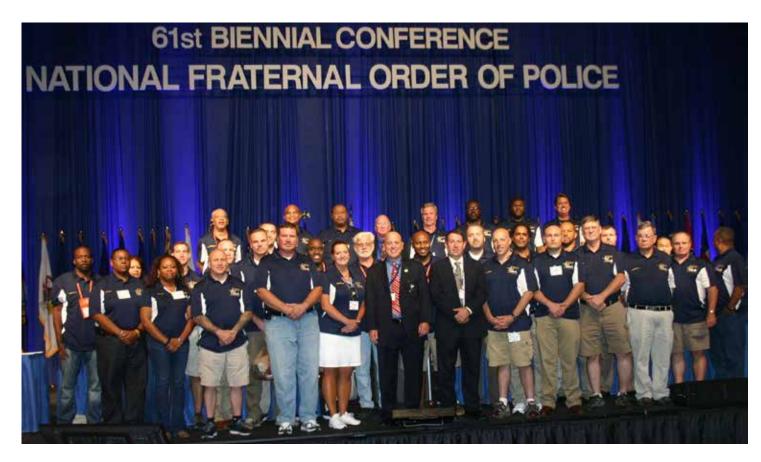
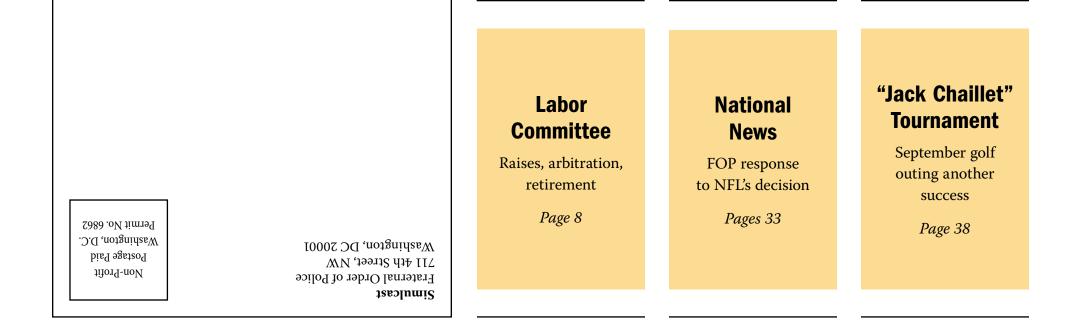


## **61st Biennial National FOP Conference**

n August, The National Fraternal Order of Police Held its 61st Biennial Conference In Cincinnati Ohio. Several Thousand Members from all across the U.S, Canada and Europe were in attendance to conduct the business of the Grand Lodge. DC Lodge #1 sent 53 delegates to represent our membership and vote on issues affecting the national membership. All current National Officers retained their positions as they all ran unopposed this term. We voted for the location of the 2017 Conference and despite a great campaign by both bidding cities, Nashville Tennessee won the vote and will be the location of the 2017 Conference. Per our Bylaws, DC lodge #1 elects their National Trustee at the conference and we are proud to have Lou Cannon once again serve in this position. Although we spent most of each day in the General Session, our delegates also attended numerous seminars and classes in the break out sessions as well as the many events that were planned for conference delegates and their Families. Among the events were the Cincinnati Reds Game dedicated to Law Enforcement, Irish Night at the Great American Ballpark, a



night of fun, food, and live music at the Cincinnati Zoo, the FOP Golf Tournament, Comedy night, the FOP Motorcycle Ride, and a Party hosted by Queen City Lodge #69. Many of our delegates also took the time to explore Cincinnati, attend a Bengals Practice Session and tour the Famous Underground Railroad Museum. A great time was had by all. The next Biennial Conference will be held in August 2015 in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania to celebrate the FOP's 100 year anniversary in the City where it was founded.





Officer Jerrard F. Young

The Fraternal Order of Police D.C. Lodge #1 was chartered in 1966. The Lodge was later named for the first member killed in the line of duty, Officer Jerrard F. Young.

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# THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### By Marcello Muzzatti, President

began writing my article for this issue on September 11th. As I put pen to paper, the memories of the events of 9-11-2001 flooded in. I remember it so vividly, and remember what it did to us all. We all have our own personal stories and many of them need to be acknowledgment of the brave acts of courage that many of us did that day and the days after. We did not run away, we ran toward, we did not hide in our houses, we made ourselves visible; we did not back down, we bulked up. We did what we have been trained to do and we answered the call. Although I never see something like 9-11 happening again, many things have changed—some for the better and some to protect us (although we wonder about that at times). All in all, this was a day to reflect and I did just that. Many friends were made and lives were touched, even if in just a minor way, and all of us "answered the call." I would also like to think that we all have feelings for every life that was lost that day and the days that followed. Still to this day, our armed forces are battling the fight—I, just as an individual support, our troops and am proud of them.

In August, the National Fraternal Order of Police held it's Biennial Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio. I am proud to announce that Lou Cannon won re-election to the National Trustee position and wish him luck in the next two years as the National Board of Directors continues the duties of its office in supporting all law enforcement officers in the quest for better pay, working conditions and pensions. The fight they have is on a national level and, although we may not see some of the work they are doing, believe me, our national board does not sit still.

On September 16, 2013 a lone

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gunman who decided to enter the Navy Yard with a shotgun and proceeded to go room to room and killed 12 people. He also was able to get some rounds off at our members and one of them was Officer Scott Williams. He was shot through both legs above the knee and as of today he is still in the hospital but expected to do a full recovery. It's going to be a long road for him but his FOP Family will be there to help with whatever he needs. One thing that I find important to bring up is the ability to help out our members when needed. They don't even have to be our members to be able to help out. With several of the board members we where able to reach out to Scott while he was in Med Star and then after he left for surgery I was able to get to Costco and buy water and snacks for the officers on the scene. I knew that it was going to be some time before they would get relief and wanted to make sure that they where able to have something. Its amazing how good the fruit bars and granola bars taste when your hungry and thirsty. The point is that several of my board members do just exactly this. Many of times I get a message from my board members that they purchased water or food or something that members needed due to circumstances. In turn if you know of something that we may need to step in please don't hesitate to call any of us to help out. With what had happen the lodge will be hosting an appreciation night for all the members that where at the scene of the Navy Yard incident.

One of the duties of my position is to ensure that what happens in a labor committee is in accordance with the by-laws that the labor committee has established. Nevertheless, I cannot be involved in anything that a labor committee does until it comes to my desk in the proper way. I receive



many emails and letters stating that something is going on in a certain labor committee that members feel is incorrect; however, I cannot answer that letter or email since it would violate my position. I can advise you that there are proper channels that you can go through to get your complaint answered; you should look at your by-laws and contract to see how the labor committee handles these items. Once you have followed that procedure, you may still have other ways to handle your complaint, such as through PERB or Labor Relations. In either case, please follow the direction of your bylaws and look to see what or how the complaint can be solved. On another note, complaining is one thing and getting involved is another. Become involved to make change and support the people you vote in to make it work. Trying to "throw out" board members that have been voted in is counterproductive and you should realize that management uses that to its advantage. Work on the issues as a team and you will see that in numbers you have power. I am always available to talk but I must tell you that once it gets into the conversation of how the labor committee is doing something that is unfair to you or in violation of the by-laws, I will advise you that I cannot talk about that. This system works and should be followed in order to get due process.

In closing, I end by finishing another term as your president. I hope that you are happy with the work that I have done and am proud of what the board has been able to accomplish. I will be running again in November and would look forward to your support. I have worked hard and have been there for members when they needed it. I also know that the current board has worked very hard too and I am happy and proud of the work that they have done. I thank you for your support and hope to see you around the lodge soon! Stay safe and watch your back!

# **LODGE OFFICERS**

### From the Vice President

#### By Andy Maybo



Cincinnati, Ohio. I had the honor of attending to represent the members of DC FOP Lodge #1, as well as address the Conference delegates as the Chairman of the National FOP Memorial Committee. I am

This past August, the National Fraternal Order

of Police Bi-Annual Conference was held in

well. I would like to acknowledge Tori

Conference went very

Beauchemin for her hard work in organizing all the logistics of the Conference. As always, Tori did a fabulous job. I would also like to thank all those who volunteered their time at the Conference. Whether it was selling badges, working the various jobs DC FOP was tasked with, or just assisting fellow delegates, your time and dedication was truly appreciated.

During the Conference we voted for our National Trustee. I would like to congratulate Lou Cannon on winning the election and continuing in this position. I appreciate all who attended and voted for this election. I think it is important to acknowledge that many have argued that the National Trustee election should take place in Washington, DC at our Lodge, rather than at the National Conference. If we as a Lodge decide this should be changed, we will need to propose a by-law change since this election is governed by the FOP DC Lodge #1 by-laws. I support having the election in Washington, DC because it gives our entire membership the opportunity to choose their National Trustee, rather than limiting the decision to those who are able to attend the Conference. This past year, there were a large number of delegates who could not attend the Conference due to manpower issues within their agencies, finances, and various personal reasons.

