 years). Thanks for the compliment, Ray, and welcome to the page, Chief...

### ...Birth:

Bayview Station's Aaron and Wendy Cowhig proudly announce the birth of their second son, **Ryan Benjamin Cowhig** 7 lbs 6 oz 19 1/2 inches long born Monday August 22, 2011 at 0242 hours at Kaiser San Francisco. Big brother **Conner**, 18 months, is thrilled with his new brother as are Grandparents retired **Mike and Debbie Cowhig**...Welcoming their third son on September 7, 2011, 0208 hours at Kaiser San Francisco were Mission Station's **Glen and Jenelle Wilson**. **Luke Andrew Wilson** 5 lbs 11 oz 19 inches long enthusiastically welcomed by brothers **Ryan (4)** and **Jake (2)**. Grandson of retired **Captain Harlan and Terry Wilson** and great-grandson of retired **Sgt Sheridan "Red" Williams (dec)** and **Lt. Frank Wilson (dec)**. Congratulations to all and may the future bring all the best...

### ...Searching For:

A search is in progress by retired Inspectors **Mike Mullane** and **Jim Hampton** trying to locate members of the 101st academy recruit class for a reunion. Among the unaccounted are **K. Lamoyne Baxter**, **Juan Morales**, **Ray Bailon**, **Curtis Brandt**, **Forrest Cantrell**, **Joseph Frank**, **Richard Holifield**, **Thomas McKittrick**, **Fred Mott**, **George Nelson**, **Ed O'Haire**, **William Owens** and **Leonard Woolfolk**. Any one having any information on any of the above please contact **Mike Mullane** at [me-mullane@sbcglobal.net](mailto:me-mullane@sbcglobal.net) or **Jim Hampton** at [jhamp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jhamp@sbcglobal.net). Greatly appreciated...

### ...Good Work:

Very proud of the Retirement System's investment staff, consultants and managers for posting a 21.84 % return for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011. Lot's of hard work and dedi-

cation by all during very trying times to capture excellent returns. Special thanks to Deputy Director of Investments **David Kushner** for keeping everyone focused...

### ...October 17:

On Monday October 17 the Guardians of the City will conduct a ceremony commemorating the service of the public safety personnel and NERT volunteers who responded served during the period of the Loma Prieta Earthquake Oct 17, 1989. The Ceremony will be held at the Guardians Fire Museum Building located at Pine and Presidio. Open house will start at 1600 hours with a short presentation and memorial at 5:05 hours. Reception will follow in the lobby of the Fire Credit Union located next door.

Supervisor **Mark Farrell**, Fire Chief **Joanne Hayes-White** and Police Chief **Greg Suhr** will represent the City Family. Please attend if possible...Information available on facebook Guardians of the City San Francisco and [gots@gmail.com](mailto:gots@gmail.com)...

### ...Thank You:

Thank You to the San Francisco Opera for hosting a special matinee for first responders and military veterans on September 24. The production *Heart of a Soldier* chronicles the life of **Rick Rescorla** who died on 9/11 at the World Trade Center when after leading a number of persons out of the building he returned to check for survivors and never returned. If you get a chance to see this Opera please do so...

### ...Scholarships:

On September 27 the Latino Peace Officer's Association presented \$7000 dollars in scholarships ranging from \$750 to \$1000. LPOA President **Hector Basurto** (property) and Scholarship Chair **Maria Oropeza** (Chief's Office) note that books alone for a school year now exceed \$500. Thanks to all who participated and donated throughout the year...

### ...Need Assistance:

Northern Station's **Mike Amoroso** has been accepted into the Catastrophic Illness Program in order to assist his 12-year-old daughter who has been diagnosed with cancer. Vacation hours can be donated in 8 hour increments, his number is 001705. Call the Behavioral Science Unit at (415) 837-0875 or P.O.A at (415) 861-5060 for donation forms...

### ...On the Mend:

Retired Mounted Officer **Ron Artale** is in long term rehab after extensive surgery. Veteran POA Secretary **Larry Barsetti** reports that cards can be sent to 1726 Live Oak Ave, Concord, Ca 94521 for forwarding to Ron...

### ...Italian Heritage Parade:

The parade will take place Sunday October 9, 2011 starting in Fisherman's Warf and ending in North Beach. Recent Retiree **John Colla** has a visiting group of Italian Law Enforcement Officers who will be marching with members of the Columbia Association and friends and family. Those interested in marching should contact **Leo Perini** at [columbiaca@yahoo.com](mailto:columbiaca@yahoo.com) or visit the website at [www.cacolumbia.com](http://www.cacolumbia.com)

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## Chief's Corner

As we bid farewell to another great month, I thank you for your continued sacrifice and dedication to service. Time after time in September the men and women of the San Francisco Police Department came together for the greater good.

We remembered our fallen heroes as we recalled the 9-11 tragedy in New York on its 10th Anniversary. Who could ever

forget exactly where they were when nearly 3000 lives were lost; over 400 of which were our Police and Fire First Responders from New York, on that 2001 September morning. Over the September 11 weekend, we commemorated the anniversary at numerous venues around our great City. I had the honor to be invited to attend several events on 9/10 and 9/11. I can't tell you how proud I was to find so many of you, on your day(s) off, already there as I arrived. As we marched onto the field at A T & T Park to the somber rhythmic melody of the bagpipes "Scotland the Brave", and saluted to the colors as they were presented, our own Sgt D'Arcy presented another unbelievable rendition of the National Anthem — as only he can do. Tears welled up in my eyes, as I remembered our fallen heroes around the world, across our great nation, and those right here in our Great City. May we remember them always.

As I reflect back on the weekend, I can't help but be filled with pride when I think of the class and professionalism of the men and women of this Department. Men and women who thought nothing of giving of themselves to honor and remember those that made the ultimate sacrifice in the performance of their duties. It would have been easy, after a long week in the streets, to stay home and not attend the remembrances but that didn't happen. You all showed up. I don't know why I was so taken aback this time because you always show up. It's just what you do and I can't tell you how much everyone took note. We have so many people here in San Francisco that believe in us and think the world of their men and women in uniform.

On a lighter note, the Annual SFPD Ironman Competition took place in September and over 40 members of the Department competed. You'll have to come and experience the unbelievable level of athleticism and camaraderie that fills the Gymnasium year in and year out. Although we compete against each other, to the untrained eye, you would think that we were all on the same team! Crazy? No way—that's just how we roll! Another classic example of the SFPD at its finest.

To all of the members of the San Francisco Police Department, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for once again demonstrating your willingness to give of your own time to make us a better organization. If you ever speak to someone after they've left this Department they'll tell you, "I don't miss the Department. I miss the people of the Department." I've always thought this statement ironic as "the people" are "the Department"; and we have the best people making up the best Department in the country.

As we continue on our journey together, I challenge you to continue to make a difference in everything you do. When your time here in the SFPD is done how will people know you were here? What will you have contributed to a Department / City where you will have spent the majority of your adult life when all is said and done? Think about that from time to time and then do something special for someone. Make a difference!

Take Care and Be Safe.

Greg Suhr

Chief of Police, San Francisco Police Department



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# This and That...

By Kevin Martin  
SFPOA Vice President

## Promotions...

I would like to extend my sincerest congratulations to the recently promoted members of our department to the ranks of Lieutenant and Sergeant effective Saturday, October 1, 2011. It is an outstanding achievement not only for our department but also certainly for the members of our association.

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant: David Johnson, Sean O'Leary, and Treina Wearing.

Promoted to the rank of Sergeant: Eric Altofer, Melonee Alvarez, Eric Batchelder, Wendy Bear, Jayme Campbell, Ricardo Castillo, Kelly Dunn, Justin Erb, George Ferraez, Sean Griffin, Dien Ha, Mark Hutchings, Damon Kieve, Joshua Kumli, Daniel Laval, Derrick Lew, Anthony Montoya, William O'Brien, Maura Pengel, Peter Shields, Daniel Simone, Benjamin Smith, Brett Thorpe, and Walter Ware.

The above listed members have a lot to be proud of for their accomplishment, which was achieved through a lot of hard work and dedication to study and performance.

There is no doubt that each will be an integral part of the future and organizational success of the San Francisco Police Department.

A special tip of the hat to members Jayme Campbell and Dan Laval who will be vacating their positions on the POA Board of Directors because of their promotions.

Dan was a Representative from Tactical. Jayme represented the members of Southern Station. Both Jayme and Dan were active and participating members of the board and I thank them graciously for their service to this organization.

## More Congratulations are in order...

On Thursday, September 22, 2011, The American Red Cross of the Bay Area - San Francisco County honored the following members of the San Francisco Police Department for their lifesaving actions during a raging fire on Hyde Street on October 6, 2010. The San Francisco Police Officers Association wishes to extend its deepest and sincerest congratulations to Sgt. Joseph Barrett #1137; Sgt. Shaughn Ryan #1756 and Officers Elizabeth Morse #1268; Mark Milligan #1254; Matthew Elseth #2414 and James Johnson #2430. The sergeants and officers were assigned to the Tenderloin and Central Police Districts at the time of the fire.

I also want to thank and congratulate Sgt. Gabe Gallaread of Mission Station who has been a Red Cross Leadership Volunteer for many years. Gabe was the co-chair for this year's

event, which was held at the Marines Memorial Club on Sutter Street. Great work guys and gals...

## UCSF visit...

Officer Brian Kneuker of Ingleside Station was a very busy officer this month. Not only did Brian volunteer and participate at the 9-11 Ceremonies at AT&T Park on Sunday, September 11th, he once again volunteered to visit some very special children at UCSF on Wednesday, September 14th along with Officer Cesar Perez of Southern Station who is also a frequent volunteer at The Child Life Center.



Brian made some bedside visits to those youngsters confined to their rooms while Cesar spent his time in the classroom thinking of devious ways to propel his team of students to victory. Note to Cesar: foreign words don't count!

It is very satisfying to see younger members of our department like Brian getting involved in our community outreach projects. In due time, Brian and his generation will be the leaders of this department and of this association and we have to be resolute in our work with these sick children.

Once again we had a great time with the kids and shared a lot of laughs. We are back on a school schedule at UCSF so we will once again be visiting the youngsters on the second Wednesday of the month.

As in the past at the Child Life Center during the month of October, they will be hosting a Harvest Festival so please keep an eye out for any upcoming bulletins announcing the day date and time.

## 9-11 Remembrances...

On Saturday, September 10, 2011 members of the San Francisco Emergency Responders and Public Safety Community joined with city, state and national leaders in the Civic Center Plaza of San Francisco to commemorate the September 11, 2001 attacks against the people and land of The United States of America.

Members of the San Francisco Police Department and the San Francisco Fire Department were among many other citizens and elected officials who gathered to remember the incredible sacrifices made by so many on that



fateful day and date in our nation's history.

Those who gathered at the Civic Center Plaza re-affirmed that they shall never forget the lives lost of American Citizens and Citizens of the World.

The ceremonies were sponsored by the SFPOA and Local 798, San Francisco Fire Fighters.

The POA 9-11 Committee members were Gary Delagnes; Marty Halloran; Russ Gordon; Maris Goldsborough; Brian Philpott; Jesus Pena, Kevin Lyons along with leaders of Local 798 including Tony Rivera and Tom O'Connor, President of Local 798.

SFPD Captain Michael Connolly directed the event and assembled the members before the SFPD and SFFD Color Guard presented the colors.

Sgt. Jerry D'Arcy sang a very moving rendition of our National Anthem and later in the proceedings sang God Bless America, which was equally evocative.

Police and Fire Department Chaplains Father Michael Healy and Father John Greene gave the invocation. Speakers for the ceremonies included Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, House Democratic Leader; San Francisco Mayor Edwin Lee; Police Chief Greg Suhr; Fire Chief Joanne Hayes-White; POA President Gary Delagnes and Local 798 President Tom O'Connor;

The ceremonies ended with a very solemn rendition of "Taps" performed by Officer Mark Lundin and Officer Ivan Sequeira and the retirement of the colors.

I would like to very much thank all those members on or off duty who attended this ceremonial event. It was truly wonderful to see a strong uniformed presence by our members.

I would also like to acknowledge the aforementioned committee members who in part worked hard and diligently to put this event together with others.

I would like to give special acknowledgement to Mayor Edwin Lee for his presence and comforting words.

Certainly a special thanks to Sgt. Gerald D'Arcy for his continued outstanding performances in the singing of our National Anthem and God Bless America...(there is absolutely no one

better, Jerry!)

And to Jerry's dear mother, Mrs. D'Arcy for her continued presence and support for her son and our association, Thank you very much!

I would also like to acknowledge Ms. Martha Cohen from the Mayor's Office for all her wonderful efforts, hard work, willingness and ability to work with others.

Thank you so much Martha... couldn't have done it without you...

Note to Martha: If you want to have some real fun, come to one of our board meetings!

The Police-Fire Mass was held the following day, Sunday, September 11, 2012 at St. Monica's Church. There was standing room only in the crowded church as people gathered to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the attacks on America and her people. Father John Greene was the Celebrant and Father Healy the Homilist.

S.F.P.D. Chaplains Sister Lillian Repak, OSB and Rabbi Martin Levin were also present for the mass and ceremonies.

Deputy Chief James Dudley and Captain Denis O'Leary also represented our department during the mass.

SFPD Officers Mark Lundin and Ivan Sequeira sounded "Taps" at the end of the service.

I would like to thank very much the members of the San Francisco Police Department and the SFPOA who attended the mass either by yourself or with your families.

I would also like to thank Father John Greene and our own Father Michael Healy for all your wonderful efforts during the course of that very busy weekend!

Thanks very much to Chief Greg Suhr, the members of the SFPD Command Staff for your presence on both days and to Police Commission President who was the only Commissioner who showed for the mass. We missed you, Commissioners, that weekend...

On that same Sunday afternoon at AT&T Park, members of the San Francisco Police Department, Fire Department and San Francisco Sheriff's Office joined the San Francisco Giants for an on-field pre-game memorial tribute for the 9-11 Anniversary. In what was probably the best and most moving pre-game ceremony I have ever seen, the aforementioned representatives joined with Airline Pilots of United Airlines and A Pipe and Drum Band led by outstanding veteran Bay Area Piper Jan Ritchie and members of the San Francisco Giants and Los Angeles Dodgers for a ceremony emceed by the Voice of the San Francisco Giants, Renell Davis who did an outstanding job.

As he has done frequently in the past, Sgt. Gerald D'Arcy sang our National Anthem to a roaring ovation and later in the seventh inning sang in what has become a tradition at big league parks around the country, "God Bless America." Giants' broadcaster

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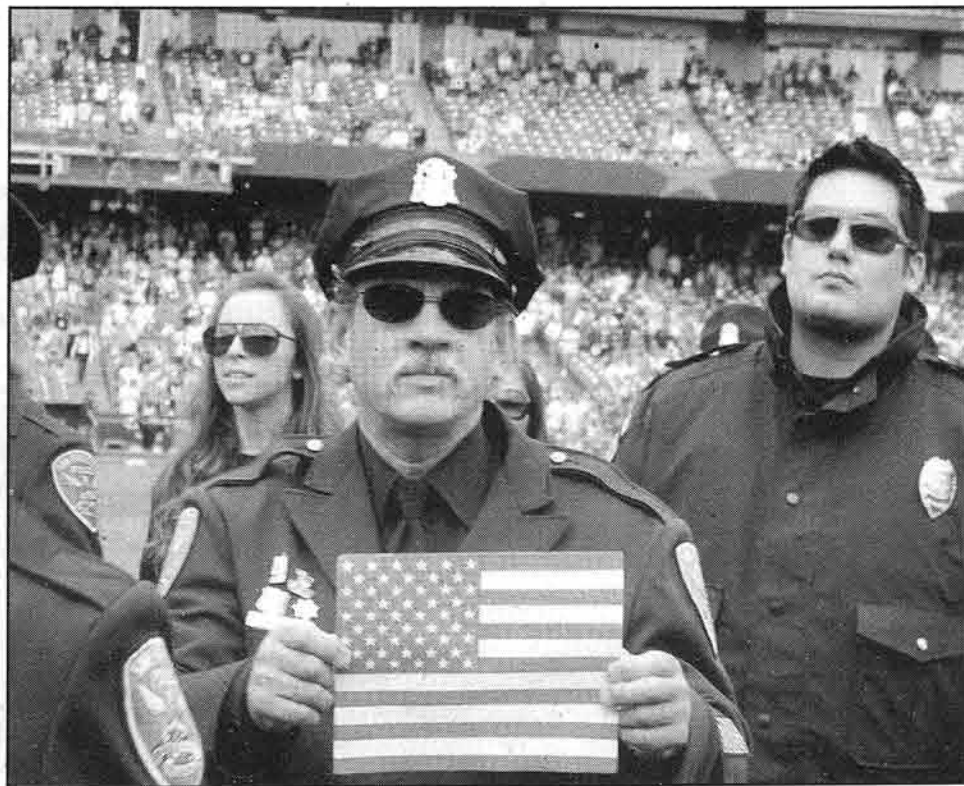
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Duane Kuiper was so impressed with Jerry that he offered on the air compliments and praise for Jerry's efforts.

An impressive military fly-over put an exclamation point on the pre-game ceremony as the Public Safety Officers marched off the field to a rousing and extended cheer from the sold out crowd.

The Giants then went out and did their job as they thumped the bums 8-1!

After the game, Giants bench coach Ron Wotus and Strength and Conditioning coach Benny Potenziano remarked how impressed they were of the uniformed presence on the field and of the ceremony itself.

I would like to thank the following members of the San Francisco Police Department including the outstanding Police Service Aides from Southern Station and the Sheriff's Office who volunteered their times and efforts to make the pre-game ceremony so remarkable and memorable!

Lt. Bill Roualdes and Sgt. Gene Galeano of the AT&T Park Command; Police Service Aides Ramon Beltran; "The Great" Cristina Busalacchi; Aimee Vinas and Bernadette Figueroa; Lt. Dan Perea; Sgts. and Officers Brian Kneuker; Ray Padmore; Marie France Conceicao; Victoria Sullivan; Natalie Komarchuk; Nic Pena; Lois Perillo; Paul Yep; Raphael Rockwell; Kevin McPherson; Herb Carney; Yvette Poin-dexter and Glen Wilson.

The San Francisco Sheriff's Office was proudly represented by Deputies Clifford Chiba; Paul Lozada and Reynard Burgess.

(Please forgive me if I have omitted the name of any person who partici-

pated in this event. It is an oversight on my part certainly not intended.)

As you can see, September was a very busy month at the POA. Thank you one and all once again for your participation in the above noted events...We Shall Never Forget...Please remember all our service men and women serving our country overseas and across the sand in your thoughts and prayers...

#### Post-Season Ball...

Well October is soon upon us and of course that means post-season baseball.

It has certainly been a trying year for our beloved Giants as the pitching more than held up its part of the bargain but the bats could never catch on fire for an extended period of time. Pretty frustrating for us all except for perhaps Greg Neal who is an admitted commie Dodger fan...what nerve...

The Yankees are in their rightful spot as Champs of the AL East as the no-good Rex Sox floundered like fish out of water as they suffered their worst September since 1926...way to go boys...I knew I could depend on you to fall apart like a shattered bat when the going got tough. My good friends Brian Michaud and Nick Donati have headaches the size of New England because of their collapse. Don't fret fellas...just take a bottle full of "Excedrin" and ...wait til next year!"

Speaking of the playoffs...Ryan White, the youngster from Philadelphia who was hit and run by a crazed drunken driver has made a remarkable recovery and has returned home from the Children's Hospital of

Philadelphia. I spoke to Ryan's mother recently who told me that Ryan is doing just great and is progressing very well with his rehabilitation. Ryan and his brother, my new best friend Kevin have been invited by the Philadelphia Phillies to not only attend the opening game of their first playoff and walk out to the mound the baseball that will be used to throw out the "first pitch" by former Phillies great, Dave Cash.

What a thrill it will be for those two youngsters. I bet their feet won't even touch the grass on the way to the mound!

Now that's great news ... a fitting way to end this column except to send a very special "Tip of the hat" to Brother Arnold Stewart of the Christian Brothers Order. Brother Arnold is the former Principal of Sacred Heart High School and just a wonderful man and a great educator to this very day even though he is retired.

I recently had a nice conversation

with retired Inspector Joe Kennedy (father of Pat Kennedy of The Mayor's Detail) who recounted some great stories about Brother Arnold.

Like Brother Draper FSC of Saint Ignatius, Brother Arnold has had a profound influence on thousands of young Christian men over the past several years, especially at Sacred Heart High School in downtown San Francisco where he served as Principal for close to fifteen years. Many of Brother Arnold's students have gone on to lead exemplary productive lives in the SFPD because of his influence, guidance and direction.

Thank you, Brother Arnold...God Bless.

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## Stranded foreigner reunited with her baby

# American Justice Fine-Honed by Caring SFPD Officer

By Kevin Martin

Do you believe in Divine Intervention? Do you believe that good will triumph over the forces of evil? Do you believe in fate or karma? Are you of the mindset that one man or woman can make a significant difference in someone's life? If you believe in such things, then read on. If you don't believe, then absolutely read on.

This is a story so extraordinary, so unique and touching that it will warm your heart and restore any lost faith in your fellow man. This is also a story that will inflame the emotions. One can only grapple to understand how a person could be so cruel and evil to a woman and their child.

This is a true story. It is a moving account in which a policeman sees the pain and despair in a lonely helpless woman and takes this woman and mother from the throes of loss and desperation to the triumph of a mother's love and an incredibly happy ending. It is a story of one member of this department who cared so deeply that he had to make a difference in the lives of strangers.

Our story starts in late June of 2011. A young family, a Chinese National woman and an American National husband and their five-month old daughter arrive in San Francisco on a Visitor's Visa to tour the United States and visit the man's family in Stanislaus County, California. Upon their arrival to California, the wife realizes that the relationship between she and her husband is strained and things are not well.

Matters only become more difficult for the hapless young mother as she learned just prior to returning to China on a scheduled flight that her husband had filed for a "Legal Separation" and obtained a Temporary Child Custody Order from a Judge in Stanislaus County that prevented their daughter from leaving the country pending a court hearing scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2011.

Upon being served by her husband, the wife called the local police. They examined the documents and confirmed that her husband indeed had temporary legal custody of their child. Her husband then informed her that she was no longer welcome in his home, and that she was on her own and would need to fend for herself.

