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DEPUTY TONY BIER  Tony (pictured right) recently passed away after a battle with pancreatic cancer. Tony is survived by four children Nathaniel Bier, Tiffany Bier-Ortiz, Steve Newark and Kristine Newark and three grandchildren Rowlan “Anthony” Ortiz, Katie Jones and Joey Newark. His wife Cindy Newark-Bier succumbed to lung cancer three and a half years ago. In early-February, the Santee City Council, along with Lt. Rose Kurupus, presented a certificate of adjournment to Nate during a meeting.

FALLBROOK LUNCH GROUP  On February 20, the Fallbrook Lunch group, consisting mostly of retired deputies, along with several current members of the department, got together at their usual location—the Fallbrook Cafe. Mike Wittmer snapped this photo of Dave Johnson, Suzy Reschke, Sean Bove, and Sam Bove.

DEPUTIES RECEIVE AMERICANISM AWARD  Deputies Cliff LaPlant and Dean Allen from the Alpine Station were awarded the annual “Americanism” award presented at the annual Law Enforcement Memorial Wake ceremony held by the Vista Elks Lodge. They received the award following their response and actions to a domestic disturbance call with a man holding his wife hostage in an Alpine home.

POKORYN PAVILION DEDICATION  In December, the Pokorny Pavilion at the range was dedicated in honor of Retired Sergeant John Pokorny, who left an indelible mark on the WTU and SED. While John may have retired from our department, he still shares his wealth of knowledge during P.O.S.T. certification courses.
PRESIDENT’S REPORT DAVE SCHALLER

During this past month we said goodbye to a couple of old friends and partners.

First, Dep. Tony Bier from the Lemon Grove Station succumbed to his battle with cancer. Tony was witty, a little brash, and loved riding a motor as much as enjoying a fine cigar. While at his memorial ceremony, I was not surprised to learn Tony lived out the final months of life relishing the time he had left with those he loved. We should all strive to leave this world with such a positive attitude.

Some say what matters most in life is not what you do, it’s what you leave behind. During the week of his memorial ceremony, I had the opportunity to meet Tony’s children as I coordinated the DSA insurance benefits with his son Nathaniel. I’m proud to say the Bier legacy is not lost from the department as Nate is coming on board and will attend the next law enforcement academy. Nate you have big shoes to fill, but I’m sure you’ll make the old man proud!

Just a couple of weeks later we lost Dep. Frank Yancey from the South Bay Jail. Big Frank—to know him was to love him. I first met Frank in the early 1990s at old CDF. What a guy! Friendly and fair, everybody respected him, even most of the inmates. I was shocked and saddened when I learned about his passing. I hadn’t seen Frank in years, but I felt an immediate sense of loss knowing he is no longer with us.

I’ll use their passing as an opportunity to remind the rest of us that we receive a number of insurance benefits through our membership in the DSA. When something happens to a member, we who work at the association take pride in getting these benefits into the hands of surviving family as quickly as possible. Families have enough to worry about with the loss; they shouldn’t have to worry about how they’re going to pay for funeral or other expenses. In order to accomplish this task, it is so important that members take advantage of the CLEA long-term benefit available through your DSA membership. If you’ve attended a meeting or recently graduated from the academy, you’ve suffered through my plea that if you sign up for only one additional benefit through the DSA, make it the CLEA product. In the case of Tony Bier, he was collecting CLEA benefits prior to his death. Upon notification of his passing, CLEA had a death benefit check delivered to the DSA by 10 a.m. the next business day.

The DSA board feels so strongly about CLEA that it is utilizing the savings from our recent relief benefit bylaw change that we will now partially subsidize CLEA dues for all members. What this means for current members signed up for CLEA is that your dues will be reduced by a few dollars each month. For those who do not yet have the benefit, you now have one more reason why you should get it now!

Ask around, you can’t buy a product like this on the open market; it’s foolish not to have it. If you have any questions, you can always call Director Dustin Lopez or me. If you want to check to see if you already have it, call the DSA. Enrollment forms and more information is available online in the DSA Member’s Only section.