I want to thank all of you who have supported me as your Vice President over the past years. I have always remained dedicated to the membership and I will continue to serve you to the best of my ability. Whenever a decision is needed, I have learned from following the footsteps of many before me to always ask the question, "How does this benefit the membership?" I believe if you ask this question then you will always be true to your membership by making the best possible decision. I believe the membership always comes first and needs to benefit from each and every decision made. With this being said, I will be running for re-election as Vice President of DC FOP Lodge #1.

Over the years, I have worked with many of the Lodge Labor Committees to help them achieve the goals they set. Whether it was a political issue, an internal issue I was requested to review, or just a support role, I have always been there for anyone who has asked. I have also been instrumental, along with many other board members, in getting our Disaster Aid Response Team up and running. We have been on standby for over a dozen incidents and responded to New Jersey when hurricane Sandy devastated the East Coast. Lodge #1's efforts were nationally recognized for this response and we are

continuing to grow in personnel and resources.

I thank you for the opportunity to serve you, the membership. I appreciate your trust in me and I hope you allow me to return to office as your Vice President. Please come out and vote. Thank you and be safe!



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### **National Trustee Report**

#### Lou Cannon

National Trustee/Immediate Past President



e have all returned from the National Conference safe and sound I am happy to report. I am also happy to have been re-elected as your National Trustee. I commit to working hard once again for all the members and keeping DC1 high on the National FOP profile.

The main thing to report is that the Per-capita increase of \$1.00 per year per member passed. This increase was needed to offset the increased operating cost coupled with the decline in donations to the National FOP over the recent years. The Lodge will be proposing a dues increase to offset the cost to DC1. It has been over ten years since we raised our local dues absorbing previous increases. I ask all of the membership to support this increase, which I know can be difficult dur-

ing these hard economic times. I promise to make sure that your money is used wisely both locally and nationally.

USPPLC Chairman Ian Glick did an outstanding job of addressing the Conference on Labor Issues and should be recognized for his Labor Committees outstanding efforts in their fight regarding budget cuts during Sequestration. They were supported by the National FOP and the National Legislative Office during this battle and demonstrated what can be done when utilizing FOP resources effectively. Well done Ian!

I also ask that you support our Lodge events as this helps to maintain costs and fund projects supported by the Lodge and the Auxiliary. When disasters strike, whether local or national, the Lodge 1 Disaster Aid Response Team (DART) has been called upon to aid Law Enforcement and their families your support and volunteerism is what makes this possible. If you know of anyone that has items or storage space that they would like to donate please contact the Lodge for more information. The Club also needs your support. Holiday Party Season will be here soon, consider having your event at the Club. The Auxiliary is planning several events in the upcoming months watch for these in email notices, evites, or visiting their Facebook Page.

Lodge elections will be held in November, nominations at the October Lodge Meeting. If your agency does not have an Agency Trustee, all agencies with ten (10) or more members are entitled to one, consider making the commitment to represent your agency. The FOP has much to offer to everyone, however if your agency is not getting the information, which was discovered at a recent meeting, you are missing out on many important events and resources. It is very important that if you choose to run for office you are doing so for more than just having a title. Expect to work, attend meetings, and learn about the organization and what it has to offer to you and your family. This is when and where we start to bring back the camaraderie once the foundation of the FOP.

Members should also look at candidates for political offices to see where they stand on issues pertinent to Law Enforcement. Check out their voting records on various issues that relate to our profession and safety of the community. Look for FOP Leaders that are now seeking office in their communities and support them if they match your views. The most important item that remains is to VOTE in the elections. Please vote for the candidate that is best qualified for the position and then hold them accountable.

For many of you old timers and all of our members Retired Member Lou Martin of the Memories has written a book about his career and the Memories. I am hoping to lure him down for a book signing in the near future, however I think it would be great to have The Memories come to the FOP for an evening of music and friendship. I would like to hear from you if this is of interest, if so please send me an email at lcannon490@yahoo.com I will then make it happen.

I look forward to hearing from you. Stay safe and in support of the Auxiliary's Safety Project, Don't text and drive.





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### **DC Lodge #1 Auxiliary**

#### Bonnie Cannon President

♥ ummer is gone and fall is upon us and I have much to report. I, my Vice President Patty Sucato and Secretary/Treasurer Zoe Coats recently returned I from the Fraternal Order of Police Conference held in Cincinnati, OH. At the conference, I was sworn in as the National Trustee and was appointed Chairman of the Public Safety Education Committee for the National Auxiliary. I am very excited about my new roles. The topics that my Committee will be researching will be students texting while driving and computer safety for officers.

We attended all of the Auxiliary meetings and have come back very excited and more knowledgeable about the Auxiliary and it's function. We learned that the By-Laws were changed in order that spouses and relatives of law enforcement personnel who do not live DC are now eligible to join our Auxiliary. For example, if your family member is in law enforcement in one state and you do not have an Auxiliary you are eligible to join ours or, if you just wish to join another Auxiliary it is now possible. There are, however, some protocols to initiate this especially if you are transferring from one state to another.

Our Wine Event was a success and we are looking forward to hosting many more events. I hope you will be attending the FOP Christmas party this year. Keep your eyes open while you are there to see what the Auxiliary will be raffling off.

We have started a campaign to raise donations for Special Olympics and hope this to be a success as well. If you would like to make a donation it would be greatly appreciated and we will post your name in the next Simulcast.

We really want to make this a great and giving Auxiliary and with your support I truly believe this can happen. Please get your family members to join the Auxiliary and become part of this great team.

If you wish to contact me my email is FOPAUXPRES@hotmail.com.

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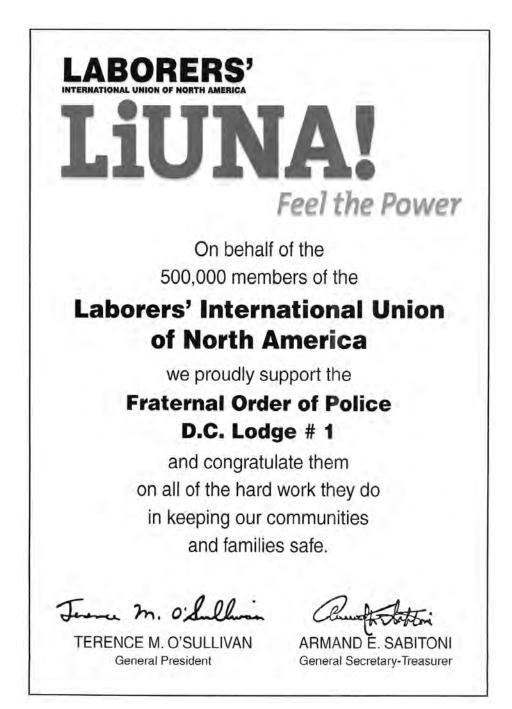
Sergeant John Rosser Chairman

Fellow FOP Corrections Labor Committee Members,

2013 is rapidly drawing to a close! Our Holiday season is approaching. I hope each and every FOPDOC member, their families, and friends have had a healthy, enjoyable, and productive year. I ask all members to pray for each other that we may have a safe and enjoyable Holiday Season, and that our needs as a workforce be successfully met now, and in the coming year.

We have moved forward with good strides at DC Corrections in 2013. Diligent work on behalf of the Union has gotten *all of us raises*, and a more respectful working environment. Our pay is headed upwards thanks to our new compensation contract (CCBA) which our membership ratified in the spring of 2013. That raise will go up by 3% next October, and by 3% each of the next two Octobers. A total raise of 12%. This ratification process should not be confused with our CBA which *has not* been signed off or ratified, despite rumors.

The Union *won the arbitration case* involving the Male Female R & D case. I have no doubt that the unjustified termination of the late Officer Maddox and his fellow Officers in that case adversely affected their health, as it would have affected anyone. The Union is fighting the dismissal of two senior Officers who were fired for responding to an Officer getting strangled in the cell block by an inmate. This case should highlight two big issues facing all of us daily; Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and the Use-of-force. These cases are left over from a horrific management



era in our agency. Thanks to the Gray administration those managers are gone. That terrible time stands as a monument to what happens when a Law Enforcement Agency is Managed or Commanded by an individual who never performed the front line duties of the vast majority of their staffs. In our instance that was a trained Attorney/Psychologists with command over a uniformed Corrections workforce. In Corrections, dealing with the incarcerated, this type of disconnected leadership is lethal towards the workforce. *This Union remains vigilant* to ensure that we never march backwards where our treatment in the disciplinary processes is concerned.

