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# THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

By Marcello Muzzatti, President

*Greetings Brothers and Sisters,*

I hope your summer was safe and fun for you and your family. Once again the streets, buildings, properties and people of the Washington Metropolitan area are safe because of your dedicated hard work. I thank all of you for the great job you do.

The summer months for me have kept me busy with FOP issues that we are currently working on. One of them has been the Zoo Police which falls under the Smithsonian. It appears the Smithsonian has decided to classify their Officers as Security Guards. The series for the officers is the 0083 series which the same as any other officer who works for another Federal agency. I have written a letter to Congresswoman Norton asking to meet with her to review the facts and to give her a clear understanding as to what is has actually happened to the Zoo Police. Congresswoman Norton worked on the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that you perform your job within the city. Under the MOU it clearly states that officers are required to perform police work around the property that they work at. This is such an added benefit for the local police officers which has worked well in the past and continues to do so now. Please let me know if you are being limited by your atrocity. I think the MOU needs to be revisited so that you are protected when you take police action as an officer.

I am hoping that by the time this article is printed that we will have submitted the first 25 names and tags for the new FOP DC Lodge Maryland tag. In the past you may know that we had a problem with our old FOP tag. In response to that issue we have decided to design our own tag and not use any of the FOP logo or the words FOP. The design is a badge with the thin blue line ribbon across it. The logo also states Washington DC on the badge and we are going to use the initials of “LEP” on the tag. At the bottom of the tag we will be printing “Active Member”. This tag is only eligible for active members and still pending the final stage of approval at the Maryland DMV. Once this tag is approved we will make an email announcement to advise all the “active” members that they can come to the lodge and apply for the tag. The regulations for issuing of this tag will also accompany the email. We are also in the process of an Associate of Auxiliary tag in the near future.

As of today there isn’t a current Auxiliary Board of Directors however we still have an auxiliary membership. To become an auxiliary member you have to pay \$15 annually and you

have to be a relative or spouse who is an active member and you must be over eighteen years of age. To be an associate member you have pay \$45.00 annually and you must be sponsored by an active member. Neither position allows you to vote or hold office but does allow you some of the benefits that the FOP provides.

Facebook has worked very well for us in getting the information out to our members. I advise you that if you do have a Facebook account to use common sense when putting anything on it. Employers along with attorneys are looking at it and getting information from it that they will use against you. Please keep your personal work comments off of the site.

Have you seen me at the lodge? I’m the guy retired, relaxed in shorts and flip flops walking around with a big smile on my face. It only took me about two weeks to get attuned to the fact that I did not have to get up early in the morning for work anymore and then it took me the rest of the summer to figure out that I am running out of money for all my toys. I will admit that I do miss being out on the streets catching the bad guy. My tenure with MPD has been knowledgeable and a great experience. I would like to thank everyone who not only helped put the party together but who also attended my retirement party. I have decided to give back to the community by joining the MPD Reserves. I hope to continue to keep in contact with my friends and gain new friends from the Association of Retired Police Officers (AORP). I want to get back out there, maybe once or twice a month to see you guys and have more fun of the chase if I get my chance. I understand the risk but it is no different than the hundreds of volunteers in the surrounding Metropolitan area that are volunteers at local fire departments. I have my skills and I want to keep them going.

Recently I started assisting in teaching classes with Team One



Networks. John Myers, who runs the program, has many great instructors and you should take this opportunity to look at their web page if you are interested in having them come and teach a class. If you’re interested in asking Team One to teach a class, please contact me and I will put you in touch with John so we can negotiate a good cost.

We are in the process of finalizing a few events at the lodge. We will continue to communicate them to you as we get more details. Please mark your calendar the Holiday Party will be held at the FOP DC #1 Lodge on Saturday, December 4, 2010. The cost will be \$25.00 per person which includes a program, food, open bar and dancing. Also with the holiday season right around the corner and if you are planning to host an event at the lodge please remember to book your event as soon as possible. The holiday season is one of our busiest times of the year and the dates get booked fast.

Please remember we continuously send emails and have updates of events on our web page. Make sure that we have your current address along with a good email address for you. Stop by the lodge if you have any changes or just to support your lodge. Have a Happy Thanksgiving, enjoy the Holiday Season and stay safe.

Marcello

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# LODGE OFFICERS

## From the Vice President

By Andy Maybo

As I am writing this article, I just sent out the email notice stating that our Disaster Aid Response Team (D.A.R.T) will be standing down. For the first time since Hurricane Katrina, we activated the DART team to be on standby as Hurricane Earl approached the East Coast. Although there was no damage caused by this storm, we had over ninety (90) DC 1 members offer to volunteer their time and services to assist with this worth while Lodge team. I could not have been happier with the response.

With the team gaining more strength and recognition, I hope to have a more detailed and organized alert system. DART is a concept which was started years ago and replaced the Lodge's Search and Rescue team. The team is responsible for rendering aid to any geographic location which has been struck with a disaster. Whether it is weather related, terrorist related or just an opportunity to assist a local agency with our manpower and resources, we are committed to remaining available.

The Lodge #1 DART team has responded to few disasters, with its largest being Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. We are capable of not only responding with manpower, but we are equipped with FOP vehicles, cots and tents, water, and other necessary items which may be needed during times of tragedy. We are there to aid in any disaster we are called to.

When a disaster occurs, the DART team, comprised of volunteers from DC Lodge #1, will first contact local law enforcement to see what resources are needed. We will also be in touch with the Fraternal Order of Police representatives from that geographic area. After assessments are completed, members wishing to assist will be contacted with full details.

For active duty police officers, the Lodge will make an attempt to notify your agencies so that you may participate, however, your agencies may not have the authority to grant you administrative leave or detail you to an FOP based assignment. In other words, some of you will have to use your own time to participate. It will be up to each sole agency. We will not contact any agency until we know we are going to respond to a disaster. No agencies will be contacted when we are in a standby mode.

Any member of the Fraternal Order of Police DC Lodge #1 (active, associate, and auxiliary) may volunteer to assist with the Disaster Aid Response Team response. We

look forward to having this team continue to grow and receive further education. We also hope to obtain a canteen truck so we may respond to local law enforcement, fire, and ems situations to further assist.

I would like to give a special thanks to the Washington Nationals. They have sponsored two (2) events this summer. On July 31 the Nationals sponsored First Responders Night and on September 11th they sponsored Hero's night. Both events, attended by hundreds of police, fire, ems, and military were extremely successful. As always, a great time was had by all!