Confused, dismayed and terribly upset, the young mother felt she had no recourse but to return to China without her five-month old daughter. Can you imagine being in such

distress in a foreign place? This woman is alone, distraught, confused. Her husband has abandoned her and, in her mind, virtually stolen her child. It is all too cruel. She has no relatives or friends...she has no resources...she has no hope.

Our young mother arrives at SFO only to realize that she missed her flight...and becomes unglued.

The airline personnel rebooking her flight found her to be in such tremendous distress that they called the San Francisco Airport Bureau Police for assistance. The police responded to assist the woman, offered and provided her with a hotel room in San Francisco along with a "sim-card" for her telephone. The officers provided directions and transportation for the woman to the Chinese Consulate.

The woman left the airport that evening for her hotel in San Francisco but for one reason or another, the cab driver could not find the hotel and so drove her back to the airport. At this point, the woman was completely devastated and overwhelmed with sadness and frustration. She found herself wandering aimlessly through the airport alone and helpless.

It was at this lowest point of absolute despair that SFPD Officer Alvin Louie #4092 of the Airport Bureau walks into the picture. Al is on duty and on patrol when he sees the woman and realizes right away that something is wrong. Al invites the woman to sit down and he buys her breakfast. Through her tears, she explains the entire story to Alvin and he listens and takes it all in. Officer Louie is extremely patient as he reviews the court documents and her legal papers. He offers her advice and legal counsel regarding her options but also knows she needs help beyond his law enforcement expertise. Al reached into his own pocket and gave her close to \$300, arranged transportation for her back to the Chinese Consulate, and furnished her with his private contact number in case she needed any further assistance.

Two days later, on August 20, 2011, the woman called Officer Louie and



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explained that the Chinese Consulate had turned her away twice and informed her that they could not assist her with an attorney, a counselor, or a social worker. She also told Al that she had gone to two local police stations, and was interviewed by United States Customs and Border Patrol. They could not provide her with the help she needed.

The only recourse the young mother had was to go to the Modesto Courthouse and challenge the aforementioned Court Order regarding her child. She would need help.

On Monday, August 22, 2011-- on his day off -- Officer Alvin Louie drove our young mother to the Modesto Court House in Stanislaus County where he helped her file court documents petitioning the court to grant to her custody of her child. Alvin also assisted her in signing up for a Mediation Orientation class, which was required by the court prior to the Custody Hearing that had been set for September 8, 2011. Alvin also assisted the woman in obtaining assistance from the county Family Law Service and lodging from the Asian Woman's Center in San Francisco.

Soon, the woman's plight was becoming known throughout the Asian community. A local Chinese Newspaper learned of the incident and ran a feature story.

On Wednesday, August 24th, Al drove the woman from Chinatown back to the Modesto Court House to attend the one-hour mediation class.

The following day, they returned to Modesto to pick up court documents and the ruling of the court regarding the return of custody of her child. The court decided to reschedule the hearing until September 8th. After learning of the ruling, Al drove the

mother to her estranged husband's house in an effort to visit with her baby. Her estranged husband refused to answer the door and would not let her see her baby.

A local Deputy Sheriff was called to the scene and conducted a "well-being" check on the child and allowed the mother to visit with her child for a short while. The Deputy also arranged for daily visitations in near-by Turlock, California.

Several days went by without any communication from the young woman's husband and she became scared. Officer Louie contacted an Investigator from the Stanislaus Child Abduction Unit. The Investigator contacted the father's attorney who in turn arranged to have the father allow a visit between mother and child.

In the following several days, Al provided the young mother with transportation back and forth from her visits with her daughter and meetings between the mother and county officials and attorneys.

Finally on September 8, 2011, Al, the mother and all other principal parties attended a court hearing to determine custody rights. The hearing Judge rescinded the existing order and granted the mother full custody of her daughter.

On Wednesday, September 13, 2011 the grateful mother and her infant child departed San Francisco for their return to home in China.

This is an amazing story of how one man, a San Francisco Police Officer gave so much of himself for two people he never met and did not know.

Can you imagine how tragically different this story could have ended but for fate, circumstance, and the selfless acts and dedication of Officer Alvin Louie.

I am so proud of Al! He took so much upon himself and single-handedly changed the course of the lives of this lone woman and her child. In this one incident, Al did so much to foster good will. He embodies all that is good and possible because he cares so deeply for others...because that's the man and person Al is.

I have had the honor to have known and worked with Al for the better part of thirty years going back to our days as Deputy Sheriff's working as part of the Sixth Floor City Prison "Wrecking Crew." I know Al to be a very outgoing and generous individual with a heart of gold and a great sense of humor.

Thank you so much Al. You have made us all very proud.

  
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# 9/11 Memorial Ceremony, Civic Center, September 10, 2011

## Address of Gary Delagnes (excerpted)

We will now observe a moment of silence for all of those who lost their lives on 9/11/2001 and hear the "Ring of the Bell" which is a tradition for fallen firefighters who have given their lives in the Line of Duty. The bell is being rung by firefighter Frank Ginotti of the San Francisco Fire Department.

A special acknowledgement to former Mayor Willie Brown who was our Mayor during that difficult time. Thank you for your strong and steady leadership. And a special thanks to all of the police officers and firefighters that are here today for your efforts on that day and the days that followed 9/11 for keeping the peace and helping to restore the confidence of the people of San Francisco that we would be there for you and keep you safe.

In the years that have followed 9/11, our country has faced many challenges. While two recessions and our 10-year involvement in the Middle East and Asia have caused much pain and controversy, one thing about the United States remains imminently clear. There are more things that unite us than divide us. Being the sons and daughters of the greatest generation, being part of a democracy that was created by immigrants and maintained over the last 250 years by Americans, we have found ourselves to be a strong, determined, powerful, and resilient nation whose strength is, and always will be in our diversity and our democratic process that allows us to debate and express our ideas and ideologies in a free and open society. Thank you for coming today and please join us along with Sgt. Gerry D'Arcy in singing God Bless America.



L to R: Chief Greg Suhr, POA President Gary Delagnes, Mayor Ed Lee, Local 798 President Tom O'Connor, Fire Chief Joanne Hayes-White



L to R: Mayor Ed Lee, Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, Fire Chief Joanne Hayes-White, Chief of Police Greg Suhr, Gary Delagnes (at podium).

Sgt. Jerry D'Arcy sang  
God Bless America.



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# POLICE-FIRE Post 456 News

By Greg Corrales

*"We've sworn an oath to protect and defend the Constitution. We didn't join the Marine Corps to lurk in showers."*

**A Quantico, Va.-based major, who is gay, dismissing some Marines' fears of showering with openly gay troops.**

The health of 1991 Persian Gulf War veterans has worsened compared with military personnel who served during that time but did not deploy, a new Veterans Affairs Department study says. In their second decade after that conflict, Gulf War veterans were more likely than non-deploying peers to report persistent health problems and develop chronic ailments such as arthritis, high blood pressure, and heart disease, according to the study that compared survey results taken in 1995 and 2005.

While nearly 45 percent of war-zone veterans who said they suffered post-traumatic stress disorder in 1995 reported having recovered by 2005, 9 percent actually developed PTSD during that 10-year period, according to the VA report, published July 27, 2011 in the American Journal of Epidemiology. The study compared the results of a 1995 health survey of 30,000 veterans, roughly half of whom deployed, to results of a 2005 survey of the same people. Although only 9,000 veterans answered the second poll, the researchers said the low response was unlikely to have skewed the results.

The 2005 survey did not seek to determine why Gulf War veterans are sicker than their non-deploying brethren; it simply relayed whether Gulf War veterans were getting sicker and what types of diseases they have. The findings come as no surprise to Gulf War veterans, many of whom are experiencing the aches and pains of middle age, as well as maladies possibly related to military service.

From the Amazing but True File, I must report that the same spit-and-polish attention to detail Marines learned in boot camp could land them in hot water on the National Mall. That's because the National Park Service has taken a hard line against Marines who visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and honor their brothers in arms by shining the base of the memorial's flagpole. Some have been threatened with charges of destruction of government property, according to a recent blog post on Nextgov, an online news site covering government affairs. It's treatment usually reserved for spray paint-wielding delinquents.

The NPS claims that constant use of Brasso, a common polishing agent, erodes the monument. However the



head of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, the organization that built and funded the memorial doesn't think all the polishing is a bad idea. Jan Scruggs, the head of the memorial fund, told Nextgov that even with constant polishing the base plate would last another century.

Each year, the fourth Sunday of September is Gold Star Mother's Day, honoring women whose children died in service to the U.S. During World War I, some families hung service flags, or banners, in windows to show their devotion to the nation. Blue stars on flags represented family members serving in the military, and gold stars signified members who died in the line of duty. Mothers of fallen troops eventually came to be known as "gold star mothers," according to American Gold Star Mothers, Inc., a nonprofit organization formed in 1928 for mothers of fallen troops to comfort one another, help wounded veterans, and keep alive the memories of their loved ones.

Two men were convicted September 14 in connection with a Virginia truck stop robbery that left one Marine Corps veteran with four gunshot wounds, one to the head, one to the shoulder, one to the groin, and one to the buttocks, local media reported. Warren Brown, the robber, and Winston Oliver, the getaway driver, were convicted of all charges. They face life in prison.

On May 8, 2010, in Carolina County, Donal Edmund Jr., a 62-year-old Vietnam vet, was at the truck stop when he saw Brown attempt to rob the clerk. Edmund hit Brown with a beer bottle. In his escape, Brown shot Edmund four times. The vet recovered from his injuries.

A local newspaper mistakenly printed an obituary for the town's oldest practicing lawyer. He called them immediately and threatened to sue unless they printed a correction.

The next day, the following notice appeared, "We regret that the report of Attorney Critchley's death was in error."

Police-Fire Post 456 is anxious for all veterans to join the post. The Sheriff's Department is very under-represented, as are female veterans. Anyone interested in joining the American Legion, San Francisco Police-Fire Post, please contact me at Mission Station, or at gc1207@comcast.net. The Post meets on the second Tuesday of every month. Meetings start at 6:00 PM and are held at the Veteran's War Memorial Building, 401 Van Ness Avenue, room 212.

## Safety tip particularly applies to women

## Is it a Mirror or a One-Way Glass?

Forwarded to the Journal  
by Gus Coreris, Retired SFPD

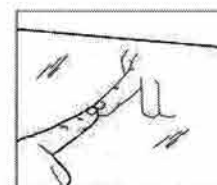
When you visit toilets, bathrooms, hotel rooms, changing rooms, etc., how many of you know for certain that the seemingly ordinary mirror hanging on the wall is an actual mirror rather than a one-way sheet of glass that allows you to be spied upon or photographed from the reverse side? There have been many cases of people installing a one-way glass instead of a mirror in female changing rooms. It is very difficult to positively identify the surface by merely peering into it.

A female police officer who gives seminars on security for traveling businesswomen suggests this 10-second safety tip on how to differentiate a mirror from a one-way glass. When

you enter a strange space that has a "mirror" hanging on the wall, place the tip of your fingernail against the reflective surface. If there is a 1/4 inch gap between your fingernail and the image of the nail, then it is a GENUINE mirror.

However, if your fingernail appears to directly touch the image of your nail, then beware, it is a one-way glass, and you may be vulnerable. Remember:

**No space? Leave the place!**



## Helping Our Own

The following members of our law enforcement family need our help:

### Amanda Amoroso

Amanda Amoroso, daughter of Officer Mike Amoroso of Co. E, Northern Station, is battling cancer. Officer Mike Amoroso has been accepted into the Catastrophic Illness Program FM. He is in need of hours. Only vacation hours can be donated in 8-hour increments on CIP-FM donation form, his number is 001705. Please contact the Behavioral Science Unit at (415) 837-0875 or the POA at (415) 861-5060 for donation forms. Financial donations can be made directly to The Amanda Amoroso Relief Fund at the SF Police Credit Union, Acct #1378496 — Kevin Martin

### Frankie Shouldice

Frankie is the 12-year old son of Inspector Ronan Shouldice of CSI. Frankie is battling leukemia. A "Friends of Frankie Shouldice" account has been established at the SFPCU #1373520

— Marty Halloran

### Madeline Cashion

Dear SFPOA —

I am five years old and I have cancer. It's called embryonal rhabdomyosarcoma. I had a surgery to take out a big owie from my tummy. Now, I am taking medicine through my tubbies to get the rest of the owie out of my tummy. The medicine is called chemotherapy and it makes my hair fall out. I am in treatment for 46 weeks to get rid of my cancer. I will kick the owie's booty! Thanks for caring! — Madeline Claire Cashion

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### Family of Lance Heivilin

SFPD Director (Non-Sworn) Lance Heivilin, formerly with the Mesa PD, lost a valiant fight with cancer. He was just 37, and leaves a wife and children. A fund has been established for the family at the SF Police Credit Union, Acct. #1377238.

— Marty Halloran

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# Depression: Know the Signs

By Ed Anzore  
Retired SFPD

My name is Ed Anzore and I am a recently retired sergeant out of Central Station. I retired 5 months ago and am now able to discuss my departure. Ten years ago, I lost my brother, Charlie, to kidney cancer. Charlie worked at Richmond Station at the time he was diagnosed with this disease. To say my brother and I were close is an understatement. I never knew how much his loss affected me until this year. I could write a whole article just based on our relationship, but that's for another day.

About five years ago, I started to keep people at a distance. This was everybody, wife, kids, friends, and co workers. I never wanted to be close to anyone so I would never feel the pain I felt with the loss of my brother. I was doing this sometimes subconsciously. It was my defense mechanism which I thought was keeping me safe, but it was not. In the last two years, I began to feel myself isolating from people and places. I started losing the desire to go to events. Irritability started to set in and I did not understand why. During the last five years, I was involved to two critical incidents, one on duty and one off, where three people lost their lives. Things started to go downhill and there was inner turmoil including anger in which I could not understand nor let go of. My mind started to really go sideways. When my brother passed, at the age of 52, all I could think about was I hope I make it to 52. I was also the last male member of my family not to have a form of cancer.

*The next day I walked into the Lieutenant's office and told him this was my last day and retired two days later. I received a lot of calls telling me how cool people thought it was that I just walked in and pulled the plug. I laugh now because nobody really knew what was going on ..."*

Fast forward to Sept of 2010. I was assigned to the 1800-0400 at Central. I really started to lose interest in the job. I rarely read reports completely unless it was very serious as my concentration was going. I stopped wearing my vest and didn't care if something happened. I just didn't care period! I figured I had led a very good life. I did not care about playing golf anymore and would tell my golfing buddies the very same. I would even joke how much I hated people. I would drive home at 4 am after work and on occasion go well over 100 mph. This is risky behavior, a symptom I later learned which occurs in people who are depressed. It's an action that makes you feel good for a brief moment, but cures nothing. Thanksgiving 2010, my wife told me she thinks it's time to put our Husky Rascal down. He was with us for 16 years and a big part of our family. So now I take him to be put down and watch the vet administer the injection

to calm him down. This was one of the hardest things I have ever had to do, losing another member of my family.

The following week, I'm in CPT for my dreaded week of updates. Sgt. Mary Dunnigan was teaching a class from the Behavioral Science Unit. Mary was talking about depression, and how we just sit on the couch and flip through the channels in our little safety zone, detaching from any emotion. While she was lecturing, I realized I was doing this every day. I would get up around noon and sit on the couch until 4 pm. I would ignore everyone and just wanted to be left alone. Of course, I did nothing about it because, "I could handle it on my own." Boy was I ever wrong. So I continued going to work with my miserable, irritable and grouchy self. Everyone else must be the "pain in the butt because it certainly couldn't have been me."

December 2011, and I am at a Sharks game when I get a text from my good friend Norm Rice. My wife and I are scheduled to go on a cruise with Norm and his wife on January 8th. On this day, Norm tells me he has been diagnosed with kidney cancer. I know Norm because of my brother Charlie, and I say to myself, here we go again. The one person whom I emotionally got close to is now diagnosed with the disease that took my brother; and the downward spiral began. We went on the cruise and needless to say it was not the good time I hoped for. There were nights on the ship when I would stand on the balcony thinking I could just throw myself overboard and nobody would know. I have no idea why this thought popped into my brain. Later I would learn about Suicidal Ideation, (these are described as fleeting thoughts of suicide but no plan or follow through). We came back from the cruise and things were the same, more couch sitting and channel surfing, not really paying attention to or caring about what I am watching. The desire to be at work is lessening daily.

Now it is a month away from my 52nd birthday, again I'm sitting on the couch, and everything seemed to be crashing down around me. I just broke down for no reason and started shaking. I told my wife I couldn't do this anymore. My first melt down of my life. Thoughts of suicide came back very intense. I was so scared but I did not know why. I had so much to live for, why were these thoughts coming up? I was able to get a hold of Mary Dunnigan, who calmed me down and talked me through my crisis. She was able to get me into see a psychologist first thing in the morning and I was able to sleep that night.

Even after seeing the clinician I continued to have a series of panic and anxiety attacks. My blood pressure began to rise and my back and shoulders were always tight. I ended up in the ER one night and my wife told me that I should consider retirement. Well, here comes the dreaded 52nd birthday, and I have an appointment with my therapist and I tell her I'm ready to retire. She concurs. I walked outside of her office and another melt down of anxiety and panic occurred on the sidewalk. I immediately get on the phone with the shrink who prescribes me an anti-depressant. I barely made it home still not feeling well. I then drive to work and went about ten miles when the third melt down occurred. I somehow managed to make it to work and got through line up. I went outside and got on the phone to call for help. I made it through the work-day and as I'm driving across the Golden Gate Bridge, I started shaking again. My panic and anxiety was at its highest. I

got home and called Kaiser Emergency and the on-call therapist calmed me down and then said, "Ed, you need to retire." Now three people have told me to retire, two of whom I really don't know. So I tell my wife, "I am done with work." The next day I walked into the Lieutenant's office and told him this was my last day and retired two days later. I received a lot of calls telling me how cool people thought it was that I just walked in and pulled the plug. I laugh now because nobody really knew what was going on, but I didn't have the heart or courage to tell them why. I am now retired and go to my last therapist appointment. At the end, I ask the therapist what she thinks. She tells me she believes I am suffering from PTSD, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. She tells me there is a PTSD retreat for first responders out in Inverness. I again talk to Mary Dunnigan who gets me in touch with The West Coast Post Trauma Retreat. I went through an hour intake with a clinician, who told me that I have suffered cumulative stress with some PTSD. I am accepted into the retreat and off I go in May 2011. My wife drives me out there and here I am with 6 other first responders suffering just like me. The retreat is full of volunteer first responders and clinicians. Every one of them has had their own critical incidents. They have all walked in the same shoes. From the minute I walked in to the time I left, I was treated better than any resort I have ever been to. I went through six days of intense therapy and discussion. I learned tools to cope with my issues if and when they come back. I can only explain this place as the 8th Wonder of the

World. You are surrounded by professionals who really do care. I walked out on Friday feeling a whole lot better and filled with a new sense of life. I learned there are so many first responders that are in the same situation, yet there are only two places like this retreat in the United States. I learned that it is okay to be prescribed anti-depressants for anxiety and depression as they are no different than any other medication for any other illness or injury. I learned that the brain has a filter and after you absorb so many traumatic events in your life, the filter breaks. My filter has now been repaired. I also learned that I know if I take care of myself, I will be okay.

It's been four months now since I have left the retreat. I am in a much better place in my life. My relationship with my wife is so much better. My family life is so much better. Life is so much better. I have been asked by many why I retired so young and what will I do with my free time. I now volunteer at the WCPR retreat as a Peer. I was asked by the peer coordinator if I would like to volunteer and I was honored and humbled. To assist others in need who are first responders is priceless. This retreat is truly magical.

If this story helps one person, or gets people to look at themselves, then I will be happy. What you don't realize when you are going through depression, is how it affects your family and loved ones. They in essence become victims too. If you wish to talk to me or ask questions, please feel free to email me at [edanzore@gmail.com](mailto:edanzore@gmail.com). I would also like to thank Sgt. Mary Dunnigan and Vince Catanzaro. They took the time to listen and help. For that, I am ever grateful. For those in the SFPD, you are truly blessed to have the BSU and people who care. Do not hesitate to use them.



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# The Dogs That Didn't Bark

By Kevin J. Mullen,

Retired Deputy Chief Kevin Mullen died in April of this year. A studied and accomplished historian, he often submitted interesting articles to the Journal about some aspect of SFPD history. This article first appeared in the November, 2008 Journal.

David Johnston, the 14-year-old son of Henry and Margaret Johnston, returned from school to the family home on the south side of Point Lobos Road (Geary Boulevard) near what is now Stanyan Street in the late afternoon of October 23rd, 1860. Inside he found his mother unconscious in a smoldering bed and his 13 year old sister, Anne, dead on the kitchen floor. Both had with massive head injuries from a bloody axe found lying nearby.

The Richmond District was a very different place in 1860 from what it is today. San Francisco was then a city of 56,000 people with most of its population concentrated in what is now the downtown area with extensions into the Mission and Western Addition. The Richmond District was largely uninhabited at the time, at least by the living.

By the mid-1850s the growing city had begun to engulf the Yerba Buena Cemetery (on the site of the current Civic Center) a movement was begun to relocate San Francisco's burying grounds west of the city's outskirts. First was Lone Mountain Cemetery, which occupied what is now Laurel Village on California Street. In 1860 Calvary Cemetery was dedicated on 49 acres to the south across Point Lobos Road. Other cemeteries would be added later further out along the road.

Sharing the lower slopes of Lone Mountain were a number of dairy ranches—then called "milk ranches"—where many of the city's dairy products were produced. Dairies were

to remain a prominent feature of the Richmond District into the 20th Century.

When he realized what had happened to his mother and sister, young Johnston hastened to Martin Marron's milk ranch that adjoined the Johnston property to the east. Marron returned with Johnston, helped extinguish the flames and dragged the victims outside. The two aroused the neighborhood and Johnston borrowed a horse from Marron on which he set off to notify his father who worked in a stable at Geary and Dupont (Grant Avenue). Along the way he was thrown by the horse and passersby carried the word to police Chief Martin Burke at his residence.

From the start, suspicion centered on William Cook, Johnston's 24-year-old hired hand who was nowhere to be found. According to one early account "He had been observed to act in a strange and suspicious manner for some time, and is now suspected to have had designs on the persons of either the mother or the daughter."

Double homicides of this sort were rare at the time—indeed any time—and Chief Burke pulled out all the

he swept the entire western area of the city in hopes of turning up the missing farmhand. Residents of the neighborhood lit a giant bonfire on the Johnston property to light the area through the night.

