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QUIET HEROES AMONG US

James Wesley Wingate
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I started attending Florida State Lodge FOP Meetings around 1974 as a young Tampa cop and new FOP member. I began meeting members from across the state and learning more about the FOP and how it worked. It was then I began to notice the “old timers” at the meetings. Several in particular caught my attention. Jim Billy Barnes was State President around that time. He was a gruff and outspoken person from Pensacola. Very much a mentor to learn from. J.B. Gladden served as District 2 Director. I admired the easy way he could lead a meeting and get his ideas across. Everyone seemed to like J.B. as soon as they met him.

One person always occupied the front row center seat at every meeting. He was a quiet man that must have been very well respected because when ever there was a heated debate; everyone looked to him for his wisdom and guidance. Once he quietly nodded approval, the meeting could continue and a vote would be taken. No one competed for that favorite seat in the front row. It seemed to be a seat of great reverence and honor. I soon learned the man was James (Jim) Wesley Wingate from Jacksonville. Then I learned that all 3 of these men in addition to being FOP brothers were also Freemasons. That was all I needed to know about them to like and respect them. I studied the way they conducted themselves and how they worked politics within the organization without causing undue conflict. These were some of the leaders who helped start and guide the FOP in Florida in the early days before some of us were born. They fought to organize the FOP for the benefit of those law enforcement officers they worked beside, past, present and future. Jim Wingate served as Florida State Lodge President in 1959 and 1960. I was 12 at the time. All 3 are now gone.

Saturday, November 29, 2008, I traveled to Jacksonville and attended the funeral service of Brother Jim Wingate. Family, friends and colleagues had gathered to give their final respects to this man they had loved and admired. It was then that many of us learned for the very first time that we had known a true American Hero. Jacksonville Chaplain Jarrell chronicled the life of Jim Wingate and I sat fascinated to learn

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of his feats and accomplishments.

Born March 1, 1921 in Jacksonville, Florida he grew up through the Great Depression. On December 6, 1941, Jim Wingate was 20 years old. Pearl Harbor had just been bombed by the Japanese. By early 1942, Jim was in the Army serving his country. He was recognized for his communication skills and became an instructor to new recruits before heading to the European Theater of the war. June 6, 1944, D-Day, Jim Wingate waded ashore in Normandy on Omaha Beach with thousands of young American soldiers. Young men fighting and dying together. Some grew up very quickly, others were denied the chance to grow at all. Jim participated in the Battle of the Bulge and served as General Patton's radio operator for a while. Jim Wingate saw over 330 days of combat.

Like many of those of the "greatest generation", Jim did his job and didn't really discuss the war when he returned. What surprised us the most was what Jim accomplished during those combat days. Jim was awarded the **Bronze Star** for his service. It would be appropriate to define the Bronze Star here:

The medal may be awarded for **Valor** (i.e., a particular instance of combat heroism), in which case it is accompanied by an attached V, **or** it may be awarded for **Meritorious Achievement** (i.e., doing one's combat job well over a period of time), in which case the medal does not have a valor component and does not have the attached V denoting Valor. Most of the bronze stars awarded are meritorious and thus do not have the V device.

The medal is awarded to a member of the military who, while serving in or with the military of the **United States** after 6 December 1941, distinguished him/herself by:

Heroic or meritorious achievement or service, not involving participation in aerial flight

While engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States

While engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force or

While serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing armed force in which the United States is not a belligerent party

To be eligible for the Bronze Star Medal, a military member must be receiving hostile fire/imminent danger pay during the event for which the medal is to be awarded.

Now this was quite a significant achievement for a combat soldier to be recognized for Valor in combat. There were so many heroes in battle. Many of our soldiers received this important medal. The surprising thing we learned today is that **JIM WINGATE** received the **Bronze Star five (5)** times for service to his country and fellow soldiers.

Returning home from the war, Jim Wingate joined the Jacksonville Police Department in 1946 (before consolidation). He served through the ranks for 39 years, retiring as a Captain. During this time he served the FOP with honor and dedication. He earned the respect he was given at those state meetings and he earned that front row center seat.

Jim Wingate will be missed. Many never knew they had worked beside a genuine decorated American Hero. A piece of history was laid to rest today. Rest in Peace Brother Wingate, you have earned your place in Heaven and we are thankful for your service.





Fraternal Order of Police **FLORIDA STATE LODGE**



October 30, 2008

Florida State Lodge Board of Trustees Meeting

February 17 - 21, 2009

Wyndham Resort

8001 International Drive

Orlando, Florida 32819

(407)351-2420

Brothers and Sisters,

The Florida State Lodge, Fraternal Order of Police Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for February 17 through 21, 2009 at the Wyndham Resort located at 8001 International Drive in Orlando. The hotel is accepting reservations, be sure to mention the FOP for the room block price of \$99.00 per night.

Tuesday and Wednesday will be training days put on by the State Lodge Training Committee. We are planning another Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training class to certify members for our Disaster Response Teams and we have planned a training class "Officer Involved Shootings" look for the registration forms in this newsletter for details.

I look forward to meeting with the trustees and delegates from each of our lodges across Florida.

Sincerely,

James W. Preston, President
Florida State Lodge
Fraternal Order of Police

GOVERNOR CRIST GRANTS FULL PARDON TO FOP LODGE 28 BROTHER

By: James Preston, Florida State Lodge President

Monroe County Deputy Raymond Lee Jodlowski had served his agency proudly for 5 years in 2003 when a routine FDLE records audit found a problem. On his application he had admitted a prior arrest that everyone assumed was a misdemeanor. Since that discovery, Sheriff Roth of Monroe County supported Deputy Jodlowski through an odd and stressful process to maintain his Law Enforcement certification.

As a younger man, in 1989, Raymond suffered a personal family tragedy. His wife and child were killed in a head on collision. Following the deaths, Raymond mistakenly issued a worthless check to the funeral home for floral arrangements in Duval County. By today's standards, the amount would constitute a misdemeanor, however, in 1989 any amount over \$50.00 was considered a felony. He was held accountable by paying a small fine and restitution of \$257.00 with adjudication withheld.

Fast forward, Raymond followed his desire and became a successful law enforcement officer. He attended the police academy and worked as a deputy sheriff in St. Johns County, then serving his Monroe County community in the Florida Keys. He did not anticipate his past would haunt him and challenge his future with his law enforcement career. A lingering question as to his certification arose due to this prior incident. Sheriff Roth stood by his deputy and kept him working while the legal ordeal found its way through the complicated system. FDLE held off pulling his certification while a Pardon was being sought from the Clemency Board. But a resolution was needed.