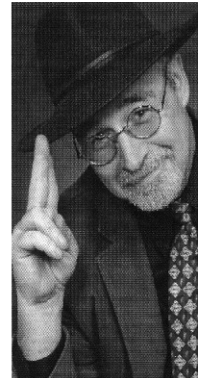
I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming meetings. As I have reminded so many in the past...our Lodge is only as strong as its membership. Please get involved and participate in the many events sponsored by our own membership.

*Be safe and God Bless.*

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## Conductor/Immediate Past President

By Lou Cannon

I am very concerned regarding the state of the FOP both locally and nationally, but most important locally. The camaraderie that once existed and was the very fiber of the FOP is hardly there anymore. The respect that was once there for our past leaders and the esteem we held is gone. There is entirely too much of "it's all about me" rather than the "good of the order" or "because it's the right thing to do." We can blame it on the times or on the economy, but the time has come to look at the issue and into ourselves. Those that made sacrifices and were even terminated long before the FOP was a strong viable union as it is now, look around and are asking why. Yes times have changed and we no longer have the Picnics and large gatherings, but we still have to maintain the respect for others and the organization. The Club has lost some of its glamour and mystery to the new rookies coming on maybe because some of us older members no longer come by as much as we would like too due to increased traffic enforcement or simply because we have already burned up all our excess brain cells! Or it could be because the comfort level, and as earlier stated, the feeling of camaraderie and brotherhood is gone. I believe we can revive that spirit but it will take all of us to do it. We must look into our hearts and find the compassion to forgive and forget. I believe I saw a start at the August meeting with a young MPD Sergeant standing up and stepping outside of his comfort zone to acknowledge another agency and stating what a great job they are doing in supporting him and MPD do their jobs. The past is not the enemy unless we make it the enemy, the future is not all doom and gloom unless we make that. The time has come for all of us to embrace what we fear or do not understand and come together once again. To be able to learn from the past leaders and tap into their experience and insight is a valuable resource we must not overlook.

The National FOP with the assistance of our Lodge has formed a partnership with the National Football League Players Association; this will be announced at the Fall

National Board Meeting. They will be working with the FOP wherever possible on mutual matters involving Labor and Legislation. In one of their first acts they meet with the Dallas FOP to support them in Contract Negotiations with the city of Dallas, TX. Let's remember NFLPA is located in DC so I think we can say that the Redskins showed them some compassion OFF THE FIELD. Seriously this is a major event as both of our organizations working together is a tremendous accomplishment for the membership. I would like to extend a thank you to NFLPA Executive Director DeMaurice Smith and National President Chuck Canterbury for making this happen. The power of this partnership can have a tremendous impact on both organizations.

Very soon you will be able to see the new DC Lodge Logo Tags for Maryland. While not bearing the FOP Logo it will proudly identify you as a Law Enforcement Professional utilizing the Thin Blue Line Banner. I know some will feel disappointment and not longer being able to have the FOP Star, but this is an excellent alternative and was only achieved after long and hard work by Lodge Board of Directors.

Thanks to all of you who responded during our recent Stand By Alert for Hurricane Earl ninety (90) members rose to the occasion and were ready for deployment, however luckily for many the response was not needed. Good job to VP Andy Mayo for coordinating the activation. This list will be retained and serve as a basis for other activations if needed.

Remember we are powered by our membership and when the need arises DC Lodge #1 is there, locally or nationally. Until next time stay safe and stay involved.

### Marines in Law Enforcement



DC Lodge #1 member, MPD Officer Dwayne Johnson would like to start a local chapter of **Marines in Law Enforcement**, to include DC, Maryland and Virginia active and retired Police Officers that have served in the United States Marine Corps. This project is in the very beginning stages. If you are interested in becoming involved and/or receiving news and information please contact Officer Johnson for more information At [usmcjarhead81@aol.com](mailto:usmcjarhead81@aol.com)

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## National Zoological Park Police

Officer Kyle J. McKee, Agency Trustee

In 1889 in Washington DC, as the country was on the verge of new and exciting developments to include the fast approaching industrial revolution, where colossal buildings would rule the skies, Washington DC was in the mist of developing a National Zoo, the second Smithsonian Director Spencer F. Baird, under Baird’s direction established a way of producing wild animals in a more humane way than his predecessors, this National Zoo would exemplify a dedication and devotion to the treatment of wild animals from across the continents. It was about this time that the National Zoological Park was thinking of how to safeguard these animals from the criminal elements of the time, The U.S. Congress in 1889 enacted the National Zoological Park Police, this police force constitutes four other police departments that were also enacted throughout the years, the National Zoological Park Police comprised of approximately two watchmen that served to police and protect the 163 acre area of parkland surrounding the National Zoo.

Today, the National Zoological Park Police protect approximately 3.4 million visitors annually, to include presidents of past and present and their families, heads of state as well as dignitaries from all over the world. Through these efforts NZPP has

kept criminal actions at bay to include robberies, domestic violence, workplace violence, vehicle thefts and other criminal acts that seek to place fear among visitors that come to the National Zoo to awe in its splendor and achievements, however the National Zoological Park Police itself has been under attack for many years from “of all agencies” The Smithsonian Institute. These attacks are in the form of lack of recognition as police officers, lack of professional police credentials, lack of police training, as well as insignificant pay that at today’s standards fall’s behind in other police agencies with comparable positions and missions.

The National Zoological Park Police was absorbed into the Smithsonian’s office of protective service a few years ago; this division is responsible for the federal security guards that man the nineteen museums in and around the DC metro area, the Smithsonian Institute has take upon itself to state that the National Zoological Park Police are “special police” and that they do not have the same plenary “law enforcement” powers of arrest that other jurisdictions in the DC, MD, or VA metro area have. The National Zoological Park Police is a “full law enforcement department” that has ap-

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## Zoological Park Police

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proximately thirty police officers to include eight police sergeants that have been through a certified federal/local police academy and that has the same certified police training that all of our other brothers and sisters in the police community have.

When is the Smithsonian Institute going to finally recognize NZPP as a police department? This question in letters to congressional constituents have been posed for some time, Nell Payne who is the congressional liaison for the Smithsonian Institute has quoted in an open letter to Congressman Ruppertsberger of Maryland that NZPP “has no legal, or legitimate reason” to carry police credentials with them while off duty and further that NZPP should not identify themselves as police officers during emergency situations “while off-duty”. NZPP has submitted rebuttal after rebuttal to Ms. Payne who obviously lacks the knowledge of what it takes to do this dangerous job each and every day, Ms. Payne has yet to return any phone calls or e-mails pertaining to this matter. To date three police officers “including myself” are operating with no police credentials, though all of us are in uniform, as a “duly-appointed police officer” that has been recognized as such by the Office of Personnel Management of the US Government as well as the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and the Metropolitan Police Department, the US Secret Service as well as the United States Park Police, the Smithsonian Institute has failed to admit or to recognize that a police officer needs these credentials to identify oneself while in the field.