Cook was eliminated as a suspect at first light when his body was found with its skull crushed a couple of hundred feet from the Johnston house. Nothing but a pair of small boots was taken from the house so robbery did not seem to be the motive. "It would seem," said one contemporary news account, "that the only possible cause for the murders must have been revenge, or the savage demon inspiring some insane man."

There was the usual pressure on the police to solve the case and the leads began to pour in. The police quickly picked up an East Indian man who had been seen wandering shoeless at the nearby Lone Mountain Cemetery the previous Sunday threatening people. He turned out to be woodcutter who lived in the area and knew nothing of the case.

A drunken man found with blood on his clothes on Kearny Street was picked up as well, and a well-dressed

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stops. He posted guards at all roads leading out of town and put a watch on the waterfront so that the suspect could not board an outbound ship to escape. The chief also mobilized the rest of the police department, including all the special police, and formed a rough skirmish line with which

man on the Oakland Ferry displayed an affidavit attesting to the fact that he had been an inmate of an insane asylum because of his murderous propensities. He urged his fellow passengers to turn him over to the police. For a time it was thought that William Prescott, an anti-religious fanatic who

let loose with a shotgun blast at people leaving mass at St. Mary's cathedral might have had something to do with the murders.

The captain of a San Francisco-based brig, a man given to fits of insanity it was said, had been reported as wandering in the chaparral in the western portion of the city. He finally turned up at the family home on Bush Street days after the killing in a disheveled, mud-spattered condition. Duncan Stevens, "a colored man, who," a contemporary news account related, "imagines himself a lawyer, and is therefore considered insane," was also arrested and placed in the station house for safe keeping. All those arrested were investigated and cleared one way or another.

By late November all the leads had run out. Then in December, just after a \$1,000 reward was posted for information on the case, a man named Brittingham came forward and charged Marron, the Johnstons' next-door neighbor and his hired hand, Thomas Hineberg, with the crime.

Both men were arrested and brought before the Police Court for examination on a charge of murder. Brittingham's testimony left much to be desired. His informant, who had supposedly witnessed the killing from nearby bushes, never did come forward.

Over the next several days several witnesses testified for the prosecution. Enough evidence was brought out about suspicious actions and statements by Marron to weave a circumstantial case against him.

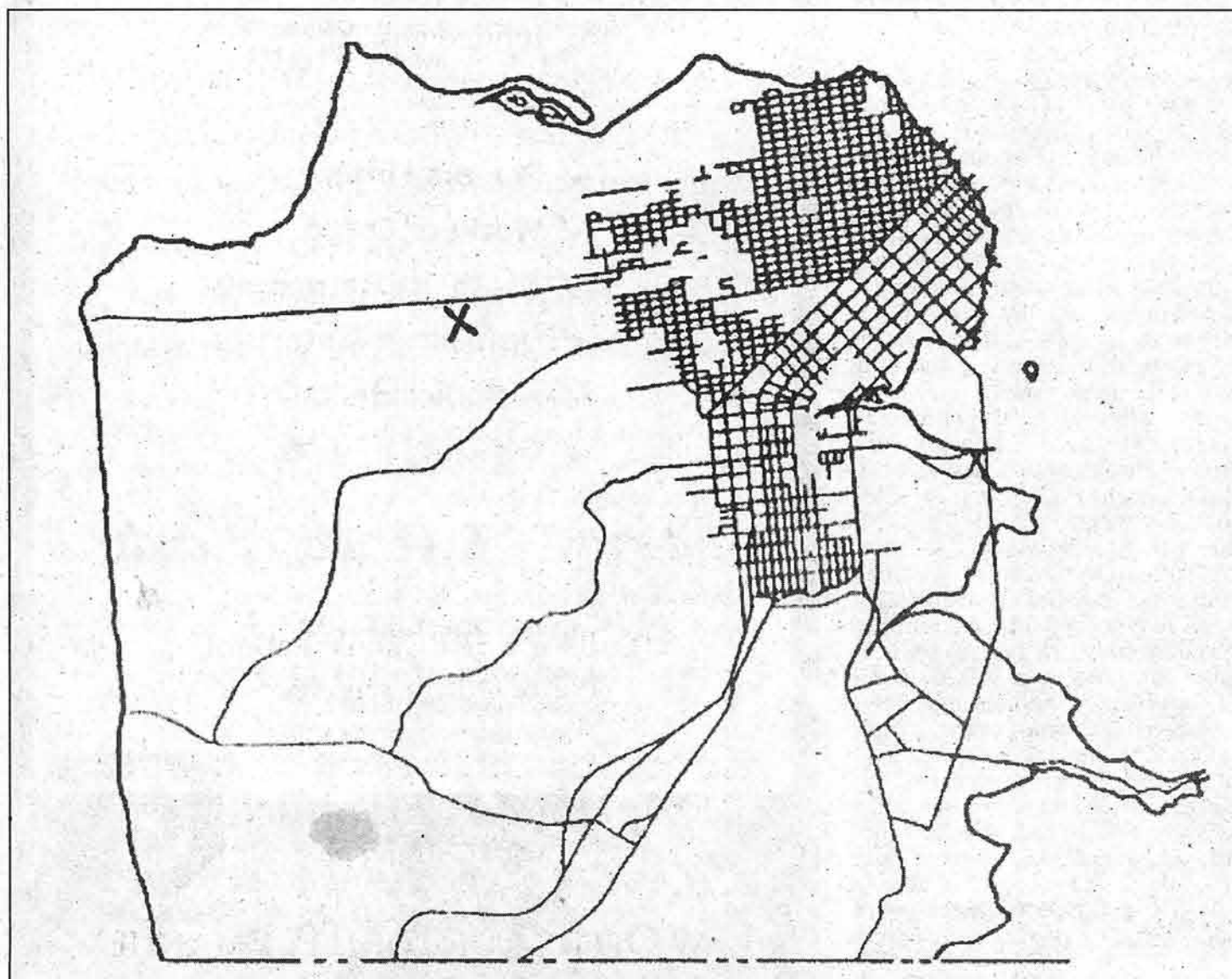
Evidence was given that there had been hard feelings between Cook and Marron and it was shown that the axe blows had been delivered by a left-handed assailant. Marron was left-handed. When young Johnston asked for the loan of a horse from Marron to go notify his father, Marron gave him a half-broken horse that only he could ride and the horse had duly thrown the young boy. Marron was reported to have gone around the night of the killing asserting that Cook must have done the deed. Inconsistencies were pointed to between the statements of Marron and Hineberg.

One telling piece of evidence that pointed to Marron was that no one had heard the Johnstons' dogs bark on the afternoon of the murder. The Johnstons were new to the neighborhood and the only people the dogs were familiar with were the Johnstons, and Marron and his handyman, Tom, and would bark violently if any strangers came around. Yet no one, Tom included, could recall the dogs having barked on the day of the murder.

It is unlikely that Arthur Conan Doyle had learned of an obscure murder case in San Francisco decades earlier and half a world away when he composed "The Adventure of Silver Blaze". In that story he has his hero, Sherlock Holmes, deduce the identity of the man who stole a valuable race-horse from the fact that the stable dog did not bark and awaken three men sleeping in the loft at the time of the theft.

The story that emerged from the testimony was that Marron had had a bitter feud with Cook, the Johnston's hired hand. Cook had previously worked for Marron who had fired him for stealing \$5. Cook in return was threatening Johnston with legal action if he didn't receive \$30 in back pay

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San Francisco circa 1870 showing developed areas. The straight horizontal line near the top of the figure approximates the line of Point Lobos Road (Geary Blvd.). The X marks the approximate location of the Johnston property near Stanyan Street in 1860



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owing to him. Furthermore, Cook had told Marron that Johnston proposed to go into the dairy business himself and that Cook intended to steal Marron's customers with whom he was familiar.

According to this theory, Marron killed Cook and was forced to kill Mrs. Johnston and her daughter because they had overheard the argument leading to the killing. Marron's plan was to come back later that night, bury Cook, and blame the Johnston murders on the missing Cook. He was stymied, however, by the giant bonfire that made it impossible to retrieve the body without being seen.

It was a cohesive theory that provided means motive and opportunity, and after five days of testimony the court released Hineberg and held Marron on a charge of murder. For some reason the Grand jury declined to bring a bill of indictment against Marron. It wasn't until 14 years later that the reason became evident.

The murder was brought up again in November 1874 when the San Francisco Bulletin revisited the unsolved case. In its October 21st edition the paper reviewed the case and offered two possible suspects. One was Marron and the other was the ship's captain who had been wandering around in the sand dunes. The second man had been seen washing himself on the day of the murder in Mountain Lake (now 12th and Lake streets) not far from the scene of the killings. He, according to that version, had been taken east by his family and placed in a lunatic asylum.

There was some disagreement among police department detectives, some holding with Marron as the perpetrator and others the insane man. Marron had been indicted by the Grand Jury, said the Bulletin, but had never been tried.

A couple of days later, a correspon-



Henry Hiram Ellis, a Maine native, was the lead detective in the Johnson murder case. His explanation for the case makes the most sense. He was later elected chief of police in 1876

dent identifying himself as "Sigma" wrote to the Bulletin correcting the editor. "Sigma" said that Marron had never been indicted, and that it had always a matter of profound astonishment to him that the Grand Jury had ignored the bills charging Marron with the murder. The only explanation, said "Sigma", was that the jury failed to grasp the connection between the various threads of circumstantial evidence.

This account brought forth another version of events, most likely from Henry Hiram Ellis, who had served as the lead detective in the original case.

A week before the Johnston Murder, Captain Pinkham, the man who had been wandering around the area near the murder at the time of the crime, had been brought to San Francisco in chains on his own vessel. On a cruise from Oregon, he had been observed by one of the seamen sneaking up behind his mate with an upraised axe in his hands. It was only by the intervention of the crewmember that Pinkham was

prevented from bringing down the axe on the mate's head.

On arrival in the port of San Francisco, Pinkham was turned over to his wife and taken to the family home on Bush Street. The day before the Johnston killing, the captain seemed to be normal so he was released and returned to his boat to see to the discharge of the cargo. Pinkham left the vessel that night and was not seen again for three days.

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The night of the murder, a man fitting Pinkham's description was seen waist deep in water at Mountain Lake apparently washing himself. The next day a man fitting the same description chased Mrs. Baker and her children at the Baker's ranch near the ocean. She barricaded her family in the house.

The man had been carrying a pair of boots. Police found a portion of the tally sheet Pinkham had received for his load of lumber in Mountain Lake. A few days after Pinkham's return home he was put aboard the steamer by his family to return to Augusta Maine.

The authorities knew about Pinkham's behavior about the time of the crime but did not seem to pursue the matter, doubtless because of his standing in the community. It was a widely held belief at the time—in the face of what must have been evidence to the contrary—that people of good family simply could not commit vicious crimes. Nobody bothered to call the police about the man on the ferry who had produced the affidavit attesting to his insanity because "his good dress and his gentlemanly looks discredited his assertions and he was not taken care of." Similarly, Pinkham's odd behavior was known about and reported in the press at the time of the murders but his "gentleman's character precluded such things as murder."

In 1869, Detective Ellis apparently went on a visit to his native home in Maine. There he found that Pinkham's family had indeed placed him in an insane asylum. It seems, according to the account in the Bulletin in 1874, that Pinkham's father and brother had both died in lunatic asylums, having been placed there after committing multiple murders.

That would seem to be the most reasonable explanation for why Marron was released without being indicted and the case was not otherwise pursued.

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## Ask Mike...the Retirees' Corner

By Mike Hebel  
POA Welfare Officer

### Social Security Solvency

**Q.** Mike, I retired 12 years ago as a member of the Tier I police retirement plan. I count on the annual cost of living adjustments to protect my purchasing power from the effects of inflation. Will Tier I receive a cost of living adjustment in 2011-2012?

**A.** Yes you can. Despite gloomy predictions that you may be reading about — especially pronouncements from some political candidates, the Social Security System will remain on very firm footing for at least the next 25 years. The current surplus of collections over payments will keep growing until around 2022. Then the surplus will slowly shrink as more baby boomers retire and start, like you, receiving monthly benefits (which, by the way, are called "old age benefits"). The bad news is that, without changes by Congress, the surplus in the trust fund will disappear in about 2035. But the trust fund will continue to have monies, but only enough to continue meeting 75% of obligations for another half-century, through 2085.

But Congress will act to insure that baby boomers receive their promised benefits — or else they will be voted out of office. Since 1937, Congress has mandated 63 changes to the Social Security program — raising the tax rate 20 times and the maximum wage subject to the tax 43 times. Congressional changes are likely to come in 2013 or 2015 — after the next presidential election and in an odd-numbered year when members of Congress are not on the ballot. The only change that may affect you pertains to the manner in which the annual cost of living benefit is calculated; a less advantageous method may be put in place. PS: the normal retirement age for your grandchildren to begin to

receive their monthly benefit from the Social Security System will certainly be higher than for you — probably age 70.

### Retirement System Trust Fund Solvency

**Q.** Mike, you recently wrote that our Retirement System is well funded and solidly capable of continuing to meet its obligation to provide monthly retirement payments to the City's retirees. But how does its funding and investment results compare to other large pension funds?

**A.** Our Retirement System remains about 90% funded. See the accompanying chart setting forth the trust fund's historical funded ratio. It has made a remarkable recovery from its low of February 2009 (assets of \$11.1 billion) to its current value (June 30, 2011) of \$15.4 billion. My data shows that it is currently the 2nd best funded public pension plan in the US.

The nation's largest public pension fund, the California Public Employees' Retirement System, on which 1.6 million members depend, is currently at about a 70% funding ratio — up from 60% to which it had fallen during the "Great Recession" of 2007-2009.

Our Retirement System's trust fund generated a 21.8 % portfolio return in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011; having grown by 12.6% in the previ-

ous fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

Our Retirement System's trust fund returns are measured and compared to the 71 public funds valued over \$1 billion. This comparison is conducted by the Trust Universe Comparison Service (TUCS). As of June 30, 2011, our trust fund ranked above the median return for the current quarter, one-year (21.5%) and ten-year time periods. It was, however, below the median for the three-year (2.5% vs. the median of 4.3%) and five-year (4.5% vs. the median of 5.1%) time periods.

Since continuing favorable returns will be so important going forward (Propositions C & D, November 2011 ballot) with respect to city employee contribution rates and the availability of the supplemental cola, the POA closely monitors the CCSF Employee Retirement System's trust fund investment returns.

### Pension Reform —Propositions C & D

**Q.** Mike, I just completing my third year in DROP and will be out of the Police Department by March 2012. Should I be concerned about either of the two competing Charter amendments that pertain to the Retirement System? And what about the "vested pension rights doctrine" that the POA has so often re-

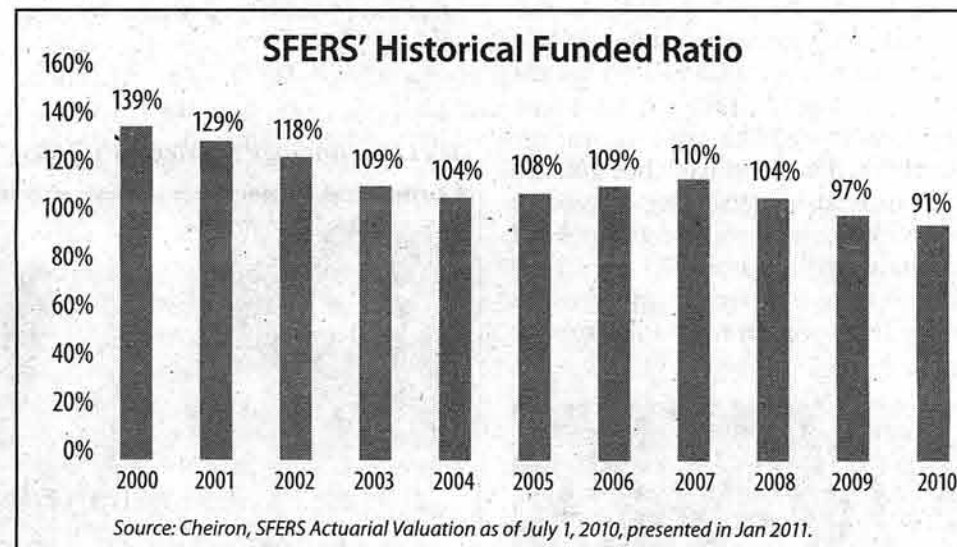
ferred to?

**A.** YES! You should be very concerned. Public Defender Jeff Adachi qualified his initiative petition (Proposition D) by obtaining 72,640 signatures. This signature gathering effort was funded by \$250,000 apiece from venture capitalist Michael Moritz and businessman George Hume. Adachi calls Proposition D (12 pages in length) "The People's Plan." Its only prominent supporter, other than Adachi, is former State Senator Quentin Kopp. This proposition is a simpler version of his failed attempt last year. Proposition D has been Adachi's springboard into the Mayoral race which he entered at the 11th hour.

Proposition C (300 pages in length) was placed on November's ballot by unanimous vote of the SF Board of Supervisors. Proposition C is supported by SF political establishment and labor unions — what Mayor Ed Lee calls "the city family." It was negotiated under the guidance of financier Warren Hellman. Proposition C contains a clause that creates a winner-take-all scenario: if both measures pass, the one with the most votes wins and the other loses. Proposition C has helped Mayor Lee enter the Mayoral race.

The crux of both plans is the same: current workers must contribute more toward their pensions so that the City

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## Ask Mike

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and contribute less. Both propositions require most city employees to pay at least 7.5% as the baseline pension contribution (This would include Jeff Adachi himself who currently does not contribute into the pension system but nevertheless earns a city pension.); Adachi's plan would set the minimum contribution for police officers and firefighters at 10%. Both propositions would provide for a sliding scale wherein the employee contribution rate could rise when, like now, the City contributions into the System is rising rapidly. Proposition C's top rate would be 13.5%; proposition D's would be 16%. In the current fiscal year (2011-2012) the city is paying about \$423 million toward city employee pensions; this figure is projected to jump to \$700 million by 2014. But only Proposition C would allow the employee contribution rate to fall below 7.5% in the best of economic times.

Adachi's Proposition D pertains only to the Retirement System. Proposition C also includes changes to the City's Health Service System. Proposition C would require current employees to pay a quarter percent of their salaries to the Retiree Health Care Trust Fund starting in 2016. That would slowly rise to 1% by 2020. (Employees hired since January 2009 already pay 2% into this fund.) Proposition C would also reconfigure the Health Service Board, which chooses the medical and dental plans for city employees and negotiates their costs. There are currently 7 members on the Health Service Board — four of whom are elected by city employees. Proposition C would reduce that number to three thereby swinging the balance of power to the appointed Board members. This Health Service Board provision has raised the ire of retired city employee organizations which fought for and funded a successful charter amendment in 2004 which established the current 4-3 employee tilt.

The Adachi's proposal (Proposition D) is titled: "The San Francisco Pension Reform Act." It has the following finding: "This year, San Francisco taxpayers must contribute \$357 million to fund City employee pension costs. Within four years, the City's required direct contribution from taxpayers is projected to reach \$600 million — an average increase of \$60 million per year. These costs may force the City to cut an additional \$243 million in essential services over the next four years to meet its pension obligations to retirees." This is followed by another finding: "Currently, regardless of the actual costs of funding the pension system, most employees contribute a fixed rate toward the cost of their pensions. The City's required contribution, however, is not fixed. The City now contributes nearly twice the amount that most City employees contribute. Within four years, the City's contribution level is projected to be four times that of City employees."

Proposition D will save the City more money — \$400 million more, according to Adachi, than Proposition C over the next ten years.

### Effect on Supplemental Cola

Both Propositions C & D provide that for current employees and retirees, "no supplemental cost of living

benefits shall be paid after January 1, 2012, unless the SFERS Retirement Fund is 100% funded on an actuarial value of assets basis. No cost of living increase previously granted to a retiree shall be reduced as a result of this section. With the Retirement System's trust fund having earned in excess of 20% in FY 2010-2011, there are sufficient excess reserves to pay the supplemental cola for FY 2011-2012 commencing, retroactively to July 1, 2011. But if either C or D becomes law, there would be no supplemental cola thereafter for many years to come.

### Vested Pension Rights Doctrine

If either proposition becomes law, it will be under intense legal scrutiny. The "vested pension rights" doctrine has decades of case law behind it and violating this legal doctrine maybe the undoing of which ever proposition passes with the most votes. The "vested pension rights" doctrine, simply stated, says that a public employer cannot simply demand higher contribution rates without giving these same employees a countervailing benefit increase. With respect to retirees, the "vested pension rights" doctrine would not allow a decrease in benefits (i.e., the supplemental cola) once the retiree has begun to receive his/her pension benefit.

The California Supreme Court's consistent view on public sector pension plans is that for every tweak of a pension plan that results in a current worker's disadvantage, there must be a comparable, offsetting advantage. Upping employee contribution rates without upping a benefit payout is a disadvantage not permitted by current California law. Proposition C argues that its "pension contribution fairness float" does offer a comparable advantage, a commensurate benefit, because in good economic years, the city employee contribution rate could fall below 7.5%, the current fixed requirement. Adachi's Proposition D offers no such commensurate benefit; Adachi argues that the commensurate benefit is the very solvency of the pension trust — but the courts have always required a showing that his proposition was the least drastic solution to the SF pension problem. The passage of either, but especially Proposition D, will invite near-certain litigation. That a judge or judges will be the ultimate arbiter of either measure seems nearly certain.

Mike Hebel has been the POA's Welfare Officer since January 1974. He is an attorney and a certified financial planner. He has received awards/recognition as a Northern California "super lawyer" and included amongst "America's top financial planners." He represents POA members at the City's Retirement Board and at the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board. He also advises on investment matters pertaining to the City's deferred compensation plan. He is currently the chairperson on the SF Police Credit Union's Supervisory Committee. Mike served with the Police Activities League (PAL) as president and long-term Board member. Mike retired from the SFPD in 1994 after a distinguished 28 year career. He is a frequent and long-time contributor to the POA Journal. If you have a question for Mike, send an e-mail to [mike@sfpoa.org](mailto:mike@sfpoa.org) or call him at 861-0211.

## Technology Corner

By Susan Giffin  
Chief Information Officer

In my ten months so far with the department, I have met with over 200 of you at all levels throughout the organization. Thank you for the excellent and candid feedback on what is good and what is challenging about Technology at SFPD. From your feedback I have worked with our Command Staff and my team to develop a one to three year strategic plan. The projects formed for this strategy are outlined within this article.