Retirement has been an issue with Corrections since we moved from being hired as civil servants in 1987. As a non-civil servant I remain committed to fighting to get us a Retirement benefit on par with our neighboring Corrections Agencies. What we have now is a disgrace! Today DC Correctional Officers and Staff leave work (with no defined retirement all we can do is quit!) and must live a level 30% below the established poverty level. Unlike other retirement benefits including police, fire, teachers, civil service, even social security, which continue to pay long after your contribution has run out, DC Retirement stops, cuts-off, ceases to pay, when the contribution part has run out, leaving hard working Law Enforcement Correctional Officers and Staff on social security. Who could afford to stay in the area ??! We have 70 year old plus Officers working the rough tiers at the Jail. They must stay working because they simply can not afford to retire. In a profession that by its nature zaps twenty years of life expectancy from us (58.7 years) up front, this is disgraceful. The FOP Corrections Union has attempted to get a comparable benefit by way of collective bargaining fruitlessly over the past twenty-five years. We no longer have faith in that path. All we ask is benefit parity with our regional corrections agencies! This will allow us to recruit and retain our valued cadets. Training costs big dollars. Right now we are in a perpetual training mode because we are losing our good Officers and Staff, many DC residents, to our neighbors. I will never give up this fight!



We are entering a season of giving. I want to remind everyone working at DC Corrections to give generously during the One Fund Drive. This fund collects contributions that go to dozens of charitable foundations from the United Way to the United Negro College Fund. As you know there are many people all around us who are in need of help. I have always given 1% (One Percent). *I urge each and every member to join me in giving One percent! Together we can make the difference in many lives!* 

Finally there is the issue of our safety as employees in the jail. When a policy or practice-with all its pros and cons-works to make our very dangerous job safer and statistics bare it out, we as a Union have an obligation to fight any return to any unsafe practice. I like to call election times "silly seasons" because respectable concerned politicians do the strangest most unexplainable and intractable things squarely in the face of facts presented to them indicating their actions would make matters bad for all involved. This issue is Video Visitation at the Jail. The City Council, by way of a bill whose primary sponsor is seeking higher office, is seeking to micro-manage the Jail by forcing an unsafe practice back inside the Jail. I have met privately and publicly with the sponsor. I have testified at City Council concerning the dangers of returning to inside-the-CDF social visits (Legal Visits still occur untouched). Inmates have not been allowed to touch in social visit at the Jail over the last thirty years! Advocates are taking selective "recidivism studies" twisting their findings and recommendations, and presenting them to ambitious politicians during an election cycle. The sacrifice is our safety! The safety of honest hard working Officers and Support Staff-my FOP DC Corrections Members! By the way, the public and the inmates are also being placed at increased risk by this legislation. Politics, no matter how cleverly cloaked in social or moral concerns, is driving this legislation. Some say backing the bill is a moral issue. To these folks-ALL OF THEM!-I say our safety and safety in general is a moral issue!!!!!

#### There is no compromise where safety is concerned!!!

My friends, by the time you read this this video bill may have been passed and *Continued on next page* 







### FOP DC Corrections Labor Committee

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put into effect. Its cost to the taxpayers will far exceed anything imaginable by the purveyors of this blatant legislative micro management.

Just one injury to an Officer, Support Staff, DOC Manager, Visiting Citizen, or Inmate as a result of this reckless, political posturing and micro-managing will result in liabilities in the millions—all paid by tax dollars!

### This can be avoided by letting the Corrections professionals run the Jail!

I will close by urging all FOP DC Corrections Labor Committee members to become active in monitoring City Council. I urge you to show up at hearings when asked to do so. I ask that if you are a city resident working at DC Corrections that you have much powers of persuasion because these City political leaders represent you.

Find out who your Council Member is and communicate with them. Our Pay, Retirement, Safety, and Who runs our agency, all depend on who is on the Council and who is elected Mayor. Mr. Fenty kept Brown and we suffered. Mr. Gray removed Brown, brought in more progressive Corrections management. Now fear and persecution have subsided in our agency. It does matter who is in charge of our city. Make your upcoming resolution a promise to get involved, get active and stay informed on issues that affect you! Get involved; don't wait until it comes to you. Have a great Holiday Season and remember, GIVE!





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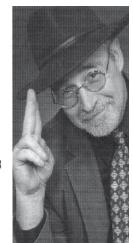
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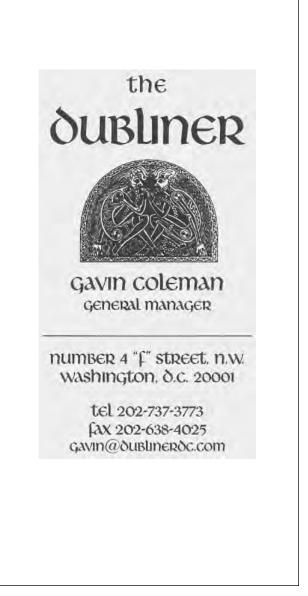
In these tough economic times officers across the country are being asked to make all manner of concessions and sacrifices as the result of budgetary shortfalls. What can the Fraternal Order of Police do to assist our members in answering the demands being made by public employers?

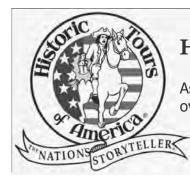
Each situation is unique, but here are some things to keep in mind as well as possible tactics that your lodge leadership can employ to help find the best solution for your members:

- 1. Identify the bigger picture. What is management trying to achieve and how do they plan to go about it? Will they be trying to convince the citizens to vote on or accept a tax increase?
- 2. Understand the economics of your community. The economy impacts each community a little bit differently. Lodges should not rely on what the government alone is telling them. The lodge should find an independent source of reliable information about the economy in their area.
- 3. Understand the short and long term effects of what the employer is suggesting. Remember that employers are trying to deal with a pressing issue, but they will also take advantage of the situation to change items that they have disliked for years.
- 4. Understand how other unions in your community have dealt with this issue.
- 5. Understand how other FOP lodges across the country have dealt with this issue.6. Think of ways to address any economic issues that do not have a long term negative impact on your members. Keep in mind the effects on pensions.
- Communicate with your members. Listen to what they are saying. Know what they are thinking. Do not just listen to the most vocal members; it is important to get a read on how all members view the issue.

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- 8. If you give up anything, be sure to get something for it. Think of non-economic problems that need to be fixed in return for your concessions.
- 9. Consider the public relations aspects of your potential position. A number of units are going to be making some concessions. Think about how to turn any concessions you are willing to make to your advantage within the community.10. Do not let your government leaders back you into a corner!

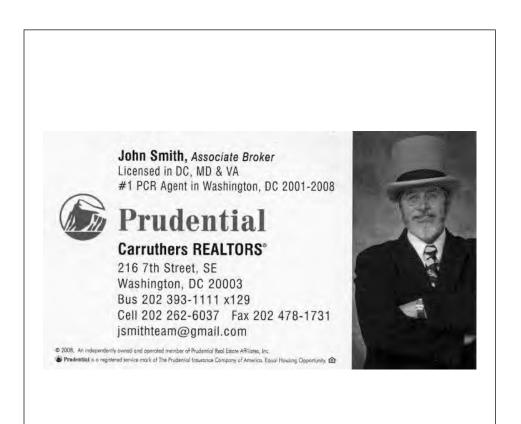
Here are some of the types of economic accommodations that are being committed to by units across the country. You need to determine whether or not these are good for your unit in both the short and long term. Be creative think about what will work in your situation!

- Agreeing not to be paid for a raise or bonus that is already scheduled.
- Agreeing to no increase in a given year. (Note the difference in long term impact between these two.)
- Agreeing give back time off that is banked.
- Agreeing to reduce your accrual of time off. (Note the difference in long term impact between these two.)
- Taking unpaid time off, commonly called furlough days.
- Law Enforcement Officers being laid off. Ask yourself: What is in the best interest of your entire membership? How long can the public employer keep these officers off the job without a public backlash?
- Agreeing to take home car fees, increased premium contributions for health care, other types of deductions.
- Agreeing to have officers contribute to an FOP charity that is used to provide money to the city for certain expenses.

Here is what the NFOP is doing to assist its local lodges:

The NFOP is hosting a Labor Forum February 23-24 where FOP Labor Leaders from around the country will be discussing this issue.