The National Zoological Park Police is a police agency that is in crisis, with ineffective management that lacks the knowledge, skill and ability to effectively oversee a police department. The National Zoological Park Police is 120 years old, the police officers that put their lives on the line each and every day are frustrated and most importantly are disrespected not from only criminal’s but from their own leadership, it is time for a new chapter for this department, to be recognized for our achievements and as police officers.

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# POLICE WEEK

**Police Week was a spectacular success, in no small part due to the volunteers who worked so hard.  
For more pictures of these dedicated members, see pages 29 through 32.**



# LABOR

## DC Corrections—Where We Stand.

Sergeant John Rosser, Vice Chairman  
FOP DC Corrections Labor Committee

Fellow members,

By the time you read this article the September Primary will be over. The citizens of Washington DC, who we serve, will have selected who they want running their city. This choice was of the gravest importance to the future of Labor in general and Corrections in particular.

For openers, over the past four years our Union has won many cases and returned dozens of unjustly fired Officers and staff to work. We were able to do this because the Public Employees Relations Board (PERB) and the Officer of Employee Appeals (OEA) exists.

**Mr. Fenty tried to wipe these two agencies out!**

In 2008 our Executive Board met on the 11th floor of Judiciary Square with management in the hopes of mending a partnership with our management. The Office of Labor Management Partnerships sponsored the meeting.


**Two months later Mayor Fenty wiped this agency out!**

For the last four years our managers have hinted and at times advised us to “lay-of” officials like Attorney General Peter Nickles believing he could persuade the Mayor to help us with our retirement issue. Mayor Fenty knew of our issue when he was an ambitious Councilman seeking to be mayor. He has ignored us ever since. The one time we met Nickles he called us guards and spoke of the riches he made suing us on behalf of the inmates. Natasha Campbell, Mr. Fenty’s director of the Office of Labor


Relations and Collective Bargaining (OLRCB) has blocked our effort to get out of the cluster at every turn. Her agency has turned a blind eye on Director Brown’s draconian disciplinary policies, defending them with the success rate of Hamilton Burger (Perry Mason’s old courtroom advisory). The cost to City Tax payers, as a result of these officials mistreatment of FOPDOC members, has risen into the millions with multi-million dollar lawsuits pending. The effect has been repeated city wide. The Police, Teachers, Public Works employees, everyone who works the front line providing service to the citizens of Washington DC, have been trampled by the Fenty administration. As I write this article I am witnessing the Mayor proclaim that he can change. He will not be vindictive. He will believe that progress is more than just his beliefs. He will meet with his front line workers. His Attorney General will suddenly be more like a human being and relate positively to workers. I rather doubt any of these changes will occur. A Fenty victory will spell the end of PERB and the OEA. It will continue the nuclear winter that is Labor Relations in Washington DC. The vindictive administration will spend the first year ridding the city of any and all opposition to Fentys version of progress in this city.

**A Fenty victory will spell the worst of times for the public corrections agency in Washington DC and for the hundreds of law abiding citizens who walk the toughest beat in town!**

**Let’s hope, for all our sakes, that Vince Gray has prevailed and a bright future awaits!**



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Congratulations to recently promoted bargaining unit members to supervisory positions. For all other members, write down complaints, suggestions, or comments and submit them to your union executive board members. No one can proceed with a grievance unless the complaints are written and factual. Remember all grievances MUST include remedies.

The union has filed twenty formal grievances ranging from letter or reprimands to suspensions since April 2010. Of the twenty grievances, two were forward to arbitration. We continue to attempt to resolve the ten remaining arbitrations from past years. We did settle a removal arbitration case in favor of the employee, another removal case was settled and employee was reinstated to previous position, and one case (medical review board) was heard and decision is pending.

In 2008, the union requested to negotiate general order concerning personal ap-

pearance and shaving. The agency agreed to negotiate and sessions were completed. Eventually, the union invoked arbitration since we stalled on beard issue. The union felt that any employee should be allowed to wear a beard and the agency disagreed but refused to negotiate further. Recently, in July 2010, the agency bypassed the collective bargaining agreement and the arbitration hearing. The union filed a second grievance and a second arbitration was invoked over the agency's implementation of LEVEL C PROTECTION POLICY. Per the agency memorandum and policy, if an employee (who is designated as a level C provider) has a beard the employee will be removed and terminated as a police officer. The agency added in roll call that they do not care what the union does, what the court system does, or what EEOC does, they are right and obsolete dictator so live with it. All employees are encourage to contact WHS EEOP and filed an EEO complaint at 703-699-1805 and the EEOP office is lo-

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The agency is currently investigating fraud issue concerning AFLAC with assistance from DODIG and FBI. If anyone is contacted by PFPA Criminal Investigator or Internal Affairs Agents please contact the union lawyer Steve DeNigris at 7034161036 for advise and representations since all cases are criminal in nature not administrative. If any questions contact an executive board member.

As a reminder security is everyone job and per regulation if any compliant is filed the compliant could initiate a security clearance investigation. The investigation could lead to a temporary suspension of security clearance until the investigation is resolved.

On 26 July 2010, the agency and the union started negotiation on a new collective bargaining agreement. Once the new agreement is completed all bargaining unit members will have a chance to review, ratify, and vote on the new agreement. The old agreement remains in effect until replaced.