The focus of our work in Technology is to support the Department's goals of: 1) Preventing Crime; 2) Solving Crime; 3) Police Officer Safety and Effectiveness; and 4) Improving Community Acceptance of SFPD. To this end, the department is undergoing exciting technological improvements. The current leadership at SFPD is very technology-focused; and as I hope you will see, the department has made great progress which is evident by the many accomplishments to date. My ultimate goal for our department is to leap-frog other major cities and to implement premier technologies, starting with our Crime Data Warehouse.

With this inaugural article, my intent is to give you a comprehensive view of what has been happening in Technology. Future articles will be concise and focused on the interesting uses of technology that benefits SFPD. So, stay tuned.

### SFPD Technology Strategic Projects Completed Projects

**E-Mail** — (Completed August, 2011 for the entire department) Direct communications between members of the department has enhanced effective and quick response to emergency and other situations.

**Mug shots on all computers** — (Completed August, 2011) A joint project with the ID Bureau, this network change has enabled all computers in the stations to access mug shots with no additional password required.

**Network Security Audit** — (Completed June 2011) The audit showed our network to be very secure. The only caveat was the need to remain vigilant in protecting passwords. **Don't forget** — never respond to an unknown email/website that does not end in @sfgov.org.

**Disaster Recovery** — (Completed May, 2011) All our SFPD systems are now backed up and recoverable.

**Phone Directory** — (Completed June 2011) This searchable online directory lists rank, location, business phone number and email address of



Susan Giffin

personnel stored in HRMS and is automatically updated to reflect personnel movement. Check it out the next time you sign into SFPD. Just type [sfddirectory.com](http://sfddirectory.com) into the browser address bar.

**Cable Access at Airport** — (Completed May, 2011) SFPD airport personnel can now access CABLE directly.

### Planned Projects

**Crime Data Warehouse** — (Jan 2012 and on-going) This is the implementation of the first major phase of a multi-year effort to automate crime records at SFPD. This phase includes the implementation of electronic incident report-writing. We will replace our current PC-based IRS System as well as introduce an online query tool. This leading edge technology allows us to search on absolutely anything — modus operandi, monikers, field interviews, description, tattoos, etc. If it was entered on the incident report or field interview, it is searchable.

**Free Business Cards for Officers and Sergeants** — (Nov 2011) Officers and Sergeants will be able to get free business cards to hand out in the community.

**Mug Shots and Cal Photo in Vehicles** — (Mar 2012 est.) This was the most requested item by police officers. We are working with Department of Justice to clear our network to allow high speed internet access in vehicles which will enable us to get photos into patrol cars.

**Single Sign-on** — (Mar. 2012 est.) This will consolidate our 24+ required passwords for the police systems into one.

I am pleased to have shared this information with you. Your thoughts, inputs on this strategy and any other ideas you may have for improving our Technology at SFPD are always welcomed.

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# Ingleside Station Remembers Sgt. John Young

By Captain Daniel J. Mahoney  
Ingleside Station

On Monday, August 29, 2011, members of the Command Staff, the Department, Ingleside Station officers and retired members gathered at 5:00 pm to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the attack on Ingleside Station which culminated in the injury of civilian employee Ellen Lipney and the assassination of Sergeant John V. 'Jack' Young.

While it was a solemn remembrance of a man who epitomized the values and profession of the SFPD, particularly coming just weeks before the remembrance of our fallen comrades on 9-11, it also turned into a celebration of his life. Many well-respected retirees who were either friends of John Young or were working that fateful evening gave glowing tributes to his good natured-ness and professionalism. Those in attendance included Durmuid Philpott, Tom Del Torre, Tom

O'Donnell, Jack Cleary, Bob Mahoney, John Candido, Don Ross and many others. Supervisor John Avalos presented a special proclamation to the Department and designated August 29, 2011 as "Sergeant John V. Young Day in San Francisco".

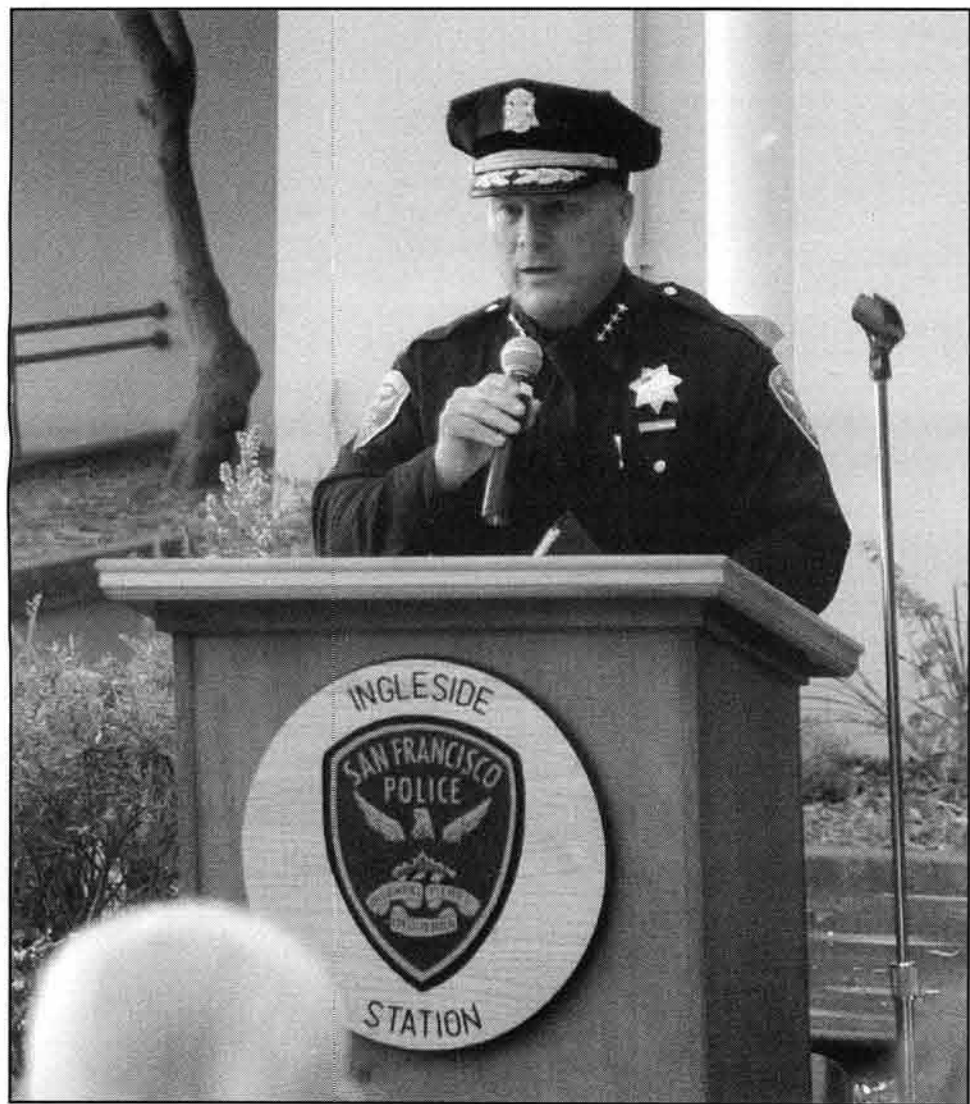
In remembrance of Sergeant Young, the Ingleside Station flagpole was re-dedicated to his memory. The old flag was officially "retired" by the SFPD Honor Guard and a new flag was hoisted in his honor. Furthermore, special illumination was installed so that the flag will never be taken down. Sergeant John Young will always be looking over the men and women of Ingleside Station.

Special thanks goes out to Chief Greg Suhr, the POA leadership, Phil Ginsburg from Recreation and Parks, DPW, various community groups for providing refreshments and to my staff at Ingleside for their effort and countless hours of dedication to this event.



Capt. Mahoney unveils the plaque.

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Chief Suhr addressing the audience

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SFPD Sergeant John V. Young



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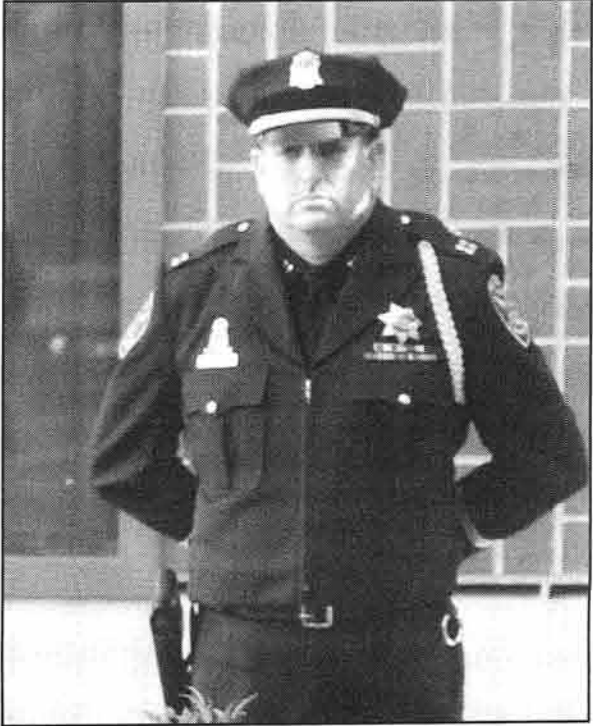


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A black and white photograph of a funeral procession. A large American flag is being carried by several people in the center. They are walking on a path lined with people in uniform. In the background, there are buildings and trees.

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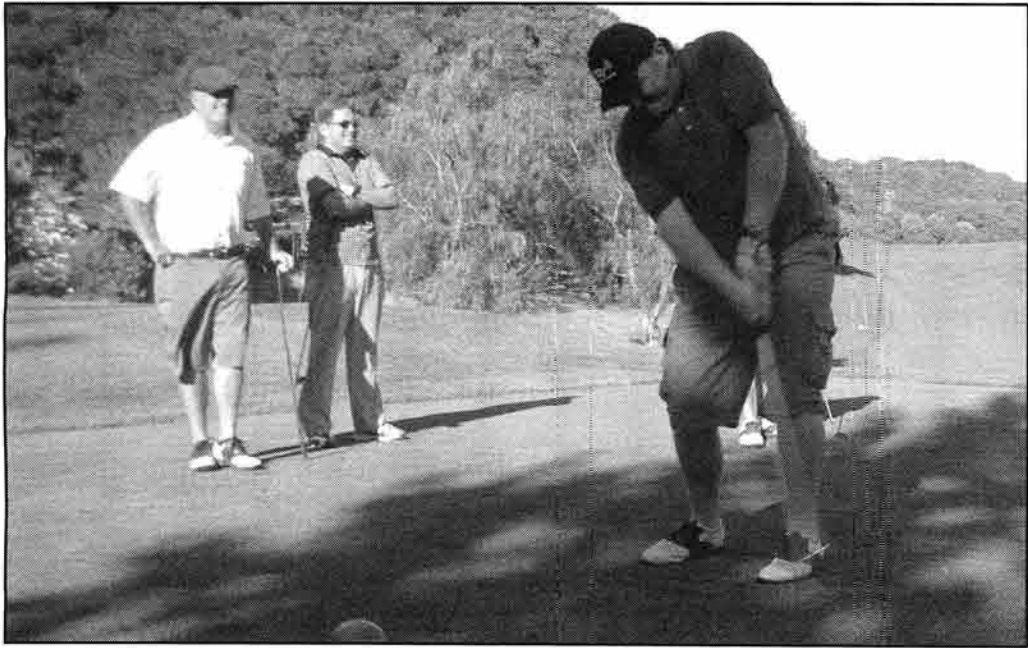
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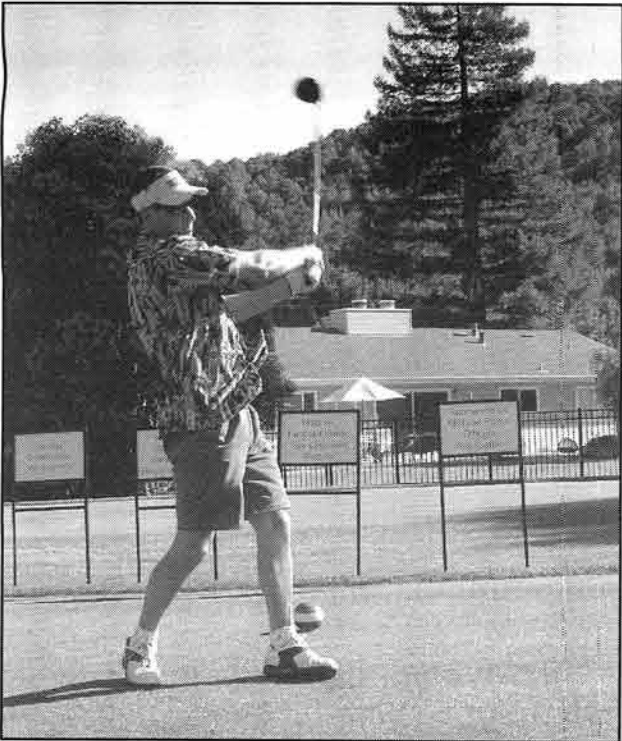




President Gary Delagnes putts while Joe Betz, owner, House of Prime Rib, Supervisor Mark Farrell, and Co-Chair Bob Swall watch.



Dermot Dorgan is a member of the Board of Directors of the POA.



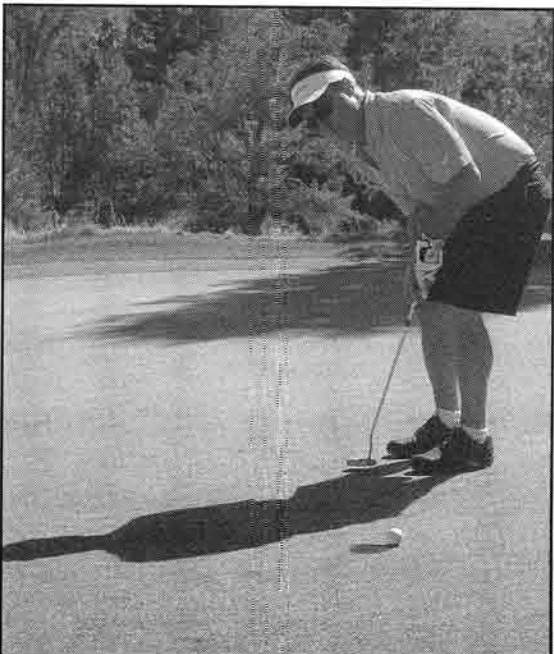
Ed Carew is Past President of the Emerald Society.



Joe Finnegan, co-chair of the event, is a member of the POA Board of Directors.



Mel Murphy, a native of Ireland, is a real estate agent and serves on one of the city commissions.



Solo Mike White.

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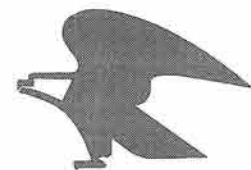


Joe Finnerty with style.





## POA MAIL



Dear SFPOA —

As the one year anniversary of my husband's, Matthew Goodin #2125, suicide looms ahead (October 6th) I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the small group of officers and their families who have been there for my two young children and myself.

The following officers have been with me since Matt's suicide on October 6, 2010 through the present. I'd like to thank Matthew Castagnola and his wife Bernadette, Andrew Meehan and his wife Shauna, Joel Babbs, Ian Furminger and his wife Stephanie, Matthew O'Leary and his wife Janet, and Chris Breen.

Matt and Bernie Castagnola were the first to come to my aide as soon as I called them. After that, they called Chris Breen who drove down all the way from Sonoma to be with my family and I late that night.

The next day, as word spread, the others began arriving on their own accord.

Thank God I had their support. I couldn't have gotten through the first few weeks, nor this first year without them.

So once again I thank you, my friends and Matt's, for looking out for Ryan (10), Melissa (9), and myself. Matt would be so proud of you all. God bless you!

Sincerely,

**Christie Goodin,**

Widow of Officer Matthew D. Goodin,

Star #2125

May He Rest In Peace

Dear Chief Greg Suhr and the S.F. P.O.A. —

On behalf of the Casper family I would like to thank Chief Greg Suhr for his invaluable and generous support during the unfortunate tragic death of my cousin, Donald Casper. Your kindness will never be forgotten. We would also like to thank the San Francisco Police Officers Association for the beautiful flowers. Don held all of you in high regards. Our family also appreciates the honors provided by the S.F.P.D. and S.F.F.D. We would like to specifically thank the members of the S.F.P.D. who provided the Honor Guard, the Mounted Color Guard, the Traffic Escorts, the Command Staff, Central Station and the Officers that blocked off the streets for Donald's Funeral Mass. We could not have given Donald the tribute he deserved without all of you!

I must also directly acknowledge Chief Suhr for the condolence note to my father and our family. Our family received many sympathy cards, acknowledgments and resolutions from City and State Officials but your personal note stood out to my father. You talked about Don being a "true friend and mentor to all

those who met him". You couldn't have said it better. We know Don thought highly of you and was so proud that you were named Chief to head a department he so loved. You both shared the same pride and vision for the City of San Francisco.

Most importantly, I would like to thank my husband, Officer Matt Castagnola for helping our family during this very difficult time. Thank you for organizing the S.F.P.D. and S.F.F.D. and their roles they would play in Don's service, helping with the funeral planning and for dealing with the CHP on a daily basis and continuing to do so.

Matt, you embody the same spirit of service that Don did. You wear your police uniform with the utmost pride not only for yourself but for the S.F.P.D. and you do it always with a smile and your warm, friendly personality and fun sense of humor. Don was proud to see you were finally part of the Mounted Unit when you rode past him at the Columbus Day Parade because he knew you are loyal and committed to making this City a better place. You are a role model to our children, Madison and Riley, on a daily basis. They love to see you on the job and tell everyone that you are their dad when you are out and about on the streets. Their admiration and respect for you has now motivated them to give back as well. So, the torch has now been passed to them. I know they will keep you and Don in their hearts as they carry on the tradition of giving back to the City that we all so love.

As I sat and wrote this letter reflecting on Don's legacy many similarities between Chief Suhr, Matt Castagnola and Donald came to mind... born and raised in S.F., graduates of St. Ignatius, all have served this City with integrity, honesty, dedication, pride and have stepped up and done the right thing when it wasn't always popular.

Lastly, as the limo left the church and headed through North Beach my friend said, "I feel like I was at a President's funeral today. I am so honored to be here and be a part of this". Don made people feel honored on a daily basis. He was truly San Francisco's Proud Civil Service Commissioner, Ambassador and Historian. I don't think we will ever know anyone that can fill his "running" shoes. The streets of San Francisco will never be the same without him. So, thank you to all that were a part of his life.

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and more information at Twitter Account @CHP\_goldengate or this Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Donald-Casper-Hit-and-Run/212602785464608?sk=wall>.

If you happen to see this truck please write the license plate down and report it to the CHP. The truck may or may not have damage to it and they will check it out.

God Bless all of you and be safe,  
**Bernadette Casper and Family**

Dear SFPOA —

On behalf of the Executive Board and the Membership of San Francisco Firefighters Local 798, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to the POA for your assistance and support for the funeral services of fallen firefighters Perez and Valerio.

We have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of sympathy that we have received from our affiliates and friends following the deaths of these brave men. Your support in this time of grief has been deeply felt and greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

**Thomas O'Connor**  
President, Local 798

Dear SFPOA —

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to our many friends, family, coworkers, and neighbors. Your prayers, phone calls, cards, floral arrangements, donations, food, and warm displays of caring and affection gave us great comfort.

We thank you for all that you have done to lighten our heavy hearts. As you continue to lift us up in prayer, we ask God's richest blessings upon each of you.

**SFFD Engine Company 26**

Dear SFPOA —

I want to thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent when my mom passed away. You have always been there for me for the last 33 years. I will never forget.

**Vinny Catanzaro**  
Central Station

Dear Fellow POA Members —

I would like to share with you an ambitious adventure my partner (of 18 years) Pat Simon is undertaking. First, she is a 4th grade school teacher at a public school in San Pablo called Montalvin Manor. It's a Title One School, which means it is in a high poverty area. Many of Pat's students are immigrants with families working very hard to make ends meet. Most summers the kids are forced to stay home. Why? There is very little money for a vacation, and mom/dad or caregiver, can't get the time off from work to go anywhere.

So where am I going with this? Glad you asked! Yosemite I hope. Pat wants to take her students, 30 of them, for 5 days of outdoor science education to beautiful Yosemite. The Yosemite Institute incorporates a wide range of lessons and activities with an emphasis on responsible environmental behavior.

What a wonderful idea; a 5-day field trip during spring break, to Yosemite!! The only glitch is that this trip will cost each child \$450.00 dollars to go. This could very well be a trip of a lifetime for some of these kids; kids that might not ever get an opportunity, to see and be, in such beauty.

I am asking on behalf of my better half, for money. Pat wants to inspire these kids with a love of nature and an experience they will always remember. Any amount you give I truly thank you for. The Yosemite Institute does not have an on-line means of receiving money. Pat has set up an easy link to donate on-line. The company is called ChipIn and can be accessed at:

<http://montalvinmanor.chipin.com/yosemite-institute-fieldtrip>

Or: you can send me a check made out to Montalvin Manor. I am working at the airport (SFO) Traffic Division

Thank you so much in advance for your generosity,

**Sergeant Ann Bower #783**  
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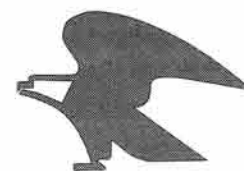
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Ray Shine, Editor.





## POA MAIL



Dear SFPOA —

On behalf of the Oules Tour de Friends Golf Tournament Committee, Rick Oules' wife Lisa and daughter Crissy in the memory of our great friend, Rick I want to thank you for all you have done to support this tournament. Your willingness to participate and to bring other golfers helped us raise \$16,000 to be used to defray any medical costs not paid for insurance with the remainder being applied to the college fund that we have established for Crissy. I think that we can all agree Rick made a tremendous impact in our lives both personally professionally and this tournament was a way to support the single most important thing in Rick's life and that was his family.

Thank you again for all you did to keep alive the memory of Rick Oules and provide support for his family.

