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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DAVE HUMPHREYS  
*HBPOA President*

**J**une gloom has come and gone and Independence Day arrived offering an opportunity to commemorate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. It was then the Continental Congress declared independence from Great Britain by declaring that the thirteen American colonies regarded themselves as a new nation, the United States of America, and no longer part of the British Empire. Happy Birthday America!

Like every Fourth of July, most members of the Huntington Beach Police Department are mandated to work due to the annual parade and massive amounts of beachgoers and visitors that patronize our city. As we know, Independence Day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, picnics, concerts, baseball games, and celebrating the history and traditions of the United States. Most of which we experienced in Huntington Beach and I hope everyone had a safe and sane Holiday.

Since July of last year, our negotiations team enjoyed nearly a year of fireworks at the table negotiating a labor contract with the city. I tend to categorize the journey like a slow burning punk from a firework stand. Their attorney, Peter Brown, rarely had any 'authority' when at the table. Meetings often revealed a lack of interaction between their ambassador and our council members. This is the ongoing milieu that has occurred for years. There seemed to be a huge disconnect which was a recipe for frustration and sporadic uttered confrontation. Things need to change.

The ongoing charades of stall tactics and discussing pointless non-economic topics was quite time consuming. During our negotiations process, the city created a Civic Openness in Negotiations (C.O.I.N.) ordinance. The ordinance, in my opinion, camouflages proper transparency. The ordinance has and will create a colossal communication barrier between various labor groups and the sitting council



members. I do know, your HBPOA has had a longstanding working relationship with Council and other city officials. We feel that C.O.I.N. will obstruct the constructive portions of the negotiation process our labor unions have cultivated with the city over the past number of years. We are convinced C.O.I.N. will only slow down the already languid negotiation process and make communicating and working with our elected officials nearly impossible.

As one would imagine, the negotiations process is to optimize problem solving and expedite bargaining processes culminating balanced solutions for labor peace. Nevertheless, during my career I have yet to see a timely successor MOU signed, sealed and delivered in Huntington Beach. There needs to be a sincere effort on the part of the city to eliminate these ongoing variegated labor negotiation habits. The C.O.I.N. ordinance is certainly not the answer. It not only builds walls with labor groups but in part violates the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act. Because of this, the HBPOA has filed a Petition for Writ of Mandate and complaint for declaratory relief. The results of the Writ are forthcoming and the HBPOA is optimistic we will prevail.

Allegations of excessive force by police in the United States continues to generate headlines more than two decades after the 1992 Los Angeles riots. From the Eric Garner 'chokehold' in New York, to Michael Brown in Missouri and the more recent officer-involved shootings in Baton Rouge and St. Paul. Events, such as these, have caused widespread unrest. Some say its cause is 'police culture' and others deem it racial discrimination or racial conflict. Frequently, religious leaders or political figures lend their voice to the struggle with these types of cases.

The frustration, of course, with most all of these incidents is that individuals are far too quick to express judgement or are compelled to hastily file charges against police officers. For example, in the Philando Castile shooting, the Governor of Minnesota (Mark Dayton) was on television stating 'would this have happened if the driver or passengers were white, I don't think so.' A rather impulsive 'quick to judge' statement without all the facts. The

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investigation in this matter had just begun and statements like this, in my opinion, create disturbing unrest for everyone. We as a society must allow the investigation to be complete and let the fact finding dictate a likely causation. Our political leaders must refrain from misguided dialect and allow the investigative procedure take its course.

It took only 12 days on the part of Baltimore to file charges on the Freddie Gray case. Their State Attorney General, Marilyn Mosby, lacked probable cause to even file on this matter. Many believed this was a 'politically correct' filing against six police officers that wasn't even properly investigated. Mosby made public comments that prejudiced the case all the while not having sufficient evidence to convict any of them. Again, predisposed judgement is problematic that stirred needless unrest for not only Baltimore but elsewhere.

Outrage over the officer-involved shooting death of Alton Sterling in Baton Rouge also ignited protests around the nation. It was this event that created the rally in Dallas. Sterling, who was selling CD's in front of a store allegedly threatened someone with a gun. The common thread here, although still under investigation, is that it appears both Sterling and Castile were both armed at the time of their separate mishaps.

It is unfortunate, but some peaceful protests turn violent and deadly. The Dallas protest on July 7, 2016 was a Black Lives Matter (BLM) organized protest where Micah Johnson ambushed and shot many people. Johnson killed five police officers and injured nine others. Johnson was angry over police shootings of black men and stated he wanted to kill white people, especially white police officers. Johnson was later killed by a remote control bomb disposal robot armed with C-4. This rally was identified as the deadliest incident for US law enforcement since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

Many authors of violent versus nonviolent protests tend to agree that campaigns of nonviolent resistance was more than twice as effective as their violent counterparts in achieving their stated goals. Statistical analysis also found nonviolent resistance presents fewer obstacles to moral and physical involvement and commitment and often higher levels of participation to enhance greater opportunities. Violent insurgency is rarely justifiable on strategic grounds.

Through all of this recent conflict, let us mourn the loss of our fellow Dallas officers and their surviving family members and pray for their loved ones. Please keep the Dallas Police Department in your thoughts and prayers as we all try to understand the unnecessary loss of life that occurred at this protest while the people of Dallas continue to struggle over this catastrophic event. ♥

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## **HB 9/11 Memorial Dedication**



**Sunday, September 11, 2016  
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

**HB CIVIC CENTER PLAZA  
2000 MAIN STREET  
HUNTINGTON BEACH**



*2016 Community-Policing Award Honoree*

*Police Officer*  
**Juan Munoz**

Congratulations Juan for your efforts on the Citizenship Academy for Spanish-speaking residents to build relationships between the Department and Oak View neighborhood residents.

