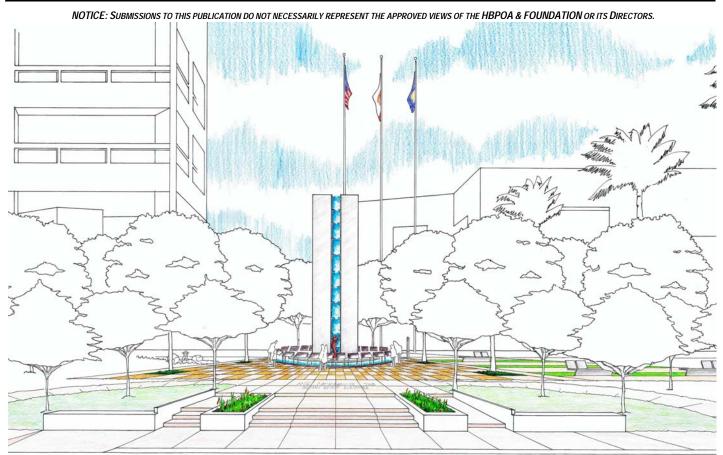
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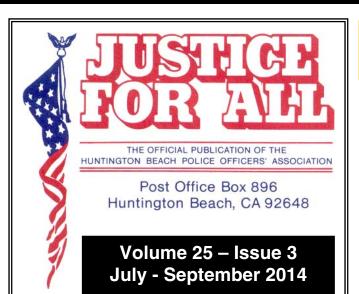


An artist rendering of the future HB Memorial Plaza at the Civic Center with the HB 9/11 Memorial - Artist Mike Adams

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

_RICHARD **CHEN**HBPOA President

HBPOA voted to ratify a successor Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Huntington Beach. This article will chronicle the 12-month long negotiation process and deconstruct the new contract.

In March 2010, members of the HBPOA agreed to a concession contract which included an additional 2% employee contribution to PERS, a suspension of the Physical Fitness Program (a loss of 60 hrs of PT time per year), and no increased employer contribution toward health care. The same terms of this concession contract were extended in August 2011 to expire in September 2013. The City also wanted a two-tier retirement system. The POA agreed to create a 3%@55 second tier for new hires if sworn staffing level reached 216 or if two of the three following agencies also created a second tier: Santa Ana, Anaheim or Irvine. Obviously, none of these conditions were met and the 3%@55 second tier was never created.

For the last four years, police officers, detention officers and dispatchers have not seen a raise or cost of living adjustment. They have also incurred increased health insurance costs, since employer health contributions had not increased since 2009. In 2014, that meant an additional out of pocket cost of \$3,383 per year for the majority of POA members who are enrolled in the PORAC PPO family plan.

On May 21, 2013, the POA and the City of Huntington Beach began negotiations on a successor MOU. The POA negotiation team consisted of me, Shawn White, Jeff Huss, Corwin Bales, Art Preece and Dennis Hashin. The concession contract was not set to expire until four months later on September 30, 2013. This should have been ample time to negotiate

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a contract prior to the expiration of the existing contract.

Unfortunately, the majority of the City Council was unwilling to authorize the City to make a reasonable offer. The City's first proposal was a concession contract worse than the concessions given in 2010.

Needless to say, the POA Negotiation Team rejected this offer, but it was an uphill battle to get the City to a positive contract. It wasn't until December 6, 2013, that the City actually offered a 4.75% raise to offset the 4.75% PERS pickup. It took 6 months of negotiations before the City offered a non-negative contract.

It wasn't until April 11, 2014, that the City agreed to give an actual raise of 2% effective October 1, 2014. On May 13, 2014, the POA reached a Tentative Agreement with the City as follows:

On May 14, 2014, the HBPOA held a general membership meeting to vote on the proposed contract. There was heated discussion amongst the membership. Many believed the raise was too little and too late. Eight months without a contract and no retroactive pay. The City had stalled and didn't have to pay anything for eight months. Members were upset there were no increased health insurance contributions. The 2% raise did not cover the additional \$3,383 per year they were paying toward health insurance increases.