Sincerely,  
**Ron Brooks**  
Tournament Co-Chair  
**Dan Dillon**  
Tournament Co-Chair

Dear SFPOA —

We're living in a day and age where everyone is pinching a penny. With budget crises throughout federal, state, and county governments running rampant, it's a struggle for government funded programs and institutions to even operate. In light of our current economic hardships, receiving the \$4000 scholarship from the association was even more heart-warming. I want to take this opportunity to thank you. I am truly honored that the association plans on investing its hard-earned money on bettering my future; My family and I are incredibly grateful. The association has shown unprecedented generosity in giving such a wonderful gift. The help the association has given me won't soon be forgotten. I've been inspired by this scholar-

ship to give back to my community and future generations once I am in a position to do so. Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,  
**David Juarez**

Dear, SFPOA —

Thank you for taking the time to read my essay and I deeply appreciate being one of the recipients of your scholarship. This will no doubt help further my education at UC Santa Cruz and help me reach my ultimate goal of following in my father and uncle's footsteps of going into law enforcement. Again, thank you for your time and generosity.

Patrick Kim

Dear SFPOA —

Thank you for selecting and awarding to me the esteemed San Francisco Police Officers Association Scholarship. I will be attending California State University, East Bay starting this fall quarter, majoring in Pre-Nursing. Your generous Scholarship award helps to offset the costly expenses of textbooks and other materials I will need during my course of study. I am currently on the road to becoming a Registered Nurse by enrolling in a certified nursing assistant course this summer. Be assured that your award will go to a worthy cause because one day the lives of others will be in my careful hands.

I am honored that you have selected me amongst the other deserving applicants and I will strive to do my best in college. Your prestigious scholarship marks the jumpstart of my success and future.

Sincerely,  
**Jeremy D. Wong**

Dear SFPOA —

I just wanted to write for choosing me as a scholarship recipient. The

award of \$750 helped me greatly in paying for my housing. Thank you so much for your time and efforts.

Sincerely,  
**Bridget Kowalski**

Dear SFPOA —

I want to thank you for awarding me the scholarship money through the POA Scholarship Program. It will help me very much as I begin college at the University of Arizona.

Sincerely,  
**Bernadette Boyle**

Dear SFPOA —

Thank you so much for your generosity in supporting my education with this scholarship. It was so rewarding and exciting to learn that I would be receiving this scholarship because I feel that I have worked extremely hard to deserve it and will continue to do so in college. I am very anxious to begin my education at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo because I cannot wait to learn and be able to participate more fully in the community. I will be studying in the major of Kinesiology, concentrating on exercise science, from where I hope to attend a medical school. My ultimate career goal is to become an orthopedic doctor and work with a high school or college sports team as a team doctor. I have a curiosity and passion for anatomy and physiology, as well as a very energetic and sociable personality, so I feel that this career will be a great fit.

In addition to my interest in sports medicine, I am hoping to become involved with the Coast Guard during college. I have grown up with the ocean and am currently working as a lifeguard and swim instructor, and I think that this experience paired with my protective nature will help me to aid this organization and people in need.

It is difficult to articulate the gratitude that I feel to the SFPOA for helping me to pursue these dreams. I really appreciate your support, and especially the men and women who protect and serve the public. I hope to contribute to the community as I mature the same way that you are

doing. Thank you for everything that you do.

Sincerely,  
**Erin Clark**

Dear SFPOA —

Thank you very much for providing me with the wonderful opportunity to attend the Academy of Art University, Pre-College Summer Program.

Sincerely,  
**Alessandra Marino**

Dear SFPOA —

Thank you very much for awarding me a scholarship to continue my education. To be recognized and awarded because of my academic work is a great honor and motivator to continually try for great things. I'm eager to start school in the coming weeks, and once again I must thank you all in supporting my future endeavors.

Sincerely,  
**Mark Laubach**

Dear SFPOA —

My name is Haley Doherty and I was a recipient of the SFPOA Scholarship this year. I wanted to thank you so much for this scholarship, it means so much to my family and I, especially my grandpa Captain Jack Gleeson. This scholarship will help me so much during my next four years at UC Santa Barbara.

Thank you so much!  
Sincerely,  
**Haley Doherty**

Dear SFPOA —

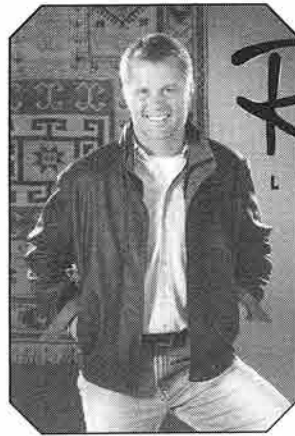
I would like to express how grateful and honored I feel to be a recipient of the POA Scholarship. This award sets the foundation for my college career as I pursue a higher education at the University of Washington.

The SFPD is important to my family, and I truly appreciate the support. Thanks so much!

Sincerely,  
**Nicole Trierweiler**

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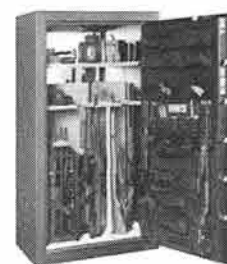
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## Book Reviews

### Portrait of a Spy

By Daniel Silva

Reviewed by Dennis Bianchi

A few months ago, while in attendance at a police function, I had occasion to speak with retired Chief Tony Ribera. Since his retirement from the San Francisco Police Department Chief Ribera has been the Director of The School of Management — Public and Nonprofit Administration at The University of San Francisco. But he also enjoys a good thriller/mystery book. He mentioned the writer Daniel Silva and how much he was enjoying reading his hit at the time, *The Rembrandt Affair*. I agreed with him then about Mr. Silva being a top-notch author and, after finishing his more current *New York Times* best-seller, *Portrait of a Spy*, I continue to agree. But one definitely needs to suspend one's disbelief when reading him. Give into the escapism and the thrills. Enjoy Mr. Silva's international man of action, Gabriel Allon and his beautiful wife Chiara as they continue their story of espionage and violence while pursuing the restoration of art masterpieces.

The *Rocky Mountain News* called Gabriel Allon "...the most compelling creation since Ian Fleming put down his martini and invented James Bond." High praise, but Allon is more than just a spy. He's an art restorer and connoisseur of all things artistic and beautiful. And rather than British, he worked for Israel, but was trying to leave the spy business behind. Fortunately for the reader, Gabriel becomes embroiled in a confrontation with the new face of global terror. At the heart of the danger is an American-born cleric residing in Yemen to whom Allah has granted "a beautiful and seductive tongue." A

gifted con man, who was once a paid CIA asset, the mastermind is plotting many a new series of attacks.

Gabriel devises a daring plan to destroy the network of murderers from the inside. He must reach into his violent professional past. Waiting for him is a reclusive heiress and art collector. For a Muslim woman she can cross the murky divide between Islam and the West surprisingly well, due to her deceased father's powerful position. What she doesn't know is who assassinated her father: Gabriel Allon. Somehow, the author makes it all work. The ending has plenty of action and a surprise or two but I kept waiting for something a bit different. Since Mr. Silva was once a television producer I suspect he envisions his stories differently than many other readers.

This author has a clear concern: the Middle East and the problems with radical Muslimism. It will be interesting to see if, and how, Mr. Silva will change his protagonists in future books as he must now deal with the death of Bin Laden and what is being called "The Arab Spring," as many countries in the Middle East are changing without the apparent impetus of Al Qaida or its equivalent. Towards the end of *Portrait of a Spy* the author makes some reference to these new circumstances in a manner that makes one think that the information was added as a series of late editorial changes. An author of such great success and obvious intelligence will no doubt make the correct choice. Thanks, Chief Ribera, for reminding me of a reliably entertaining writer.

### Except When I Write Reflection of a Recovering Critic

By Arthur Krystal

Reviewed by Dennis Bianchi

"I never think except when I sit down to write."

— Attributed to Montaigne by  
Edgar Allan Poe

The quote is obviously the premise for the title of this book of essays by Arthur Krystal, an American writer of clear thoughts expressed in a highly intelligent, but approachable, manner. Mr. Krystal has been published in *New Yorker*, *Harpers*, the *American Scholar*, the *Times Literary Supplement* and the *New York Times Book Review*. The title essay of *Except When I Write* was selected of inclusion in the 2010 edition of *Best American Essays*. Many of the other essays included could have just as easily been awarded such an honor.

Not to belabor the use of quotes but another seems necessary at the start of this review as it neatly summarizes the driving force for the book. While watching a YouTube presentation of Vladimir Nabokov Mr. Krystal hears the great novelist make the claim:

"I do not...I don't wish to touch hearts," Nabokov says in his unidentifiable accent. "I don't even want to affect minds very much. What I really want to produce is that little sob in the spine of the artist-reader."

Most readers of Nabokov would readily agree that Nabokov succeeded in his quest. So, too, has Mr. Krystal. But he continues:

Not bad, I think, as I sit staring at the dark granular box on my YouTube screen. In fact, a damned good line to come up with off the cuff. But wait! What's that Nabokov's doing with his hands? He's turning over index cards. He's glancing at notes. He's reading. Fluent in three languages, he relies on prefabricated responses to talk about his work.

Mr. Krystal is at first disappointed only to quickly realize that often, writers are not brilliant conversationalists. Their job is to write.

There are twelve chapters, all different in focus, but all enjoyable and fascinating. In *Carpe Noctem: A Little Night Music* the author discusses those who work at night, looking back three thousand years ago to those sentries employed in Mesopotamia, "discouraging thieves, keeping a sharp eye out for fires, and making sure that doors were locked." He plows forward in time, giving us the origin of the word flatfoot for watchmen (from the French, *tristes-a-pattes*) and even includes William Shakespeare's Constable Dogberry from *Much Ado About Nothing*. (I learned some time ago that the editor of this news journal, Mr. Ray Shine, had a keen interest in Constable Dogberry).

There is a chapter on sleep, a brilliant chapter on aphorisms, and a great discussion of Edgar Allan Poe in *Consulting Detective*, wherein Poe is described not only as a writer, but engaged in a little detective work himself. There is a chapter on one of the more under-appreciated writers and thinkers in the United States for more than the last 70 years, Jacques Barzun, a man now 104-years old and

still writing as *Emeritus Professor* at Columbia University. Barzun is a true intellectual. However, he is a man with both feet on the ground as exemplified by his famous quote that is inscribed on a plaque at the Baseball Hall of Fame, "Whoever wants to know the heart and mind of America had better learn baseball."

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There is also a short discussion of, *En Garde! The Duel in History*. The author writes, "Yet, despite its excesses, the duel remained for centuries a valid means to redress a wrong. For one thing, the sword was quicker and more binding than the gavel — a man who'd been cheated in a business deal might prefer to issue a challenge than engage in tedious, convoluted legal proceedings. Included are discussions on both the Great Depression and The Sixties, which he prays for, "In Pace Requiem." The book clearly contains an extensive display of interesting and varied subjects.

There are five chapters devoted to either writing or writers, as one might expect by the title. Some of the observations are advice, some are astute observations, such as Chapter Nine: *Slow Fade: F. Scott Fitzgerald in Hollywood*. Fitzgerald wasn't the only successful novelist who failed as a Hollywood script-writer, implying that simply being good at one type of writing does not qualify someone as good at any or all types of writing. In the chapter, *Slang Whanger: William Hazlitt's Impetuous Prose*, one of the author's favorite writers is discussed. Hazlitt made many degrading remarks about writers' social graces and a lack of "shop talk" but he is credited with this great piece of advice for all writers, "Confound it man, don't be insipid." Mr. Krystal has taken this advice completely to heart. He pulls no punches in instructing the reader of Hazlitt's life and reputation. Referred to as "a slang-whanger" who wished to destroy the very foundations of modesty and decorum, Mr. Krystal writes, "Hazlitt may not have deserved...abuse, but he certainly asked for it. The man suffered from intellectual Tourette's syndrome: he simply could not keep his mouth shut. Hazlitt saw a violation and immediately wrote out a ticket, and nothing you could say or do would make him reconsider."

This is not the author's first collection of essays, which is good news, as it means there are many more jewels waiting out there to be found and read. Mr. Krystal is not only sharp, extremely well-read and literate, he has a keen sense of humor that he delivers with the timing of Mark Twain or Ambrose Bierce.

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# Two Nobel Prize Winners Assessment: America's Employment Challenge

By Edwin K. Stephens,  
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— Albert Einstein

*I have learned to seek my happiness by limiting my desires, rather than in attempting to satisfy them.*  
— John Stuart Mill

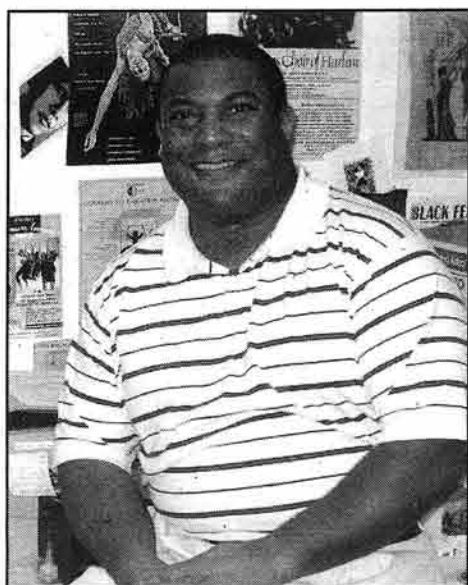
Will the non-tradable sector and the muted job gains in the tradable sectors combine to put pressure on job creation, and on the salaries of middle-income workers?

**Answer: Yes. There is a mismatch between the skill sets and competencies of the American workforce and the sectors that are producing higher incomes.**

### USA's Workforce Sectors: Tradable and Non-Tradable

A. Michael Spence, New York University Professor of Economics is the 2001 Alfred Nobel Prize Winner in Economics along with Professors Joseph E. Stiglitz and George Akerlof.

In March 2011, Professor A. Michael Spence and Research Assistant Sandhile Hlatshwayo produced a working paper for the Council of Foreign Relations entitled, "The Evolving Structure of the American Economy and the Employment Challenge." In this academic research paper Dr. Spence noted that the United States workforce is broken down into two very large sectors: tradable and non-tradable.



Professor Spence said, "The employment creation occurred mostly in non-tradable sectors — where we don't have international competition."

Dr. Spence noted that the overwhelming majority of new jobs created cannot be offshored easily. Although the two leading employment sectors are government and health care, which accounted for 40 percent of the incremental jobs created between 1990 and 2008, due to high deficits and rising pressure on health care spending, those areas are not likely to be huge sources of job growth going forward.

Professor Spence added that construction and retailing, two other large sources of non-tradable jobs, are sectors that relied on debt-fueled consumption. And, in the age of tight credit and continued deleveraging, those areas

United States.

The actions of the free market have made goods less expensive for Americans, but the free flow of labor and capital has also diminished the employment opportunities available in the United States and will, continue to do so at all levels of society. The Nobel Laureate realizes that policymakers acknowledge that there is a trade-off between the cost of goods and the availability of jobs, but there needs to be a method in which to improve the imbalance.

Dr. Spence concludes that in order to create jobs, contain inequality, and reduce the United States current-account deficit, the scope of the export sector will need to expand. That will mean restoring and creating United States competitiveness in an expanded set of activities via heightened investment in human capital, technology, and hard and soft infrastructure. However, the challenge is how to do it most effectively.

### Living With a Low Growth Economy

Joseph E. Stiglitz, Professor of Economics at Columbia University was Chief Economist of the World Bank from 1997 to 2000 and was awarded the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences in 2001. Dr. Stiglitz's most recent book is "Freefall: America, Free Markets and the Sinking of the World Economy."

On March 28, 2011, Dr. Stiglitz wrote an article for Politico Journal entitled, "Why I didn't sign deficit letter" which was his commentary on why he declined, when asked to sign the letter from a bipartisan group of former chairmen and chairwomen of the Council of Economic Advisers that stressed the importance of deficit reduction and urged the use of the Bowles Simpson Deficit Commission's recommendations as the basis for compromise.

Dr. Stiglitz stated, "I believe the Bowles Simpson recommendations represent, to too large an extent, a set of unprincipled political compromises that would lead to a weaker America with slower growth and a more divided society." Professor Stiglitz stated the best way to reduce the deficit is to put America back to work.

Professor Stiglitz noted the deficit increase has been caused by the enormous shortfall between the economy's potential and actual output. Even as growth has resumed, the "output gap" reflecting in high unemployment has persisted. The Bowles-Simpson recommendations, if adopted, would constitute a near-suicide pact: Growth would slow, tax revenues would diminish, the improvement in the deficit would be minimal.

Dr. Stiglitz stated that monetary policy has been ineffective in pulling the United States out of our malaise. He recommends fiscal policy is the only

recourse to putting America back to work. Years of underinvestment in the public sector in infrastructure, education and technology mean that there are ample high-return opportunities. Tax revenues generated by the higher short-and long-term growth will more than pay the low interest costs, implying significant reductions in deficits. Fortunately, we can simultaneously stimulate the economy now and reduce the deficit in the medium term.

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From 1990 to 2008, Dr. Spence and Ms. Hlatshwayo noted that 97 percent of the 27.3 million U.S. jobs created were in the non-tradable sector. And, the five largest non-tradable sectors, mentioned above, contributed 65 percent of the 1990-2008 jobs growth.

are not likely to be big job generators. Finally, these jobs tend to add less value and pay lower salaries than jobs in the tradable sector. Tradable sectors such as technology, consulting, and finance have performed well.

### No Quick Fix for the American Economy

Professor Spence noted that the American economy has seen the lower and middle components of the value-added chain moving to rapidly growing markets abroad and warn that soon higher-paying jobs may follow low-paying jobs on leaving the

### USA's Economic Silver Lining

Americans are a resilient group of people. And, it has become apparent that the Great Recession of 2007 has left an impression on the actions and thinking of many. However, the slow but growing American economy has created new opportunities for entrepreneurs who have used the new tools of social media, technology and labor cost efficiencies in industries to forge new strategic alliances for employment and economic growth.

The new American economy may not resemble the old "smokestack" industries of the Industrial Revolution, but there is a new economic revolution that is occurring within the United States and those who have equipped themselves with the necessary skills set are representative of the new American worker who can navigate successfully within the 21st century and the global economy.

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### Orlando Wants To Show Police Lieutenants, Fire Chiefs That There Is A 'Consequence' For Not Agreeing To Mayor's Wage Proposal

On Aug 31, 2011 01:04 pm

ORLANDO, FL – Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer's administration wants a pound of flesh from more than 50 police and fire department administrators.

Last year, to avoid layoffs and other cuts, Dyer asked city workers to give up voluntarily pay raises guaranteed in their union contracts. Nearly all of the city's 3,000 employees agreed, except for two groups: district fire chiefs and police lieutenants.

Those supervisors refused on principle, arguing that city officials had a responsibility to stick to an agreement they signed just a year before. Dyer was forced to give the 51 public safety administrators 3 percent raises, even as all of their co-workers had their wages frozen.

Now, with their union contracts about to expire, those chiefs and lieutenants have to negotiate new deals. And city officials haven't forgotten.

Dyer's labor negotiator wants to take back the raises, along with the money the workers received from the raises over the past year. That would take their pay back in time a year, putting them even with every other city employee.

But the city wants to go further. While other city employees — the ones who went along with the mayor's plan last year — are due a 3 percent raise

next year, the Dyer administration has offered the fire and police supervisors less, perhaps 1.5 percent or a reduction in other benefits; negotiations are ongoing.

Chief labor negotiator David Rafanowicz said making the public safety workers give up more is simply the administration's way of showing there's a "consequence" for not going along with the mayor and the city's other union employees.

"The other bargaining units in the city chose to give up their pay raise. Everybody else did their fair share," Rafanowicz said. "We're just looking for equal sacrifice."

Union leaders call it punishment. The public safety workers may be willing to give up their raises and earnings, but to go deeper seems like retaliation, they say.

"The district chiefs' position is that they will give it all back, but they don't feel they deserve to be punished for sticking with a contract the city approved," fire union president Steve Clelland said. "But the city wants additional punitive measures. They want to send a message."

Jeff Williams, past president of the police union, called the city's position "immature."

"The lieutenants aren't looking to hurt the citizens or the city budget," Williams said. "They're not looking for anything more — they just want

to hold onto what they have."

It's not about the money. After several years of cuts, the Dyer administration says the city's finances are stable. The wages are a relatively small amount.

But both sides of the negotiating table face something of a credibility problem if the small group of administrators comes away unscathed. With no ill effects, union leaders would look bad for advising their other members to give up their raises last year.

And Dyer would have a tougher time convincing other city employees

to accept similar deals in the future.

Dyer said it's a matter of fairness.

"In bargaining with the two units that did not go along with the majority of our employees, I want to make sure we're fair to employees who agreed to give up cost-of-living increases," he said.

The police and fire unions negotiate separate contracts, and neither one has reached a deal yet. If talks break down, contract issues will go before an independent special master and ultimately be decided by the City Council.

### Police Union Erects More Billboards Criticizing Staffing

On Sep 06, 2011 06:37 pm

STOCKTON, CA – It's a continuing sign of the times in Stockton, two new billboards from the Stockton Police Officers Association telling citizens just how hard the understaffed department is working.

The first reads "A Service Call Every One and a Half Minutes Last Year." The second telling Stocktonians there was "An Arrest Every 39 Minutes Last Year."

Billboard messages are nothing new for the P.O.A. In 2010, there was a running body county of every person murdered in Stockton city limits. While the ads take a somewhat kinder, gentler tone, they still come with a pointed message about staffing levels.

The term "Condition Blue" is now

commonplace in the Port City. It means too many calls, not enough officers.

"It's triaging, if you will, and saying that we have this many calls holding on the screen and then we have to prioritize those calls," said Officer Pete Smith of the Stockton Police Department.

Basically, if you aren't the victim of a crime in progress or mortally wounded, you might not get a cop at your home when you call 911.

And "Condition Blue" isn't only a late night, holiday weekend kind of thing. Friday at noon, Stockton was under "Condition Blue". On Saturday, the city of more than 300,000 had only 13 officers on the street.

### YouTube Video And City Mailings Highlight Florida Pension Fight

On Aug 31, 2011 01:04 pm

HOLLYWOOD, FL – In one corner: a YouTube video features an animated firefighter questioning the mayor — dressed in a butcher's apron and holding a hatchet — about why employee benefits are being chopped.

In the other: the city's quarterly newsletter, sent to about 60,000 households, with a front-page caption that reads "Your vote could SAVE Hollywood more than \$8.5 million dollars."

With just two weeks before residents will vote in a citywide referendum on whether to reform police, firefighter and city employees' pensions, neither camp is pulling punches.