*Congratulations!*

**ATAC**



*Orange County Auto Theft Recovery  
Officer of the Year 2015  
For Huntington Beach PD*

**Police Officer Humberto Valdez**



**An Election for You!**



**Submit Your Name  
For the Board of Directors  
in the 2016 POA Elections.**

It's that time again for you, as a member, to step up to the plate. Submit your name for nomination as a Director – become involved in your POA!

Be a part of the direction your POA takes. Become involved - be a director!

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*Nominations July | Elections August | Office September*

Have a safe



Holiday!

# SPORTS



**COVER PHOTO: USP&FC Bling!**  
 The HBPD "Oilers" Swimming Relay Team brings in some championship bling.  
 L-R: M. Hasselbach, M. Eskes, J. Melschau and E. Hill. Congratulations boys...



**More bling...**  
 L-R: L. Bullock, M.E. Kelly and C. Wright with the USPFC Gold Medals  
 S. Mack earned medals in the Trap/Skeet events.  
 Congratulations to ALL athletes that competed in the events.  
[www.uspfc.org](http://www.uspfc.org)

S. Mack also competed in the Nevada Police & Fire Games earning 3 gold & 4 bronze medals in team competition.

Athlete	Event	Medal	Athlete	Event	Medal
M. Hasselbach	50yd Freestyle	Gold	C. Wright	Push Pull	Gold
	100yd Freestyle	Gold	L. Bullock	Biathlon/ Individual	Bronze
	200yd Freestyle Relay	Gold	J. Melschau	200yd Freestyle Relay	Gold
	200yd Medley Relay	Gold		200yd Medley Relay	Gold
M. Eskes	200yd Freestyle	Gold	E. Hill	200yd Freestyle Relay	Gold
	500yd Freestyle	Gold		200yd Medley Relay	Gold
	50yd Breastroke	Gold	S. Mack	Trap Handicap	Gold
	100yd Breastroke	Gold		Skeet Individual	Silver
	100yd Individual Medley	Gold		Skeet Team	Silver
	1.5 Open Ocean Swim	Gold		Trap Doubles	Bronze
	200yd Freestyle Relay	Gold	M. E. Kelly	Cross Country	Gold
	200yd Medley Relay	Gold		Cross Country/ Team	Gold

JFA NOTE: Senior Police Officer Chuck Wright (Retired) set a new United States Police & Fire Championship record of 655.5 lbs (Bench & Deadlift combined) and a personal best record on both of his lifts – 253 lbs Bench and 402.5 lbs Deadlift. Awesome!!!



# 10<sup>th</sup> Annual

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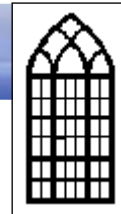
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*“So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive His mercy and we will find grace to help us when we need it?”*

(Hebrews 4: 16)

## WHERE IS GOD?

**ROGER WING**  
HBPD Police Chaplain

When I wrote the last Chaplain's Corner concerning how to deal with the “Why” question when tragedies or trials come into our lives, I had no idea that I would get the opportunity to practice what I preach on several occasions during this past month. From the tragic shootings at the Pulse Nightclub in Orlando; the terrible shooting of Christina Grimmie who was the best friend of the daughter of one of our New Jersey pastors and a personal acquaintance of my son who is in the music business; the horrific and heartbreaking death of the young boy at Disneyworld; to the sad loss of a beautiful four year old little girl in our own HB community, we are reminded that tragedy is just a moment away in any of our lives. These incidents involved children and young people who all died much too early. In these incidents we saw both the positive aspects of the American public with the national outpouring of sympathy and many lining up to donate blood to victims, coupled with some of the worst with social media politicizing these tragedies over everything from gun control to presidential politics. Incidents like these hit us close to home as many of us have children, loved ones and close friends who could have easily been a victim of one of these incidents. I know the HB tragedy hit many of us hard.

It's easy to ask, “Where is God in this tragedy?” when we encounter situations like this, whether we read about them in the newspaper, see them on TV, or encounter them in our own families or circle of friends. “If God is all-powerful and all-good, then why didn't He stop this from happening?” I wish I had an answer or an easy explanation, but I don't. All I know is that God continues to be God when these

situations occur, that He loves us more that we could ever imagine, and that in the end God will work all things out for good. And when I encounter situations I don't understand, I need to hold to these things that I do understand.

We need to remember and hold onto the truth that God is still WITH us and that God is still FOR us. In the Lord's Prayer, Jesus taught us to pray, “Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.” The understanding we get from this prayer is God's perfect will is not always done on earth because He's graciously given us this thing called “free will”, as the tragedies of the past few weeks remind us. I don't necessarily believe that this is some divine “wake up call” to drive us back to God or to teach us something. God just doesn't work that way. When you recognize the sinful and depraved nature of some human beings, we really should be wondering why these things don't happen more often than they do. It makes you wonder if there is really any good at all in the world. And that's where God comes in. God is in the conscience of most people who respect others and value their fellow human beings. God is in the hearts of police, fire and other public safety personnel who truly seek to make this world a better and safer place. God is in the heroism of the first responders who risk their own lives by running to where the bullets are flying or into the face of imminent danger so that others can run to safety. God is in the bravery of the normal people who step up when danger arises to save others around them and to repel the evil. And God is in each act of love, thoughtfulness and kindness that emerges in situations like these. God works in and through people to provide comfort and to accomplish the healing that He truly desires.