Many were upset about the 15 days per year that CTO could be denied. They were concerned this was just the beginning and over time 15 days would grow to many more. Furthermore, there is history to the CTO benefit. In 1992, the HBPOA won a court settlement against the City. Supervisors were unfairly denying employees the ability to use CTO. The settlement clearly established that the use of CTO could not be denied if requested with 72-hours' notice. It also dictated that CTO could only be denied if the request was "unduly disruptive," meaning the "demands for employee's services meet or exceed the department's full staffing capabilities." The POA

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Letters to the editor are welcome, as are suggestions for articles. Submissions to this publication are always welcomed by the membership as well as outside sources and they do not necessarily represent the approved views of the HBPOA & Foundation or its directors.

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and the City have adhered to this settlement since 1992. The ability to take time off is one of the reasons many officers lateralled to Huntington Beach from other agencies. Giving the Chief 15 Unduly Disruptive days per year was an unsettling deviation from the norm.

After much discussion and debate, the proposed contract was voted down by 67%.

The POA Negotiations team went back to the table. On June 19, 2014, the POA reached a second Tentative Agreement with the City. Three things were changed:

- 15 Unduly Disruptive days per year that will sunset at the end of the contract was reduced to 7 Unduly Disruptive days per year with no sunset clause.
- The ability to accrue CTO would not sunset at the expiration of the contract.
- The PT Program was eliminated in exchange for increased employer contribution to health insurance.

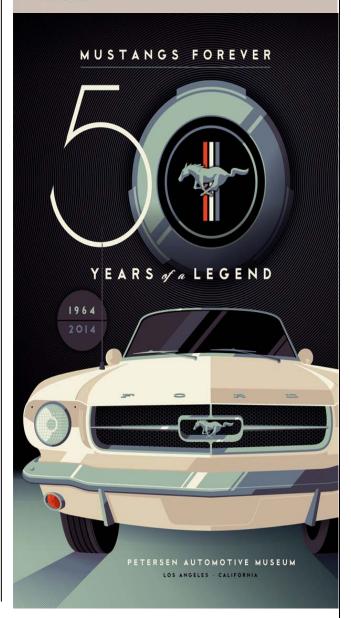
On July 3, 2014, the HBPOA held a general membership meeting. An overwhelming majority voted yes to ratify the contract. On July 7, 2014, the City Council voted and approved the successor Memorandum of Understanding between the POA and the City. Council members Jim Katapodis, Joe Carchio, Jill Hardy, Joe Shaw and Connie Boardman voted yes. Mayor Matt Harper and Council member Dave Sullivan voted no.

Since we are already 10 months into our contract, we will be back at the negotiating table with the City within a year. All things indicate that the economy will continue to improve and the City will again have a budget surplus. This next go around, there should be no reason or excuse not to have a successor MOU in place prior to the existing one expiring.



JFA NOTE: Our contract had been expired for 279 days! Since, being in negotiations with the city, at least one child was conceived and born during that time...

DON'T LET IDIOTS RUIN YOUR DAY.

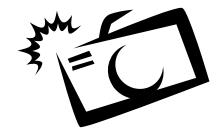


Body cam, a game changer

Body cams for cops should be part of contract negotiations

ROCKY LUCIA

Rains Lucia Stern Law Firm



Body worn cameras will significantly change the working environment for every department that mandates they be worn.

History has shown that the effects on those who wear them can be both positive and, at the same time, destructive.

At a recent symposium entitled, "The Kelly Thomas Trial, Not Guilty Verdict: The Effect on Orange County and You," jointly hosted by our law firm: Rains, Lucia, Stern, and the Buena Park Police Association, we discussed the labor perspective on all the issues related to police concerning body worn cameras.

The departmental approach to these policies is wide ranging.

But one thing that's clear is that policies driven by political interests that are disconnected from practical demands of police work will surely put both the individual peace officer and the department at risk.

Communities that embrace and accept the demands and perils of policing will implement policies that protect their police officers and deputies, while ensuring accountability through video technology.

The Meyers Milias Brown Act (Government

Code section 3500, et seq.) mandates that these policies are subject to bargaining.