"Our plan is to explain all the mismanagement that has been going on," said Fire Union President Dan Martinez, adding that if the city had been more "fiscally responsible," it would not be in the position it is in now.

Commissioner Dick Blattner is sending out emails to residents about exactly why they should vote yes to the referendum.

"If they vote no, we will probably have to let go 150 to 170 employees," Blattner said.

For this upcoming fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1, Hollywood is facing a \$38 million gap. City leaders have said the only way to reduce spending is to rein in pension costs.

In July, after negotiations between the city and the unions failed to yield contracts that reduced pension benefits by more than \$8 million, the commission approved putting the decision in the hands of the voters, and

scheduled a referendum for Sept. 13.

Both the police and fire unions have formed political action committees and plan on campaigning to defeat the referendum.

Martinez, the fire union president, said fliers will begin hitting mail boxes in the next week and many residents should expect knocks on the door from fire union members.

City spokeswoman Raelin Storey said the city is limited by state law in what it can do leading up to the elections. Cities cannot advocate for something, but they can educate the public on the referendum.

The city is using its quarterly newsletter, New Horizons, to list quick facts on the vote.

Wrapped around the 28-page newsletter, which cost the city \$14,000 to produce, are four pages devoted to the referendum.

Although Hollywood cannot advocate for one side, with "\$8.5 million" underlined and the word "save" in all caps on the front page, the city's position is subtly apparent.

But far less subtle is a video posted for a brief period recently by alexvelez33 on YouTube.

"But, your honor, how can you do this to your fire department?" an animated firefighter asks the animated mayor.

The mayor figure responds: "One of the beautiful things is I'm not. I'm going to have the citizens do it." The mayor figure waves his hatchet in the air as evil laughter plays in the background.

### Investigation Is Launched Into NOPD's Paid Details

On Sep 13, 2011 06:17 pm

NEW ORLEANS, LA – The Public Integrity Bureau of the New Orleans Police Department is investigating whether or not police officers have been accepting cash payments for off-duty work. Earlier this year, about a dozen officers were suspended and their detail privileges revoked because they were using LLC's to manage off-duty work. The paid detail policy has been under scrutiny and is in the process reformation since a U.S. Department of Justice report blasted the process last year.

The current investigation was launched after the Tennessee Titans alerted Police Chief Ronal Serpas that they were requested to make a check out to "cash." The officer who oversaw the escort is now under investigation and has been reassigned.

Raymond Burkart III, an attorney for the Fraternal Order of Police says don't rush to judgment.

"Just because there's an investigation going on doesn't mean they've done anything wrong, just something they're looking into," Burkart III said.

### Hollywood, Florida Residents Vote To Cut Pensions Of Firefighters, Police And City Employees

On Sep 14, 2011 06:55 pm

HOLLYWOOD, FL – Voters in Hollywood, Florida chose to strip police, firefighters and the city's general employee's of their current pension plans, saving the city \$8.5 million. The city faces a \$38 million deficit and was unable to come to an agreement with the its unions.

Several other south Florida cities, which are also dealing with budget issues and increased pension costs, are eying the Hollywood ballot result with interest.

"It could be a harbinger," said Stephen Cypen, an attorney who represents more than a dozen South Florida

municipal pension funds, including Hollywood's.

Union leaders said they will challenge the election in court.

"They went about this wrong way," said Firefighter Union President Dan Martinez. "They completely superseded our right to collectively bargain."

The changes, which take effect October 1, mean fire, police and general employees will have to work longer in order to retire, will receive a smaller percentage of their salary as pension and will no longer be able to include vacation and cost of living increases into the formula.



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### Suspended Police Chief Sues Miami Commissioners

On Sep 09, 2011 04:51 pm

MIAMI, FL – In a last-ditch effort to keep his job, suspended Miami Police Chief Miguel Exposito has asked a court to disqualify two of the five commissioners who would determine his fate because they have already expressed opinions saying the chief should go.

Exposito lost a year-long fight to keep his job on Tuesday when City Manager Johnny Martinez suspended him for insubordination and temporarily replaced him with veteran Maj. Manuel Orosa. Commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Friday to hear the manager's case and Exposito's defense — and ultimately decide the suspended chief's fate.

Anticipating at least two votes against his reinstatement, Exposito struck back quickly, filing suit in Miami-Dade Circuit Court against the city Tuesday afternoon. Exposito argues that Commissioners Wilfredo "Willy" Gort and Francis Suarez can't sit as impartial judges of his termination because they have already expressed opinions on his future.

The case will be heard at 8 a.m. Thursday before Judge Barbara Areces.

Exposito's 12-page complaint says "neither commissioners Gort nor Suarez should be permitted to consider the aforementioned charges against Chief Exposito insofar as it appears that they are unable to sit as objective and impartial triers of the allegations in question."

Specifically, the lawsuit cites a Feb. 2, 2011 Miami Herald story in which Gort is asked if it's time for the chief to step down. "I think he should," Gort said.

In the same story, Suarez said, "If I were the chief, I think I would strongly consider resigning at this point."

To bolster his legal argument, Exposito cites a handful of cases questioning the impartiality of jurors in criminal cases. But the role of jurors is not the same as the role of elected officials, who routinely express opinions and are required by state law to discuss city business in public.

"You're trying to prevent two elected officials from performing their duties according to the charter," City Attorney Julie Bru said. "It's well within their rights, obligations and duties."

Two other commissioners also expressed opinions on Martinez's decision to suspend the chief Tuesday, though they refrained from saying how they would vote on Exposito's termination. Commissioners Frank Carollo and Marc Sarnoff said it was bad timing to suspend Exposito before two important budget hearings in September. Sarnoff also praised Exposito's tenure.

Neither commissioner is mentioned in Exposito's lawsuit.

The fifth commissioner and possible swing vote, Michelle Spence-Jones, has closely guarded her opinion on the chief. She did not return interview requests Tuesday or Wednesday.

Murray Greenberg, a former Miami-Dade County attorney who now works at the law firm Stearns Weaver Miller

Weissler Alhadeff & Sitterson, acknowledged how difficult it would be for elected officials to avoid discussing such a hot City Hall topic. Still, he said the city charter addresses the commission's role by laying out the rules for dismissing a police chief.

"The decision must be based solely on testimony elicited at the hearing," Greenberg said of the meeting scheduled for Friday.

Exposito's lawyer, Ruben Chavez, could not be reached for comment.

The chief's fight for his job has been so front and center at City Hall that commissioners spent two hours in January discussing whether or not to have a ceremonial vote of no-confidence against him. In the end there was no vote, though then-Commissioner Richard P. Dunn II repeatedly asked the chief to resign.

In the lawsuit filed Tuesday, Exposito says Gort, the commission chairman, would be biased against him because one of his aides prepared a draft letter earlier this year for then-City Manager Tony Crapp Jr. to use in the dismissal of the chief. It also cites a whistleblower protection letter written by Cmdr. Jose Perez that says Gort interceded to keep Exposito from demoting the commander.

Perez is one of three high-ranking police officers Exposito tried to demote last month — a move that prompted the impasse with the city manager.

Reached Wednesday, Gort said he "completely" disagrees with Exposito's lawsuit. "We've got to be grateful we live in the United States of America, where there are freedoms," Gort said, without elaborating.

Suarez released a statement Wednesday saying Exposito's lawsuit "has no basis in law or fact."

"Accordingly, I have asked my counsel to take all appropriate legal actions, including seeking sanctions against the chief and his attorney for filing a frivolous lawsuit," Suarez's statement said.

Exposito, anticipating his suspension, requested whistleblower protection from the city last week. A decade ago Exposito prevailed in a different whistleblower claim against the city when he argued he had been unfairly demoted. That lawsuit was settled in 2002.

City Manager Martinez said he suspended Exposito because the chief circumvented an order not to demote the three high-ranking police officers by stripping most of their responsibilities anyway, and because Exposito ignored requests by the manager to reduce overtime costs.

The Exposito lawsuit hints at what his defense may be Friday, claiming the chief "was in no way insubordinate to the directives set forth by the city manager." The lawsuit says the chief "never rolled-back the three individuals at issue, nor did the chief reduce their salaries or benefits."

"In short, Chief Exposito simply reorganized the information reporting structure within the police department once the actual roll-backs were denied by the city manager," the lawsuit says.

### City Must Pay Police \$825,000 More For Overtime Mistake

On Sep 13, 2011 10:25 pm

PITTSBURGH, PA – The city of Pittsburgh must pay its police officers a total of \$825,000 following a judge's decision today that it ignored, for years, an arrangement with their union that boosted overtime pay.

U.S. District Judge Donetta W. Ambrose held a non-jury trial on the issue in May, and after a review of briefs filed by the city and Fraternal Order of Police, found that the city "did not make subjective good faith attempts to ascertain the requirements" of the Fair Labor Standards Act, and "did not have objectively reasonable grounds for believing that its acts were not a violation" of the law.

The dispute had its roots in a 2006 agreement between the city and FOP that mandated a slight increase in overtime payments, to take into account officers' shift differentials and

longevity pay.

But the agreement wasn't properly implemented, in part because it was lost in the shuffle during a personnel change at the office of the private company that then handled the city's payroll.

In April 2009, the city fixed the overtime payments. But it took until March of this year to pay the officers all of the back-overtime they were due, which totaled \$825,000.

The city said it had made an honest mistake and a good-faith effort to remedy it. The union argued that the city should pay liquidated damages totaling double the amount the police were underpaid. The judge agreed with the union.

City Solicitor Daniel Regan said he is reviewing the opinion and did not yet know whether the city would appeal.

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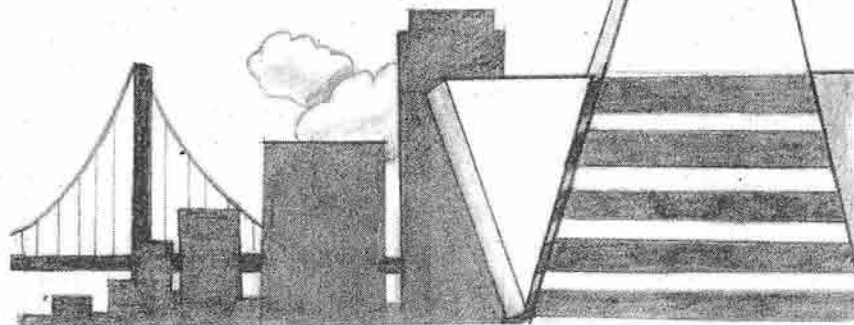
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By Rick Bruce  
PAL President

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### Congratulations to our SFPD Ragnar Relay Team

Our SFPD team amazed everyone by crossing the finish line first, two hours ahead of when Ragnar expected any



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### Thanks to our Ragnar Relay Volunteers

The Napa Valley Ragnar Relay was a big success, thanks to the team of more than 90 SFPAL volunteers who helped at exchanges all along the 190 mile course from San Francisco to Calistoga. We are especially grateful for our SFPD volunteers Lieutenant Chris Martinez, Officers Patti Brown, Carolyn Gassen, Miguel Gonzalez, Richard



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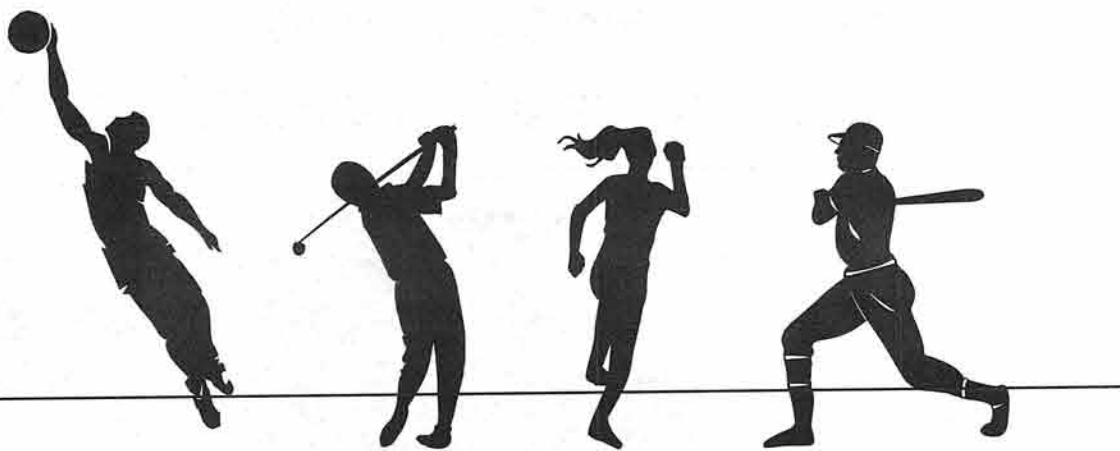
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## Nick's Notes

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### BAYLEES Golf Tournament

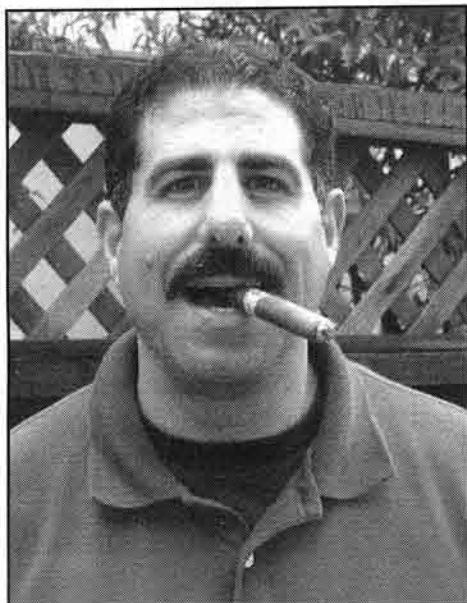
**C**HECK IT OUT: The 10th Annual Emerald Society Golf Tourney took place at the Lake Merced Golf Club in Daly City on Mon., Sept. 19th and it was a perfect day for gold for everyone who attended and played. The weather was clear and about 70 degrees with a very light wind. It was a smaller group than usual but it was still a well run tournament as usual by the likes of Ed Carew, his lovely wife Ann, Jennifer Dickson, Val Kirwan, Liam Frost, Joe McFadden, Mike Moran, Joan Cronin, Patrick Burke, Dan Hance, Marty Halloran, Jon Lopes (Fremont PD), and even Brian Philpott. I personally want to thank the members of my foursome for putting up with my "hacking" it up on the course during our round: to Stevie Stearns, Trevor Kelly, and Al Miranda; you guys are "the goods."

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- Good stuff. I can hardly wait for next year's tourney.

#### This and That

The 20th Annual POA Golf Tourney took place on Mon. Aug. 26th at the Marin Country Club and there are pics appearing in center spread of the *Journal*. Pics and an article appear in on page 31 for the Isaac Espinoza Memorial Softball Tournament that

took place in late Aug. That was a successful event as usual run by Marc Marquez and Kevin Worrell.

The Tour de Tahoe event took place the first week of Sept. and it appeared that there wasn't a big turnout as there usually is. I would love to get pics and maybe a short write-up from anyone who participated as this needs to keep on going strong in honor of Bill Cook's memory.

The Ironman Competition was a successful run event by Eddy Yu; look for pics and results in next month's *Journal*. Jerry D'Arcy sang the Na-

tional Anthem and God Bless America very beautifully at the Giants game on Sunday Sept. 11. They Giants called him mind you (which is a great honor), and as usual he came through with flying colors. It would be great if he can somehow be called upon to sing at a Forty-Niner game sometime this season as it is his last in the SFPD. That Monday Night game vs the Steelers on Dec. 19th would be perfect to show case Jerry's amazing talent.

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

## Letter to Sports

Hi Nick,

I'm sorry to take so long to get back to you regarding the Western States Police/Fire Games, but now I'm going to tell you about the World Games In New York that we just returned from.

Getting to the games was a great ordeal for us (Mike Simmons and myself). Frances Williams got there before the "storm" (before flights were canceled). Mike and I were to leave the bay area at different times on Aug 27th. All flights to NY were canceled and the "track and field" portion of the games were put on hold until Monday Aug 29th. Mike and I were on the computer trying to rebook our flights, but everything was booked up. Finally through the help of god friends Mike was able to get a flight from SFO Monday morning. Being persistent on the computer I was able to book a flight leaving at 11:30pm Monday night.

Upon arrival in NY Tues. morning at 7:30 am I went straight to the track. Regardless of what events you competed in, the start time for everything began at 9:00 am. The events for the day were posted and we still had to "play it by ear" because the event times seemed to be changing by the minute. I was numb anyway for lack of sleep. We all made it, and now we had to do what we came to do!

Mike missed the 100m dash, and I missed the long jump which were both contested on Monday. Francis Williams managed to slip into the lime light by blazing to grab a Silver medal in the 100m dash. Frances again surprised us by running the 200m dash and sprinting to a Bronze medal. This began to look like the "Frances Williams Show". Once again Frances "pulled out the rug from under us" when she teamed with members from the Netherlands PD, Miami FD, and Oxnard (CA) PD.

Mike Simmons ran a great 1st leg in a very fast field of runners in the 4X100 relay. We had the help of an old friend Paul Hurney (South Australia PD) at the 4th leg, and a new friend Ken Davis (Toronto, Canada PD) at the 3rd leg. I, of course, ran the 2nd leg and we blazed to a silver medal finish just behind our friends from the Puerto Rico Police Service.

On the last day of competition we used the same relay team to run the 4X400 relay. I took the first leg of the race and handed off to "big Mike" who held our spot in the race. Mike passed off to Ken who pulled into the third spot and Paul maintained it to the finish with the silver medal. We were very proud to do this.

I was grateful and blessed to experience the World Games competition once again. I was able to get decent throws in the javelin to pull the second place silver medal. I wasn't so great in the triple jump as I only placed fourth. This was shortly after my arrival in NY. For our small three person SFPD Track and Field Team bringing home 8 medals from a world competition is not too bad. Take it easy...

Ed Marchand, Taraval Station



Left to right: Ed Marchand SFPD (Co.I), Paul Hurney South Australia Police Service, Mike Simmons SFPD (Co.B), Ken Davis Toronto Police Service, Canada.



Left to right: SFPD Members Ed Marchand, Frances Williams (Co.E) and Mike Simmons.

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Lake Merced Country Club, September 19

10th Annual SF Bay Area Law Enforcement Emerald Society Golf Tourney



From left to right: Jon Lopes, Fremont PD, Al Miranda, Nick Shihadeh, Steve Stearns, Trevor Kelly and the Tournament Organizer for 10 great years, Ed Carew



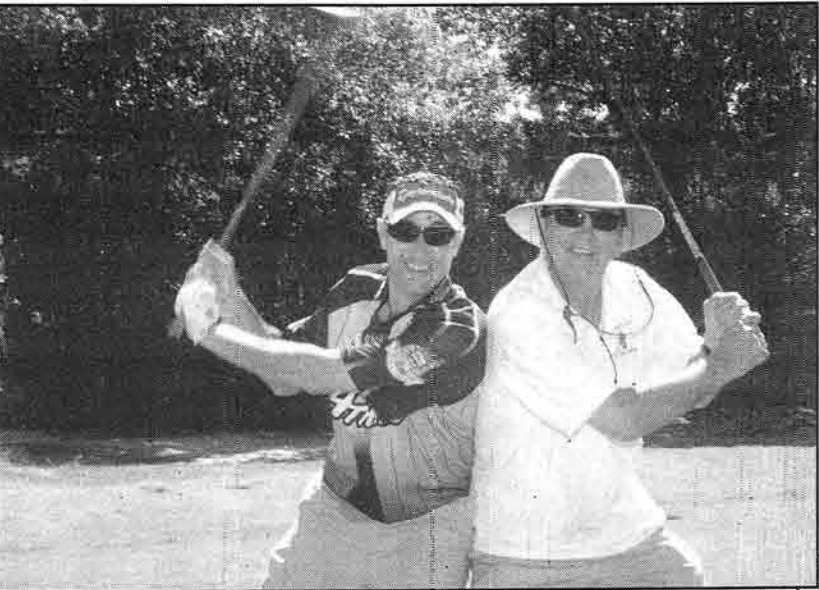
From left to right: Ryan Daugherty, Jennifer Dickson-Coordinator, Tim O'Connor, Brent Dittmer, Joan Cronin, ES Board Member, Glen Wilson and Anthony Orge



Barry O'Brien, Vice Consul General of Ireland, 2nd from left with Ron Sciandri, Bill Moore and Gary Halinan



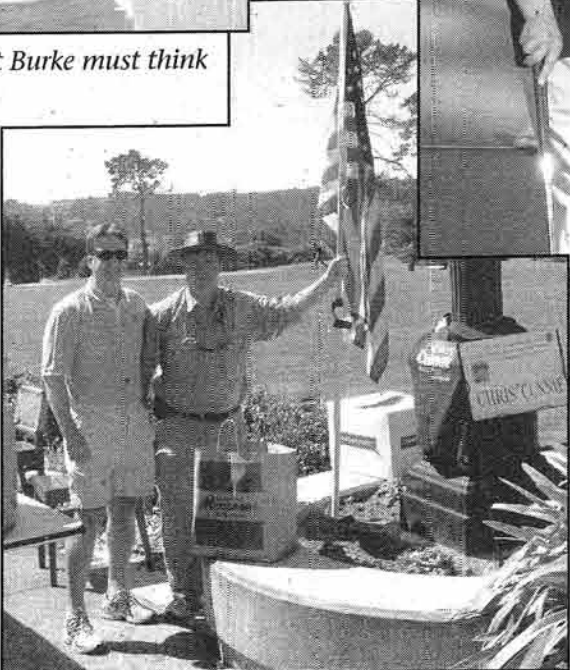
From left to right: Andy Fogarty, Tom and Mike Costello and Sean Shannon.



The Clash of the Ash/Irons: Mike Costello and Pat Burke must think they are Hurling in Ireland — Clare Vs Cork



Left to right: Ommer Bruce, Dean Sorgie, Dan Hance, George Brown and Kitt Crenshaw



Joe McFadden and Val Kirwan



Dan Rosaia, Mike Tursi, Marc Marquez and John Bragagnolo.