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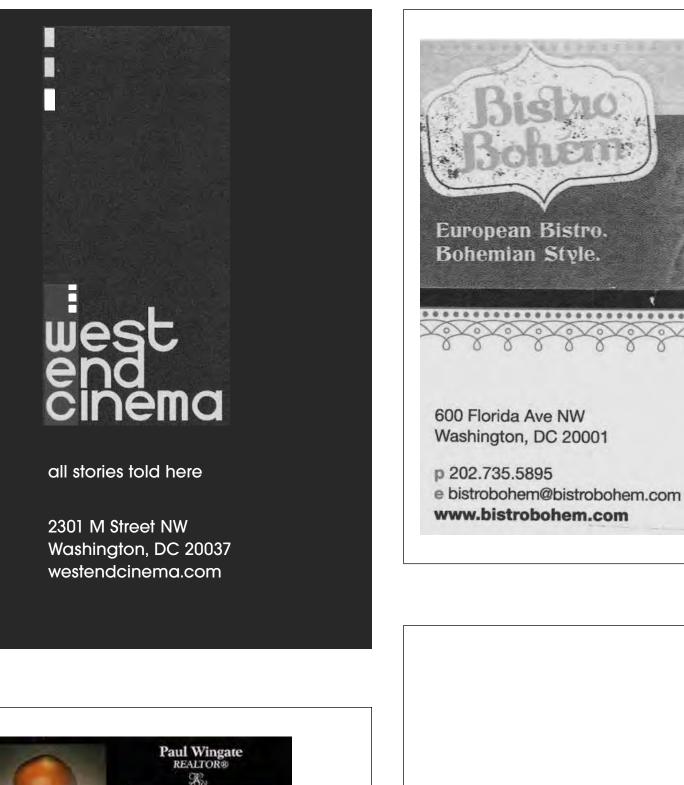
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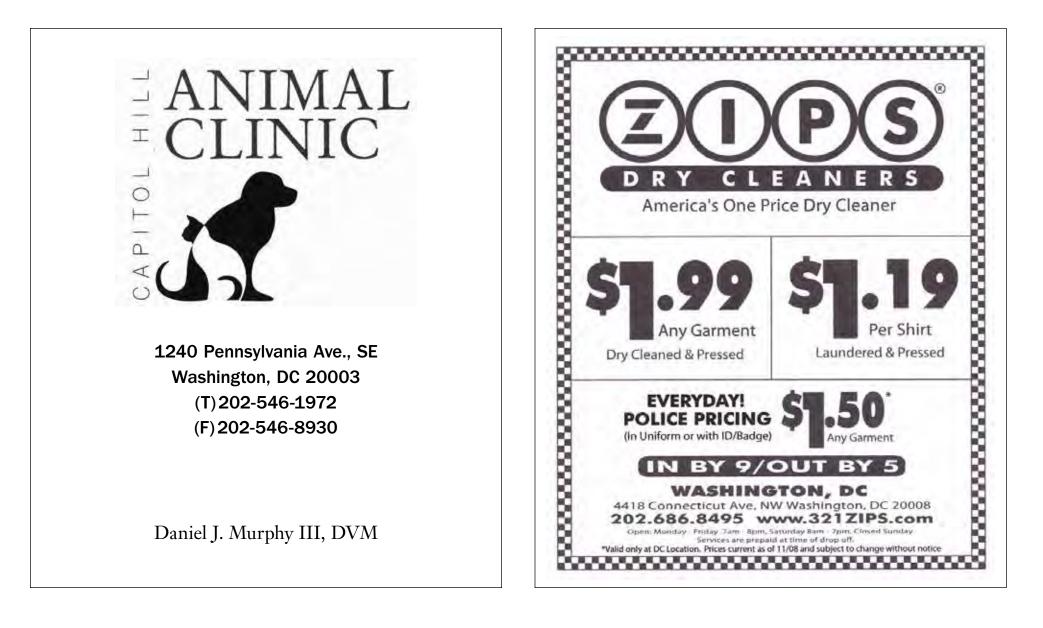


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- The NFOP Labor Services Division is working with Lodges across the country to provide advice and guidance. Additional paid services are also available for your lodge.
- The NFOP Labor Services Division research section serves as a clearing house for information on all labor issues, including information on how lodges are dealing with this and many other issues.

This is a difficult situation for all parties, but it is important that you do not just react out of hand. Understand your options, and work with your membership to determine what is best for your unit.



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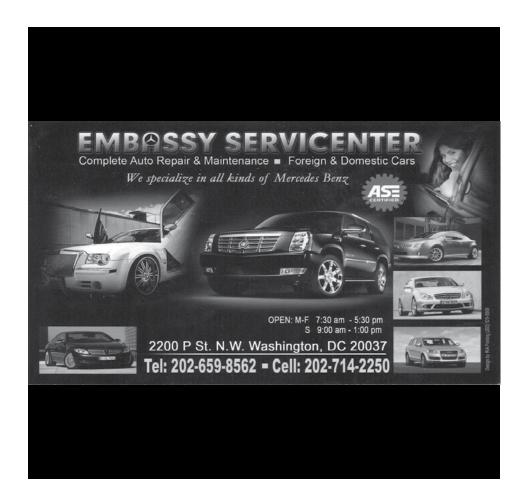
S ummer is over and Congress is back from their vacation and as of this writing we are now in shutdown. These issues have put our issues are even farther down on the Congressional list of things to do. It is up to us to make sure that this does not happen.

In light of some of the shootings at schools, theaters, and other public places, some state legislators (i.e. New York) have passed laws restricting magazine capacities for handguns and rifles without an exemption for Law Enforcement. Traveling through these localities with your high capacity mags puts you in violation of state laws. With the holidays coming up and the need to spend quality time with family, if you plan to drive and carry, it will be in your best interest to check each state you will be in or pass through to ensure that you are in compliance.

The website below pertains to California. Go to below link to read an article.

http://www.calgunlaws.com/cal-top-cop-misleading-police-about-their-gun-rights-california-doj-provides-incorrect-leosa-info-to-federal-leos/

LEOSA requires that, at all times when carrying a concealed firearm, a QLEO (Qualified Law Enforcement Officer) possess identification which notes that he or she meets one of the training standards discussed above. (18 U.S.C. § 926C(d)). Of course, because CA DOJ's outdated LEOSA summary does not account for two of the three options to satisfy LEOSA's training requirement, and the only option it does mention cannot be met (because, as discussed above, there is no statewide training standard in California), there is no lawful way for *anyone* to carry pursuant to LEOSA in California according to DOJ's summary. That should be troubling to all QLEOs, both active and retired.







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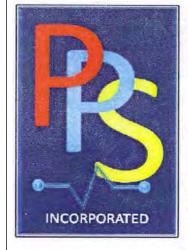
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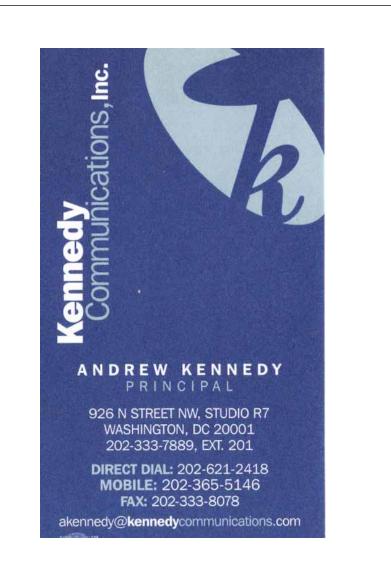
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ou are a member of the world's largest organization of sworn law enforcement officers, with more than 330,000 members. The Fraternal Order of Police is committed to improving the working conditions of law enforcement officers and the safety of those we serve through education, legislation, information, community involvement, and employee representation.

For the FOP to represent its members in the most effective way possible, we started the National Fraternal Order of Police Political Action Committee (NFOP PAC). The NFOP PAC is the power behind our organization's punch on Capitol Hill.

The NFOP PAC strives to educate members of Congress about issues important to law enforcement officers and electing candidates that support them.

We do this by promoting the *FOP's legislative priorities* and providing the opportunity for individuals who are interested in safety, health and occupational security of rank-and-file law enforcement officers to contribute to worthy candidates for Federal office who believe and have demonstrated their support of the principles to which the FOP is dedicated.

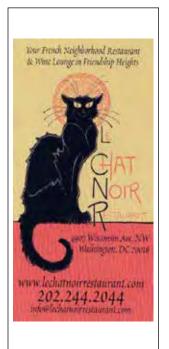
We have a process which we go through to decide if a member of Congress is worthy of a donation from the NFOP PAC.

**Our challenge to you is to have each and every FOP member in your department, lodge, and state commit \$5.00 a month to the NFOP PAC.** This \$5.00 is an investment in your future, in the future of law enforcement and the future of the Fraternal Order of Police.

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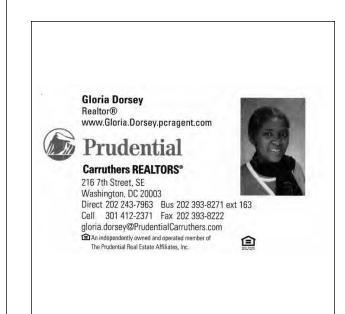
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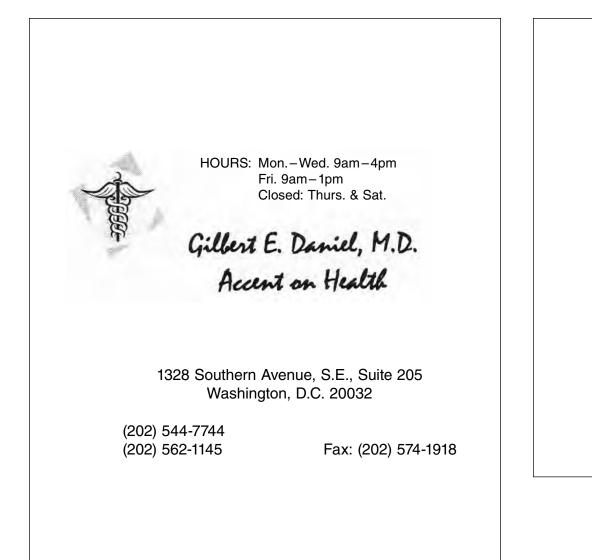
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This year's C.O.P.S. Outward Bound<sup>®</sup> Adventure was a mountain climbing trip that took place in Leadville, CO nested against the two highest peaks in the Rockies, bordering a National Forest.