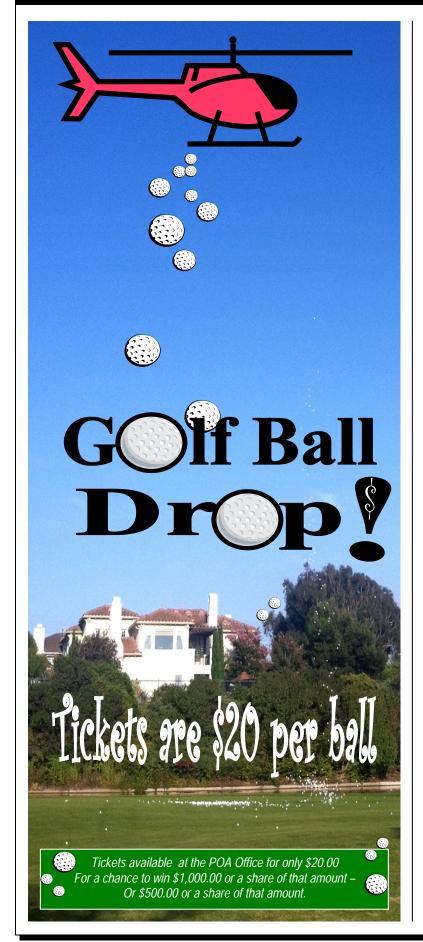
Each labor association has an affirmative duty to negotiate the terms and conditions of body worn camera policies.

To read the report visit our web site: http://www.rlslawyers.com/body-worn-cameras-coming-to-a-uniform-shirt-near-you/

JFA NOTE: Reprinted from American Police Beat. Concern should even be given to CCTV systems placed within any city and monitored by the department before it becomes an issue, not after it is a media circus. Ask - How will officers have access to review the video regarding incidents captured on camera?







BORN IN 1964



Incorporated in 1964 the Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association has been celebrating its 50th Anniversary since April 27th of this year.

The Association is comprised of 221 members today from the police department that work as communication operators, detention officers, police officers, detectives and sergeants.

Over the years the Association has supported many youth athletic teams and a variety of charitable organizations. The Association formed a Foundation in 2000 and since then has contributed more than a million dollars back to support our community. This has been made possible with the generous support of individuals and businesses donating to the Foundation through our annual mailer campaign and our charity golf tournament, the Constable Classic.

This year the Constable Classic Charity Golf Tournament will be held on August 11, 2014 at the SeaCliff Country Club to benefit the development of Memorial Plaza and the construction of the Huntington Beach 9/11 Memorial to be showcased on the site.

Many members have traveled through the police department, having donated countless hours to provide for a better community through our partnership with a variety of events. We look forward to a long future of community service.



This year the Huntington Beach Police Officers' Foundation has selected the HB 9/11 Memorial as the benefactor of their annual charity golf tournament to raise funds to complete the expanded project of updating an acre of land at the Civic Center and renaming it the Memorial Plaza.

The project will re-landscape an acre of land where an old non-functioning water fountain is to an accessible tranquil park-like setting where visitors may view and reflect on a towering metal sculptor of the former World Trade Center towers that collapsed after terrorists attached on September 11, 2001 in New York City. Other memorials that will be relocated at the site include the War Memorial, Peace Pole and the Anjo, Japan lantern.

Community support is needed, so if you are a golfer or want to help us complete this project, join us on Monday, August 11, 2014 at the Classic.



Constable Classic Charity Golf Tournament

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SPORTS

Badges for Life | CALIFORNIA FITNESS GAMES

_MARK **WERSCHING**HBPOA Member



On Saturday, May 17, 2014, the first annual **Badges for Life - CALIFORNIA FITNESS GAMES** occurred on the beach in Huntington Beach. The event was a team fitness challenge involving advanced exercises. The events were designed to test competitors both physically and emotionally.

Proceeds raised from fundraising efforts benefited the Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association and their charities. Speaking with the fundraising coordinator, he said, "Since, 1971 doing fund raisers for police and fire departments, I have never seen a community back their police department the way Huntington Beach backs its officers." It is nice to hear that business owners and citizens of Huntington Beach support their police department. Thousands of dollars were raised during the fundraising efforts.

Representing the Huntington Beach Police Department were R.J. Garwood, Brett Gillham, Kris Garcia and Richard Bee. Going into the event, the workouts were released a few days prior to the event. These officers had to prepare a game plan and decide the best way to tackle the huge task of completing 3 grueling workouts.

The Huntington Beach police team finished 4th in the badged division. GREAT JOB GUYS. We look forward to many more teams competing next year as we intend to have this event every year to raise money for our association and their charities.

Special thanks to Chief Handy for his support of this event. It would not have been as successful without you.