The FOP took on the case to help Deputy Jodlowski after his case stalled and lingered in limbo within the clemency process for years. FOP General Counsel's Chief of Staff George Hachigian guided the case and worked with FDLE. The Florida State Lodge called upon the Florida Cabinet members – Governor Crist, Attorney General McCollum, CFO Alex Sink and Commissioner Bronson asking to have this case heard by the Clemency Board to give some resolution to Deputy Jodlowski after 5 years of waiting and stressing.

It is extremely satisfying to report that on October 21, 2008, Governor Charlie Crist signed Executive Order 2008C-305 signed by each Cabinet member granting Deputy Raymond Lee Jodlowski a full and complete pardon.

Raymond is very relieved and stated that “without the FOP, I would be looking for a new line of work, I can't thank the FOP enough”. Our thanks go out to Sheriff Roth for his belief in Deputy Jodlowski, the entire Clemency Board for their support and compassion and Governor Crist for signing the significant order that ends a very long ordeal. We also recognize and thank George Hachigian for taking on this challenge and protecting the rights of our brother.

Congratulations to Monroe County Deputy Raymond Lee Jodlowski. ★

The Florida State Lodge Communications Committee and your newsletter editor are looking for newsworthy contributions to share in the “Florida On Patrol” newsletter. If you have any local news articles, lodge information or important functions happening, please send the information to editor@floridastatefop.org to be included in the next edition of the newsletter.

We are looking to expand the online newsletter to include advertisements from members or local businesses, associates or others interested in sharing their business information with our 20,000 members. Advertising rates will be competitive and available on request. Discounts for active members and associates with their own businesses. ★

OFFICERS AT RISK BY RESISTING ARMOR

More than one-third of police officers murdered last year were not wearing body armor, and law enforcement analysts estimate that up to half of all officers don't wear bullet-resistant vests regularly while on duty. **TWICE WOUNDED:** Officer no longer resists body armor

Trainers, police officials and equipment dealers say the FBI statistics tracking murdered officers represent only part of a troubling phenomenon at a time when police confront suspects armed with higher-powered weapons. They worry officers will be put at increased risk. **TWICE WOUNDED:** Officer no longer resists body armor The vast majority of the nation's 700,000 officers own or have access to bullet-resistant vests, says Ed Nowicki, executive director of the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association. Yet he estimates thousands up to 50% choose not to wear them all or part of the time. The risk of dying by gunfire is 14 times higher for officers not wearing armor, Congress found in 2001. 'It's like playing Russian roulette,' Nowicki says. 'We know we have a problem. The question is, 'What are we going to do to make this right?' ' The economy is partly to blame for slightly lagging sales of vests this year, says Michael Foreman of Point Blank Body Armor, one of the largest manufacturers. He says police agencies often don't emphasize body armor in their training.

No national count tracks how many officers wear vests, which cost \$500 to more than \$1,000 each. Yet there is broad agreement over why thousands don't: comfort.

Miami Police Chief John Timoney says the heat is the primary reason up to 85% of his officers do not regularly wear body armor. Every graduate from the training academy gets a vest, but there is no policy requiring them to be worn at all times.

In Philadelphia, police Lt. Frank Vanore says the department mandates use of body armor, but enforcement is difficult. At least two of the five officers killed there in the past two years were not wearing protective vests.



Earlier this month, Philadelphia Police Commissioner Charles Ramsey approved a plan to let officers wear vests over their uniform shirts to make them more comfortable and easier to remove.

Over the past decade, 43% of the 1,671 officers who died of any cause in the line of duty including traffic fatalities weren't wearing vests, reports the National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund. In 2007, 27% weren't wearing them, the third straight year in which the percentage declined.

The FBI statistics, though, show the percentage of officers murdered who weren't wearing vests has stayed between 33 and 44 over the past decade.

Access to vests is a concern in rural departments, says Robert Mowery, who heads Fraternal Order of Police efforts that provide protective vests to needy departments throughout Tennessee.

In August, Justice Department officials issued new standards for the vests aimed at improving their power to stop bullets. Yet officials worry the new standards also could result in costlier and heavier products, possibly discouraging future use. 'We don't know how the (armor makers and police are) going to react' to the new standards, says John Morgan of the agency's National Institute of Justice. ★



SEASON'S
Greetings



NEW LAW ALLOWS VETERANS' SALUTES DURING ANTHEM

WASHINGTON (AFRNS) -- Veterans and active-duty military not in uniform can now render the military-style hand salute during the



playing of the national anthem, thanks to changes in federal law that took effect this month.

"The military salute is a unique gesture of respect that marks those who have served in our nation's armed forces," said Dr. James B. Peake, secretary of Veterans Affairs. "This provision allows the application of that honor in all events involving our nation's flag."

The new provision improves upon a little known change in federal law last year that authorized veterans to render the military-style hand salute during the raising, lowering or passing of the flag, but it did not address salutes during the national anthem. Last year's provision also applied to service members while not in uniform.

Traditionally, members of the nation's veterans service organizations have rendered the hand-salute during the national anthem and at events involving the national flag while wearing their organization's official head-gear.

The most recent change, authorizing hand-salutes during the national anthem by veterans and out-of-uniform military personnel, was sponsored by Sen. Jim Inhofe of Oklahoma, an Army veteran. It was included in the Defense Authorization Act of 2009, which President Bush signed Oct. 14.

The earlier provision authorizing hand-salutes for veterans and out-of-uniform service members during the raising, lowering or passing of the flag, was contained in the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008, which took effect Jan. 28, 2008. (Courtesy of VA News) ★

WHY PARENTS DRINK

The boss wondered why one of his most valued employees had not phoned in sick one day. Having an urgent problem with one of the main computers, he dialed the employee's home phone number and was greeted with a child's whisper. 'hello?'

Is your Daddy home? He asked. 'Yes,' whispered the small voice.

May I talk with him?' The child whispered, 'No.'

Surprised and wanting to talk with an adult, the boss asked, 'Is your Mommy there?' 'Yes'

May I talk to her?' Again the small voice whispered, 'No.'

Hoping there was somebody with whom he could leave a message, the boss asked, 'Is anyone else there?' 'Yes,' whispered the child, 'a policeman.'