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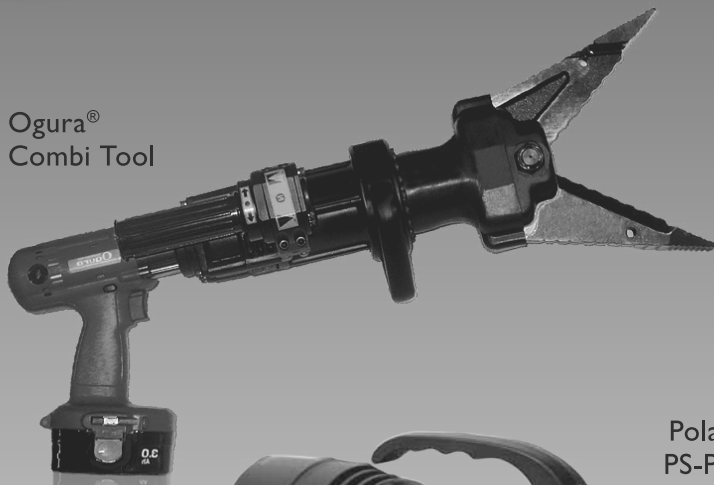
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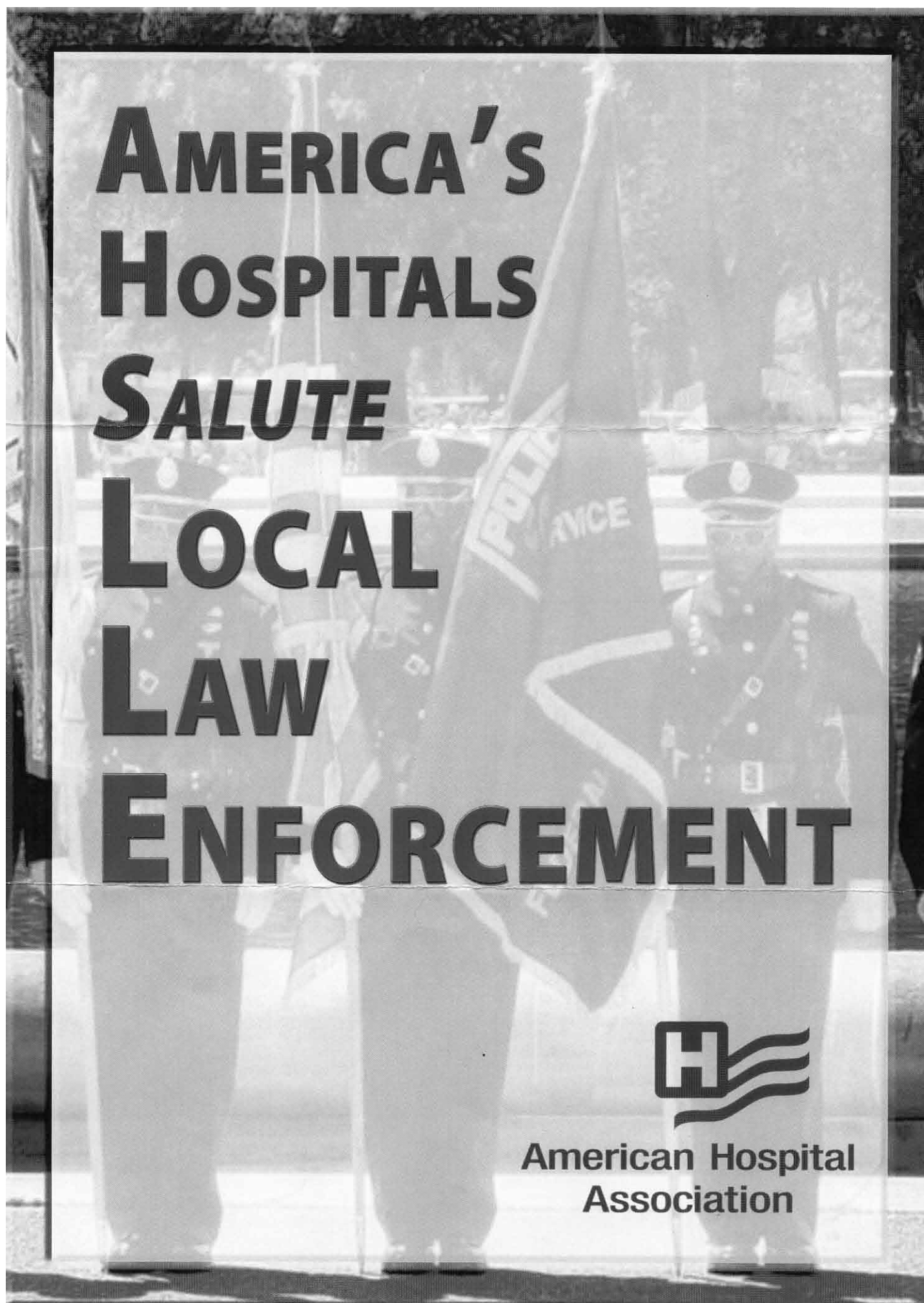
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## District of Columbia National Trustee Report

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*Greetings to all:*

As I begin compiling this report, the air temperature in Washington, D.C. is a sultry102 °. Once summer descends, the Washington D.C. area is like one big sauna. Even the politicians get out of town fast once the calendar turns to August! The fast paced, stressed out culture of Washington seems to slow down just a bit during summer.

**Cops and Hamburgers**

To relieve some of the stress, the Hard Rock Café held a hamburger-eating contest on Monday, June 14, 2010. The Hard Rock Café honored the men and women behind the badge with discounted burgers and the aforementioned hamburger-eating contest. Several teams made up of U.S. Capitol, Park, and D.C. police, as well as, the D.C. protective service took part in the contest. D.C. Lodge #1 Vice-President Andy Maybo and his team from the U.S. Capitol police took first place. Everyone left with a full stomach! Vice-President Maybo is a driving force behind this annual event.

**Marcello Retires!**

Speaking of fast paced, but seeming perpetually stress free, District of Columbia Lodge #1 President Marcello Muzzatti retired after 29 years of faithful service to the citizens of the District of Columbia, as a Metropolitan police officer. Marcello served well, those who relied on him not only as lodge vice-president for 14 years, lodge president for three years and counting, but also as a member of the labor

union representing the officers, sergeants, and detectives of the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department. Marcello served as shop steward and chief shop steward of the fifth district, as well as, secretary of the union for 4 years. On Saturday, June 19, 2010, an event was held at Lodge#1 celebrating Marcello’s 29 years of service. Now he can officially work full time at the Lodge!!

**Pentagon Police Shooting**

On Thursday, March 4, 2010 three-pentagon police officers, Marvin Carraway, Colin Richards, and Jeffrey Amos were involved in a shooting at the Pentagon metro station near the front entrance to the Pentagon. Because of their heroic action and quick response, a dangerous individual intent on murder was stopped.

**Police Week**

During the week May 9 – 15, 2010, the annual police week festivities and memorial services were held in Washington, D.C. Police officers from across the country and the world traveled to the nations capitol to remember fellow brother and sister officers who fell in the line of duty. D.C. Lodge #1 hosted the event and the entire executive board, volunteers and all who made the event a success should be commended.

**MPD/FOP Labor Committee Endorses Vincent Grey for Mayor**

On Thursday, May 27, 2010, The D.C. Police Union (FOP) the union that represents the more than 3,600 police officers, detectives, and sergeants of the Metropolitan

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Police Department, unanimously voted to endorse Vincent Gray for Mayor of the District of Columbia. The vast majority of public sector unions in the District of Columbia have endorsed Vincent Grey who is currently the chairman of the District of Columbia city council.

### Lodge #1 Gun Raffle

Lodge #1 Legislative Committee Chairman Steve Franchak spearheaded the Lodge #1 gun raffle. The raffle was a huge success for Lodge #1 raising \$15,200.00!