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Chaplain's Corner

You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You.

(Isaiah 26:3)

PERFECT PEACE

_ROGER **WING**HBPD Police Chaplain

always go the way you'd like them to? Just when things seem to be moving along fine, something happens and life throws us a curve. Even the most minor interruptions to our plans can throw us off course and disrupt our neat and ordered little world. I think all of us can relate. We can be on our way to an important meeting and get a flat tire. And why does that always happen when we're all dressed up!! Or have you ever been in a plane that's almost ready to take off, and then they cancel the flight? These types of things disrupt our plans and then our peace and contentment go right out the window.

We either consciously or subconsciously have placed our faith in things going just the way we expect them to go. It's easy to talk about trusting someone or something...until they (or it) fails us. There are so many things in life that we grow accustomed to always working when we want, where we want, and how we want them to. When we hit the light switch don't we always naturally expect the light to go on? And then, behold, it stops working just when we least expect it! And our schedule, our plans, our conveniences come crashing down. When a toilet stops working, we say, "Stupid toilet!" Really? When the mobile phone dies while we are having a conversation, we say, "Oh, come on! What's wrong with this phone?" In reality, there's nothing wrong with the phone, the battery just died because we failed to recharge it. And the toilet doesn't have a brain. It's just that we counted on things serving us according to our world, our life, and our preference.

Trusting in objects is one thing, but trusting in people can get a little trickier. On the job, officers count on their partners and team in responding to calls with a high degree of trust and reliability. But in our personal relationships things get a little more complicated. We count on people to hold

confidences, be there for us when we need them, and respond to our situation in understanding and reasonableness. And then, at the worst possible moment, they become unreliable, fickle, cold, and downright mean. How can that happen?

Well welcome to life under the sun! We, and every human around us, are going to eventually fail someone...sometime this week. The only One who can be trusted with absolute certainty is God...according to His plan, His purpose, and His pattern. But is our trust in Him based upon OUR schedule, plans, and conveniences? Or can we come to the place where we have a light touch on things and people around us, knowing that God is the One we ultimately trust?

Another lesson that I have learned to consider is the possibility of divine interruptions. Have you ever thought about the possibility that the temporary detour had a purpose in terms of working something in you, like patience? Or that it was putting you in a different place than you would have been to avoid a problem or to meet someone you would not have otherwise had contact with? God is always present and He's working in our lives in ways that we may not understand but it's great to just rest in the knowledge that He works in every situation and is accomplishing His divine purposes whatever our circumstances may be.

Without God, gaining a real peace and contentment is like trying to nail Jell-O to the wall. But God can be trusted. He has the passion and the power to do "exceedingly, abundantly above all that we could ask or think." And He is always present and available. When you are able to experience God's joy in the midst of present troubles it's a testimony to having received God's perfect peace. So when people

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Correspondence...

COMMENTS, KUDOS, COMPLAINTS



Email Thank you

Where do I begin to thank all of you for the kind words and encouragement during this difficult time? The loss of a parent, especially a 98-year old mother, is hard, not just on the family, but the neighbors and friends that watched over her for many years. My mother was devoted to her family and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary since 1945. She was also a Gold Star Mother since 1971. It was only fitting that VFW Post 1709 in Flagstaff stepped up and wanted to coordinate the graveside services. Not too many civilians get a salute and taps played at their funeral.

Again, thank you, my other family at HBPD for the support.

Chuck Wright Police Officer, HBPD

JFA NOTE: Donations in honor of Frances Nadine Wright (a Gold Star mother) may be sent to the Gold Star Mothers, c/o Billy Weldon, VFW Post 1709, 409 W. Santa Fe Ave, Flagstaff, AZ 86001.

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or things fail us this week, let's examine our reactions. They will be an indicator upon where our trust was centered. Is there peace, or is there frustration, anger, or depression? When we learn to trust and rest in God, content with His plans and divine interruptions, we will find that the peace of God can truly be a reality in our lives.

Be blessed and be safe. And enjoy His perfect peace. ■

Remembering Dad Thomas "Tom" Conway Jr.

SHANE CONWAY

OCSD | Tom's son

It has been over 27 years since my father, Tom Conway, retired from the Huntington Beach Police Department. I'm not sure if there is anyone left on the department dating back that far, but I wanted to let you know that he passed away on June 18, 2014. Please pass this on to your membership and all the retirees. Dad passed away peacefully at home with family in Visalia, California. He was 82 years old.