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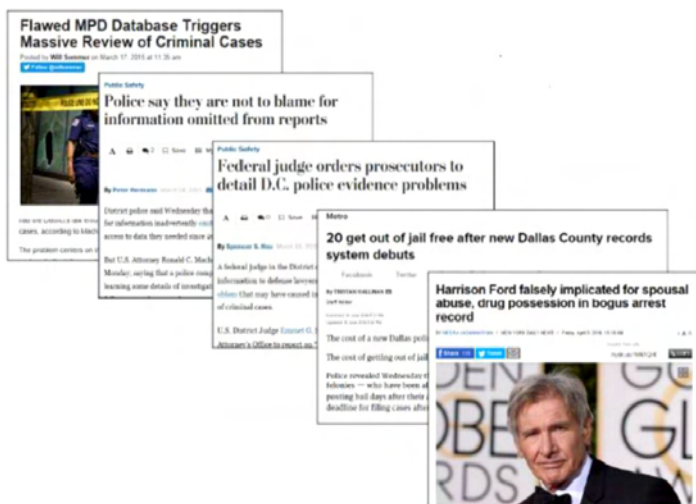


# I/Leads... you follow...



\_ROBYN O'LOCKSLEY

The records management system (RMS) is responsible for the overall management of all police records. It is meant to speed up time for arrests, obtain information on suspects and share information with other officers and law enforcement agencies. However with the recent directive that all reports be typed directly into I/LEADS by officers, the complete opposite has occurred. The system has wasted time and resources, increased overtime costs and leads to concerns that required reports and evidence are failing to be provided to prosecutors and defense attorneys.



The system is called “I/LEADS” and was built by the Intergraph Corporation, a program that is no longer supported by Intergraph. Prior to the directive, officers wrote their reports using MS Word based templates. The reports were later scanned and uploaded into I/LEADS by the Records Bureau. By scanning the reports instead of typing the reports directly into I/LEADS many of the issues with I/LEADS were eliminated.

The City of Huntington Beach is not the first city to encounter issues with I/LEADS. In 2011 Nassau County Police noted the similar problems when they began writing reports into I/LEADS. In an article by the Long Island Press, Nassau PBA President Carver noted the failures (*Nassau Police Department's New*

*Records Keeping System Inefficient, Costly, Critics Say, 4/16/2014*);

*“One simple DWI arrest took 24 hours to process because RMS did not have the section for DWI for a construction vehicle, too many screens that do not flow into one another...”*

*“The extended time it takes to process an arrest causes numerous arrests to run into the assigned officer’s next tour...”*

*“It (I/LEADS) causes the police officer to spend way too many hours processing arrests. Instead patrol cars are taken off the street for long periods of time, leaving neighborhoods unpatrolled...”*

Nassau Detectives Association President Ciccone added,

*“The software is literally archaic, dysfunctional and runs on an obsolete platform...”*

The HBPD I/LEADS program is so obsolete that it does not contain even the most basic word editing software. Officers cannot do the simplest of tasks in I/LEADS such as bold, italics or underline. They cannot input tables or pictures into their I/LEADS reports. And the program will not even allow the possessive ‘S to be input, giving the appearance of officers writing grammatically incorrect reports.

As Intergraph no longer supports I/LEADS, HBPD has attempted to rectify some of the failures by having a city computer programmer modify the program. Specifically the city programmer added templates for death investigations, domestic violence and other reports. The templates auto populates the report, but does not add any functionality.

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In addition to typing their reports into I/LEADS, officers are also now required to book their evidence into I/LEADS. Previously officers would complete an evidence tag by hand and the Property Bureau would input the evidence into I/LEADS. New issues were discovered; I/LEADS inputs the same location on every tag. Since evidence is often found at multiple locations, the evidence tags may list a location where the evidence was not found. This was not an issue before as the handwritten tag completed by the officer contained the correct information.

I/LEADS requires the officer to print a tag from the computer, which required the department to purchase multiple tag/sticker machines for the police station and sub-stations. Evidence that was once able to be completed in the field, now requires officers to return to the station to input data and print tags. The department is also short on the tag machines.

Where evidence used to be able to be completed by multiple officers at once, thereby reducing the time it takes to book evidence for a case, it now bottlenecks to one officer who must type all of the information into the computer so they can print out each evidence tag one at a time.

Despite all of the deficiencies of I/LEADS, the most concerning is the fact I/LEADS has a documented history of hiding information leading to reports/evidence failing to be provided to the prosecution/defense. Per state law all evidence, including police reports, must be provided to the prosecution/defense in a criminal case (1054.1 PC, 1054.7 PC). Federal law further expands the issue and dismisses the false belief that discovery is only required if the defense asks for it.

*“The prosecutor is obligated to disclose such evidence voluntarily, whether or not the defendant makes a request for discovery.”  
(Izazaga v. Superior Court)*

In the most documented incident of I/LEADS, police reports failed to be provided to the prosecution for discovery which led to the dismissal of multiple felony cases. US Attorney Machen described the failures in a letter to criminal defense attorneys dated 3/16/2015 as follows;

*“...Very recently, the USAO was alerted to*

*the fact that, in a case prosecuted by the D.C. Officer of the Attorney General (OAG), the police reports provided to the prosecutor had not captured all of the information that was contained in I/LEADS. Further the OAG investigation revealed the same discrepancy in other cases...”*

*“...The USAO, immediately recognized the ramification of the problem that had discovered in the I/LEADS system: that it was possible that in pending and past cases MPD was in possession of information that should have been disclosed to the defense and had unwittingly failed to provide that information...”*

*“...I/LEADS proved over the course of its operation to be an imperfect system, and is now due to be supplanted by a new data management system...”*

In a Washington Post article titled “Police say they are not to blame for information omitted from reports”, dated 03/18/2015, US Attorney spokesman Miller stated the following,

*“The problem stems from a computer program known as I/LEADS, which is designed to pull together information recorded by officers investigating crimes and compile it into a single file.”*

*“The computer program hid many data fields- including, in some cases, physical descriptions- from our attorneys who had this restricted access. He said that over the past few days, analysts actively searched the system for missing or hidden data, and were still unable to find all the data that we now know exists”.*

HBPD officers have noted similar issues with I/LEADS. The overall issue is all of the information input into I/LEADS may not make it to the prosecution and defense team. The database has so many fields and different screens it is easy to miss one. This was most recently seen when Harrison Ford’s name auto populated into the arrest log. This was not a training issue; it was an I/LEADS issue.