Wondering what a cop would be doing at his employee's home, the boss asked, 'May I speak with the policeman?' 'No, he's busy', whispered the child.

'Busy doing what?' 'Talking to Daddy and Mommy and the Fireman,' came the whispered answer.

Growing more worried as he heard a loud noise in the background through the earpiece on the phone, the boss asked, 'What is that noise?' 'A helicopter' answered the whispering voice.

What is going on there? Demanded the boss, now truly apprehensive again, whispering, the child answers, 'The search team just landed a helicopter.'

Alarmed, concerned and a little frustrated the boss asked, 'What are they searching for?'

Still whispering, the young voice replied with a muffled giggle... 'me.' ★



TRAINING COMMITTEE

Presents

OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

Date: February 18th, 2009 (Wednesday)

Time: 8:00am – 5:00pm (Lunch on your own)

Location:

Wyndham Resort
8001 International Drive
Orlando, Florida 32819
(407)351-2420

Cost: \$20.00 per person

This course will focus on the Criminal and Internal Representation of members involved in Shooting situations and the Civil Liability of Officer Involved Shootings. The class is designed to inform and update officers and supervisors on the rights of officers, duties of the investigators and procedures when an officer becomes involved in a line of duty shooting involving death or injury.

This class may be used for 8 hours of mandatory retraining.

*** Attorneys attending will receive 4 hours of CLE. ***

Instructors: George Hachigian, Florida State FOP Labor Chief of Staff

John Fry, Florida State FOP General Counsel

*** Class size is limited * Please register early***

Please register for the above class by completing the registration form below and send it by mail or fax prior to February 7th, 2009. FAX number is (813) 681-2177. Make checks payable to Florida State Lodge.

Mail to: FOP, 702 Hyssop Place, Brandon, Florida 33510. Or you may e-mail registration information to: training@FloridaStateFOP.org

Please phone Lisa Dubord @ (813) 394-1677 if you do not have access to a fax or e-mail.

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TOP 25 THINGS OFFICERS TODAY SHOULD KNOW:



The Calibre Press Street Survival Newsline is a weekly training e-newsletter provided free to sworn law enforcement professionals. Published by PoliceOne.com, the Newsline first launched in 1995 and has distributed nearly 1,000 custom-written training articles over the past 12 years. After receiving an overwhelming amount of responses to a request for the "Top 25" things officers should know, every submission was reviewed and tallied. The following list contains items that came straight from individual officers across the country.

"Top 25" ranked in order of importance according to your votes:

1. Family comes first. Don't let the job consume you. Ultimately, the only things that matter are the people waiting for you to come home.
2. Take care of yourself. Live a healthy lifestyle balanced with physical fitness and nutrition.
3. Continue to educate yourself and TRAIN in defensive tactics. Take on extra training opportunities as often as you can.
4. Expect the unexpected. Be prepared for anything. No call is a routine call. Pay attention, especially during boring or repetitious calls. **COMPLACENCY IS DEADLY.**
5. Maintain your Integrity. The uniform you wear comes with a certain level of integrity that must be preserved.
6. Remember Cover/Concealment. Always be aware of your surroundings (on or off duty). Stay alert and aware of potential dangers in your patrol zones. Know your patrol zones better than the illegals and smugglers.
7. Be aware of body language and non-verbal communication. Watch the hands and eyes during all citizen contact. Hands kill you – control them.
8. Listen to your instinct. If you don't think something's quite right, it's probably not.
9. Be professional and courteous to fellow officers, administrators and civilians. Remember, you're being evaluated on and off duty.
10. Know the law. Keep up on all changes of the laws and policies, as well as court decisions. Keep up to date on search & seizure laws and probable cause.
11. Know your agency policies.
12. Mentally prepare. Keep a positive mindset - "I will go home at the end of my shift." Practice When/Then thinking. "When this happens; then I will..."
13. Practice defensive driving and safe vehicle operations. More officers get killed by vehicles than gunfire. Wear your seat belt.
14. Practice, practice, practice. Train to react and rely on your training. Practice firearms, defense tactics and verbal judo skills like your life depends on it.
15. Have other interests, hobbies outside of your work.



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ASSIST MEMBERS IN HURRICANE RAVAGED AREAS

Please remember Harris County Texas Sheriff's Detective Tommy Keen who was killed in the line of duty accidentally while clearing a downed tree following Hurricane Ike.

While the storm is over the clean up and recovery is just beginning. Many officer's lives were affected and they need your help.

Assist Members in Hurricane Ravaged Areas

The NFOP has a Disaster Relief Fund that will be used to assist members whose families and/or homes have been damaged by the Hurricanes. Your assistance is needed to help these members. Please make your contribution today. All contributions to this IRS 501.c3 organization are tax deductible.

Please mail donations to:

Fraternal Order of Police Foundation
701 Marriott Drive
Nashville TN 37214

Please make checks payable to "FOP Foundation"

Or you can make a contribution by MasterCard or Visa by completing and sending the following form.

Please mail, fax or email this form to:

Fraternal Order of Police Foundation
701 Marriott Drive
Nashville TN 37214

Amount: _____

Name: _____

Address _____

City: _____

State: _____

ZIP or Postal Code: _____

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Thank you for your support.

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16. Know your strengths and weaknesses including size limitations.

17. Don't disregard your backup until you're sure you don't need it, and then think through it again. When backing up fellow officers, be the best you can be.

18. Know your equipment and take care of it. Be proficient with it.

19. Always wear your vest.

20. Never underestimate the enemy. On every encounter, expect your worst possible adversary.

21. Play the "what if" game in your head so that you are prepared for any situation.

22. Remember the golden rule of handcuffing - cuff and then search. When searching for a weapon, remember the "Plus One" theory - if you find one, search for two and if you find two, search for three and so on.

23. Remember to advise dispatch of your location.

24. Practice your communication skills - writing and speaking. This includes writing thorough and detailed reports.

25. Have confidence in and support your fellow officers. We are all brothers and sisters under one badge. ★

OFFICER FATALITIES CAUSED BY DRUNKEN DRIVERS ON THE INCREASE

by Craig W. Floyd



JD's Tavern, about 20 miles from Springfield, Illinois, has had more than its fair share of trouble. According to one newspaper report, local law enforcement agencies were called 32 times for help during a 10-month period in 2007. "Way too much manpower has been dedicated to that one location," said Sangamon County Sheriff's Captain Jack Campbell.