### Harley Ride

On a personal note, I will be forever grateful to Steve Franchak for allowing me to ride his Harley Davidson Electra Glide at the May lodge meeting. Thanks, Steve!

Finally, I would like to commend the executive board of Lodge#1 and all members and associates who make Lodge #1 an outstanding reminder of why the FOP exists.

*Fraternally,*

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## FOP President: Unspent Stimulus Funds Should Offset WEP/GPO Repeal

Chuck Canterbury, National President of the Fraternal Order of Police, responded to media reports of tens of billions of dollars of unspent stimulus funds by saying the money should be used to offset the repeal of the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset, two provisions in Social Security law which unfairly penalize public employees.

"In recent weeks, the national media has put a big spotlight on unspent stimulus funds, with some reports estimating as much as \$60 billion in Federal monies which have not been used," Canterbury said. "These funds could be used to offset the enactment of the 'Social Security Fairness Act,' which repeals the WEP and GPO."

The Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) affects workers who spent some time in jobs not covered by Social Security and also worked other jobs where they paid Social Security taxes long enough to qualify for retirement benefits. The provision has a disproportionate effect on law enforcement officers, who retire earlier than most other public employees and are more likely to begin a second career after they leave law enforcement. Officers in this position are penalized and may have their Social Security benefit reduced by up to sixty percent (60%). The Government Pension Offset (GPO) reduces by two-thirds the benefit received by surviving spouses who collect a government pension.

"Politicians from both sides of the aisle are saying that these unspent funds need to be put to work, and I can think of no better way to both correct a manifest unfair-

ness in Federal law and help to stimulate the economy that restoring full Social Security benefits to our law enforcement officers, teachers, and other public servants," Canterbury said.

The passage of H.R. 235/S. 484, the "Social Security Fairness Act," which would repeal the WEP and GPO is a top legislative priority for the FOP. The bill enjoys wide, bipartisan support and has more than 300 cosponsors in the House of Representatives.

"Congressional leaders have repeatedly told the FOP and others that they favor eliminating these unfair provisions, but cannot find a way to pay for the offset," Canterbury said. "Now they do, so it is time to bring H.R. 235/S. 484 to a vote!"



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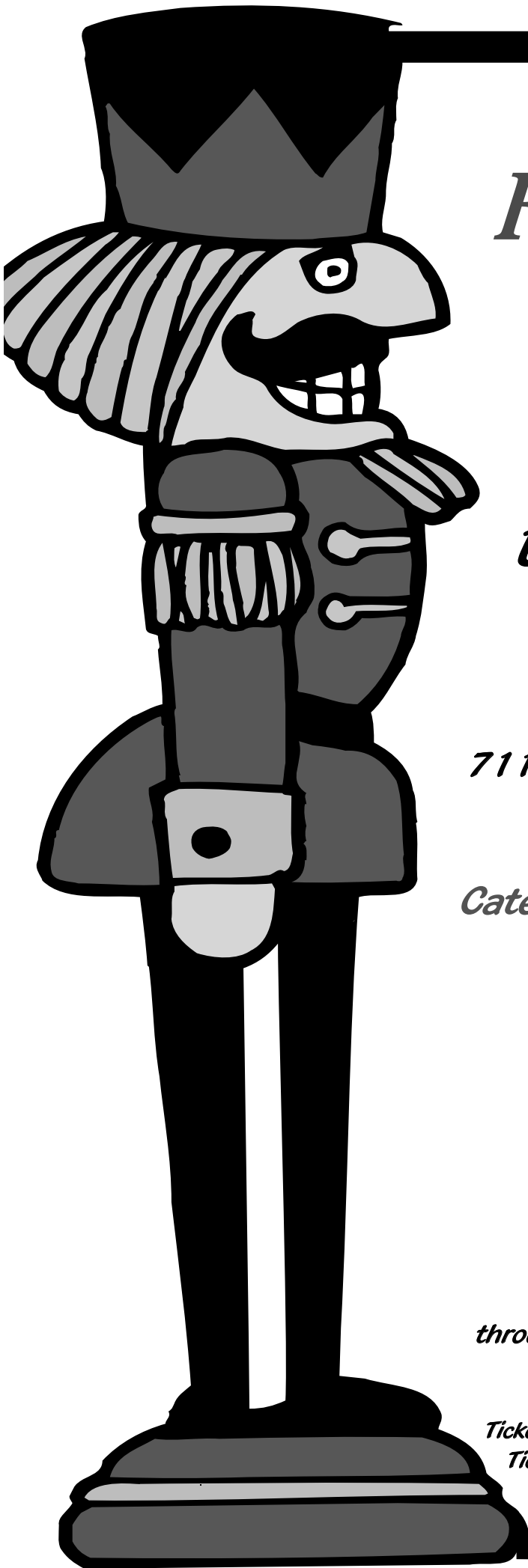
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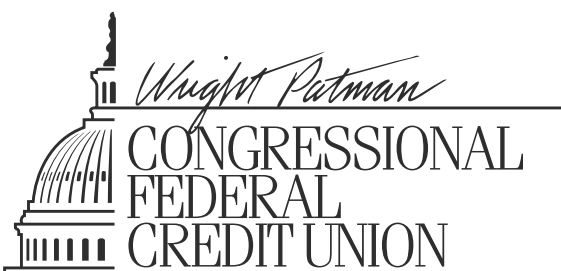
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# NATIONAL NEWS



## The Fraternal Order of Police Supports Child Safety Campaign

Since 2007, the Fraternal Order of Police has partnered with the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC) on the Take 25 campaign, a grassroots initiative aimed at heightening awareness about children's safety issues. With a focus on prevention, Take 25 encourages parents, guardians, and other trusted adult role models to spend time talking to kids and teaching them ways to stay safer.

Take 25 was created in commemoration of National Missing Children's Day, which is annually honored on May 25th. First proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan in 1983, this day serves as a reminder to the nation to renew efforts to reunite missing children with their families, remember those who are still missing, and make child protection a national priority. It's a time of reflection and renewed hope for millions of families in communities across the country.

During Take 25's second year in 2008, with the help of the FOP, more than 735 Take 25 events were hosted in over 320 communities across the United States. Through these events we were able to provide thousands of families with potentially life-saving information.

### Why Is Take 25 Important?

A 2003 study conducted by RoperASW, a leading market research firm, surveyed a group of over 1,000 parents and grandparents. The study's results indicate the need for increased parental education: half of parents and grandparents consider child abduction and sexual exploitation to be a "very big" problem. When asked to grade themselves on how well they address the issues surrounding personal safety with their children, both parents and grandparents grade themselves as a "B-," conceding they need improvement.