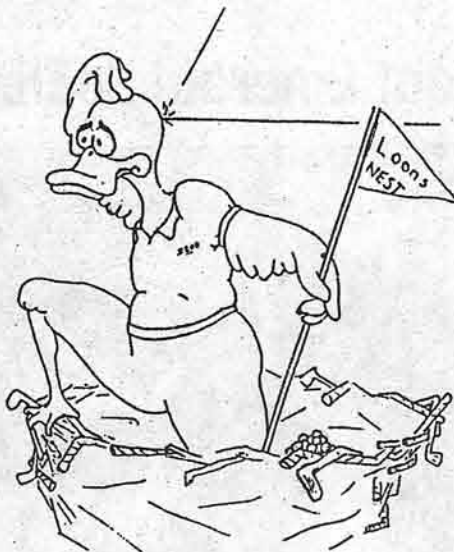
# The Loons Nest Report

By Ed Garcia, Co. A

## 10th Annual Charlie Anzore Memorial Played at Bodega Harbour Golf Links

On September 6th the Loons Nest Golf Club made its first trip to the Bodega Bay Coast for the 10th playing of the Charlie Anzore Memorial Golf Tournament. The Bodega course is a tough links style track designed by Robert Trent Jones and it first opened in 1977. The course has a scenic layout along the Bodega Coast and can provide tremendous views on clear days; or, it can have fog so thick you can hardly see your hand in front of your face. On tournament day we saw some of each.

The Loons had an eleven o'clock shotgun start and played through thick fog for the first five holes. The weather then made an instant change



birdie on the sixth hole). Steve had an excellent season in 2010 as he was the medalist at the Palm Desert Adventure and won the Holiday Classic at Hiddenbrook Golf Club.

On the back nine, two players made a run at Moss. Ed Anzore fired a thirty-eight on the back nine including a birdie on the tenth hole. Joaquin Borromeo (the "Market Street Beat-



View along Bodega coast from the 6th hole.

as a light wind moved out the fog, producing a wide blue sky that last for about three hours. As the Loons came into their final holes, the fog returned to a lesser degree. The course was in very good condition, but played tough. Staff members at the club stated that this summer has produced more fog shrouded days than any summer in the past fifteen years.

One member who would not be intimidated by the course or changing weather conditions was Steve Moss. Moss was the only player to break forty strokes on the front side, as he posted a score of thirty-eight (which included a

master") carded a thirty-nine on the finishing nine holes; this was highlighted by a birdie on the very tough eighteenth hole. Moss finished with a score of forty strokes on the back nine for a round of seventy-eight. Moss was the only player to break eighty on the day as he took the title. Borromeo finished with a score of eighty-one and a net score of sixty-eight, giving himself first low net in the first flight.

Ed Anzore moved into second low gross in the flight with a round of eighty-two. Second low net in the first flight went to recently retired member Bob McMillan. Bob fired a round of



Award Winning Loons at Bodega Inn & Spa.

eighty-eight and a net score of seventy-seven. Mac's round was highlighted by a birdie on the seventh hole.

Second flight low gross play saw Norm Rice clear the field as he posted matching sides of forty-two for a round of eighty-four. Norm finished five strokes ahead of second place finisher Mark Milligan, who came in at eighty-nine. Mark played a fine round and was matching Norm's score through the day, but a disaster on the par five fifth hole was too much for Mark to overcome.

Scott Luticken had a very productive day, as he took second flight low net honors with a net score of seventy-seven. Scott had birdies on the third and seventh holes. Scott went on to win the Close to the Hole prizes on the third and sixth holes. Scott managed to leave the awards dinner with two side pots (\$\$), two-dozen balls, a trophy and a first place gift certificate.

Second place low net in the second flight went to Jere Williams, who finished two strokes behind Scott Luticken with a net seventy-nine. As Jere was moving into the eighteenth hole, he held a one-stroke lead over Scott, but a triple bogey seven on the tough hole left Jere in second place.

Steve Moss was the long drive winner, as he ripped a shot of two hundred and forty-six yards on a slight uphill fairway through the early fog. Steve

also took a Close to the Hole award on the twelfth hole. The closest shot of the day was by veteran Loon Earl Wismer. On the one hundred and forty-eight yard long seventh hole, Earl left his shot four feet and seven inches from the cup. Dean Sorgie took the last Close to the Hole prize on the seventeenth hole.

Upon the completion of play the Loons went to the neighboring Bodega Bay Inn & Spa for a sit down dinner in the Wave Side Room. The dinner was one of the best eating experiences the Loons have had over the last twenty-four years. The Wave Side Room features large picture windows facing the ocean. As the Loons entered the room after cocktails in the lounge, the fog outside was so thick there could have been a circus out there and we would not be able to see it. The Loons had dinner, dessert and the awards ceremony completing a very good day as we honored our fallen fellow officer Charlie Anzore, who now has been gone from us for ten years. One can look back and see how much things have changed for all of us as individuals and police officers in ten years and it seems like it has passed in the wink of an eye. Charlie Anzore will not be forgotten by his friends in the Loons Nest Golf Club or the S.F.P.D.

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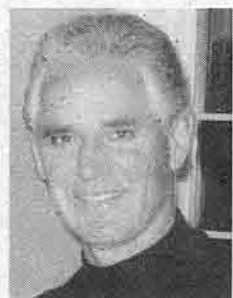
# SFPD Basketball Team, 1949



Front Row L to R: W. Diggend, Dick Wader, Joe Rapken  
Second Row L to R: Joe Anzini, Harry Myers, V. Cipparone, Dep. Chief J. Quigley, Robert O'Rourke, J. Caufield, Coach Tom Fogarty  
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# Isaac Espinoza Memorial Softball Tournament 7th edition

By Marc Marquez

After not being able to pull this tournament together last year (due to the lack of being able to secure fields), we were back! This year's tournament was played the weekend of August 27th and 28th at Westlake Park in Daly City. I would first like to thank Daly City's Chief of Police Manny Martinez and The Daly City POA; in particular, Motor Officer Blake Lycett and Officer Matt Cuicci. Without them we could not of had the privilege of using the fields. Thank you Gentlemen!!! I would also like to thank the managers of the teams that participated in this year's tournament.

This year's tournament consisted of the following eight teams:

## Bracket A

1. SFPD Seals
2. SF Sheriffs
3. Rapid Transit
4. Local 6

## Bracket B

1. Scouting Report
2. Cougar Catchers
3. Warriors
4. Savenue Records

The eight teams were broken down into two four team brackets. Each team would then play the three other teams in their bracket and then be seated 1 thru 4. Play started on Saturday with bracket A SFPD Seals losing to Rapid Transit 14-1. The SF Sheriffs lost to Local 6 by a score of 12-4. The Seals then came back for their second game and took out their frustrations on the Sheriffs winning easily 10-0. Rapid Transit then played Local 6 — the game was close until the 5th inning when Rapid Transit took the lead for good and won 10-3. In the third and final games for bracket A, Rapid Transit beat SF Sheriffs 20-5. The Seals had all they could handle with Local 6 as this game came down to the final inning with the Seals pulling out a 6-5 victory. So, the final standings for bracket A were 1. Rapid Transit 2. SFPD Seals 3. Local 6 and 4. SF Sheriffs.

Bracket B started their play with

the Cougar Catchers playing Savenue Records with the Catchers pulling out a 10-6 victory. Next up was Scouting Report shutting out the Warriors 9-0. The Cougar Catchers then played Scouting Report in a tight one that ended 5-2 in favor of Scouting Report. The Warriors then played Savenue Records in a very close game that ended 3-2 in the Warriors favor. For the final games of Saturday, it was the Cougar Catchers playing the Warriors with the Catchers winning 13-2. The final game of the day was Scouting Report vs Savenue Records in a close one that Scouting Report pulled out with a score of 7-5. The final standings for bracket B were 1. Scouting Report 2. Cougar Catchers 3. Warriors and 4. Savenue Records.

While all these games were going on, I was behind the BBQ grill grilling chicken (donated by Pacific Agri-Products, Inc), burgers, hot dogs, links, as well as some carne asada for the few that were able to get their hands on it. It was a great day to play, BBQ, and just be out at the park. I would like to thank Isaac's wife Renata and his daughter, the always growing Isabella, for making it out to the tournament. A very special thanks also goes out to the Espinoza Family: Carol, Isaac Sr. and Regina, as well as her family for attending the tournament.

Sunday was the start of the single elimination part of the tournament. The first two games started at 9:00 am. On the North field we had the SFPD Seals vs the Warriors; unlike their first game on Saturday, the Seals came to play and jumped on the Warriors right from the start winning 16-6. On the South field we had Cougar Catchers playing Local 6. This game was close to the very end with Local 6 pulling out the victory 5-4. So, the Seals and Local 6 moved on to play another game. The 10:10 am games were Scouting Report vs SF Sheriffs on the South field with Scouting Report eliminating the SF Sheriffs 13-0. On the North field we had Rapid Transit playing Savenue Records with Rapid Transit eliminat-



Scouting Report team with the Espinoza family



Espinoza family in the stands

ing Savenue Records 6-1.

So, the semi-finals were set on the North field with the Seals vs Scouting Report. The game started as a defense battle with the lead going back and forth; Scouting Report took the lead and never gave it up winning 7-4. Scouting Report moved into the Championship game and awaited the winner of the game on the South field. On the South field, it was Local 6 vs Rapid Transit, with local 6 looking for revenge from a previous match-up on Saturday won by Rapid Transit 10-3. This was a total different game as it was a low scoring affair; but, once again Rapid Transit pulled out the win by a score of 5-3. The championship game was set with Rapid Transit vs Scouting Report.

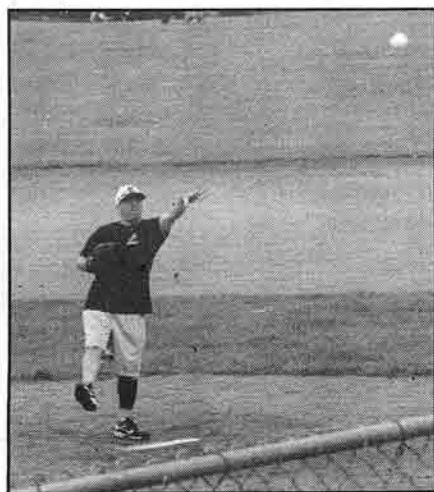
The Championship game was played on the North field. In attendance in the stands were Isaac's wife, Renata, his daughter, Isabella, his mother, Carol and his sister, Regina with her family. Isaac Sr. could not attend on Sunday as he was

the Grill Master at the Espinoza Family Reunion. Also in attendance in the stands were many other friends and family. Thank you to all for attending and making this tournament a success. If you were in the stands and I didn't mention you by name in the article, I apologize.

Now for the Championship game: the game started off as if it was going to be a defensive game, but it turned out to be a one-sided game in favor of Scouting Report. The final score was 12-2; and, with the win, Scouting Report became the second two time winner of this tournament along with Rapid Transit.

These are some of the organizations that I would like to thank: SF LPOA, SFPOA, Pacific Agri-Products, Daly City POA, Daly City Park & Rec., and the Superior Bat Co. I would also like to thank Kevin Worrell, Danny Reyes, Dave Colclough, Manny Guevera, Andrew Lucas, and Glenn Wilson who all helped umpire a game or two. A big thank you also goes out to my daughter, Nina Marquez, who along with Isabella Espinoza provided all the pictures from the weekend tournament. Once again thank you to all that helped and attended the tournament this year and hope to see you all next year.

PHOTOS BY NINA MARQUEZ AND ISABELLA ESPINOZA



Glen Wilson of the Seals warming up on the mound



Dave Colclough of the Seals at the plate



Andrew Lucas of the Seals swinging the bat



Manny the umpire



Scouting Report softball team in the field



Glen Wilson of the Seals at the plate



# PAL Ragnar Relay — San Francisco to Calistoga

By Officer Angela Wilhelm #716  
Risk Management

You want me to do what?!? Run 186.4 miles from San Francisco to Calistoga? Are you crazy?

So it began, organizing a team of 12 officers to run in the Ragnar Relay Napa Valley race on September 16th & 17th.

It was mid-July when I bumped into Lt. Jason Fox at the Hall. In a very matter-of-fact tone he told me that I was on the team. Wait! You didn't even give me a chance to back out of it. To make matters worse I was supposed to help recruit the rest of the team. How am I going to convince anybody to run on a relay team covering 186.4 miles in two days? The answer was simple. Jason told me, "It's for the kids."

SFPAL was the official benefiting partner of the Ragnar Relay Napa Valley. SFPAL was also providing volunteers all along the racecourse and helping the runners have the best race experience possible. Knowing that the PAL program was benefiting from this event it became imperative that we have a team of officers running.

Weeks were ticking away and we didn't have much of a team put together. Four slots were filled but where were

team was complete.

Morning of race day came early, 0415hrs at Northern Station. There we loaded two vans, two drivers, 12 runners, and lots of gear. We needed to get to the Marina Green for a 0530hrs start time. Reality set in as soon as we pulled into the parking lot and saw the Ragnar starting chute. The pressure mounted when Chief Suhr arrived to give us an official send off. It meant a lot to the team to see the Chief there at such an ungodly hour.

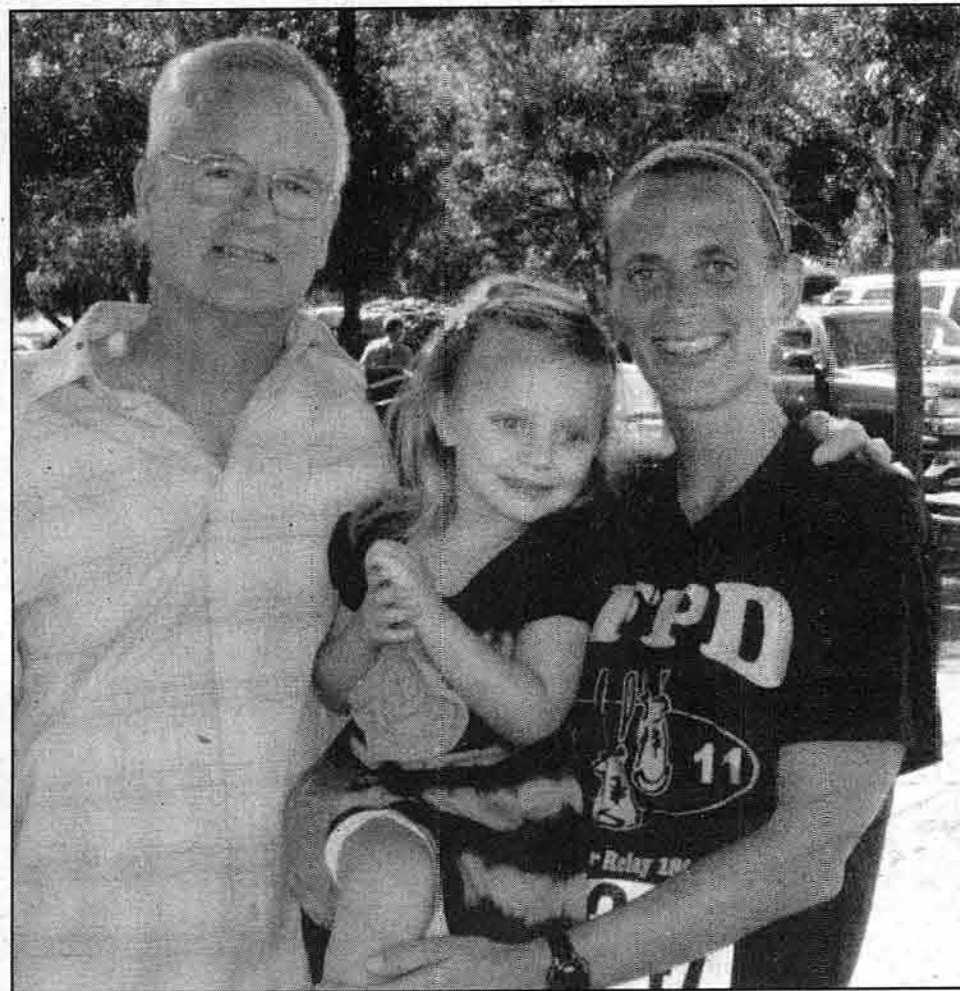
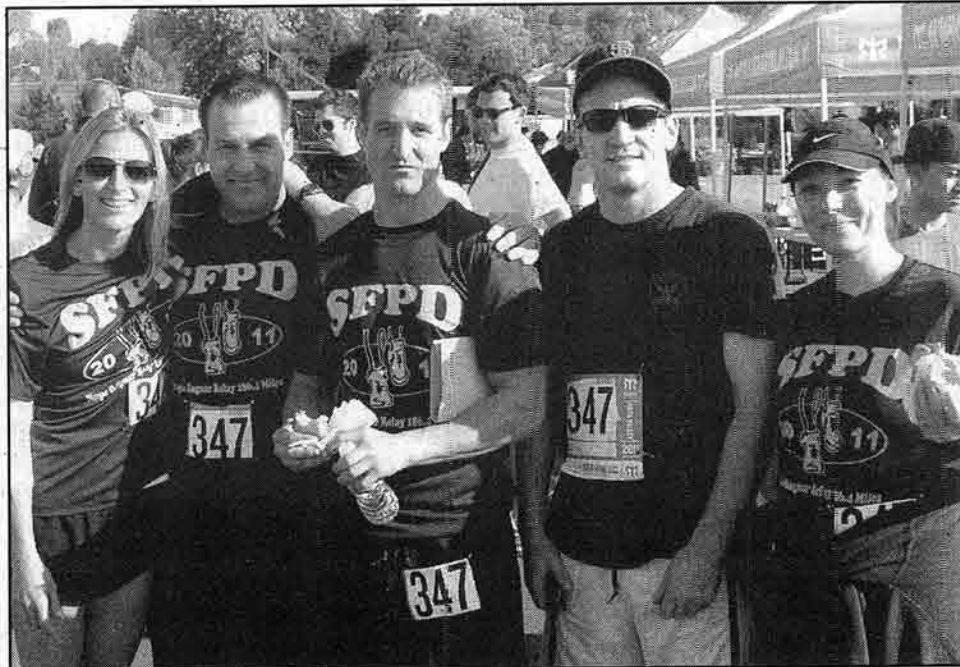
Heather Pulford (Fingerprint Technician Manager at the ID Bureau) was our first runner. Heather had big shoes to fill trying to put as much distance between us and the other teams. At the exchange Heather passed the baton off to Officer Mike Tursi for the second leg of the race. The third leg of the race was set for Captain Rick Bruce (retired). I'm sure the other teams smirked when they saw the "old guy" get out of the van. Little do they know that Rick can maintain a sub 7:30 pace for miles and miles. Our fourth, fifth, and sixth legs were completed by Officer Steve Needham, Officer Joe Everson, and Bob Moser, respectively.

Van #2 containing runners 7-12 were anxiously awaiting the arrival of Van #1 at College of Marin, 26.5 miles into the race. It didn't take long for Van #1 to pull into the exchange, informing us that Bob was on his way. Bob passed off the baton to Officer Kevin Brugaletta for the seventh leg of the race. Runners 1-6 had finished their first legs of the race and were ready for some much needed down time. Steve's mom & dad (Officer Kevin Needham) offered up their home as a rest stop for the runners in Van #1. (Thank you so much for taking care of our runners!)

While the runners in Van #1 were resting, the runners in Van #2 were meandering through Marin County. Kevin finished the seventh leg without a hitch and passed off the baton to Matt O'Leary for

the eighth leg. In the first three miles of Matt's segment he climbed 500' in elevation. I know Matt was ready to hand over the baton after 5.5 miles. Officer Ryan Jones ran a very strategic ninth leg. Ryan tucked behind another runner and stayed on his tail for 4.3 miles. The runner tried to pull away a few times but saw Ryan right there behind him the whole way. Officer Kevin Richins ran the tenth leg of the race. This was no easy leg as Kevin had to cover 7.8 miles with a gradual incline of 400'. It seemed as though the hill climb motivated Kevin to run harder. We discovered at Exchange 10 that we were the first team to come through. Knowing that we held a lead over the teams that started at 0500hrs & 0530hrs was motivation enough for Officer Matt Sullivan. Matt ran 8.5 miles with temperatures approaching 80 degrees. I was the lucky one on the twelfth leg with only 2.7 miles to run.

Coming into Exchange 12 was one of my personal highlights. Our entire team was there cheering. Volunteers were cheering, especially Officer Amanda Kabanuck and Officer Miguel Gonzales. And my in-laws had brought my daughter to cheer us on. Insp. Steve Wilhelm (retired) really enjoyed see-



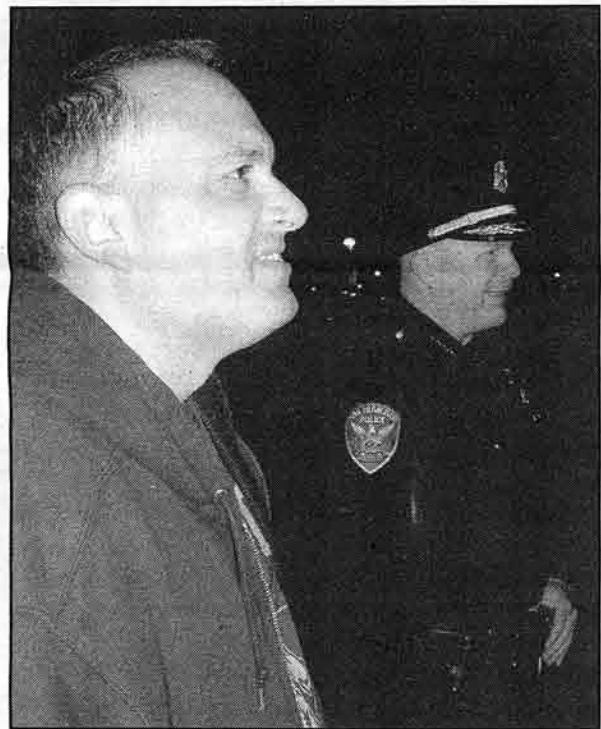
ing Rick Bruce again. The two of them reminisced about the good ol' days at Taraval Station in 1977. (Thank you to all of our cheering fans.)

Van #2 was finished with their first legs. It was time for runners 1-6 to take over again. We were leading the pack 58.8 miles into the race. Van #2 was ready for some downtime. We were very fortunate that Kevin Brugaletta lives just blocks from the course. Kevin's roommate Megan put out a spread fit for a king. We were able to shower, get food in our stomachs, and get off our feet. (Thank you so much Megan for going to all that trouble.)

It didn't take long for the runners in Van #1 to cover 30.2 miles. Not with the likes of Tursi, Needham, and Everson on board. I must admit that I was a little nervous when Matt O'Leary volunteered the Specialists. It was a noble thing to do but I wondered if these guys could run. I know they can all run the mile-and-a-half in under 12 minutes but what do these guys look like over five or six miles? Well that question was answered in Leg 26 when Tursi ran nine miles at a 6:20 pace. Did I mention that it was about 0100hrs and he'd been awake for almost 24 hours? This group of Specialists proved to be an instrumental part in our team's success.