We are closing in on our annual dinner dance. Once again, I’d like to invite everyone out for a great night. As of now, we already have a record number of hotel rooms rented, so plenty of members are making a night of it! With a new location, fantastic raffle gifts and Hank Turner back on the dance floor, there is no reason it won’t be a great time.

Though a few months out, we have already made plans for our summer event. Due to overwhelming positive feedback, we will once again host the event at the Wave Waterpark in Vista. Last year’s event was the most attended DSA event ever. Our initial plan was to plan something in the south or east county, but members said they enjoyed the location and were willing to drive to Vista. With so many members living in southwest Riverside, I suppose Vista could be considered the new “central” location anyway.

Until next month: be safe, be happy, and be well.
As we look forward to spring time with anticipation, there is one always thing about this time of year that can make some cringe. The thought of completing your income taxes can be a dreary one.

For many years now, I can remember hearing of all the “special” tax deductions that are available to law enforcement officers—write-offs for haircuts, gym dues, and sporting equipment in order to “keep fit for the job.” People deduct cell phones and service because, “I’ve got to have a phone to call back RPs.” In recent years, the IRS has really cracked down on some of the “questionable” deductions being claimed.

There have even been unscrupulous tax advisors out there that have truly misguided unknowing peace officers when it comes to IRS provisions and regulations in this area. We want our members to stay well informed and avoid the pitfalls of an audit or worse yet, the wrath of IRS penalties or criminal action.

You as a peace officer have no more special provisions than anyone else in this context, with only a few distinct exceptions. Tim Kelly, Esq., a tax law expert located in northern California, has provided some great advice to peace officers in several different articles in the last couple of years pertaining to just that. Most of which is summarized in the following synopsis.

IRS Tax Code Section 162
The federal income tax deductions available to police officers are governed by Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Code Section 162. Basically, a peace officer may deduct any expenses deemed to be ordinary and necessary for the normal performance of an officer’s duties. Section 162 defines the types of expenses qualify as “ordinary and necessary.”

Ordinary and necessary expenses encompass a broad breadth of expenses, including uniforms, equipment, or services that are deemed ordinary and necessary, and are deductible as long as the officer does not use the item in unrelated activities.

Cell phones, for example, are mandatory for peace officers in some areas. Subscribing to cell phone service per this mandate, but using the device for personal use may mean the monthly service plan cannot be deducted, since you have possession and full use of the phone outside of work.

Mileage incurred while commuting to and from a deputy’s workplace is considered a normal employment expense and is not deductible. Mileage incurred for such purposes as uniform dry cleaning, trips to the shooting range, or to make a purchase of police equipment, such as batteries, may be deductible.

Also remember that if reimbursement for an expense is available, but you fail to put in for it, then the deduction is still disallowed.

If a disallowed deduction is found, the IRS will then go back another three years and assign fines, back taxes, and interest. The IRS also notifies the State of California, which then audits four years of state returns.

Bottom line is, be informed, be honest and consider hiring a reputable professional—not just somebody who is telling you everything you want to hear when it comes to peace officer related tax deductions.

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Lemon Grove Station - Michael Arroyo, Daniel Gutierrez, Jerry Jimenez, Shannon Justice
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Santee Station - Rob Bueno
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Valley Center Station - Jim Bennetts
Vista Station - Andy Julian

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Confronting Criminal Offenders’ Mental Health Issues

Message from Sheriff Bill Gore

Here’s a subject we don’t like to talk about much: the mentally ill people we come into contact with on the streets and in our jails. In our profession, we are much better at separating the bad guys from the good guys than we are dealing with people with mental illness. All of us have heard the well-worn cop line, “I didn’t sign up to be a social worker.” And it’s true. What’s also true is that to overlook mental illness can have dire and even catastrophic consequences.

Recently, a sheriff’s department in New Mexico was sued over its treatment of a mentally ill arrestee. The judgment of the jury? A whopping $22 million against the Department. All of us know stories of street confrontations that turn tragic because, as one police officer described his experience, he didn’t know he was dealing with a “crazy guy not a bad guy.” Had he known, he would not have fired his weapon. The mistake was lethal.