Outward Bound<sup>®</sup> is planned only for teenagers and young adults (15-20) who are children of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

"All these kids suffered a major loss in their life. Mentoring them at Outward Bound is an honor for me...don't tell them that I get more from them than they can even begin to understand..." Marcello Muzzatti

For more information on C.O.P.S. Outward bound and other programs visit www.nationalcops.org



### **Presentation by Long Beach Township FOP President**



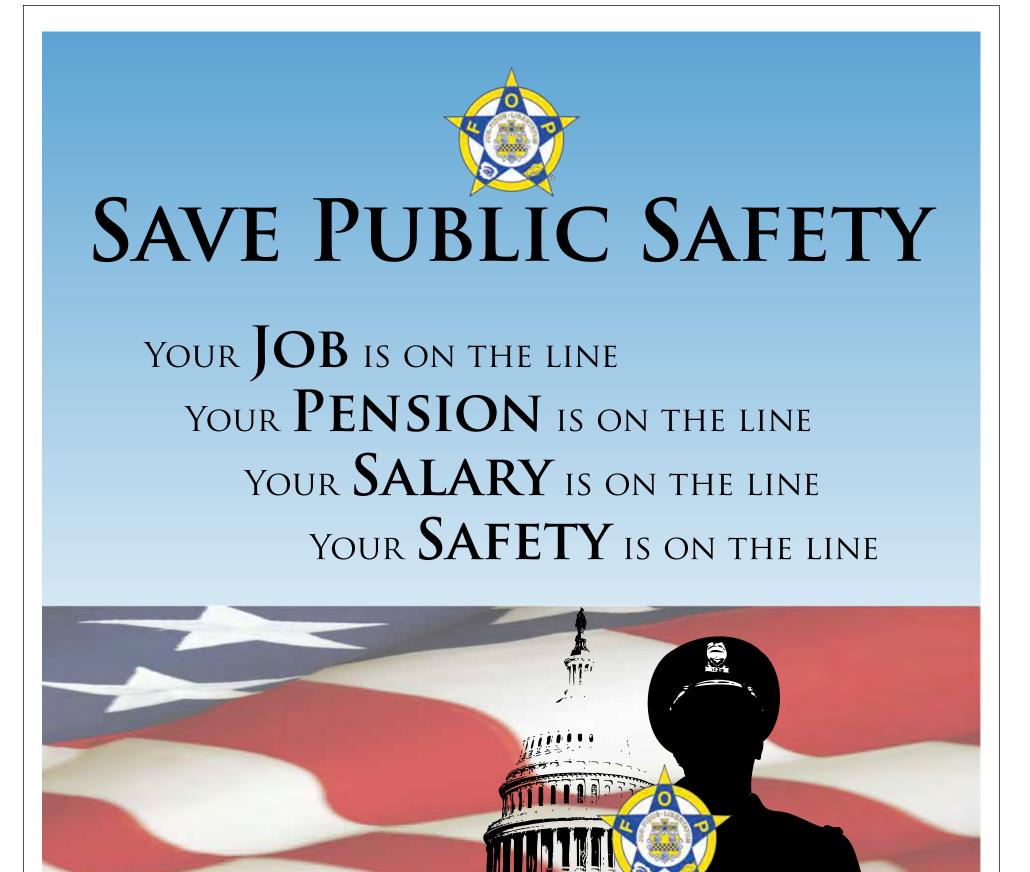


At the 61st Biennial Conference in Cincinnati, Long Beach Township FOP President Gerard Traynor presented Marcello Muzzatti a plaque in Recognition of DC Lodge #1's contribution

to the relief efforts during Super Storm Sandy in New Jersey. He then presented individual plaques recognizing Andy Maybo and Tori Beauchemin for their roles in Dispatching, and organizing the DART Team.







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### 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony Held in Honor of Officers Killed that Day

In observance of the 12th anniversary of the deadliest day in U.S. law enforcement history, a special remembrance ceremony was held Wednesday morning, honoring the 72 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty during the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

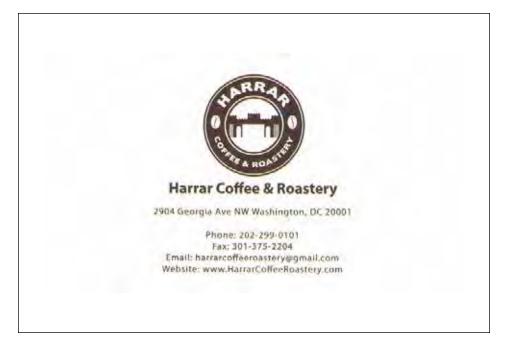
Herbert Giobbi, Chief Operating Officer of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, delivered brief remarks and introduced the reading of the 72 fallen officers' names aloud, as the crowd of Memorial Fund staff, peace officers, supporters, and friends stood together in honor of their service and sacrifice.

When all 72 names had been read aloud, Mr. Giobbi was joined by U.S. Park Police Chief Teresa Chambers and Amtrak Police Chief Polly Hanson as they placed a wreath near panels 9-22 of the Memorial's west wall, where the fallen officers' names *Continued on page 32* 





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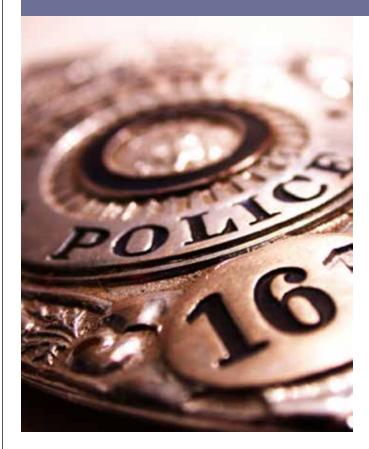
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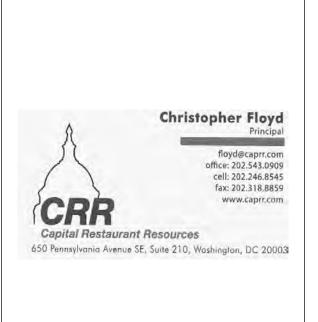


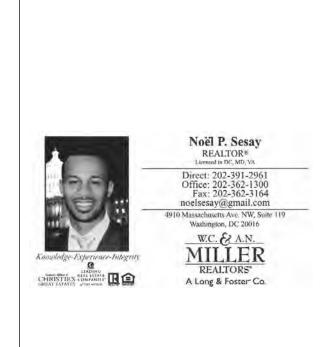


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"With the passage of time, the horrific events of 9/11 seem to have faded a bit from our collective consciousness," said Mr. Giobbi. "But the service and sacrifice of the 72 courageous law enforcement heroes, who put their lives on the line that day for the safety and protection of others, will always be remembered at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial," he said.

Among the 72 peace officers who made the ultimate sacrifice that day were 37 sworn members of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey Police Department. Also killed at the World Trade Center that day were 23 members of the New York City Police Department; five members of the New York State Department of Taxation & Finance; three members of the New York State Office of Court Administration; a special agent with the FBI; a master special officer with the U.S. Secret Service; and a New York City fire marshal who had sworn law enforcement powers.

In addition, Refuge Manager Richard Guadagno, a sworn officer with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, was among the passengers who died in Pennsylvania while fighting to regain control of Flight 93 from the terrorists.

The names of all 72 officers killed on 9/11 can be found on the Memorial Fund website, www.LawMemorial.org/September11th. The names of 19,981 officers who have died in the line of duty throughout U.S. history—since the earliest known officer fatality in 1791—are engraved on the Memorial.