During the early morning hours of October 28, 2007, trouble had broken out once again. Two sheriff's deputies who had been called to JD's on another matter found themselves in a middle of a parking lot melee involving about 10 other people. When one of the deputies was struck in the head, they called for backup.

Illinois State Trooper Brian McMillen responded to the emergency call. It was about 2:44 a.m. and Trooper McMillen had his lights and siren on. As he was nearing JD's, a 22-year-old drunken driver crossed the center line and crashed into Trooper McMillen's vehicle, causing it to spin into oncoming traffic. He was struck a second time by another drunken driver and Trooper McMillen's car burst into flames. The 24-year-old trooper, who had been on the job for less than a year, was trapped inside his patrol car and he was pronounced dead on the scene. He was survived by his wife, Angela, his parents and 10 siblings.

His former high school basketball coach, Gary Bowker, said Brian would always do whatever it took for the good of the team. "You watch movies with gladiators and warriors. The only thing warriors like that fear is a dishonorable death . . . For Brian, he was hustling his tail off to help someone in need in an unselfish manner and that's just so typical."

The driver charged with causing the crash that took Trooper McMillen's life had a history of drunken and reckless driving violations. He was already serving 12 months of court supervision for another DUI charge, and his license had been suspended twice—

for an underage liquor violation, and for having three or more moving violations.

Brian McMillen's death was one of seven law enforcement fatalities last year caused by drunken drivers. Other officers who were involved in automobile crashes caused by drunken drivers included: Needville (TX) Chief of Police Ernest Valencia Mendoza; Los Angeles County (CA) Deputy Sheriff Raul Vasquez Gama; and Patrol Officer Scott Bell of the Jacksonville (FL) Sheriff's Office. In an incident eerily similar to Trooper McMillen's, Guam Police Sergeant Frankie E. Smith was responding to a fight that had broken out at a local nightclub when his motorcycle was struck by a drunk driver on December 30.

Gainesville (FL) Police Lieutenant Corey Dahlem was struck and killed on April 4, 2007, by a drunken driver while on foot patrol following the NCAA basketball game at the University of Florida. Lisa Renee Beaulieu, a Beaumont (TX) police officer, was struck and killed later that same month by a driver under the influence of alcohol while investigating an earlier traffic accident.



According to the records kept by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF), 462 officers in American history have been killed in traffic-related incidents caused by drivers under the influence of alcohol. Of those 462 officers, 220 were struck and killed while outside of their vehicles, 198 were killed in automobile crashes and 44 died in motorcycle crashes.

The first law officer known to have been killed by a drunken driver was Patrick A. Butler, chief of police in Weymouth, Massachusetts. On the night of April 15, 1915, Chief Butler left his home and was walking to the police station when he noticed a car driving toward him with no lights on. The 60-year-old chief walked into the street and signaled for the driver to stop

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After hearing a scream, neighbors ran to the scene and found Chief Butler lying under the car with a fractured skull and broken neck. According to newspaper reports, the man who struck the chief had three quarts of whiskey in his car at the time of his arrest “and he was too dazed to talk coherently.”

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Witnesses said the car had “zig-zagged unsteadily, always on the wrong side of the street,” a short time before the accident.

Aggressive enforcement of drunk driving laws has made it safer on our roadways for the driving public. Just consider, for example, that the number of alcohol-related deaths nationwide was 22,084 in 1990, compared to 17,602 in 2006—a 20 percent reduction. However, the crackdown on drunk drivers has put officers at greater risk and resulted in a rising number of fatalities among our law enforcement ranks.

A careful analysis of the records kept by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund shows that the number of officers killed in traffic-related incidents caused by persons under the influence of alcohol has risen by a staggering 41 percent over the last three decades. During the 10 years between 1978-1987, there were 74 officers killed in traffic-related incidents caused by persons under the influence of alcohol. From 1988-1997, that figure rose to 89; and from 1998-2007, the total was 104. Over the last 10 years, 6.2 percent of the total number of officers killed in the line of duty (1,671) were caused by drunken drivers, compared to 3.8 percent of the total fatalities between 1978-1987 (1,933).

The dedication of our law enforcement professionals in ridding our roads of drunk drivers was certainly exemplified on March 27, 1985. Patrolman Thomas Strunk, a three-year veteran of the Billerica (MA) Police Department, was off duty that day. Tom and his wife, Nancy, were heading home after running some errands with their three young sons.



They were just a few miles from home when Tom saw a car ahead of him swerving all over the road. After following the vehicle for a short distance he became convinced that the driver was probably drunk and posed a serious threat to others on the road. So, Patrolman Strunk pulled the driver over. Before he got out of the car, Tom told his wife and sons not to worry—he would be right back.

But when he approached the man’s car, identified himself as a police officer and asked the man to step out of the car, the driver attempted to flee. The man rolled up the car window, trapping Patrolman Strunk’s arm, and then took off, dragging Tom alongside at speeds reaching 55 miles per hour. The driver soon lost control of the vehicle and smashed into a pole. Tom Strunk died less than an hour later. He never regained consciousness.

His young son, Jeff, watched in horror that day as his father was killed by a drunk driver. He could have easily blamed the law enforcement profession for his father’s death. Instead, though, he decided to help finish the job his father had started and joined the Billerica Police Department, where he now proudly serves

Craig W. Floyd is chairman of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund and is a regular contributor to AMERICAN POLICE BEAT. Visit www.nleomf.com for more information about law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. ★

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DOL ISSUES MUCH ANTICIPATED FMLA REGULATIONS

From CCH.com, November 17

The first revision to the Family and Medical Leave Act's (FMLA) regulations since its enactment in 1993 law was published by the Department of Labor's (DOL) Wage and Hour Division in the Federal Register on November 17, 2008. The FMLA allows eligible employees a total of 12 weeks of job protected unpaid leave during the year to care for a newborn or sick child, spouse or parent, or to recover from their own serious health conditions. In addition to addressing issues related to the definition for "continuing treatment" of a serious health condition, notice requirements and medical certification, among others, the final regulations also implement the new military leave provisions signed into law by President George W. Bush last January.

"This final rule, for the first time, gives America's military families special job-protected leave rights to care for brave service men and women who are wounded or injured, and also helps families of members of the National Guard and Reserves manage their affairs when their service member is called up for active duty," said Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao. "At the same time, the final rule provides needed clarity about general FMLA rights and obligations for both workers and employers."