### How Can I Become Involved?

Take 25 encourages law enforcement to host their own child safety events. You can help to promote Take 25 by completing child ID kits in your community, hosting a school safety presentation, or distributing important safety information to parents and children. The resources provided by Take 25 include child ID kits, safety tips, and discussion guidelines, all of which help parents to begin an on-going conversation with their children about safety. All Take 25 child safety materials are available free of charge.

Each Take 25 event organizer receives an outreach kit which includes a campaign overview, sample outreach documents, event planning resources, and other materials that can be distributed at each event.

Join this grassroots movement and help keep our nation's children safer! To learn more about Take 25 or to register an event, please contact Maggie Starr at [take25@ncmec.org](mailto:take25@ncmec.org) or visit [www.take25.org](http://www.take25.org).



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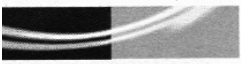
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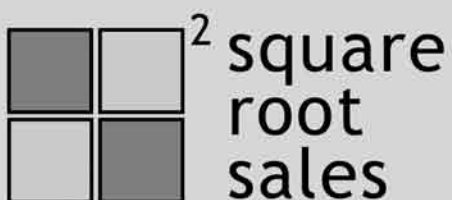
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The motorcycle has a Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price of \$18,402, and only 6,000 raffle tickets are being printed. Tickets can be purchased in one of two ways: by calling either 877-622-BIKE (2453) or 202-737-3402, or in person at the Memorial Fund's Visitors Center & Store, located at 400 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC, where the motorcycle is currently on display.

The raffle drawing will take place and the winner announced on the evening of Thursday, October 14, during the gala celebrating the National Law Enforcement Museum's groundbreaking, which will take place earlier that day. The winner need not be present to win.

"Harley-Davidson Motor Company has a long and distinguished history of supporting law enforcement in our country, so it was not surprising that the Company would step up early in the campaign to support the National Law Enforcement Museum and would remain a strong and reliable partner ever since," said Craig W. Floyd, the Memorial Fund's chairman and CEO.

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## Harley Davidson Raffle

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He noted that the raffles of the first three motorcycles donated by the Harley-Davidson Motor Company raised more than \$135,000 for the Museum campaign. The previous winners were a U.S. Border Patrol agent from California who had been on special assignment to Washington, DC; a Florida woman who had been riding on the back of her husband's Harley-Davidson® for two decades, and a corrections lieutenant from New Jersey who recently retired and now spends much of his time touring New England on his new motorcycle.

Authorized by Congress in the year 2000, the National Law Enforcement Museum ([www.LawEnforcementMuseum.org](http://www.LawEnforcementMuseum.org)) is an architecturally inspiring, 55,000 square foot, mostly underground museum that will be located adjacent to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in downtown DC. The Museum will tell the story of American law enforcement through high-tech, interactive exhibits, collections, research and education. Groundbreaking

for the Museum will take place on October 14, 2010, with a projected opening in late 2013.

The privately funded Museum has launched an \$80 million capital campaign, with more than \$40 million raised to date. Former Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton serve as co-chairs of the Museum's National Honorary Campaign Committee, which also includes seven former Attorneys General of the United States, as well as other former government officials and celebrities.

For more information about the Memorial Fund's Harley-Davidson® motorcycle raffle, visit [www.LawMemorial.org/HarleyRaffle](http://www.LawMemorial.org/HarleyRaffle). Raffle tickets may be purchased by phone—at 877-544-BIKE (2453) or 202-737-3402—between the hours of 9 am and 5 pm (EDT), Monday through Friday.

### About the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund

Founded in 1984, the National Law Enforcement

Officers Memorial Fund is a private non-profit organization dedicated to honoring the service and sacrifice of America's law enforcement officers and to promoting officer safety. The NLEOMF maintains the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC, which contains the names of 18,983 officers who have died in the line of duty throughout U.S. history. The Memorial Fund is now working to create the first-ever National Law Enforcement Museum, which will tell the story of law enforcement through exhibits, collections, research and education. For more information, visit [www.LawMemorial.org](http://www.LawMemorial.org).

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## Following a 50-Year Low, Law Enforcement Fatalities Surge 43 Percent During the First Half of 2010

After reaching a 50-year low in 2009, the number of U.S. law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty surged nearly 43 percent during the first six months of 2010, according to preliminary data released today by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF). If the mid-year trend continues, 2010 could end up being one of the deadliest years for U.S. law enforcement in two decades.

Preliminary NLEOMF statistics show that 87 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty between January 1 and June 30, 2010. That compares with 61 officers who were killed during the first six months of 2009, an increase of 42.6 percent.

By June 30, 2010, officer fatalities had already reached 75 percent of the total for all of 2009, which was 116. That represented the fewest line-of-duty deaths since 1959.

“It is certainly disheartening that last year’s encouraging news on officer fatalities has not continued into 2010,” said NLEOMF Chairman and CEO Craig W. Floyd. “These latest figures provide a grim reminder that, even with all of the safety improvements that have been achieved in recent decades, our law enforcement officers still face grave, life-threatening dangers each and every day.”

He added, “As governments across the country face tighter and tighter budgets, we must ensure that critical officer safety measures such as training, equipment and personnel are not sacrificed. If our dedicated law enforcement officers are to continue to drive down crime, as they have done so successfully in recent years, then they must have the necessary resources to protect our communities and themselves.”

All major categories of officer deaths rose sharply during the first half of 2010, according to the NLEOMF’s preliminary data.

Firearm-related deaths increased 41 percent, from 22 during the first six months of 2009 to 31 in the first half of 2010. Six officers this year died in three separate multiple-fatality killings:

- On February 25, Fresno County (CA) Sheriff’s Deputy Joel Wahlenmaier and Reedley (CA) Police Officer Javier Bejar were shot while attempting to serve an

arrest warrant on a suspected arsonist; Deputy Wahlenmaier died that day, and Officer Bejar succumbed to his injuries on March 1.

- On May 20, Sergeant Brandon Paudert and Officer Bill Evans of the West Memphis (AR) Police Department were gunned down following a traffic stop by two suspects armed with AK-47s.
- On June 29, Tampa (FL) Police Officers David Curtis and Jeffrey Kocab were shot at close range following a traffic stop by a suspect with an outstanding warrant.

Traffic-related fatalities were up 35 percent, from 31 at mid-year 2009 to 42 as of June 30 of this year. The 2010 total included 29 officers who died in automobile crashes, four killed in motorcycle crashes and nine who were struck and killed while outside their vehicles—all increases from 2009. Deaths from all other causes combined jumped 75 percent, from 8 to 14 as of June 30.