A couple years back, a statewide group was put together to look at the problem of the growing number of mentally ill people housed in local jails. Among those participating in the Mentally Ill in Jails Workgroup from San Diego County were Cmdr. John Ingrassia and then-Chief Mental Health Clinician Richard Conklin. In a published report from the Corrections Standards Authority, the Workgroup was straightforward in confronting the question of why “mental health care” should be a problem for the Sheriff:

“There are those who feel very strongly that jails are not designed to appropriately treat and handle people who are mentally ill...They say that, for years, jails have reluctantly opened the doors to take care of mentally ill people because no one else would do it, but nevertheless, jails are not appropriate for people who are mentally ill...”

I don’t know anyone who argues that jail is the best place to treat the mentally ill. But in a way that begs the question. The issue truly is what we do with mentally ill people who commit crimes, petty or serious, and thereby come under our control and supervision. Workgroup authors make this point powerfully: “Whether or not jails are right places for people with mental illness, they are nonetheless the places to which mentally ill people who break the law are—and will continue to be—brought.”

Among the presenters to the Workgroup was San Diego Sheriff’s Deputy Dean Hardy. Deputy Hardy is Vista Detention Facility’s Mental Health Liaison Deputy. His presentation earned a Best Practices notation from CSA for development of a Multi-Disciplinary Group to identify and deal with mentally ill inmates. Deputy Hardy is of course no social worker. Far from it. He joined our department 13 years ago after retiring from the U.S. Marine Corps and is a graduate of the Marine Corps Command and General Staff College. His work in this arena began with what he observed while assigned to the Vista Detention Facility: mentally ill arrestees, coming into the system, needed to be identified and handled appropriately—for their own sake, for the sake of fellow-inmates and for the safety of deputies.

From that straightforward observation, Deputy Hardy, with the encouragement of his command, developed protocols to ensure that these inmates receive appropriate mental health treatment and housing. For example, a Forensic Exam Unit now identifies violent mentally ill inmates to reduce the risk of uses of force while transporting or moving the inmate. His work has been recognized, and last year he was named San Diego County’s Mental Health First Responder of the Year. The real reward, he will be quick to tell you, is that our jails are safer places, for inmates and deputies alike, and we’re doing what is right in our handling of these inmates.

Studies vary on the number of inmates who suffer from “serious” mental illness. Depending upon the research study, the percentages vary. The University of Virginia’s Institute of Law, Psychiatry and Public Policy puts the number at 15 percent. The American Psychiatric Association says a bit more, the National Institute of Justice a bit less. But add to the percentage something the literature calls “co-occurring disorders”—principally drug addiction—and the percentages shoot way up. This makes the term “housing inmates” a ridiculous euphemism for what is an exceptionally complex business.

With that said, this issue becomes critically more significant as we move forward with Criminal Justice Realignment—and take into our custody thousands of newly sentenced inmates who previously would have gone to state prison.

Here we deal with an issue beyond the safety and security of our detention facilities. As important as it is to deal with mentally ill inmates as they enter our jails and serve time in our jails, it is becoming increasingly important to deal with them as they exit.

To do this right requires an exceptional level of cross-jurisdictional and cross-disciplinary cooperation. Law enforcement agencies, PERT (the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team), the Probation Department, and mental health providers, all need to know when a mentally ill inmate is leaving jail and returning to the community. This requires, in the words of Deputy Hardy, that we “pass the baton” of responsibility to assure “continuity of care.”

This looks pretty daunting, but it is in fact entirely within our wheelhouse. Is there any public agency that does better at partnering with our colleagues in law enforcement, in social services and in the community when public safety is at stake? You know the answer. You live it every day.

My continuing thanks for all you do. Do well and stay safe. ★

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February 9, 2012

President Dave Schaller called the Meeting of the Board of Directors to order on February 9, 2012 at 4:25 pm.

ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS:
Present: Schaller, Clay, Purvis, Bennetts, Lopez, Turner, DiCarlo
Absent: Petrichak/illness – excused, Garmo/department business – excused

Upon motion by Turner, Second by Purvis and passed by unanimous vote, the February 9, 2012 meeting of the Board of Directors entered into closed session at 4:26 p.m. for confidential communications to include Fern Steiner and Cindy Olson.