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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 at the POA Office over the next few months on...

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8th Annual Constable Classic

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USMC 239th Birthday Celebration

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Veteran's Day

NOVEMBER 11
WORKING HOLIDAY





MERITORIOUS RECOGNITION

You've earned the right to wear 'em...

_JEFF HUSS

HBPOA Dinosaur Member

Tirst of all, I want to give my congratulations to those recent recipients of the Department's Awards. Congratulations to you all, as you are deserving of these accolades, probably more than you actually receive, as we are often quick to judge, slow to praise, and our memories are often shorter than a Code 7. Secondly, kudos to Chief Handy for listening to suggestions and bringing a major change to the program, which made it better for all those who attended. These changes included: a new location, a new format, a warm friendly sincere atmosphere, all for the betterment of the employees and Department.

Now, a little more reflection on what it means to be nominated and selected by a review committee to be a representative of an incident, a potential life-or-death incident that might occur in seconds, and, after being selected, what it means to shoulder that responsibility as a representative of the Department historically. Yes, some incidents get more media attention than others and some of you might be unsung heroes, but all, nonetheless, are important representatives. With that being said, I hope each and every one of you cherish and proudly wear your award ribbons on your uniform or proudly display your certificate of recognition, prompting questions from family or friends or the unknown public.

I had a discussion with an officer recently that I knew had earned awards from another department. He declined to wear those awards because the awards were not earned here and he did not feel that they should be worn. I voiced my disagreement. Each and every one of us knows that we can be a hero one day and the very next day - a true zero! Again, like I said earlier, we, the police and society, are usually quick to judge and slow to praise, feeling that it was merely our job and that we were doing or being in the right place at the right time... and that anyone would have done what we were recognized for. I disagree. We can what-if a situation to death, but in reality, we can acknowledge what we know the facts of an incident prove.

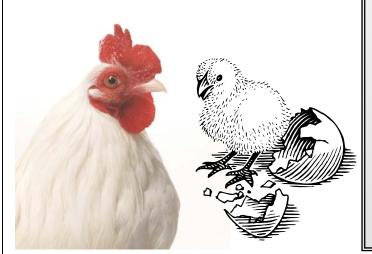
OR KUDOS TO YOU!

Our uniform, especially the Class A uniform, is what displays our career, and personal accomplishments. We earned the right to wear the uniform after spending many weeks of blood, sweat and tears going through an academy, training program, and probationary period of time. Any one of our careers will have stories to fill a book or two, depending upon our or others' embellishments. I think service awards or ribbons being either earned at a police department or during military service should be proudly worn upon our uniforms, as well as service stripes.

I have often gone to various police functions where police personnel are in uniform. Viewing these various department uniform styles also includes a variety of service awards and service stripes. Noting these unspoken accomplishments immediately gains a sense of respect for the officer and our profession.

So, as you continue along in your career, I hope you proudly wear what you and only you have earned during your career. It is your resume on your chest, sleeve or collar. Be proud of it; remember it isn't always all about you, but those who support you as well. You are a hero in their eyes.

Next time, we might discuss a man and a chicken... and which came first - literally. ■



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The Event Master of Ceremonies will be J. Barry Case

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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.

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Detective Bureau **Bunco Forgery Unit Detective Dave Humphreys**

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Frank Gallant

Police Services
Crime Scene Investigator
Linda Dziedzic

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Medal of Valor

San Bernardino PD Officer Jason Heilman

Former Huntington Beach Officer 2013-2014

Officer of the Year

Officer Aaron Garrido

Civilian Employee of the Year

Facilities Maintenance Crewleader Ron Davis

Supervisor of the Year

Sergeant Oscar Garcia

Award of Merit

Officer Victoria Shroyer Accounting Tech II Ploy Siriyotin

Distinguished Service Award

Retired Court Liaison Specialist Yvonne Gillett Retired Crime Scene Investigator Shelley Shannon

Unit/Team Award

Directed Enforcement TeamHomeless Task ForceDaniel BoldtJon HaughtJennifer MarlattBrian SmithRich EidlhuberScott MarshJuan MunozKurt StoeckleinJerry GoodspeedDave RobertsDave Wiederin