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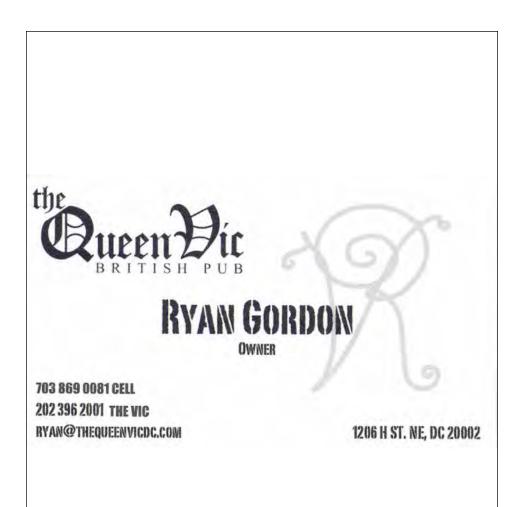
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### **FOP Response to NFL's Decision to Prohibit Firearms**

recent policy change by the National Football League (NFL) prohibits any person from carrying a concealed firearm within any NFL facility—including offices, stadiums and practice facilities. Only law enforcement officers and other security personnel employed by the team of stadium will be permitted to carry firearms. It is our understandings that many of the stadiums had similar policies in place for some time, but this season the prohibition is in effect for the entire league and all of its venues.

This prohibition includes any person with a valid, State issued concealed carry permit (CCW) as well as active and retired law enforcement officers whose carriage of a concealed firearm would otherwise be legal under the Law Enforcement Officers' Safety Act (LEOSA).

Members of the FOP have expressed their anger and, now that they must disarm, concern for their personal safety while attending football games. While the leadership of the FOP is engaged with the corporate leadership of the NFL to convey these views, we do reject any call for FOP members to call for a boycott of the NFL. You can read National President Canterbury's letter to NFL Commissioner Roger S. Goodell at http://www.fop.net/publications/archives/letters/2013\_0925.pdf

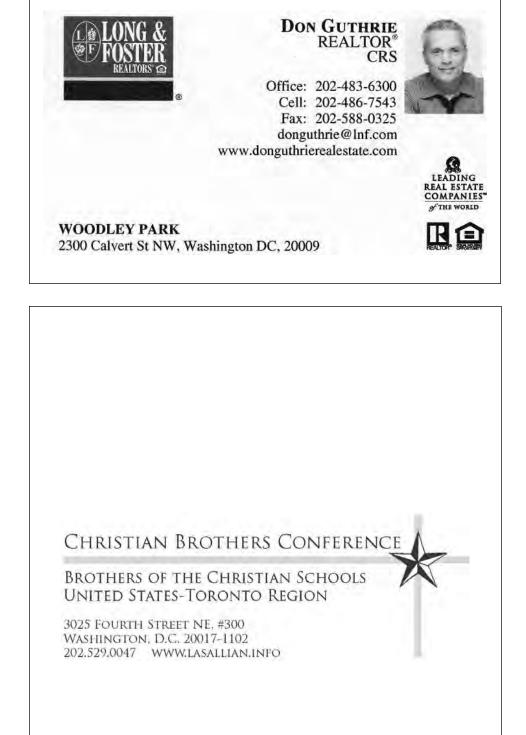
Boycotts are historically ineffective—in fact, they often result in having the opposite of the effect intended. Considering the size, popularity and success of the NFL, it is highly doubtful that we would make a dent in their revenue stream.

Secondly, FOP members work these games at these venues. Active duty officers, who are often paid overtime, provide security, traffic and crowd control and patrol the streets and parking lots around the venue. Retired law enforcement officers are also employed at stadiums across the country to provide security and other services for teams and the venues at which they play. It is a variance with common sense to boycott a business that provides employment for our members.

It should also be noted that the LEOSA, when enacted in 2004, specifically permits a property owner to disallow firearms on his or her property. The FOP strongly supports the Second Amendment rights of all Americans and the exemptions provided by the LEOSA. However, the right of a property owner to decide who or what is permitted on his or her private property is equally sacrosanct. There are many individuals and businesses who, for whatever reason, do not allow firearms on their property. They have this right.

The FOP will continue to work with the NFL leadership to address this issue and mitigate any negative effect it may have on our membership. In addition, we call upon our State and local lodges in the 32 NFL cities to reach out to team owners, venue owners, and local businesses to share the concerns of FOP members with respect to the new NFL policy.

Our perspective on this issue has merit and we are much better off engaging cooperatively with the NFL than we are engaging in useless gestures like a boycott.



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I thas been a good summer. A question you may have is where have I been? Let me assure you I have been attending most of the FOP meetings, there are times when travel or business prevents me from getting there but I keep up as much as possible. My article took a bit of a "hit" when NCIS communications division started to send out a weekly synopsis to everyone on their list, which is the majority of you, to read and keep up to date. But there are a few other things going on.

Police week was as moving as ever. As part of the FLEOA contingent I get to most of the events; the luncheon for the monthly heroes calendar, Top Cops in which one of the finalists was a NCIS agent from Camp Lejeune and at the Law Enforcement Memorial for the reading of the names of the fallen. While at the reception prior to the reading of the names I met up with Dave Brant, he is doing well. I also attended the ICE Foundation function and met up with Dr. Michael Gelles. It was a busy time.

If you have not done so try to get down to the FOP "Tent City" next year. Enjoy the camaraderie, the vendors and the ongoing events with thousands of your brothers and sisters in DC.

I recently attended the FOP National Conference in Cincinnati, OH. I have to admit the hospitality shown to us and approximately 2500 others was exceptional. Many of you are retired and may see little reason to continue memberships in FOP and/ or FLEOA. Let me assure you that part of the agenda for both organizations is the work on Capitol Hill to protect and attempt to enhance what benefits you have. Let's face it; no one else has our interests at heart. It's not automatic and numbers speak. That is only part of the equation; the other part involves you taking ten minutes and a stamp to send a letter to your representatives, 5 minutes to send an email or 3 minutes to make a phone call. The problem is the attitude that someone else will do it. Unfortunately, many think that way and the few that do make the effort are sometimes not enough for a representative to think you are serious. Don't think it works? Ask two newly displaced reps in Colorado.

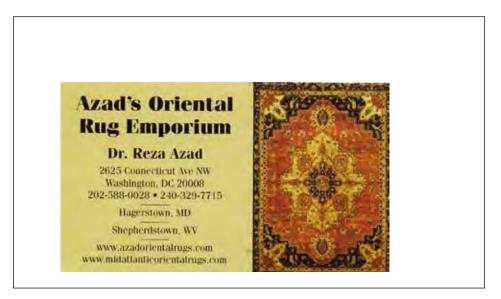
These organizations are in your corner and quite frankly the predominant ones. It was voted on to continue support for LEOSA (HR218) and to expand the law to include retired law enforcement in the exemptions that active law enforcement has in

states with restrictions on ammo, firearms etc.

One thing I noticed is the lack of younger people getting involved in organizations. A lot of older people and with that comes older ideas and in some cases slowness to accept change. History, knowledge, experience all have their place but we need new blood to keep things going.

At the FLEOA national conference, which now meets every two years, we look out for the welfare of the organization and the membership. President Jon Adler has done an outstanding job of leading work on the Hill and upgrading and updating the functionality of the association. We note that in some cases when agents get promoted they let their membership lapse thinking that they don't need what we offer or they can't due to some misconstrued adverse action in their heads. Let me assure you it is not what we are about. FLEOA is not a labor organization. We provide legal consultation and with approval of the legal committee legal representation to agents who have administrative issues, on the job issues and if you are ever involved in a shooting immediate representation. You aren't getting this anywhere else for what you pay in dues.

There have been some modifications to the membership classifications, you as regular members will see no changes, more on that next article.





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If you are under 1811 FERS or like retirement I strongly suggest you go to: dan@ fersguide.com. Dan Jamison is a FBI agent who put together a very comprehensive guide to your retirement. He put on a fantastic presentation and he has done all the work. Getting a divorce? He offers a service which accurately calculates what the amount of your retirement to a former spouse should be. This is valuable stuff folks!

A couple of months ago I asked the NCIS agency president for FLEOA if he was attending the national conference. He really did not answer me at the time and I kept up with asking. A few days later he told me his leave was denied by NCIS. I advised him there is a problem here as NCIS supports other organizations with granting time off (admin leave) and paying agents' way to get to the events. FLEOA covers all expenses, we just ask for the time, typically 3 days.

If this is true I will speak with the Director next month about this at IACP. On finding out for sure he would not be attending, also he was deploying TDY, I asked him to make either myself or another attendee his proxy to carry his vote. I even spoke with him via cell phone at the airport and then followed that up with an email to him to which he responded he was working on it. He decided not to elect a proxy and did a 5 hour teleconference (the conference business lasted about 21 hours) while resolutions and amendments were presented. He did not participate in any of the pre or post resolution or amendments discussions. This is the second national conference he has missed. While at the conference and speaking to a NCIS agent who was in attendance she mentioned she had asked him to be a proxy also, this is unsat.