1) DISCUSSION:
   a) Legal, staff
      MOTION/Clay, SECOND/Turner to come out of closed session at 5:14 p.m. Motion unanimously carries

The Executive Meeting of the Board of Directors was recessed at 5:15 p.m. and President Schaller called the General Membership Meeting to order at 5:53 p.m.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE
SAN MARCOS STATION   Steve Morace
STATION REPS
CHULA VISTA COURT  Don West
EAST MESA DETENTION  Shane Bartlett
ENCINITAS STATION  Glenn Giannantonio
FINANCIAL CRIMES  John Cannon
GEORGE BAILEY DETENTION  Robert Pierson, JD Downhour
LAS COLINAS DETENTION  Scott Johnson
LEMON GROVE STATION  Michael Arroyo, Daniel Gutierrez
SANTEE STATION  Rob Bueno
SAN DIEGO COURT  Steve Bowen
SAN MARCOS STATION  Scott Carter, Alan Paez
VALLEY CENTER STATION  Jim Bennetts
VISTA COURT  Bill Yvano

2) LEGAL REPORT: Steiner
   a) Review of recent court decisions regarding law enforcement issues.

3) CONSENT CALENDAR:
   a) Minutes from January 12, 2012
   b) Retirements
      i) Robert Ahern – 31 years membership - $7,950
      ii) Vincent Albini – 31 years membership - $7,950
      iii) Peter Astuto – 29 years membership - $7,200
      iv) Robert Guerra – 30 years membership - $7,500
      v) Daniel Hernandez – 24 years membership (13 as Class 1) - $2,600
      vi) Michael Middelkamp – 20 years membership (11 as Class 1) - $2,200
      vii) Grover Nored – to rejoin as retired member
      viii) Robert Ahern – 31 years membership - $7,950
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      xi) Robert Guerra – 30 years membership - $7,500
      xii) Daniel Hernandez – 24 years membership (13 as Class 1) - $2,600
      xiii) Michael Middelkamp – 20 years membership (11 as Class 1) - $2,200
   c) Membership
      i) 2088 Class 1 Members, 152 Affiliate Membership, 55 Class III Reserve Members, 960 Retired Members for a total membership of 3,255
      ii) Grover Nored – to rejoin as retired member
      iii) Affiliate
         (1) Yvonne Callaway
         (2) Michael Flitterman
         (3) Raymond Lopez
   d) Ratification of Director poll
      i) Per Schaller – to approve $500 contribution for the State of the County Reception.
      (1) Yes – Turner, Garmo, Clay, DiCarlo, Bennetts, Petrichek, Purvis
      (2) No response – Lopez

   MOTION/Turner SECOND/Clay to approve the consent calendar. Motion unanimously carries.

4) PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Schaller
   a) Researching purchasing an extended warranty for President’s Ford Explorer.

   MOTION/Turner, SECOND/Purvis to approve up to $500 from unbudgeted funds to purchase extended warranty. Motion unanimously carries.

   b) Discussion regarding President’s committee assignment recommendations. Complete list on DSA website.

   MOTION/Purvis, SECOND/Turner to ratify the President’s committee recommendations. Motion unanimously carries.

   c) Request from Capt. Myers for a donation to California State Sheriff Association for their annual conference that is being held in San Diego.

   MOTION/Turner, SECOND/Clay to donate $2,500 to the CSSA from unbudgeted funds

   AYES – Turner, Purvis, Lopez, Clay, DiCarlo
   NOES – Bennetts

   Motion carries.

5) COMMITTEE REPORTS:
   a) BUDGET: Purvis
      i) 2012 budget is approved and available for review at the DSA office.