The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110-181), signed into law by the President, included provisions amending the FMLA to allow the "spouse, son, daughter, parent, or next of kin" of injured military personnel to take up to 26 weeks of leave during a 12-month period to care for a "member of the Armed Forces, including a member of the National Guard or Reserves, who is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy, is otherwise in outpatient status...on the temporary disability retired list, for a serious injury or illness." That part of the expansion to the FMLA, the military caregiver leave provision, took effect upon the President's signing.

The other leave entitlement, the qualifying exigency leave provision, requires employers to provide 12 weeks of FMLA leave to the spouse, son, daughter or parent of a service member who is on active duty

(or has been notified of a pending call or order to return to active duty). It will not take effect until the final regulations take effect. The expansion required the Secretary of Labor to define "any qualifying exigency" through regulation. The final rule defines "qualifying exigencies" as: (1) short-notice deployment; (2) military events and related activities; (3) childcare and school activities; (4) financial and legal arrangements; (5) counseling; (6) rest and recuperation; (7) post-deployment activities; and (8) additional activities where the employer and employee agree to the leave.

According to the preamble to the final rule, the DOL has incorporated, wherever feasible, the new military family leave entitlements into the FMLA regulations, stating that the procedures used when taking military family leave should be the same as those used for other types of FMLA leave whenever possible. There will be exceptions, particularly as to the certification and notice provisions, but the DOL believes that "completely separating the military family leave provisions from the provisions governing the taking of other types of FMLA leave would create unnecessary confusion and complexity for employees and employers."

Beside military leave, on "serious health conditions," the final rule clarifies that if an employee is taking leave involving more than three consecutive calendar days of incapacity plus two visits to a health care provider, the two visits must occur within 30 days of the period of incapacity. It also defines "periodic visits to a health care provider" for chronic serious health conditions as at least two visits to a health care provider per year. The final rule consolidates all employer notice requirements into a "one-stop" section of the regulations to clear up some conflicting provisions and time periods. Regarding medical certifications, the final rule adds a requirement that limits who may contact the health care provider by banning an employee's direct supervisor from making the contact. The final rule can be found at: http://federalregister.gov/OFRUpload/OFRData/2008-26577_PI.pdf.

H.R. 218 PREVAILS IN SOUTH DAKOTA CASE, JUDGE SAYS STATES CANNOT RESTRICT CONCEALED CARRY BY QUALIFIED OFFICERS

Chuck Canterbury, National President of the Fraternal Order of Police, was pleased, but not surprised, by news that charges were dismissed against four qualified law enforcement officers who were indicted for violating South Dakota's law against carrying concealed firearms during a visit to that State.

"Dismissal of the charges was absolutely the right decision," Canterbury said. "The judge's ruling correctly applied the Law Enforcement Officers' Safety Act, which is better known to FOP members as "H.R. 218."

Four off-duty, active law enforcement officers, three Federal and one local, were charged for carrying concealed firearms while visiting a bar in Sturgis, South Dakota. The four were carrying lawfully under the provisions of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (LEOSA), or 18 USC 926B, which exempts qualified active law enforcement officers from State and local prohibitions on the carriage of concealed firearms. The exemption does not attach if the officer is under the influence.

After examining the facts of the case, Judge Warren G. Johnson of South Dakota's Fourth Judicial Circuit, dismissed the charges, writing that while "States retain the right to prohibit the possession of firearms on government property and to permit private persons and entities to prohibit the possession of firearms on their property, they cannot restrict qualified law enforcement officers in any other manner."

"The FOP fielded a lot of calls and emails from

concerned members when the indictments were first announced, saying that the officers should not have been charged in the first place. Given the outcome, I agree with them," Canterbury said.

Initial news reports about the incident were complicated by a misstatement from a public information officer with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), which suggested that the law had never taken effect. The FOP contacted ATF about the statement, which prompted a swift response in the form of a letter from W. Larry Ford, the Assistant Director for the Office of Public and Governmental Affairs, in which he apologized for the confusion and clarified the application of the law.

"In short, LEOSA is Federal law and qualified active and retired law enforcement officers may rely on it when traveling with their firearms," Canterbury said. ★

The news article regarding Judge Johnson's decision to dismiss the charges as reported by the *Rapid City Journal* can be found here: <http://www.rapidcityjournal.com/articles/2008/11/17/news/top/doc492204ea686aa194895385.txt>

The letter from Assistant Director Ford referenced above can be found here: <http://www.fop.net/>



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SACK LUNCHES

I put my carry-on in the luggage compartment and sat down in my assigned seat. It was going to be a long flight. 'I'm glad I have a good book to read. Perhaps I will get a short nap,' I thought.

Just before take-off, a line of soldiers came down the aisle and filled all the vacant seats, totally surrounding me. I decided to start a conversation. 'Where are you headed?' I asked the soldier seated nearest to me. 'Great Lakes Air Base. We'll be there for two weeks for special training, and then we're being deployed to Iraq.'

After flying for about an hour, an announcement was made that sack lunches were available for five dollars. It would be several hours before we reached Chicago, and I quickly decided a lunch would help pass the time.

As I reached for my wallet, I overheard soldier ask his buddy if he planned to buy lunch. 'No, that seems like a lot of money for just a sack lunch. Probably wouldn't be worth five bucks. I'll wait till we get to Chicago. His friend agreed.

I looked around at the other soldiers. None were buying lunch. I walked to the back of the plane and handed the flight attendant a fifty-dollar bill. 'Take a lunch to all those soldiers.' She grabbed my arms and squeezed tightly. Her eyes wet with tears, she thanked me. 'My son was a soldier in Iraq; it's almost like you are doing it for him.'

Picking up ten sacks, she headed up the aisle to where the soldiers were seated. She stopped at my seat and asked, 'Which do you like best - beef or chicken?' 'Chicken,' I replied, wondering why she asked. She turned and went to the front of plane, returning a minute later with a dinner plate from first class. 'This is your thanks.'

After we finished eating, I went again to the back of the plane, heading for the rest room. A man stopped me. 'I saw what you did. I want to be part of it. Here, take this.' He handed me twenty-five dollars.

Soon after I returned to my seat, I saw the Flight Captain coming down the aisle, looking at the aisle

numbers as he walked, I hoped he was not looking for me, but noticed he was looking at the numbers only on my side of the plane. When he got to my row he stopped, smiled, held out his hand, and said, 'I want to shake your hand.'