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To recap, HPBD currently uses the record management system I/LEADS. The program is no longer supported by Intergraph. The program is so outdated officers cannot input the most basic text editing functions such as bold, underline, input tables or input pictures. The new directive ordering officers to type reports directly into I/LEADS has shifted the work load from the Records Bureau and Property Bureau to the patrol officers and detectives. The new I/LEADS evidence tag procedure further bottlenecks the booking process by requiring a single officer to complete all of the tags and print them at the station. Additionally, the I/LEADS tags list only one location for all evidence tags, so if evidence is located in more than one location the tag will document the wrong information. The program has a documented history of “hiding information” and thereby failing to provide all of the required reports and information to the prosecution. This has caused felony cases to be dismissed.

So what’s the solution? Recently, Westminster PD recommended leaving I/LEADS and going with a new system.

*“This alternative (keep using I/LEADS) is NOT recommended as the RMS the City is currently using (I/LEADS) will eventually be unsupported and cost prohibitive to maintain.”*

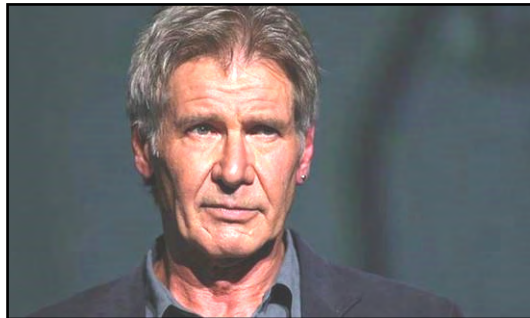
(City Manager J.B. McFall - Westminster Agenda Item 8 O-P, dated December 22, 2014)

The alternative is to go back to the MS Word templates and scan them directly into I/LEADS. Either solution is better than the current directive.

As the knight told Harrison Ford in the movie Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade – “*You must choose. But choose wisely, for as the true Grail will bring you life, a false one will take it from you.*” Let’s hope we choose wisely. ♥



## No, Harrison Ford was not arrested in Huntington Beach: It was a clerical error



HUNTINGTON BEACH – We’ve seen this movie. Harrison Ford accused of a crime he did not commit, and Tommie Lee Jones chasing “*The Fugitive*” all over Chicago.

This time it happened in Huntington Beach. Just not as theatrically.

For about an hour Thursday night, Harrison Ford’s name and age ended up on the Huntington Beach police’s online arrest log, and it didn’t take long for TMZ to notice.

Ford supposedly was booked into jail on suspicion of inflicting corporal injury on a spouse – who, if this were reality, would be actress Calista Flockhart – and possession of a controlled substance.

But it wasn’t real.

Huntington Beach police have been conducting record-keeping training for the past six months, where they create fake names with flagged case numbers so that they will not end up online or in any system.

*“Of the thousands of recent training entries, one was not properly deleted, and it accidentally appeared on the public arrest log for a brief time,”* police said in statement. *“No one by the name of Harrison Ford, celebrity or otherwise, was arrested by the Huntington Beach Police Department yesterday.”*

***“Mistakes happen,”*** Capt. Russ Reinhardt said.

Police said they do not plan to change the training techniques, but will be more diligent in the future in catching potential errors. ♥

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Independence Day

JULY 4

WORKING HOLIDAY



## Vans US Open of Surfing

JULY 23-31

CITY BEACH

[www.vansusopenofsurfing.com](http://www.vansusopenofsurfing.com)



## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Constable Classic

AUGUST 8

SEACLIFF COUNTRY CLUB

[www.ConstableClassic.org](http://www.ConstableClassic.org)



## HBPD Retirement Party

SEPTEMBER 18

MEADOWLARK GOLF CLUB



## 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Police K9 Demo Show

OCTOBER 8

ANAHEIM – GLOVER STADIUM

[www.ocpca.org](http://www.ocpca.org)



## USMC 241<sup>st</sup> Birthday Celebration

NOVEMBER 10

SRC

[www.marines.com](http://www.marines.com)



## Veteran's Day

NOVEMBER 11

WORKING HOLIDAY



## POA Christmas Party

DECEMBER 3

HUNTINGTON BEACH

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# AGREEMENT REACHED

*Mmmaybe we should get a slice of pie and...*

JEFF HUSS

*HBPOA Dinosaur Member (Retired)*

A process that began a year or more ago and was cloaked under the guise of COIN finally concluded on June 6, 2016 when the City Council adopted the Memorandum of Understanding between the POA and the City. It came only 250 days after the last contract expired.

The POA's initial proposal was only one item, a reasonable wage increase, which was muddled by a list of 26 or 27 considerations by the Department/City... yes, really. Ultimately, reasonableness prevailed by both sides and a contract was inked, with a projected return to the table in less than nine months. (Yes, there is humor in that amount of time.)

I want to thank the membership for allowing me the opportunity to represent their interests over the past several contracts (more than four POA Presidents) to have been a member of the POA Negotiations Team. I now pass the torch, my torch onto someone else... double-tap I am out!

On another note I had the honor of attending many of the law enforcement memorials during the month of May: Sacramento, Long Beach, San Diego, the Imperial-Valley, Westminster and Washington, DC. Each tribute honors differently the memory of fallen law enforcement officers with dignity, as each name being honored has a story. One specially honored officer was from the past and honored by representation by his grandsons. One whom knew him as he was a child and the other being born after his death, but each honored his memory.

The honored officer from the past was Long

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*Celebrate!*



Beach Patrolman William Homer Waggoner, EOW: 12-18-1954. The incident that leads to his death was 24 years earlier while checking on a suspicious vehicle with a partner had unknowingly interrupted a group associated with Chicago mobster Al Capone who were in the middle of a transfer of ransom money as a part of a kidnapping-for-ransom scheme. After a gun-battle between the officers and the group occurred Patrolman Waggoner was partially paralyzed.

Patrolman Waggoner's death had been long overlooked until historical research done by personnel from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department uncovered the omission. Having personally done research to provide similar deserving tributes it was nice to meet and experience the heartfelt appreciation of Patrolman Waggoner's grandsons, as these grandsons attended ceremonies that honored their grandfather.