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b) INVESTMENTS/FINANCE: Purvis
   i) Review of investments.

c) MEMBER EVENTS: Purvis
   i) Dinner Dance on March 17th at the Hyatt Mission Bay.
   ii) Summer event will be on August 24th at the Wave WaterPark in Vista.

d) MEET & DISCUSS/CONFER: Turner
   i) Issue with cap scores and IA complaints will be discussed at the next meeting.

e) PEACE OFFICER MEMORIAL: Bennetts
   i) Discussion regarding attendance and selection procedure for California and National Memorial.

f) LEGAL DEFENSE: Petrachek
   i) If anyone is interested in being an Employee Rep please contact Petrachek or call Annette at Pinckard’s office.

g) POLITICAL ACTION: Petrachek
   i) Review of PAC activities and meetings.

   MOTION/Clay, SECOND/Purvis to endorse Jim Cunningham – Poway City Council and Mark Muir – Encinitas City Council. Motion unanimously carries.

h) SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:
   i) Discussion regarding the offset of the CLEA premium per bylaw change. More information will be available in the near future.

6) GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION
   a) Drawing for Knife and Gun cleaning kit was won by JD Downhour.

ADJOURNED 7:01 pm

ADJOURNED 3:52 p.m.

February 23, 2012: These minutes are for informational purposes only and have not been reviewed or approved by the board.

President Dave Schaller called the Meeting of the Board of Directors to order on February 23, 2012 at 12:55 pm.

ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS:
   Present: Schaller, Purvis, Clay, Petrachek, Bennetts, Garmo
   Absent: Turner, Lopez/department business - excused, DiCarlo/vacation - unexcused

Upon motion by Purvis, Second by Bennetts and passed by unanimous vote, the February 23, 2012 meeting of the Board of Directors entered into closed session at 1:00 pm for confidential communications to include Fern Steiner.

1) DISCUSSION:
   a) Closed session minutes, legal, staff

MOTION/Clay, SECOND/Bennetts to come out of closed session at 2:10 pm. Motion unanimously carries

2) CONSENT CALENDAR:
   a) Minutes from February 9, 2012
   b) Retirements
      i) Robert Bishop – 32 years membership - $8,400
      ii) Michael Cea – 30 years membership - $7,500
      iii) Robert Frausto – 28 years membership - $6,900
      iv) Alfred Guerin – 2- years membership - $7,500
      v) Kelly Hillen – 23 years membership (11 as Class 1) - $2,200
      vi) Mark Strauss – 21 years membership (11 as Class 1) - $2,200

MOTION/Bennetts, SECOND/Purvis to approve the consent calendar. Motion unanimously carries.

3) PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Schaller
   a) Vehicle warranty cost of $404 for extended coverage.
   b) Discussion regarding Cottingham attending DSA meeting to discuss membership in PORAC.

4) SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT: Purvis
   a) Transfer $50,000 from Retirement investment account to retirement cash account to cover upcoming retirements.

   MOTION/Purvis, SECOND/Clay to approve the consent calendar. Motion unanimously carries.

5) COMMITTEE REPORTS:
   a) DONATIONS: Purvis
      i) HDSA Golf Tournament - $100

MOTION/Purvis, SECOND/Garmo to approve $100 for hole sponsorship. Motion unanimously carries.

   b) PEACE OFFICER MEMORIAL: Bennetts
      i) Discussion regarding guidelines for memorial trips. Direction for Kristie Macris to create a database on website for members to register if they would like to attend.

   c) PEACE OFFICERS RESEARCH ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA (PORAC)-Petrachek
      i) Review of PORAC meeting.

   d) RETIREMENT: DiCarlo
      i) Discussion regarding a member’s retirement benefit. The member has 9 years, 11 months DSA membership. He is 3 payrolls short of the required 10 years.

   Motion/Purvis, SECOND/Clay to approve 10 years retirement benefit for the member minus 3 payrolls. Motion unanimously carries.

ADJOURNED 3:52 p.m.
Tony Salazar  
Lieutenant Retired  
Last Station: Alpine Station  
Department: 31 ½ years  
DSA Member: 30 years  

What did you do before you joined the department? I was a student at Grossmont College and a Grossmont College Campus Policeman. I then transferred to San Diego State and began the hiring process like everyone else who was a Criminal Justice Major at the time. I was on the hiring list for SDPD and the Sheriff’s Department. I went with the Sheriff’s Department because they had a very good law enforcement reputation in San Diego County.