The preliminary 2010 law enforcement fatality data were released by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund in conjunction with Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.), a non-profit organization that provides critical assistance to the

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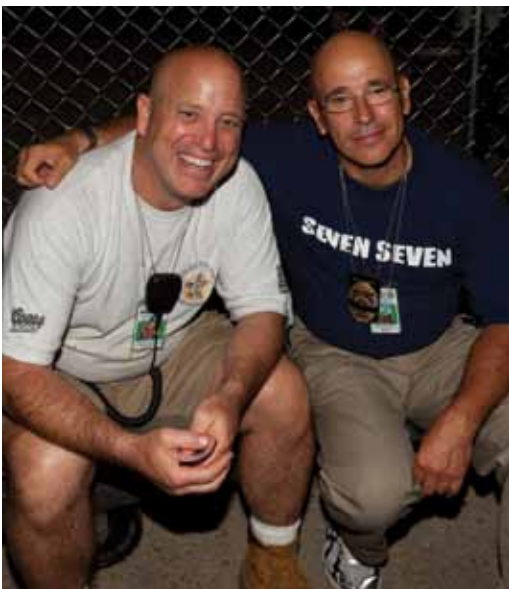














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## Law Enforcement Fatalities

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surviving family members and loved ones of officers killed in the line of duty.

“The membership of C.O.P.S. grows every year with each and every line-of-duty death. The rise in the number of deaths is certainly a major concern of C.O.P.S. because every year the number of requests for assistance, attendance at our healing grief retreats, and the need to help families through their darkest days weighs heavily on our organization,” said Linda Moon Gregory, National President of C.O.P.S. “Knowing that survivors can experience intense grief for five years and have their grief issues resurface with every single officer death, C.O.P.S. is in it for the long haul to ensure our surviving families recover from their tragedy as emotionally healthy as possible,” she added.

Shortly after Ms. Gregory’s election to the national presidency of C.O.P.S., her son, a law enforcement officer, was involved in a shootout with the gunmen who had murdered Sergeant Paudert and Officer Evans in West Memphis, AR, on May 20. Two other law enforcement officers were wounded and the two suspects killed in the gun battle. She notes that her family is now seeing line-of-duty death issues from the perspective of an affected co-worker as well as a surviving family. Ms. Gregory’s brother, Officer James Moon of the Jacksonville (FL) Sheriff’s Office, was shot and killed in the line of duty on September 27, 1971.

Other preliminary findings from the mid-year report include the following:

- Thirty states and Puerto Rico experienced at least one officer fatality during the first six months of 2010. California had the most officer fatalities with nine, including five officers with the California Highway Patrol who died this year. Three states—California, Texas (8 fatalities) and Florida (6)—accounted for more than one-quarter of all officer fatalities in the first half of 2010. In addition, five federal law enforcement officers have died in the line of duty this year.
- If current trends continue, 2010 will be the 13th consecutive year in which more law enforcement officers are killed in traffic-related incidents than die from any other single cause. Traffic-related incidents—which include automobile and motorcycle crashes, as well as officers struck while outside their vehicles—account-

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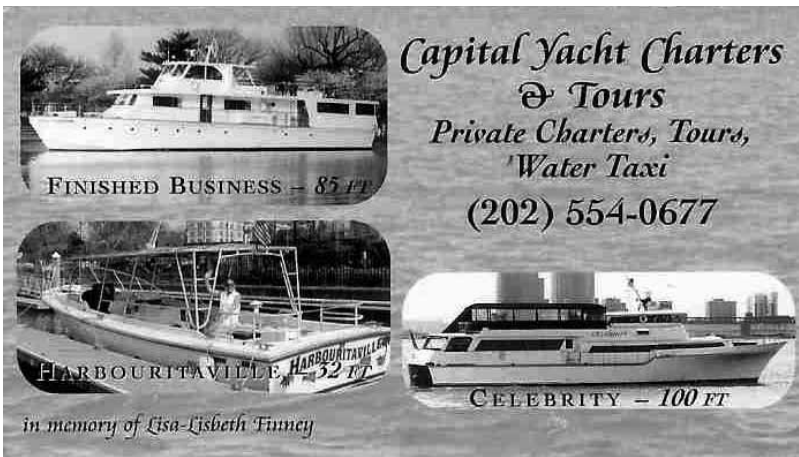


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ed for more than 48 percent of the fatalities between January 1 and June 30, 2010. Firearms-related fatalities made up nearly 36 percent, and deaths from all other causes combined accounted for the remaining 16 percent.

- The average age of the officers killed during the first six months of 2010 was just over 40, with an average of 11.3 years of law enforcement service. Eighty-two of the fallen officers were men; five were women.
- 2010 could end as one of the deadliest years for law enforcement since the late 1980s. If historical patterns hold true, the 2010 year-end fatality figure could approach the 2007 total of 185. Outside of 2001—when 240 officers died, including 72 killed in the terrorist attacks of September 11—2007 was the deadliest year for U.S. law enforcement since 1989, when there were 195 deaths.

The statistics released by the NLEOMF and C.O.P.S. are preliminary and do not represent a final or complete list of individual officers who will be added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial for 2010. The report, “Law Enforcement Officer Deaths, Mid-Year 2010 Report,” is available at [www.LawMemorial.org/ResearchBulletin](http://www.LawMemorial.org/ResearchBulletin)



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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



On the morning of October 14, 2010, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund will mark groundbreaking for the National Law Enforcement Museum with a public ceremony at the future site of the Museum.

- Who:** Board of Directors and staff of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund; other distinguished guests; law enforcement officers, friends and supporters
- What:** Ceremony to break ground on the National Law Enforcement Museum
- When:** Thursday, October 14, 2010, 11:00 am (EDT)
- Where:** Future Site of the National Law Enforcement Museum  
400 Block of E Street, NW, Washington, DC  
Adjacent to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial

The Groundbreaking Ceremony is open to the public; no tickets are required to the 11 am ceremony.

Questions?