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Stacv Arnold Aaron Garrido Sean Lotts Brian Smith Richard Chen Jeff Goodspeed Sean McCollom Mike Szyperski Jason McFall Trent Tunstall Doug Demetre Jana Harden Brian Drake Jason Heilman Larry Pitcher Courtney Urbany Linda Dziedzic Matt Karl Ryan Reilly Steve Wickser Shelley Shannon Dave Wiederin Patrick Ellis Gary Kim Tim Emanuel Brad Smith Scott Winks Jayson Lewis

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AC Buenaventura

Matthew Curiel

Quion Juniel

Chris Shirran

Riley Mackinen

Madeline Martin

Talon Werner

POLICE UNITY TOUR

We ride for those that died.

CHUCK WRIGHT

HBPOA Member

This years Police Unity Tour was another great success. For those who don't know what the Police Unity Tour (PUT) is, I will explain. Members of Huntington Beach Police Department belong to Chapter 37. Chapter 37 was established by the New York/New Jersey Port Authority. The chapter is dedicated to the 37 Port Authority officers that perished in 9/11.

Members of the Department formed a special bond with the Port Authority when three of our officers went to Ground Zero to help with the recovery phase of the collapse of the World Trade Center Towers.

The PUT was formed in 1997 to bring public awareness of law enforcement officers who have died in the line-of-duty and to honor their sacrifices. The PUT started with 18 riders and has grown to more than 1,800 riders. The tour collected \$1.9 million this year and Chapter 37 alone raised \$200,000. Each officer not only has to train for this bicycle ride from New York to Washington DC, but also had to raise a participation fee of \$1,750.

This year I was the only rider from Huntington Beach. Thanks to the support of the POA and SRC, I was able to raise the required amount.

The ride was started, as usual, at Ground Zero for Chapter 37 to honor their officers. After the ceremony, we started in a light mist, as opposed to a downpour last year. There were no 901T's (injury accidents) this year on the first day. We rode approximately 45 miles and prepared for the next two days of 105 miles each. On day two, we were delayed 2 hours due to a Mother's Day Marathon in Wilmington, Delaware. So, to make up for our lost time biking, we had to travel at a faster than average speed. With the speed accelerated to an average of 22 miles an hour, we lost 60 riders. Oh yeah, did I mention it was 93 degrees and 100 percent humidity?

Day 3 was cooler for us and we got into Annapolis with only one rider crashing, resulting in a concussion.



Our 4th day, we rode into Washington, DC, with 1,800 riders in two columns going into the National Police Officers' Memorial. An incredible sight of blue jerseys brought tears to the toughest cop.

On a personal note, with me planning to retire at the end of the year this will be my last year in uniform. If I do this ride again, I will unofficially be riding for the Department as a retiree.

I want to thank the Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association and SRC for their support for the last 28 years. I also want to say a special thanks to Jeff Huss, aka: Hussmonster, for his dedication to the JFA and to HBPD for the past years.



Police Officer C. Wright as he prepares to set out on the 2014 Police Unity Tour from NYC at Ground Zero.

An Election for You!





Submit Your Name For the Board of Directors in the 2014 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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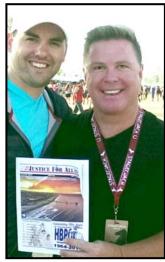


Has the JFA traveled with you recently? Submit your photo holding a recent issue of the JFA with another law enforcement officer or at a related law enforcement site. Printed submission will receive a cup of java on us.



'HAMILTON'S BAR & GRILLE' – Was where a few of HB and Alexandria's finest took shelter due to severe weather threatening the NPW Candle Light Vigil. Yes, we returned safely.







MOTHERS DON'T LET YOUR BABIES GROW UP TO BE COWBOYS – Yup, the JFA made it to Stagecoach with a few of our members enjoying the weekend of great music, and a little wind. L-R: J. Horn, B. Reed | K. Garcia, B. Reed, K. Smith, J. Crawley and G. Ricci.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

The Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association annual Christmas party is approaching. This year's party will be an event you will not want to miss. A new committee was formed, consisting of current POA members, to create a party like no other. The party will be held at the Huntington Harbour Bay Club on SATURDAY December 13, 2014. Admission will be FREE and the bar will be OPEN. Yes, you heard me right! In addition to the exciting entertainment we have planned, the Huntington Harbour Boat Parade will be the same evening and the venue has a 180 degree view of the route. Save-The-Date now...RSVP's will be accepted soon. We promise that this event will be something to look forward to every year!