These grandsons even had careers in law enforcement, for one, born after his grandfather's death went onto work as a DEA agent and recently retired. ♥



Retired DEA Agent M. Stokes, the grandson of Patrolman William Waggoner, holds a shadowbox displaying personal items of his grandfathers, even the gun used in the shooting that wounded his grandfather.

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2016



## HBPD RETIREMENT PARTY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016 – 5:30 PM  
MEADOWLARK GOLF COURSE-HUNTINGTON BEACH

### RETIREES 2015-2016

- SERGEANT MIKE METOYER
- SERGEANT J. KREG MUELLER
- SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER VICKI SHROYER
- SERGEANT ROB WARDEN
- SERGEANT DAVE WIEDERIN

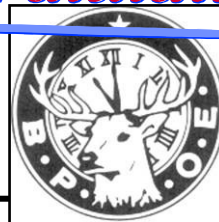
*JFA Note: This is a list of retirees at the time of the newsletter going to publication. We apologize for any errors or last minute addition that we may have omitted.*

Hosted by the HBPOA & HBPMMA  
**- ALL RETIREEES FREE -**  
 And Current Members too...  
 Non-Member Guests \$25.00/per person

**ALL**  
 Department Employees  
 Welcome to Attend

MEADOWLARK GOLF CLUB

RSVP via - ☎ 714-842-8851  
 By Monday, September 12, 2016  
 or Email --- [CFO@hbpoa.org](mailto:CFO@hbpoa.org)



20<sup>th</sup> Annual Huntington Beach Elks Lodge 1959  
**STREET COPS AWARDS**

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**Police Officer**  
**Kyle Tanabe**

Detective Bureau  
**Crimes Against Persons Unit Detective**  
**Trent Tunstall**

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**Arvar Elkins III**

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**Do you have AFLAC questions?**  
**Do you need to file an AFLAC Claim?**



These questions and many more can be answered  
 By speaking with your AFLAC representative.

**HAVE A CLAIM TO FILE**  
**CALL YOUR AGENT...**

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**Seth Jaffe**  
**Cell Ph: 714-658-0489**

# Correspondence...

COMMENTS, KUDOS, COMPLAINTS



## Email

### Half a Sandwich

Funny title? It has a lot more meaning than what you'd think. Let me take you back to the time of 12 beat areas, ugly Chevy patrol cars and way too few cops working the "yard." Watch 4, on a good day there were three sergeants (One was a Station Commander), ten cops and a K9 team. We were spread a little thin, but as Tommy Lee Jones once said in a movie, we were "...agile, mobile and hostile."

We all watched out for each other. The following "**Half a Sandwich**" is proof of that.

For about a month we were getting our butts kicked by car thieves. We'd try to anticipate where they might hit next, came up with nothing and then get news of a GTA (Grand Theft Auto) two RD's (Reporting Districts) from where we were working. It was getting a little frustrating.

Well, one morning around 03:30 hours dispatch got a cal of a 925C (Suspicious Vehicle) blacked out and backed into a cul-de-sac. Mitch and I were a mile away so we made the usual Watch 4, wrap speed approach into the area. Momentum is a wonderful thing. We both killed our engines some distance away and coasted into the area.

Sure as hell, there were three foreign nationals from south of the border in a blacked out little sedan. A fourth gentleman was under the dash of a Pathfinder trying to hot wire it. Mitch was a little ahead of me when we bailed out of our cars. He grabbed and controlled the car thief before I could get out of the car and hooked him up in a heartbeat!

Once we had Crook #1 controlled and the other three at gun point, I called for assistance. As some of you know, there is no better symphony of sound more thrilling than the sound of units Code 3 (Emergency Response with Lights & Sirens) on the way to help you. Within a matter of very few minutes, Gunny, Bug, Jack and Max (the yellow-eyed devil dog) were charging up behind us. I parked Crook #1 in the back of Mitch's patrol car. We used another car for cover and talked the other three crooks out of their car and booked 'em. There was

no doubt in the crooks mind that they didn't have the slightest chance of not going along with the program. Bug and I gave commands in Spanish, excellent Spanish, I must say, and Jack had Max speak a little Malinois.

When we had them all in custody we found that these crooks actually had a "*shopping list*" of cars to steal.

After the dust had settled and the crooks were on their way to jail, I completed my sergeant's comment log and headed of to Norms Restaurant for breakfast.

Here's the explanation of the title. As I walked in, the waitress asked me what I wanted to do with some unfinished meals. I looked over and saw an empty booth, two plates with each having a sandwich on it and each sandwich had just one bite out of it. Turns out Gunny and Bug had just been served the meals when Mitch and I called for assistance. The waitress said the two officers had just been served when they received a radio call and ran out of the restaurant.

There is no better example of how we "*yard dawgs*" covered each other than an empty booth and "Half a Sandwich."

**Jerry Evans**

*HBPD Senior Sergeant (Retired)*

*Aka: 26SAM4 1972-1997*

JFA NOTE: None of these names were changed to protect any of the parties involved. The list of names is: 'Mitch' – Lieutenant Mitch O'Brien, 'Gunny' – Police Officer Dennis Plymale (Retired), 'Bug' – Police Officer Robert Calabuig (Retired), 'Jack' – Canine Handler Jack Rand (Retired) and his partner Police Service Dog 'MAX.'

If anyone has any other stories that you wish to share and reminisce about an event please do so, no doubt it'll trigger other many more memories.



**madd**

# Awards

*Several Huntington Beach police officers are recognized for their 'mad' efforts in DUI enforcement. These officers received the MADD "Deuce Award" that is awarded to officers who have made 25 or more DUI arrests during 2015. Congratulations everyone!*

- Officer Doug Demetre**
- Officer Tai Huynh**
- Officer Stefani Williams**
- Officer Roman Altenbach**
- Officer Brad Smith**



## Correspondence...

COMMENTS, KUDOS, COMPLAINTS



### Email Thank you

I just wanted to take a moment and thank everyone of you for the hard work and passion to improve our work contract.