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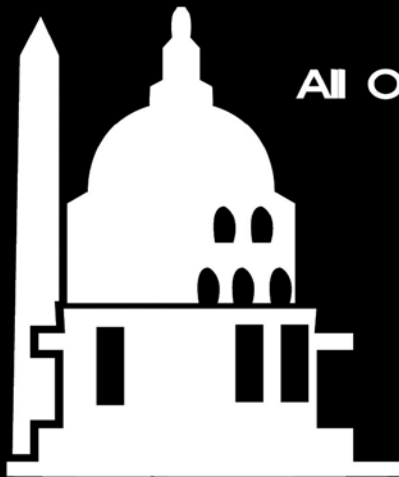
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- Who:** Friends and supporters of the National Law Enforcement Museum and distinguished guests
- What:** Black-tie Gala (Law Enforcement Officers wear Class A uniforms) including a reception, dinner, dancing, entertainment and exhibits
- When:** Thursday, October 14, 2010  
Reception at 6:00 pm (EDT)  
Dinner at 7:00 pm
- Where:** National Building Museum  
400 Block of F Street, NW, Washington, DC  
Adjacent to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and the future site of the National Law Enforcement Museum

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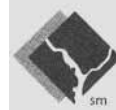
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## DC FOP Lodge President Mentors Children of Fallen Officers

*C.O.P.S. Outward Bound®*

*By: Brooke McKay, C.O.P.S. Marketing Coordinator*

Before turning 50 years old, Marcello Muzzatti wanted to get out and do something meaningful in life. "I decided to be a mentor at an event sponsored by Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) because I thought mentoring the surviving teenaged children of fallen officer would be meaningful. That first year, I blew out my knee while climbing the Colorado Rockies with the C.O.P.S. teens; yet asked to go back the next year. After having been to the C.O.P.S. Outward Bound® events now for 3 years, I have gotten so much more than just a 'meaningful experience,'" said Marcello. Marcello Muzzatti is the President of DC FOP Lodge #1 and a newly-retired Police Officer with the Washington Metropolitan Police Department.

The weeklong Outward Bound® Adventure, held July 26-August 1, 2010, helped surviving children (ages 15-20) build self-esteem with a group of peers who understand what it is like to lose a parent in the line of duty. The annual wilderness experience, which includes mountain climbing or white-water rafting, has been sponsored by Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) since 1998.

"Outward Bound® is so important because it makes the kids understand that they can get through life.

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*The surviving teenagers of fallen police officers that attended Outward Bound® 2010.*



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## *C.O.P.S. Outward Bound®*

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They have lost their parent and their life has been altered forever. The Outward Bound® experience lifts their spirits, builds their self-confidence, lets them see the beauty of nature, and helps them realize that, although their life has been altered by the death of their parent, life can be good again. The teambuilding and peer support lets them know you can get through this by yourself, but it's better to get through this together," said Marcello.


This year Outward Bound® experience had thirty-four surviving children and four mentors mountain climbing in the Colorado Rockies. The Outward Bound® adventure-based program is structured to inspire character development, self-discovery, compassion for others, and to actively engage in creating a better world.

Now 52 years old, Marcello continues to defy his age by mountain climbing to almost 13,000 feet with the teens. He loves to goof around with the kids, even if it means singing current pop songs to make them laugh. Marcello continues to support Concerns of Police Survivors the best way he knows how and that is mentoring the children of fallen officers. "I support C.O.P.S. because I think it's a great program. I want to continue to be involved and I am so glad that Outward Bound® is there for these kids," concluded Marcello.

Concerns of Police Survivors' mission is to "rebuild shattered lives" of the surviving families and affected co-workers of law enforcement officers who have made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty. In addition to Outward Bound®, C.O.P.S. hosts a week-long summer camp for younger children and weekend retreats for adult children, parents, siblings, spouses, in-laws, and affected co-workers of fallen officers.

C.O.P.S. is a national nonprofit organization with 51 chapters throughout the United States. C.O.P.S.' membership is comprised of more than 15,000 surviving families; and, unfortunately, that membership continues to grow as 140-160 law enforcement officers are killed every year in the line of duty.

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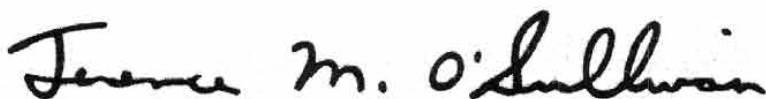
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Membership in the AORP makes you eligible to participate in our group optical and dental programs. It allows you to participate in any legal action that is brought on behalf of our membership; and, you will, also, be provided representation if you experience any problems with your annuity. Additionally, assistance will be provided to your spouse at the time of your death and, thereafter, as your spouse will become an Associate Member of the AORP for the rest of his/her life.

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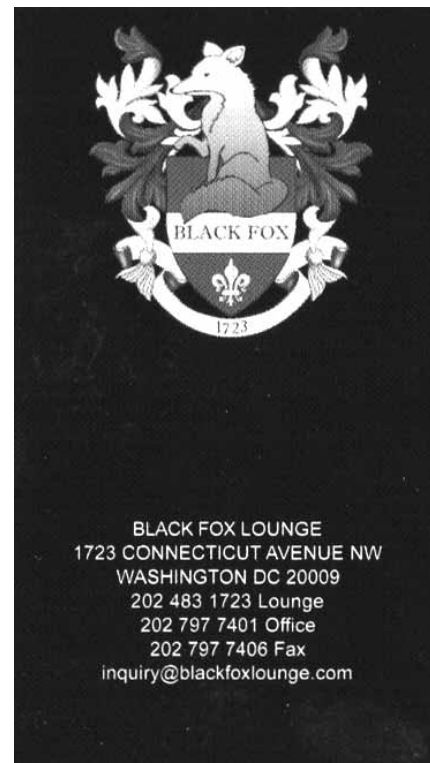
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## Peterson Wins First Place in Annual Public Safety Writers Association Contest

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The Public Safety Writers Association (PSWA) announced the winners of the 2010 writer's contest at an awards banquet held during their annual conference in Las Vegas. Quintin Peterson, a 28-year veteran of the Metropolitan Police Department, won First Place in Published Short Story with *Cold as Ice*. More information can be found at [www.police-writers.com/peterson.html](http://www.police-writers.com/peterson.html).

Founded in 1997 as the Police Writers Club, the PSWA is open to both new and experienced, published and not yet published writers. Members include police officers, civilian police personnel, firefighters, fire support personnel, emergency personnel, security personnel and others in the public safety field. Also represented are those who write about public safety including mystery writers, magazine writers, journalists and those who are simply interested in the genre. The association also welcomes publishers, editors, agents and others who help writers realize their writing goals. PSWA holds their writing contest annually. Information on PSWA and the contest can be found at [www.policewriter.com](http://www.policewriter.com).



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BOWIE (MD)

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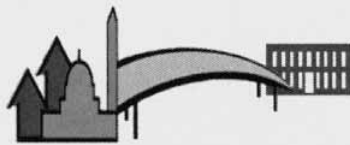
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In closing, the emails we send out have some very important information and we want to make sure all our members are informed. If you get an email from us do not hit the "Spam" or "Junk Mail" key to delete the message we will receive information that will not allow us to send you any more emails.

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### Lodge Facebook Page and Group


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