If you did not receive an email Save-The-Date about the event, please contact: https://doi.org/10.2007/nbp.042@gmail.com

Tom Conway - Continued from page 11.

Although Tom was healthy most of his life, he had a sudden decline in health in March. He spent some time in the hospital and rehab trying to gain back his strength, but finally passed away on the evening of June 18. He was born January 21, 1932 in San Pedro, CA. After serving in the United States Coast Guard, he joined the Compton, California Police Department in July, 1955. He spent 15 years serving that community in Patrol and in their Vice and Narcotics unit. In April 1957, Tom married Shirley McCowan. They have been together for 57 years. Together, they raised their family in Huntington Beach.

In 1970, Dad left Compton PD and joined Huntington Beach PD where he served for 17 more years. He served in patrol and warrants. In 1987, Dad decided he had had enough fun and decided to retire, completing 32 years of law enforcement service. In 1990, he and my mother sold their home and moved to Three Rivers, California. After twenty years living at the gateway to Sequoia National Park, they moved to Visalia where my mother was raised.

I will always remember the stories my dad told about the Compton days. He had a few stories from Huntington Beach, but they never compared to what law enforcement was like back in the 1950s and 60's. Many people who knew my dad told me he was a great mentor and could always be counted on when things looked bad. For those of you who knew Dad, I'm sure you would agree.

As his son, I would tell you that he was a great father and husband. He always put family first and showed me that people deserved respect and empathy. He told me of those he had arrested on occasion, only to see them weeks or years later dying from their wounds, offering them comfort while medics were responding. Dad was stern, but fair.

He lived in two worlds: that of a police officer and that of a family man. He kept his family life separated from the realities of police work. I hope he has had as much influence on those he encountered and worked with as those of us who knew him simply as "Dad"

Be safe and God Bless all of you.





California's Fallen...

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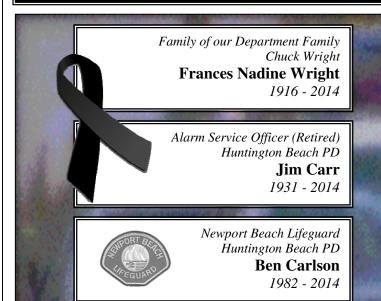


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- **■** Detective Sergeant Tom Smith Bay Area Rapid Transit PD
- **●** Officer Brian Law CHP – Fresno Area Office
- **♥** Officer Juan Gonzalez CHP – Fresno Area Office
- **▼** Police Officer II Nicholas C. Lee Los Angeles PD

- **■** Deputy Ricky Del Fiorentino Mendocino County SD
- **▼** Police Officer II Christopher Cortijo Los Angeles PD
- **▼** Police Officer II Roberto C. Sanchez Los Angeles PD

Police Officer Scott Hewell Stockton PD







Huntington Beach PD Thomas 'Tom' Conway Jr. 1932-2014

Nationally... Source: www.odmp.org



2014 Firefighters Source: usfa.dhs.gov

Nationally: CALIFORNIA - 52 101

2014 Line of Duty

Deaths: CALIFORNIA - 8 2013 Line of Duty

Deaths: 105 CALIFORNIA - 10

2012 Line of Duty

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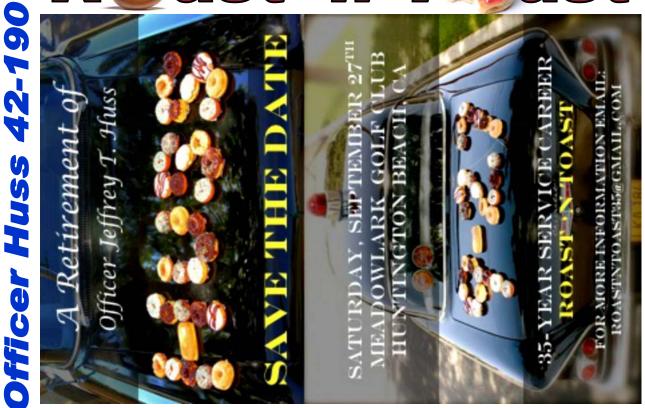
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