It's a thankless job and I can only imagine the physical and mental toll it puts on you guys.

I guess I'm now classified as one of the "seasoned" members and can remember all the other sh\*tty contract negotiations in the past. Your work doesn't go unnoticed even if you don't hear thank you all that much.

So thank you very much.

*Jerry Abrahams  
HBPD Sergeant*

JFA NOTE: It is, it does, and you are... and thank you.

## POA NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS

Today, **July 1, 2016**, starts the clock for Board of Director nominations to be made for the upcoming POA election. The deadline for submitting names is **July 31, 2016**. There will be (5) seats to vie for in this election.

Election voting will be during the month of August.

If you have an interest, please submit your name. You are also welcome to nominate others that have an interest to get involved with the association.

Thank you.

*Dave Humphreys  
HBPOA President*





As police officers and first responders, you bring all of these elements to the situation, no matter what your relationship is with God as He uses ALL things to work together for good. Although we could only grieve and mourn for those in Orlando, many of us were deeply impacted by the little girl in HB. These things often hit us hard but we need to rest in the reality that God is still on the throne and, in the end, He will prevail over all the forces of evil. Jesus saw and dealt with tragedy in His days on earth and it grieved Him, even to the point of tears. He experienced His own personal suffering and tragedy on the Cross. I've learned that in the midst of tragedy, if you don't know what to say don't say anything at all. Maybe the best thing we can do is grieve with those who are grieving, cry with those who are crying and continue to deeply pray that God's will would be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

As Chaplains, this is what we try to bring to situations involving significant emotional trauma. And we are here for each one of you as well. These tragedies affect all of us, even thick skinned cops. So please remember that our HB Chaplains desire to help you work through these difficult times and to bring some sense of reason and peace to the events you deal with on regular basis.

Be blessed and stay safe. ♥

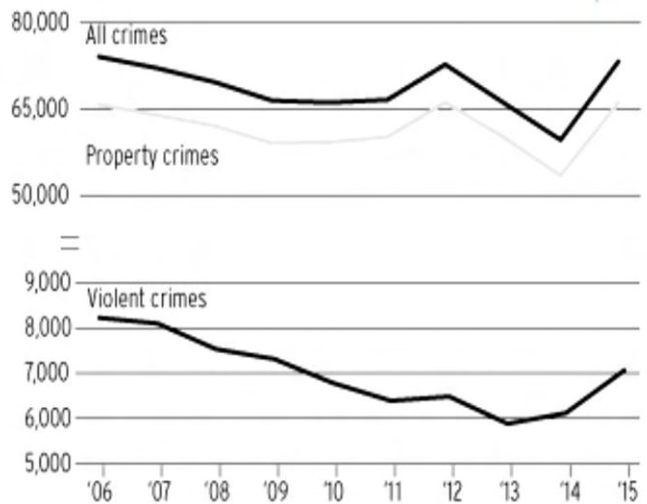
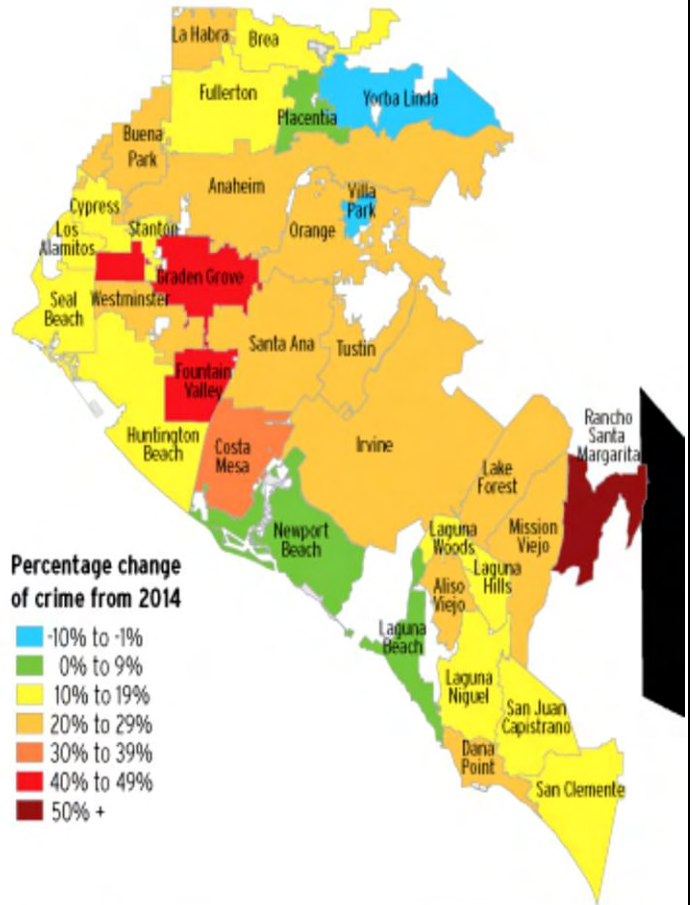
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# FORGET

## Crime on the rise in O.C.

Crime rose in all but two cities in Orange County last year. Police blame the increase on the state law that makes it difficult to keep low-level offenders locked up, leaving them on the streets to repeat the same crimes.



Source: Orange County Sheriff's Department and city police

STAFF GRAPHIC

## Twitter dee, twitter dumb, better watch that thumb...

**R**ecently, your POA Board of Directors sent out a Leadership Survey. This is not a new concept as other associations do it, which includes our own association in 2001 and now again this year. At that time, the then POA President, Russell Reinhart wrote a letter to the membership about the importance of the survey. Posted in the POA Bulletin Board was the letter he sent 15 years ago and a recent Twitter post from now, Captain Russell Reinhart. It seems that the content of his letter and the one sent this year bear basically the same. Only the dates and signatures are different.