Quickly unfastening my seat belt I stood and took the Captain's hand. With a booming voice he said, 'I was a soldier and I was a military pilot. Once, someone bought me a lunch. It was an act of kindness I never forgot.' I was embarrassed when applause was heard from all of the passengers.

Later I walked to the front of the plane so I could stretch my legs. A man who was seated about six rows in front of me reached out his hand, wanting to shake mine. He left another twenty-five dollars in my palm.

When we landed in Chicago I gathered my belongings and started to deplane. Waiting just inside the airplane door was a man who stopped me, put something in my shirt pocket, turned, and walked away without saying a word. Another twenty-five dollars!

Upon entering the terminal, I saw the soldiers gathering for their trip to the base. I walked over to them and handed them seventy-five dollars. 'It will take you some time to reach the base. It will be about time for another sandwich. God Bless You.'

Ten young men left that flight feeling the love and respect of their fellow travelers. As I walked briskly to my car, I whispered a prayer for their safe return. These soldiers were giving their all for our country. I could only give them a couple of meals. It seemed so little...

"A veteran is someone who, at one point in his life wrote a blank check made payable to 'The United States of America' for an amount of 'up to and including my life.' That is Honor, and there are way too many people in this country who no longer understand it." ★

AT RETIREMENT, A HEALTHY BONUS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

By **Anthony Cormier**

Sheriff Bill Balkwill is set to cash in \$87,000 in unpaid sick time and leave time when he retires in January and has socked away more than any other law enforcement officer in Southwest Florida, records show.

The money is an accumulation of the sick and vacation hours Balkwill did not use during his 30-year career, and is an example of how government workers can let their hours blossom into handsome retirement checks.

With budget cuts in store this year, sheriffs across Florida face difficult financial choices, but few are moving to cut a benefit that is a relic in the private sector and is being rethought by other government agencies.

In Charlotte, Manatee and Sarasota counties, taxpayers are liable for at least \$20 million in unpaid sick and leave time owed to sheriff's deputies alone.

It is not uncommon in Florida for longtime government workers to walk away from their careers with checks for \$30,000 to \$40,000 because rule changes enacted in recent years do not apply to staff who were accumulating hundreds of hours of leave in the 1980s and 1990s.

Sarasota County moved this summer to pay out longtime workers and enacted some of the strictest controls in the region. The county paid out \$4.8 million and hopes to save as much as \$500,000 a year by stopping it.

When they voted to dismantle the policy, county commissioners said public salaries were rising to meet the private sector, and that shrinking budgets would force governments to rethink benefits.

Balkwill followed suit, enacting stricter caps in October that will keep deputies from saving more than 500 hours of vacation time. He paid \$24,000 to 12 deputies who had saved extensive amounts of leave time.

Now, deputies who accrue more than 500 hours will have two pay periods to use the extra hours or lose them. It is not clear how much money that will save over the next few years.

Sick time works differently.

Employees hired before 2002, with 10 years of service, can take a quarter of unused sick time. Those with more than 20 years can take half of their sick time. The same rules apply to those hired after 2002, although there are caps of 250 and 350 hours, depending on the length of service.

The new rules at the Sarasota Sheriff's Office take effect Jan. 9 and will not affect the accrued sick and vacation time that Balkwill saved.

Balkwill, who did not return phone calls for this story, cannot write that check to himself under state law. So incoming sheriff Tom Knight would likely be asked to sign it.

Sheriffs have great leeway when it comes to budgets, and amid this year's budget cuts, Balkwill is the only local sheriff to consider further cuts to sick and vacation banks.

Each agency handles its accrued leave differently.



Sarasota Count Sheriff Bill Balkwill has 2,120 unused hours and a total payout of \$87,000

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But throughout the state, several factors seem standard: The unused hours are paid out at an employee's current salary; the employee has to have a certain tenure, usually 10 years, to be eligible; and the employee has to leave under "honorable" circumstances.

"In our case, there is a cap on how many hours you can accrue, and the cap is different for deputies and civilians," said Charlotte Sheriff John Davenport.

Davenport's agency has the strictest standards in the region. Charlotte County limits accrued time for all deputies to a total of 720 hours (about four months of work), regardless of when they were hired.

Police unions say they would likely challenge any cuts to the benefit.

"Every agency is exploring ways to amend or cut their budget," says James Preston, head of the Florida Fraternal Order of Police, a union group. "But I would never encourage them to do away with this benefit. If it becomes one of those things where either you use it or lose it, officers are going to use it."



Charlotte Maj. Mark Caro has 720 unused hours and a \$33,500 payout



Manatee Maj. James Higginbotham has 1,540 unused hours and a \$77,000 payout



Manatee Maj. Connie Singledecker has 1,540 unused hours and a \$77,000 payout



Manatee Maj. Keith Stewart has 1,540 unused hours and a \$77,000 payout



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FLORIDA FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE DONATES \$100,000 TO NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT MUSEUM

Washington, DC – The first-ever national museum dedicated to law enforcement in the United States is one step closer to reality, thanks to a generous donation from the Florida Fraternal Order of Police (FOP).

Under the leadership of State Lodge President James Preston, local lodges and individual members and donors of the Florida FOP have raised \$100,000 for the National Law Enforcement Museum, scheduled to open in Washington, DC, in 2012.

“When the law enforcement community in Florida learned we were building a world-class museum that would tell their profession’s remarkable story of service and sacrifice, the members of the Florida FOP came together in a statewide partnership around the project,” said Craig W. Floyd, chairman and CEO of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, which is spearheading the Museum project. “That their grassroots campaign raised \$100,000 in support of this national museum is a testament to the vision of State Lodge President James Preston and the commitment his members have to their profession and the public they serve,” Mr. Floyd added.

Authorized by Congress in the year 2000, the planned National Law Enforcement Museum is a 95,000 square foot, mostly underground museum to be located adjacent to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in downtown Washington, DC. The Memorial contains the names of 18,274 law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty throughout U.S. history, including 707 officers from the state of Florida.

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National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund
400 7th Street, NW, Suite 300
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Florida FOP Donates \$100,000 to National Law Enforcement Museum AD 1

The Museum will serve as a natural complement to the Memorial, helping citizens better understand and appreciate the vital role that law enforcement officers play in enforcing the law and keeping communities safe from crime and terror. The Museum will feature high-tech, interactive exhibitions, including use-of-force and high-speed driving simulators; precious artifacts and oral histories; and extensive research, educational and public programming for young people and adults.