Not only does Vincent D'Onofrio, actor, participate as a spokesperson for FLEOA *Continued on page 37* 



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and the NLEMF (National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund) during police week but he also attends the FLEOA awards banquet where we recognize those who went the extra mile in; bravery, heroism, successful operations and those who gave their lives while helping others. The event was hosted by Craig Floyd of the NLEM, the elderly parents of a FBI agent were there, their son had died in Puerto Rico attempting to save a youth who was drowning. Vince took it upon himself to spend time with them (and the other awardees and their families) and at the banquet along with the FBI agent's father escorted the mother to the stage. When a DEA agent went up to receive his recognition Vince went over to the table and escorted the agent's young son up to the stage. For many of these events celebrities participate and talk of the greatness of law enforcement, firefighters, and other emergency personnel and we learn down the road that they were actually paid. Vince does this on his own time and for us. Truly a humble man and a class act.

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## **EVENTS**

### The Annual "Jack Chaillet" Golf Tournament

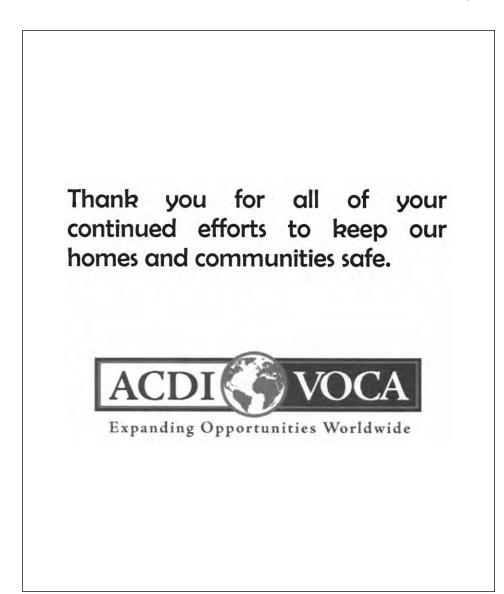
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n September 24, 2013 The DC FOP Lodge #1 held its Annual Jack Chaillet Golf Tournament. Again this year the tournament was held at the beautiful Renditions Golf Course in Davidsonville, MD. This was the fourth time we had the tournament at this location. The course was in great shape and the management and employees were superb.

This year we had 150 golfers and eighteen volunteers. The volunteer's names were: Linda Short, Juli Yarosh, Robin Pavlick, Danny Marafino, Charlie Peacock, JJ and Karin Cunningham, Michelle LeBlanc, Bob Poggi, Al Fenstomocker, The Triggs Family, Tony Murray, Angie Mantzouris, Bernice Squires (Police Credit Union), Barbara and Bill Hampton, and Rick Kowalick and his partner Frank Leiter. These volunteers are the backbone of the tournament and without their loyalty and dedication this tournament would not be a success.

I also would like to thank all of those persons who make donations and those who are instrumental in obtaining hole-sponsorships. Tony Murray of the Almas Temple of the Washington, DC, Carl Moore of the Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority, JJ Cunningham, Hugh Triggs, Al Fenstomocker, Ian Glick of the USPP, also Mike Cassidy of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and Kristopher Baumann of the MPDC Labor Committee,

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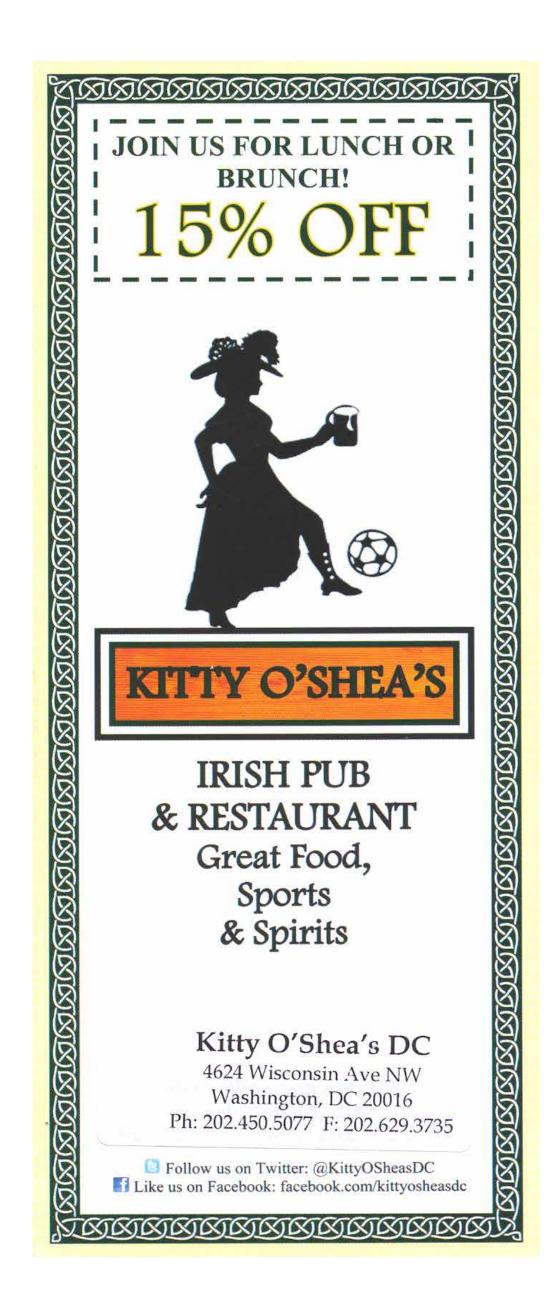
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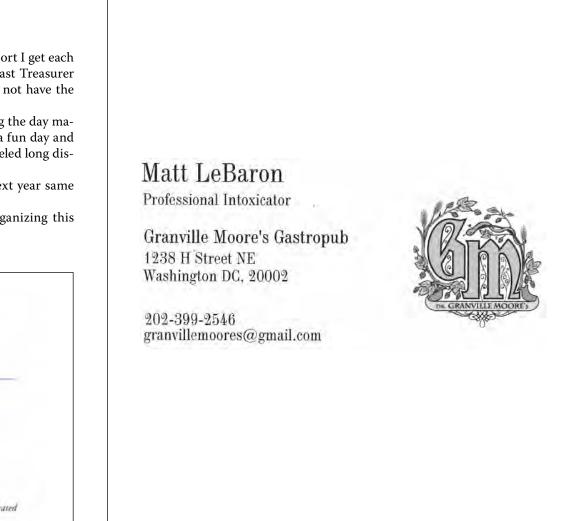
I would like to express my deepest appreciation for the help and support I get each year from President Muzzatti, Recording Secretary Beauchemin and Past Treasurer Rodgers. Without their support and donations the tournament would not have the many gifts that are given out to the golfers.

I believe this is not only a tournament but it is also a reunion. During the day many stories and some lies were told by many of the old guys. But this is a fun day and in some cases a family get-together. Jack McKee, and many others, traveled long distances, just to play in the tournament. Jack Chaillet would be proud.

God willing and the creek don't rise the tournament will be held next year same time, same place (the last Tuesday in September).

When asked by friends why I go through all the aggravation of organizing this tournament every year, my answer is: FRIENDSHIPS.







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# Virginia pushes a 'best practice' model for suspect lineups

Documenting and following a reliable procedure helps make a good ID — and helps it hold up in court

By Karen L. Bune

The proper identification of suspects is essential on many levels. At a recent meeting of The Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, there was intelligent discussion on the topic of police lineups and identification procedures.

Increasingly, law enforcement circles emphasize greater accuracy and consistent objectivity. To that end, Virginia has developed a comprehensive lineup policy, which the commonwealth recommends every agency adopt. Blind lineups are a vital component of the policy.

#### **From Theory to Practice**

The overhaul began back in 2010, when the Virginia Crime Commission's annual report suggested the policy be reviewed and updated. Brandon Garrett, a University of Virginia law professor, helped develop the new model policy, published in fall 2011.

When he conducted a survey in 2013 to determine which departments were using the policy guidelines, Garrett soon discovered only six percent of all agencies in the state were using it.

Today, however, the tide has changed.

"The key for us is to ensure a policy that every agency could adopt. I think it is a well-reasoned and well thought out policy. It serves a community well; that is our intent," said Teresa Gooch, Division Director of Law Enforcement and Security Services for the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS).

This includes small agencies as well. Ultimately, the goal is to ensure that the victim or witness has the best opportunity to view photos of potential suspects without undue influence.

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What I am looking at is maybe starting to go RVing as a group. Not sure how many members have RV's or if anybody wants me around your campsite but I

found a great site in Ocean City, Maryland by the Airport. It's called Castaways Campground and it offers complete hook ups...no not that kind the kind for your RV, and many other amenities. All of this at a decent price.

Anyway if you're interested in getting on a list of being able to go here as a group please send me an email at mmuzzatti@dc-fop.org and maybe we can start a group conversation and see if we can brainstorm ideas on this.

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### Suspect Lineups

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#### The Charlottesville Implementation

The Charlottesville Police Department is one Virginia law enforcement agency that is using the new model. Chief Tim Longo, a 32-year veteran of law enforcement and chief of the department for the past 13 years, is pleased with how it this model is working.

Charlottesville's ID procedure requires the sequential method and blind administration. A total of 10 manila folders are used — photos are placed in the first six folders, and the remaining four are left empty. The administrator has no knowledge of what is in each folder and shuffles the folders like a deck of cards.