As the runners in Van #1 were finishing their second legs of the race we

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we going to find eight more people? Just when things were looking grim the Specialist team stepped up under the direction of Sgt. Matt O'Leary. Matt volunteered himself along with six other runners. Finally it was starting to look like we had a team.

Putting a team together was only half the battle. Logistically we had other issues to tackle: acquiring vans to transport us, getting two volunteers to drive the vans, team t-shirts, and having enough food, water, and electrolytes for two days. Oh and don't forget all the safety equipment Ragnar requires: 12 reflective vests, four headlamps, four tail lamps, and the sixty-six page race bible. It was a good thing Jason was the team captain. No detail was overlooked. Officer Mike Rivera volunteered himself as a driver and was able to commandeer two passenger vans for us.

With only two days to go the race was almost over before it began. One of our runners dropped out. Our team captain was tasked with finding a last minute replacement, and that replacement came in the form of Lt. Bob Moser. For those of you that know Bob you know that he is a class act. In addition to that, Bob can run! Our





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learned that a team of runners from Utah were hot on our trail. Bob Moser came blazing into Exchange 18 and passed the baton off to Kevin Brugaletta. It was time for the runners in Van #1 to rest while Van #2 stole the show. Being in the van while your runner is out on the course isn't just a free ride from Point A to Point B. Part of your duty when you're not on the course is to give support to your runner in the form of water, electrolytes, or high fives. It didn't take long into the 19th leg when the Utah runner passed Kevin. You could tell that this guy was giving it his all. Maybe a little too much. As our van pulled ahead of Kevin we could see the runner from Utah was in rough shape. Unfortunately his support van was nowhere in sight. The competitive side of our van felt we should let that runner fend for himself and maybe this will be Kevin's opportunity to overtake the guy. The humanitarian side of our van knew that the right thing to do would be to get some water and electrolytes into this runner. As ambassadors of PAL and in keeping with the camaraderie of the event we stopped twice to support the other runner over 8.9 miles. Even though the Utah runner beat Kevin into Exchange 19 we knew that our hospitality was the true definition of sportsmanship. The runner from Utah thanked us and asked to join our team. His teammates later thanked us too. Van #2 continued to jockey back and forth with the Utah runners during legs 20 and 21. It appeared as

though this was going to be a battle to the end. What the Utah team didn't know is that the best was yet to come. Kevin Richins started leg 22 in a dead sprint. The female runner from Utah had to maintain a 6:40 pace just to create some distance from Richins who was running a sub 7:00 minute pace. Richins passed off the baton to Matt Sullivan who quickly took back the lead in leg 23. Insane is the only way I can describe the performance by Richins and Sullivan. The pace these two maintained throughout their legs was phenomenal. Must have been some magic water those two were drinking. Richins and Sullivan are a tough act to follow. I knew I had to put up an impressive time on our 24th leg in order to maintain the lead. I had nine miles ahead of me. The first half of my leg started in Kenwood and meandered along Highway 12 to Sonoma. When I came into Glen Ellen the course transferred onto city streets. I think I narrowly escaped death several times during my leg. Course rules dictate that you run against traffic. For those of you familiar with the area you may be thinking to yourself that it isn't wise running on roads at midnight with little to no shoulder, no street lamps, as wineries and restaurants are closing. I think the fear of being struck by a car was all the motivation that I needed to get done with my leg. I was so happy to pass off the baton to Heather. It was time for Van #1 to maintain the lead while Van #2 rested. There was only 59.3 miles to go. In addition to being Team Captain, Jason and his family opened up their home for the runners in Van #2 to get some much needed rest. We were lucky to have such a great support network

in the area. (Thank you Fox family for taking care of us!) Periodic texts came in from Van #1 around 0230hrs letting us know that team Utah had regained the lead between legs 25 – 29. It really was coming down to the wire. Van #2 arrived at Exchange 30 and met with Van #1. We were all anxiously awaiting Bob Moser's arrival. Bob came blazing into the exchange with a one-and-a-half mile lead on the Utah team. The runners in Van #1 were able to rise to the occasion and regain the lead once again. It was up to Van #2 to cross the finish line first. Just as Kevin Brugaletta was ready to start leg 30 we were pulled aside by a race official telling us that our team was being held at the exchange. Apparently we were so far ahead of schedule that the race organizers were concerned the finish line wouldn't be set up in time for our arrival. As the minutes ticked by we watched our lead slip away when the Utah team pulled into the exchange. We knew if team Utah had a chance to regroup, our goal of being the first team to finish would be in jeopardy. We had to get Kevin on the course. After some discussion with race organizers our team captain made the executive decision to get us back out there. It turned out the pressure was off as the Utah team had to drop out of the race at that point; we had literally run them into the ground. Our competitive side was secretly saying, "YES!" With only 30 miles to go we knew we were in the homestretch. Daylight was starting to break as the runners in Van #2 were completing the last legs of the race. The runners in Van #1 also stopped along the course to lend their

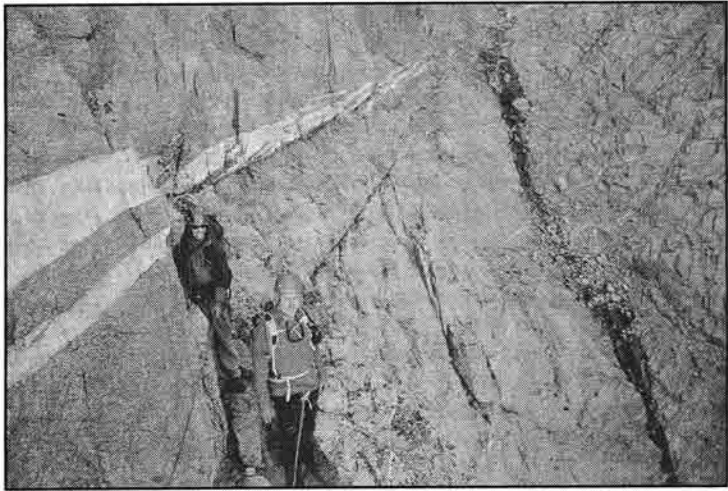
support. Our entire team was together cheering on our final runners as we made our way through Napa into St. Helena. The duo of Richins & Sullivan didn't disappoint. These two ran their last legs at a 7:05 minute pace. Incredibly this was a faster pace than their two previous legs. It was the final leg of the race and only 5.2 miles stood in the way of me and the finish line. My legs felt like dead weight, my stomach was a mess, and I was physically exhausted. I knew I only needed to do one mile at a time and then I would see my eleven teammates standing on the road giving me high-fives. As I came into downtown Calistoga I can't tell you how elated I was to see the sign that said, "One mile to go." I can do this. I can run one more mile. With two-tenths of a mile to go I was met by my eleven teammates. Seeing all of them brought a renewed energy to me. The whole team sprinted to the finish line. We crossed the finish line together which brought a sense of accomplishment and relief rolled into one. It was a proud moment being able to say that we were the first team across the finish line. Since all of the teams were on a staggered start we knew we hadn't won the race but for that moment in time we were first. We finished 186.4 miles from San Francisco to Calistoga. After results were posted we ended up with a final time of 25 hours and 18 minutes finishing in 16th place out of 295 teams. It was truly an honor being on a team of San Francisco's finest. A big thank you to Mike Rivera and Jason Fox for driving us from Point A to Point B with 186.4 miles in between! To all of the other volunteers and well wishers we say thank you!

Starlight Peak August 8-10, 2011

Ed Saenz Completes the California 14ers

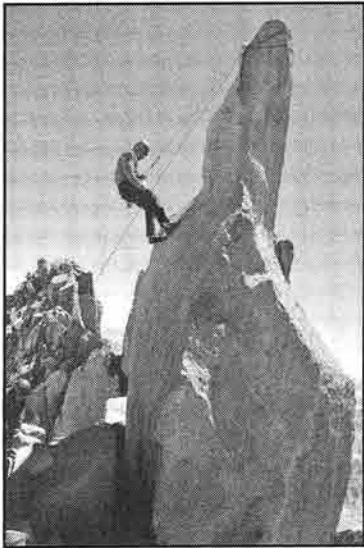
From sierramountaineering.com/blog/

On August 8-10 our good friend of SMI Ed Saenz visited us for his long anticipated completion of the California 14,000' peaks. Ed started this quest a few years ago and has steadily ticked them off his list. The last of them was Starlight Peak (14,200'/4328m) in the Palisades region of the Sierra. The crux of this climb is the "Milk Bottle". This pinnacle of rock is about 40'/12m high. It is airy and exposed and offers a great sense of accomplishment. Also joining us on this climb was Cory Cline who has been steadily "knocking off" the California 14ers. This would be his 9th summit. SMI guides Trevor Anthes and Kurt Wedberg rounded out the team. The approach to this climb took us out of South Lake on the Bishop Pass trail. After gaining Bishop Pass (11,972'/3649m) we traversed south towards Thunderbolt Col then down into Palisade Basin where we set up camp. An early dinner was followed by packing and crawling into our sleeping bags in preparation for our climb the following day. Starting daybreak we climbed into the mouth of the Northwest Chute, roped up, and began climbing the 3rd and 4th class terrain that leads to the Milk Bottle. The day broke clear and calm with pleasant temperatures. The team moved well and we found ourselves arriving at the Milk Bottle in the late morning. Ed and Kurt arrived first. Upon arrival they wasted no time



in preparing to climb the Milk Bottle. Taking a belay from Ed, Kurt climbed the 5.7 pinnacle to the top. The climb is unprotected meaning there is nowhere to place any gear until the top of the pinnacle is reached. Anchoring the top are a sling plus a 1/4" bolt so our climbing rope can be slung through a solid point allowing the others to climb the Milk Bottle with a "top rope" belay. Cory and Trevor arrived soon after and everybody took a turn climbing the Milk Bottle that makes up Starlight Peak. Pleasant temperatures allowed us to stay on top for a while eating lunch and enjoying the view before descending back to camp. On day 3 we packed up and hiked back out to South Lake. That evening the team had the pleasure of celebrating Ed's successful completion of all 15 California 14ers with a big dinner at Whiskey Creek in Bishop. This is a big accomplishment

for any Sierra mountaineer to achieve. Ed also made it a point to help others along the way by raising money for two worthy causes: Friends of Frankie and the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association. Friends of Frankie is an organization founded to help out Frankie Shouldice, who is a young boy currently suffering from leukemia. Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association is a San Francisco based organization founded to help out families that have lost a parent who worked as an officer for the SFPD by providing financial aid and scholarship support. If you would like to donate to these worthy causes you may do so by sending checks made payable to "Friends of Frankie" or "Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association" to: Officer Ed Saenz C/o San Francisco Police Dept 301 Eddy St. San Francisco, CA 94102. Congratulations Ed on a job well done!! For the entire photo gallery



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# 2011 —A Summer of Rifle Competition

By Alex Takaoka,  
Central Station

The summer of 2011 was witness to three large rifle competitions in North America. It would start with the Western States Police & Fire Games hosted by the City of Ontario, CA, The 127th British Columbia Target Rifle Championships in Chilliwack, BC and the World Police & Fire Games hosted by New York City. Knowing that this was going to be a challenging summer for Rifle competition, I started my training regiment late last year. I practiced three to four days a week; and, each Saturday I competed in a local rifle match at Richmond Rod & Gun, Chabot Rifle Range, Sacramento Valley Shooting Center or the Coalinga Rifle Club. I burned up a lot of gun powder and gasoline in my quest to get the most points out of my shooting performance.

I continually fine tuned my loads to get the most accuracy out of each round. I worked with different powders and bullet types and I experimented with different lots of small bore ammunition to find the ones that worked best in my rifle.

I used an Anschütz 1907 22lr Target Rifle for events fired at 50 yds and 50 meters from the prone, kneeling and

Events (200 yds standing & sitting, 300 yds prone & 600 yds prone) in the Western States and World Games.

Early this June during our last big rain storm I headed to Ontario for the Western States Games. The games are re-named next year to the United States Police & Fire Championships. The Small Bore rifle events were shot at the Prado Shooting Center, which was the site of the World Olympics some years back. 30 competitors took their turn to fire 60 shots prone, 20 shots standing and 20 shots kneeling at 50 yds. I experienced ammunition problems and when the gun smoke cleared I had missed a bronze medal by several points. OH well, on to the Hi Power match in Camp Pendleton, Oceanside. It's always an honor to shoot on a range where the Marine Corp trains. Two bad shots, that I knew immediately when I fired them (ouch!), prevented me from getting a medal. Oh well, two more big matches to go — more training and more practicing was needed.

Late July, I headed to Chilliwack, BC. I fired 300 rds of 308 ammunition in the prone position over four-and-a-half days. After the first day of firing I was picked to shoot for Team USA, which was firing a grudge match against Team Canada. Each team contained World Class International Shooters. It's been about 17 years since the Americans won this match. The scores are taken from a three day aggregate at 300, 500 and 600 meters. Pressure was on and the wind was as tricky as I have ever seen it, but in the end Team USA prevailed. I was glad to be part of the team. I took a personal best by placing second (silver badge) in the prestigious Life Governors Match, which is a shoot off on the last day between the 16 top competitors in the championship. My score was 50 with 5Xs. Not bad being on a first place team and getting an individual second place. With confidence restored, I was ready for the World Games.

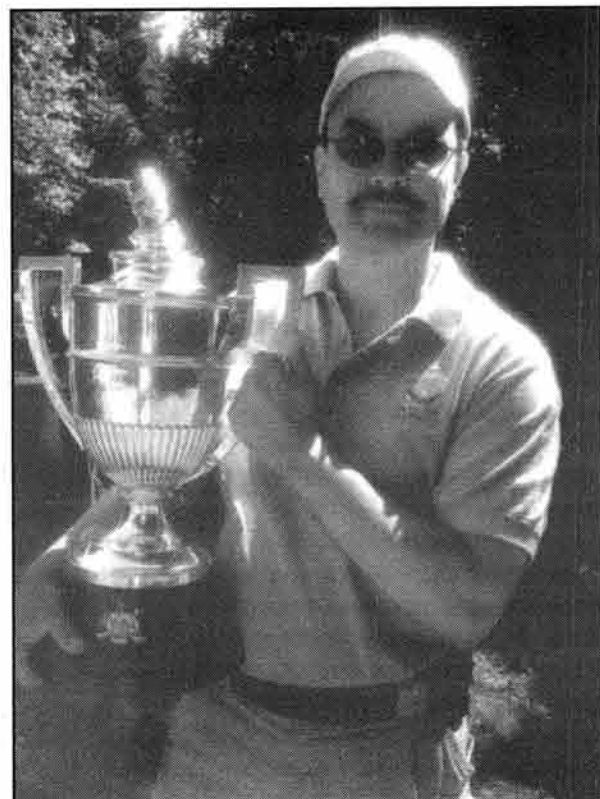
In late August I set off for the long drive across the county to New York City. The rifle competition that I

participate in is not very common among police and fire shooters; and, since the World Games are hosted by a different Country every two years, it is always a challenge to find someone local who knows how to run the rifle events. This year was no exception. Plagued by bad weather, event coordinators taking off for personal reasons, coordinators with little to no experience with rifle events, World Games coordinator who would not call back, incorrect information posted on the website, cancelations of transportation services, cancelation of food service, and ranges being closed down all made these World Games a real test of patience.

My first match on Monday was delayed til Tuesday. After my first shot down range, I was informed that I was being evicted from my hotel room to make room for the National Guard who were being mobilized for hurricane Irene (What Next?). What could I do? Making the best of a bad situation, over the next four days (after finding another motel one hour away) I was at least able to shoot all nine rifle events that I had signed up for. Training, practice, sound equipment and ammo, and maybe the mind numbing frustration, I took my turn and fired some outstanding scores. 80 prone shots plus 20 standing and 20 kneeling in Small Bore at 50 meters. 100 prone shots in Hi Power (80 at 300 yds & 20 at 600 yds) plus 20 standing & 20 sitting at 200 yds. I competed against shooters from the U.S.A., Brazil, Germany, Australia, Italy, England, Canada, Mongolia, Spain and China. I

shot on one international team (small bore) and one CA team (Hi-Power). My results were marvelous — two bronze team medals in small bore, one silver individual medal in small bore, two gold team medals in hi power and three silver individual medals in hi power. I medaled in 8 out of the 9 events I signed up for. Well Done — I'd say.

The 2013 World Games will be in Ireland. 2015 Games will be in Fairfax, VA on the 600 yd FBI Range and the National Rifle Association Headquarters in-door range. I am planning to be retired by then; but, as always, I am willing to train anyone interested in the challenging sport of target rifle shooting. You must commit to one rifle match a month (on a Saturday) and one training morning a week (Wed., Thurs. or Fri). Contact me with any questions at Central Station at 415-315-2400.



Alex holding the 1st place team award in Canada.



Some of my medals from the NYC World Games.

standing positions. I used an RPA single shot 308 caliber rifle for all the prone events at 300, 400, 500 & 600 meters in Canada. I used a highly modified Winchester 70 bolt action 6.5/08 caliber rifle for the Hi Power



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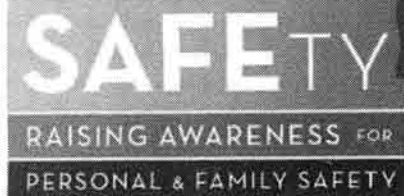
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Created by Officer Michelangelo Apodaca, Airport Bureau

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# Close Encounters

By Steve Johnson,  
SFPOA

The officer received his notice to appear before the Office of Citizen Complaints (OCC), he initialed it (as required) and faxed it back to the OCC investigator. The officer then appeared at the OCC on the date and time required and cooperated with the interview.

Several days later, the officer was informed by his lieutenant that he was being investigated because the OCC had made a formal complaint with the Police Department that they (i.e. OCC) never received a copy of the fax the officer sent.

Really?

The officer appeared as required and he was totally cooperative with the OCC investigator. But because the fax was never located, the OCC filed a formal complaint against him.

Will the madness never end?

We have officers being charged with serious allegations for giving complainants advice on how to recover their towed car.

We have officers being charged with serious allegations because the traffic court told the person who was cited that they couldn't locate his ticket.

And, now, we have an officer being charged and formally investigated because, while he did show up for his interview, the fax he sent didn't . . .

And, every week at the Police Commission the OCC report is just as mundane as usual with numbers that don't mean anything luring the Commissioners into believing that the system works . . .

Officer Alvaro Schor and Officer Charles Tanaka were well-aware that the City had been hit hard by thieves stealing copper wire totaling more than \$100,000 from various locations. So when Alvaro and Charles got the call to check out suspicious activity at 30th and California they found 3 individuals acting like they knew what they were doing. They were removing wire from an underground source. Their story sucked and the company they said they represented never heard of them. It also didn't help that one of the subjects was on parole for robbery, another was on probation for theft, and the 3rd had a \$20,000 arrest warrant outstanding.

Officer Sean Griffin and Officer Damon Jackson were on the other side of the city when they found an individual with known gang affiliation who was also on active felony probation. Sean and Damon took the time to contact this individual and, it was a good thing that they did. It gave the officers the opportunity to relieve this subject of the 9mm Ruger handgun with the 30-round extended magazine attached that he had concealed in his jacket as well as the 9mm semi-automatic weapon, also loaded, found in his back pocket. And, after all this, the suspect never even thanked Sean and Damon for helping him stay out of all sorts of mischief he could have gotten into with all that firepower... go figure.

Officer Candace Lewis and Officer Kamakana Alvaro's attention was drawn to the illegally parked car occupied by the unconscious driver. The officers went to check on his well-being and found the occupant of the vehicle was way beyond the usual "only 2 beers, officer" limit and needed to be taken into custody for his own protection. It was a shame that he inadvertently left his large quantity of drugs and cash behind but Officer Alvaro and Officer Lewis had no problem making sure he received full credit for the felony charges.

A few weeks later Officer Lewis and Officer Alvaro had responded to a call involving a couple of suspicious looking individuals smoking dope and making a nuisance out of themselves. When the officers arrived on scene they observed that one of the suspects seemed to be trying to hide something behind a car. A quick glance revealed a fully-loaded, .357 Smith and Wesson revolver on the ground. The individual suspected of leaving it there was a convicted felon with prior weapon violations...

The car had illegal tint on all 4 windows while driving through the Mission District so Officer Josey Russell and Officer Donald Anderson pulled the driver over to investigate further. The driver's license was suspended so the car was going to be impounded until he could clear that matter up. The subsequent inventory search of the vehicle revealed a fully-loaded, .357 revolver in the front seat area.

And, it was right after that capture that Officer Russell and Officer Anderson made another traffic stop at 25th/Harrison Streets on a vehicle

sporting a single brake light. The driver was extremely nervous and, as the officers went to run a check on him, he bolted from the car and ran. The officers gave chase and watched as the suspect discarded a loaded, .380 semi-automatic weapon on the street. The suspect was quickly captured and the gun recovered.

The 20-year old victim had been viciously stabbed while at Dolores Park, sustaining wounds to her face and legs. The suspect had been identified but was still outstanding. Officer Christopher Servat and Officer Adam Kujath put their computer skills to work along with a lot of leg work and finally tracked the felon to a hotel in the Mission where they made the arrest.

A robbery occurred in the Bayview District and Officer Dorian McConico and Officer Francis Graves managed to track the suspect down in a record 3 hours and recovered all the property stolen.

And, not to be outdone, Officer Michelle Primiano and Officer Jonathon Lucchetti, also working the Bayview District, were informed of a suspect who was wanted for an attempted homicide where a firearm was used. Michelle and Jonathon received the wanted bulletin for this particular suspect at 0600 that morning and had the suspect in custody by 1040 hours.

The anonymous caller to the 0-1-1 Dispatch Center gave a perfect description of the individual who had a gun and was driving a BMW in the area of Taylor and Ellis Streets. Officer Richard Cibotti and Officer Adrian Payne located the parked car (sporting stolen plates) in the same area and watched as a suspect who matched the description started walking away. A subsequent investigation did reveal a loaded, .40 caliber Smith and Wesson in the car along with some heavy drugs.

And, finally, Officer Simon Wong and Officer Louis Hargreaves came upon an individual who was standing next to a car with a broken window and the alarm activated and the best he could come up with was, "I was just going to sleep in it . . ." Sad.

Stay safe.

## Annual Police/Fire Mass, St. Monica's Church, September 11, 2011



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