“Getting behind a museum of this caliber was an easy call for our lodges and members,” said Mr. Preston, the State FOP Lodge President. “The National Law Enforcement Museum will be a crown jewel for law enforcement officers throughout Florida and across the nation. Peace officers and the public will thoroughly enjoy the interactive experience of the Museum as they get a hands-on feel for what it means to be a law enforcement officer of yesterday and today,” he added.

The privately funded Museum has launched an \$80 million capital campaign, with more than \$36 million raised to date, much of it from the law enforcement community. The Florida FOP is one of more than three dozen law enforcement organizations nationally that have donated \$100,000 or more to the Museum. Former Presidents Bill Clinton and George H.W. Bush serve as national honorary co-chairs of the Museum’s capital campaign, called “A Matter of Honor.”

For more information about the National Law Enforcement Museum, including a virtual tour, visit www.LawEnforcementMuseum.org.

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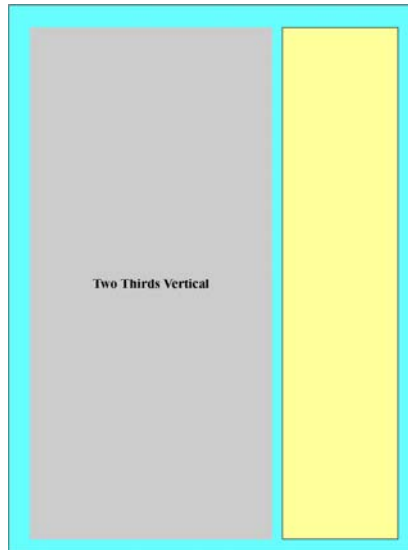
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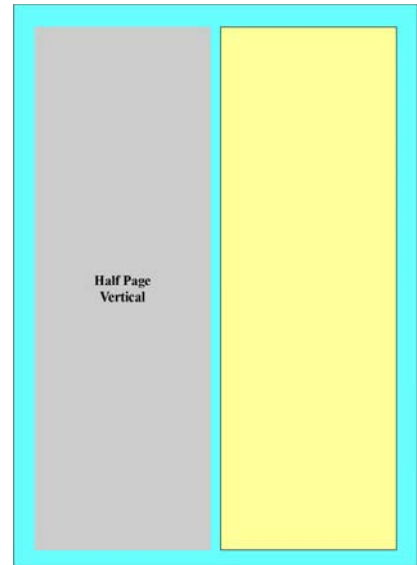
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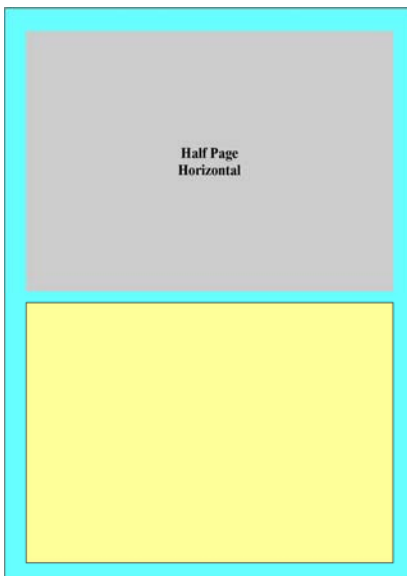
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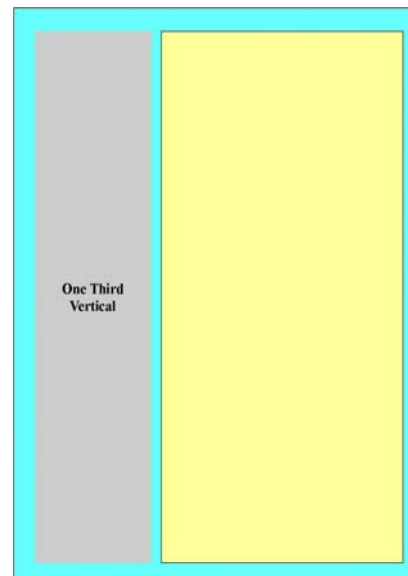
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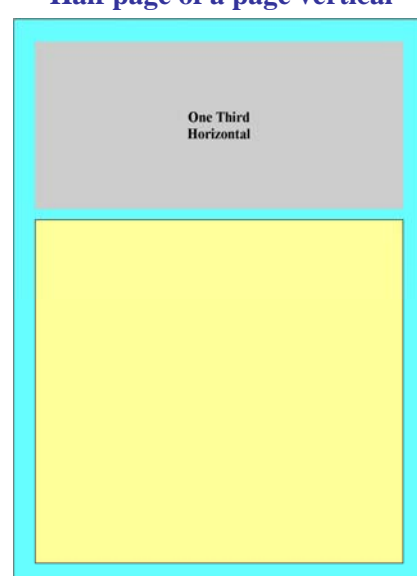
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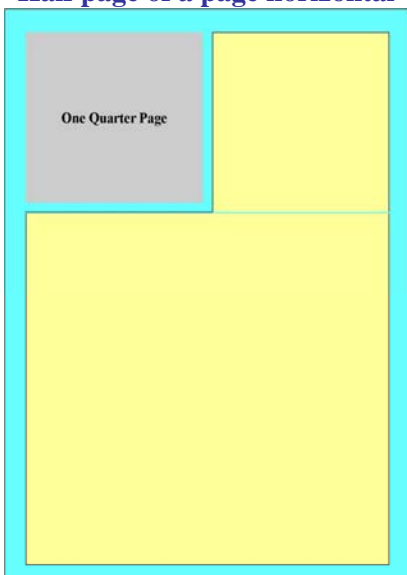
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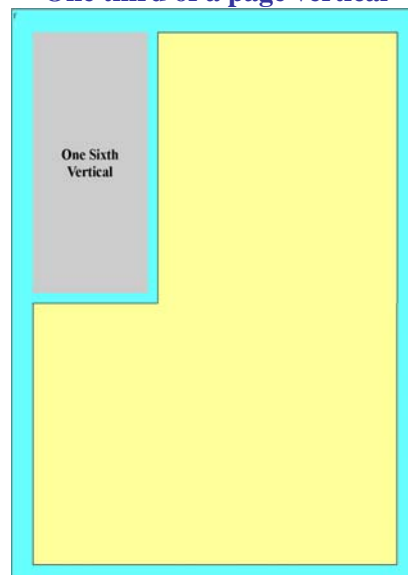
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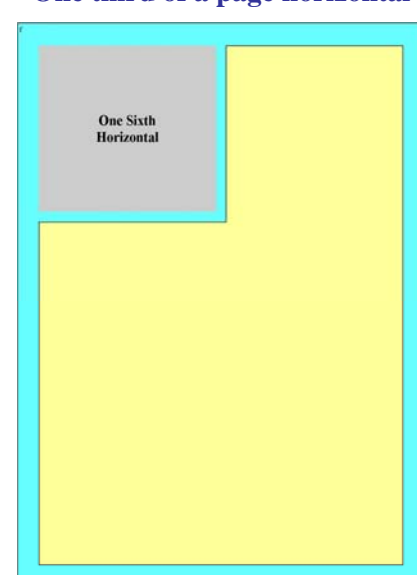
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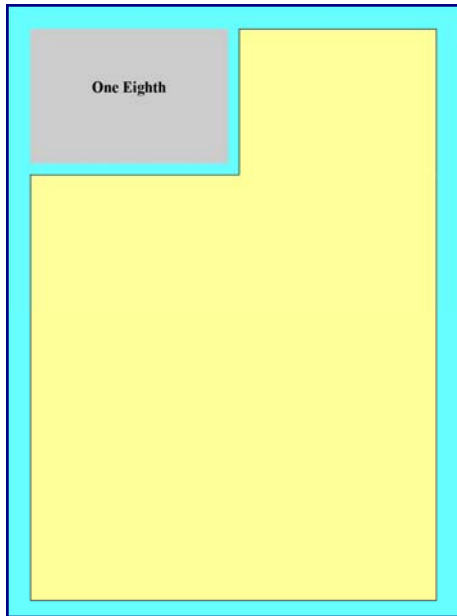
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Fraternal Order of Police Auxiliary History Pittsburgh: The Beginning