However, with his Twitter posts he seems to now mock the process, which he then favored. Maybe it seems different and/or insignificant now that he is a subject of the survey.

Policies are merely guidelines we all know that, but for the rank and file or line officers they must be strictly adhered to. Not so much on the other side of the rank structure it seems. ❤️



# New Veteran Designation

Effective November 12, 2015, eligible veterans have the opportunity to add the word **"VETERAN"** to the front of their DL/ID card to indicate that they have served in the U.S. Military. It can also play a critical role in enabling access to certain privileges, benefits, or compensation associated with being a veteran without having to carry and produce a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty.

To apply for the veteran designation on your DL/ID card, you will need to:

Obtain a Veteran Status Verification Form (VSD-001) which will be issued by the County Veteran Service Office. This form is not available from DMV. Bring the completed VSD-001 to a DMV field office. For faster service, make sure to make an appointment to visit a DMV field office. Complete and pay the application fee for the Driver License or Identification Card Application/Commercial Driver License Application (DL 44/44C). Pay an additional \$5 fee to add the veteran designation to your DL/ID card.

Once all requirements have been met, a DL/ID card with the word **"VETERAN"** will be issued.



The California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) collaborates with the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) to offer veterans of the United States (U.S.) Military the opportunity to request benefit information. Veterans can request benefit information whenever they submit to the DMV a Driver License or Identification Card Application, Commercial Driver License Application form or when renewing their driver license or identification (DL/ID) card online by checking the "Yes" box when asked if they would like to receive veteran benefit information. As a result, the DMV will forward the contact information to CalVet to provide benefit information to the requesting veteran. ♥

Statutory Authority: Vehicle Code (VC) §§12811, 14901.1



# POLICE UNITY TOUR 2016

*We Ride for those who Died*



JACK PAHOLSKI

*HBPOA Director & Sergeant-at-Arms*

**T**he Police Unity Tour was organized, by Officer Patrick P. Montuore of the Florham Park Police Department in May of 1977, with the hope of bringing public awareness of police officers who have died in the line of duty and to honor their sacrifices.

What started with 18 riders on a four day fundraising bicycle ride from Florham Park, NJ to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C. has grown into nine chapters consisting of over 2200 members nationwide who make the trip annually.

This past May The Police Unity Tour was able to donate over 2.3 million dollars to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund bringing the total donations to 20 million dollars.

In late 2005, the Police Unity Tour pledged \$5 million in support of the National Law Enforcement Museum. Inspired by its commitment and our motto, **“WE RIDE FOR THOSE WHO DIED”** the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund has selected The Police Unity Tour to be the sponsor of the Museum’s Hall of Remembrance.

Chapter 37 was started by Port Authority police officers in 2002 and named in honor of the 37 PAPD officers who were killed in the line of duty on September 11, 2001 at the World Trade Center. Although designated the New York chapter, the membership of active and retired law enforcement officers also includes police departments from California, New Jersey and New Hampshire. We also view ourselves as the 9/11/01 Memorial Chapter. The original Chapter 37 members are represented by members of the Port Authority NY/NJ, Huntington Beach CA, Glendale CA, Nassau County and the New York City Police Departments. A pledge was made by the original members that Chapter 37 will always start our Tour at the World Trade Center to honor, respect and

remember the 72 officers who lost their lives September 11, 2001.

The relationship with the Port Authority Police Department began after 9/11 when several HBPD Officers flew to New York in support of those agencies that lost first responders. In 2003; Officer Bobby Frahm was the first Huntington Beach Police officer to ride with Chapter 37. There has always been at least one Huntington Beach police officer riding since then.

On May 9, 2016, Officer Richard Chen and I began our nearly 300 mile ride from the World Trade Center in New York to the National Police Officers Memorial in Washington D.C. After a traditional ceremony honoring all of the New York and New Jersey Officers killed at the World Trade Center, over 100 riders rode through the Holland tunnel into New



PUT Chapter 37 Cyclist J. Paholski  
Arriving at the National Law Enforcement Memorial Wall

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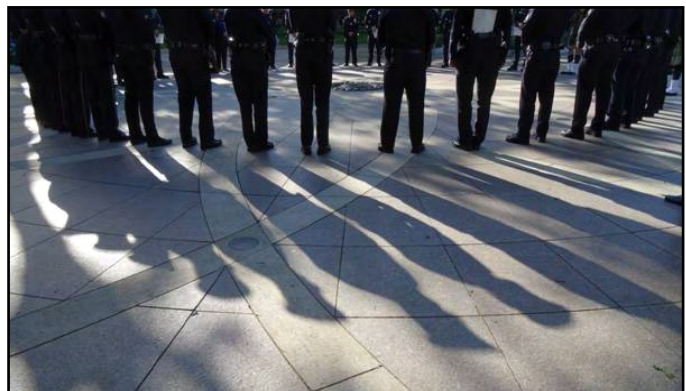
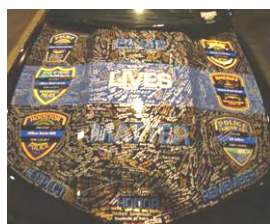
*Police Unity Tour - Continued from page 20.*

Jersey, to start the first leg of the ride ending in Somerset New Jersey. From Somerset New Jersey we rode to Wilmington Delaware, the first of two 100 mile days. The second 100 mile day took us to Annapolis Maryland with the final 60 or so miles taking place in cold temperatures and pouring rain. Our final day we rode from Annapolis to Washington D.C., with a stop at Robert F. Kennedy Stadium, where all of the Chapters combined, totaling over 2000 riders, rode the final leg to the Police Memorial.