"We have the appropriate instructions that officers should be giving the victim/ witness," Chief Longo said.

Professor Garrett conducted training for Longo's investigators, and the Patrol Bureau spent more than three hours with detectives and officers learning about the DCJS model policy. Chief Longo's department, along with 50+ other agencies, will be provided additional training on this policy.

Chief Longo pointed out that others understand it is the right thing to do. An arrest is made or a charge levied based on eyewitness identification, so the identification must be good for justice to prevail.

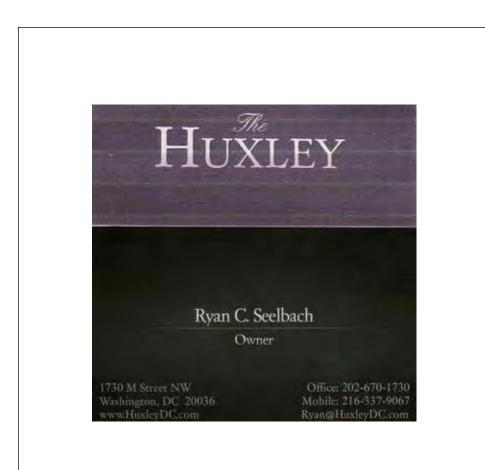
For law enforcement leadership, Charlottesville's successful implementation should be persuasive. Ninety percent of police departments in America are small departments. Once they hear a small department is doing the photo shuffle method despite its size, the effectiveness of this method will be understood.

#### How Arlington Does It

The identification process in the Arlington County (Va.) Police Department closely resembles the DCJS model. The department has recently added requirements for documenting the photo lineup procedure, including having both the victim or witness and the lineup administrator sign the results.

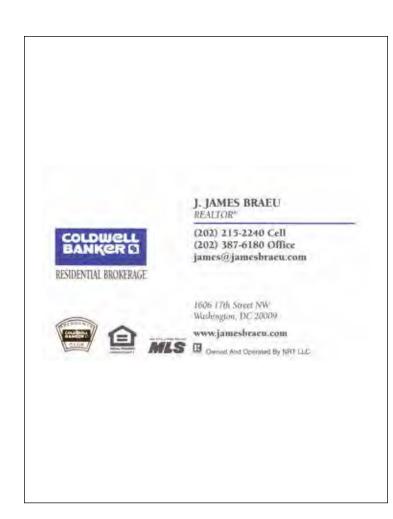
"The main aspect of our policy is sequential lineup as photo lineup," said Brian Berke, commander of the Criminal Investigations Division and a law enforcement officer in the department for the past 27 years.

Commander Berke noted the sequential photo lineup reduces the number of falsepositive identifications without reducing the correct ones. Six photos are presented every time. For such a lineup to be fair and effective, the photos that are distributed have to be similar in appearance. It is essential that a photo does not stand out in any way. Continued on page 46









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Berke explained that the detectives provide the victim or witness with a set of instructions before the photo lineup, following a consistent script. "There is no chance for any variation," Berke said.

The victim or witness is not compelled to make identification, but they are allowed to look at the photos as long as they want.

"If the photos are being shown to multiple witnesses, then we change the position (of photos) for each witness," Berke said. Even if the witness has identified the suspect before all six photos are shown, the rest of the photos are still shown.

"We have to be careful about saying something and not reacting," Berke added.

The formal photo lineup procedure is documented in writing, the photos utilized are identified, and the names of all the persons present for the lineup as well as the date and time of the process are all documented. This is part of the model policy that the Arlington Police Department feels is vital. "Our procedures can stand the challenges in court," Berke said.

#### **Going Nationwide**

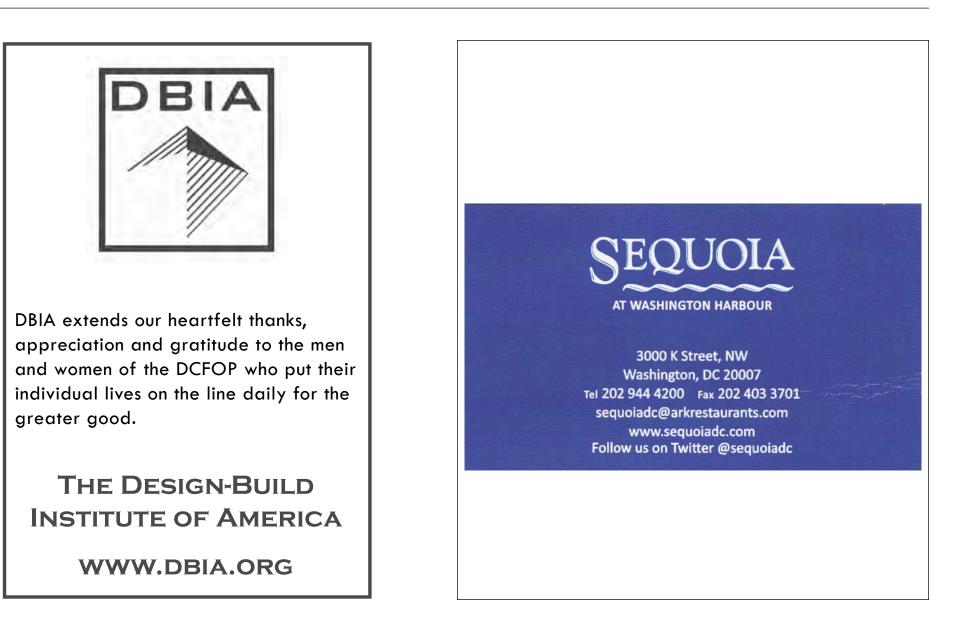
Constructive outcomes of the DCJS policy, coupled with positive feedback from Virginia law enforcement agencies, are inspiring the possibility for this lineup and identification procedure to become a best practice model nationwide.

A well-defined policy could effectively serve as a national model for all law enforcement agencies to achieve the most correct, accurate identifications — ones that can hold up in court.

#### About the author – A Good Friend of DC Lodge #1

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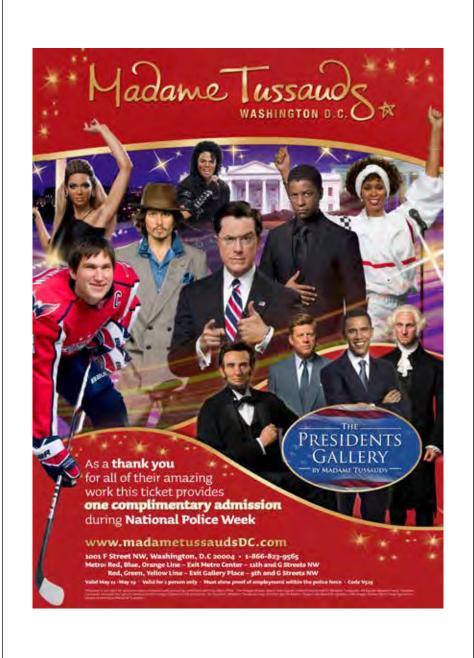


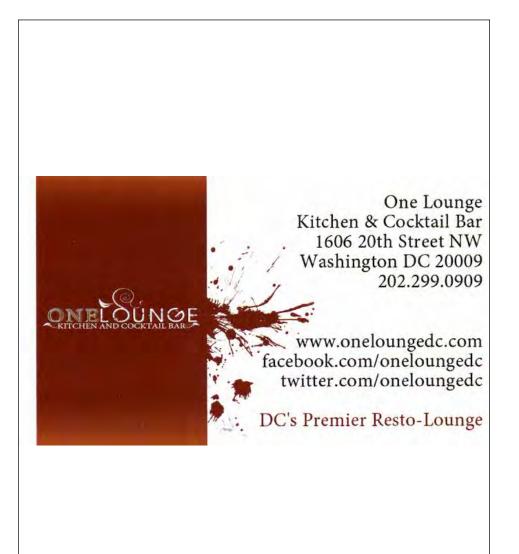
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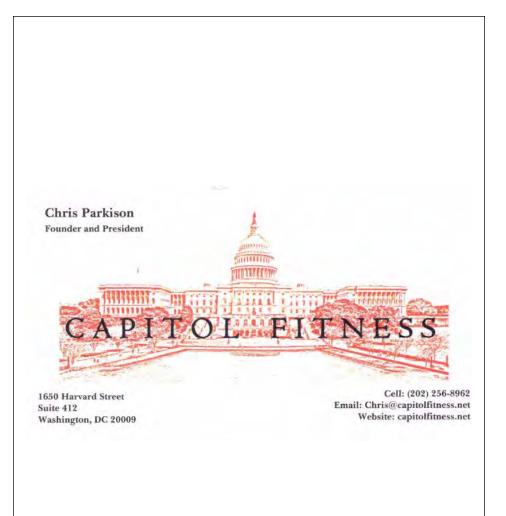




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