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania: Steel Town, USA. It's the Roaring Twenties and American women's voices have risen to a roar. They were heard across the nation and all the way to the United States Congress which passed the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. Women were organizing!

Pittsburgh women caught the fever and organized a "Ladies Auxiliary" to the Fraternal Order of Police Fort Pitt Lodge No. 1 in November 1920. They joined their husbands on the picket line to secure pay increases and better working conditions for the police officers of Pittsburgh.

Key players in this pioneering effort were Kathryn Milton and Mary McNamara. Kathryn Milton drew up the by-laws and served as the first president. Restricted from membership in the FOP because of her gender, female Pittsburgh Police Officer Mary Hummel was among the charter members of that first Ladies' Auxiliary.

From the shores of Lake Erie to the eastern border of Pennsylvania, "sisters" joined to create two more Auxiliaries in Erie and Scranton. Policewoman Elizabeth Jeffs organized the Erie Auxiliary and the third Auxiliary was formed to the E.B. Jermyn FOP Lodge No. 2 in Scranton.

Milestones and Sidesteps to Organizing the Auxiliary

1922 - National FOP is notified that the functioning Ladies Auxiliaries want the FOP to "charter" their organizations. A resolution is passed by the FOP allowing this, but no further action is taken.

1926 - National FOP advised the Ladies Auxiliaries to become incorporated to obtain legal standing. The Ladies Auxiliary petitioned the FOP to allow Auxiliaries to incorporate and applied for a charter in the name of the "Grand Lodge Auxiliary". The petition was accepted by the FOP but no further action was taken.

1937 - The Auxiliaries, through Edythe Hinkle of Canton, Ohio, asked for "official recognition" and action to "clarify our status". No further action was taken.

1941 - In September 1941, at the FOP National Conference in Toledo, Ohio, the Grand Lodge Auxiliary was organized. Kathryn Milton, the Pittsburgh pioneer in the Ladies Auxiliary, was elected National President.

1949 - World War II has delayed the growth of the National Auxiliary. With the war effort over, the ladies' efforts began again and at the National FOP Conference of 1949 in Lexington, Kentucky, the official charter was presented to the Grand Lodge Ladies Auxiliary by the FOP.

Grand Gatherings of the 40s, 50s and 60s

Banquet dinners, tuxedos and formals. Edith Mills, National Auxiliary President from 1949-1953, recalls that a peach colored gown was her favorite for one conference.

Attire during conferences had been formal. Rituals for the Auxiliary require the wearing of white gloves. Hats were not allowed during meetings up until the 1970s. It was during the 1970s that attire became more casual. Dresses also became a sign of unity, with Auxiliaries within state delegations dressing in similar styles (some wore uniforms) or styles that reflected their regionalism. The entire delegation from Oklahoma wore red and white checkered outfits to show support for a candidate. Their outfits reflected a western motif. Who couldn't recognize the great state of New Mexico's delegates with their serapes?!

In 1959 the Kathryn M. Milton Scholarship Fund was established. The Grand Lodge Auxiliary provides an educational grant awarded annually through a random drawing for contributing Auxiliaries. Children of FOP members and Auxiliary members are eligible for this grant.

The Auxiliary newsletter, the Journalette, was first published in the early 1960s, and then discontinued for several years, to be reinstated in 1973. At the 30th Biennial Conference held in Phoenix, Arizona the Journalette was officially renamed the "Auxiliary Journal".

Breaking Traditions and Stereotypes in the 1980s

The 1980s brought a time of change, a time of breaking traditions, and tearing down old stereotypes. It was a time to come from behind the bake sale table to the front...to the podium. No longer did the Auxiliary simply conduct the Memorial Service at National Conference but in the early 1980s the Auxiliary President was given the opportunity to address the entire delegation at the Conference gathering!

A program to honor fallen law enforcement officers was established and on May 15, 1982 the first National Peace Officers' Memorial Day Service was held in Senate Park in Washington, D.C. There were approximately 125 in attendance.



FLORIDA FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE

AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual Dues: Dues are paid annually at \$18.00 per calendar year prorated at \$1.50 for each remaining month in the calendar year in which you join (National Per Capita is inclusive).

Meetings: The Florida State Lodge meets in February, June and October. Locations are announced in the State newsletter and online at www.floridastatefop.org.

Application: To the Officers and Members of the Florida Fraternal Order of Police – I hereby make application for active membership to the Florida Fraternal Order of Police. I am a family member of an active Fraternal Order of Police member.

Name: _____

Family Member: _____ Lodge Number: _____

Relationship: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____

Please print this application, fill it out and return it with your dues check and mail it to:

Fraternal Order of Police * 242 Office Plaza * Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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