It is my hope that the tradition of HBPD participating with Chapter 37 continues long after I retire, and that is why I am trying to generate interest among our younger officers. If you are interested in participating in the 2017 Police Unity Tour please contact me, Officer Frahm, or Officer Chen for information on training rides and ride registration information. ♥



*2016 Law Enforcement Memorial photos*



**OFFICER NEEDS ASSISTANCE  
CHALLENGE COINS WANTED!**



San Jose Police Officer Michael Katherman pictured here with his two young sons,

SAN JOSE - Bobby Lopez, the former president of the San Jose POA and now the executive director of FOP Lodge 52. Needs your assistance and hopefully you can help out with this worthy cause.

On June 14, Josh and Jason just lost their Dad - Officer Michael Katherman - who died in the line of duty. The San Jose community has been mourning his tragic and untimely death. The boys are avid collectors of challenge coins and Bobby thought it would cheer them up to get coins from all over the country.

If your department has a challenge coin or you have special unit coin please send it to Bobby as soon as possible. His plan is to get a special display box for the coins and present them to the boys on behalf of America's law enforcement community.

**Please send your coins to him at:  
Bobby Lopez  
2486 Cove Place  
Discovery Bay, CA 94505**

You can reach Bobby Lopez at: [sjrobert@fop.net](mailto:sjrobert@fop.net) if you want more information. ♥



*Family of our Department Family*  
*Brandon Reed*  
**Wayne Eugene Reed**  
1926 - 2016



*RSVP - Volunteer*  
*Huntington Beach PD*  
**Don Bayhan**  
1927 - 2016

*Family of our Department Family*  
*Yvonne Gillett*  
**Robert 'Scotty' Gillett**  
1920 - 2016

*Family of our Department Family*  
*Corwin Bales*  
**Aurora Sanchez**  
1916 - 2016

*Family of our Department Family*  
*Darrin Woolever*  
**Charles Donald Woolever**  
1932 - 2016

*Family of our Department Family*  
*Nate Phelps*  
**Gary Dewayne Phelps**  
1948 - 2016

*Family of our Department Family*  
*Larry Pitcher*  
**Dennis Raymond Dalebout**  
1939 - 2016



*Former Detention Shift Supervisor*  
*Huntington Beach PD*  
**Shirley Woodard**  
1961 - 2016

*Family of our Department Family*  
*Marion Loney*  
**Mymonie Loeckner**  
1942 - 2016



# IN MEMORIAM



## California's Fallen...

Source: [www.camemorial.org](http://www.camemorial.org) | [www.ODMP.org](http://www.ODMP.org)



### Line-of-Duty Deaths – 2016

♥ Deputy Scott Ballantyne  
Tulare County SD

♥ Motor Officer Michael J. Katherman  
San Jose PD

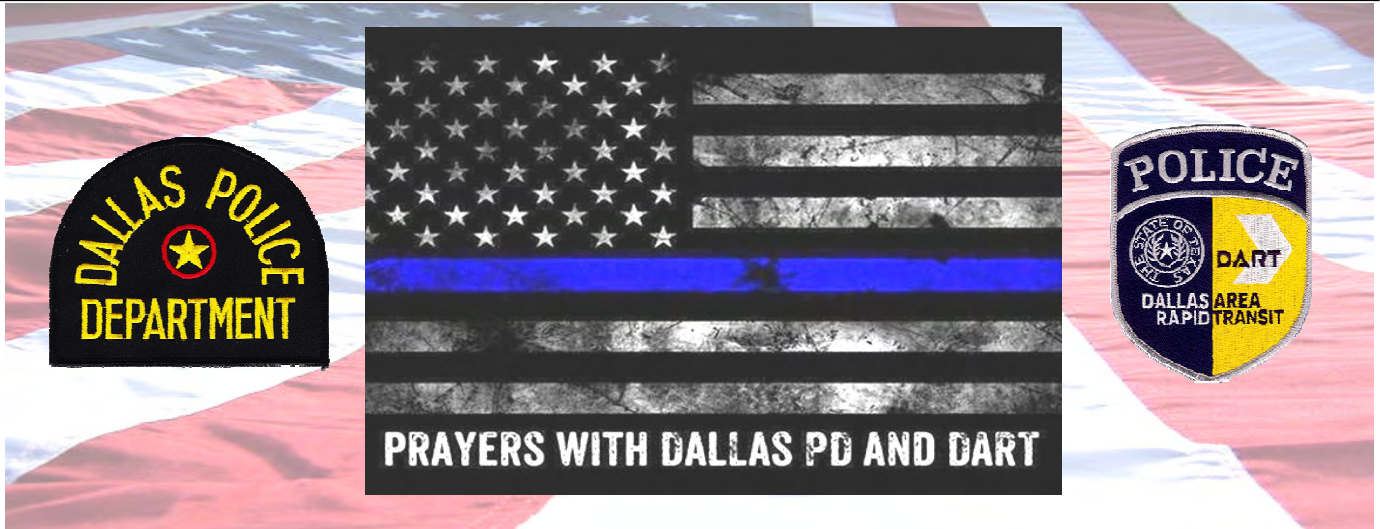
♥ Officer Nathan Taylor  
CHP – Gold Run Area



Other  
K9 Jojo  
San Bernardino SD

K9 Bruno  
Anaheim PD

K9 Jag  
Twin Rivers USD PD



## Nationally...

Source: [www.odmp.org](http://www.odmp.org)



### 2016 Firefighters

Source: [usfa.dhs.gov](http://usfa.dhs.gov)

Nationally:	30	87
CALIFORNIA -	1	6

**2016 Line of Duty**  
Deaths: 61  
CALIFORNIA – 3

**2015 Line of Duty**  
Deaths: 129  
CALIFORNIA – 5

**2014 Line of Duty**  
Deaths: 133  
CALIFORNIA – 15



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# HB 9/11 Memorial Dedication

**Sunday, September 11, 2016**

*Commemorating the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11*

**2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**HB CIVIC CENTER**

**2000 Main Street | Huntington Beach**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS TODAY TO ATTEND THIS ONCE IN A LIFE-TIME EVENT**