What drew you to law enforcement? My cousin Ken had taken a law enforcement class in high school, and he had gone on a couple of ride-a-longs with the Sheriff’s Department in the early 70’s. He enjoyed his law enforcement class and really liked the Sheriff’s ride-a-longs, telling me all about them. This spurred my interest in law enforcement, and I discovered that I knew a few Lemon Grove Explorers who told me about their experiences as well. This all just sounded like too much excitement and fun to pass up a possible career in law enforcement!

What is the one thing you find most memorable from your time on the department? After 31 ½ years with the department, there are many good memories and proud moments that you accumulate throughout your career. My last memorable project was to work on and help create the new Alpine Station. The project took us out of the old sub-station that Alpine had been in since 1984. The new Alpine Station brought the deputies into a modern facility with updated computers, holding cells, gated parking lot, emergency generator, new locker rooms, workout room, etc.

What is your one piece of advice for deputies still on the department? After being through a few major wildfires and the most recent San Diego blackout, deputies need to ensure their own families have an emergency plan and an emergency backpack at home. Whether you are out in patrol, a detention facility or a courthouse, you never know when you will be able to make it back home to your family during a crisis. When it comes to emergency preparedness, we do a good job of telling the public what to do, but we also need to remember to prepare our loved ones as well.

How have you spent your retirement? Right after retirement, my wife Lisa and I went on a 30-day road trip to Lake Louise and Banff. On the trip, we visited relatives in the Bellingham, Washington area, went to Olympic National Park, and made our way back down through the Portland area. We had an excellent trip through Canada, except for the bear that I almost hit as it ran right across the roadway in front of our truck. The weather was exceptionally good for the entire trip! Lisa and I plan to continue to take trips in our 5th wheel and we love spending time in Oregon. We also visit the East Coast to see our youngest son Nick, who is now living in New York after graduating from Boston University. I still go fishing with Tony Leatherman and Cesar Diosdado—yep, those LE stories still live!

Lisa and I are preparing for our new roles as grandparents; our first grandson was born in October. We plan to be proactive grandparents as neither Lisa nor I had the opportunity to really get to know our own grandparents. We are looking forward, as always, to what lies ahead in the future for us. Life is good!

The member spotlight features one Active or Retired DSA Member each month.
Welcome new DSA members
The DSA welcomed the following new members in the last month. Remember to get involved with the DSA by attending the monthly member meeting on the second Thursday of each month.

ACTIVE
Alfredo Baclagan
Sam Hernandez
Johnny Martin

RETIRED
Janice Nevills
Grover Nored
Deborah Rios

AFFILIATE
Yvonne Callaway
Michael Flitterman
Raymond Lopez

3% COLA Retired SDCERA members are eligible for an annual cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the San Diego area. The COLA is effective with the April benefit payment and the maximum amount varies by tier—up to 3 percent for Tier I and Tier A members and up to 2 percent for Tier B members. This year, the SDCERA board is expected to approve a 3 percent COLA for Tier I and Tier A members, and a 2 percent COLA for Tier B members.

Wanted: Volunteers at the Sheriff’s Museum
The Sheriff’s Museum is re-organizing and needs several talented retired deputies and professional staff members to conduct tours, update displays, and protect the museum contents by spending a day or two at the museum each month. Your experience is invaluable and this is a great opportunity to visit with other retired members of our department. We are re-building our volunteer team and need you. You can be a Greeter/Guardian if you don’t want to lead tours—this is a fun volunteer activity! Contact Barbara Wallace at (760) 738-2425 to be part of the best Sheriff’s Museum in the world!

Office & Store Closures
March 30
The DSA office and store are closed on most holidays, but the after hours system will direct your call if you have an emergency. Please plan accordingly, especially when purchasing discount tickets for use over holiday weekends.

Memorial Trip Registration
Deadline March 12
The DSA is once again sponsoring deputies who would like to attend this year’s memorials. If you would like to attend the state and national memorials, please register at the DSA website at www.dsasd.org/memorial2012

Retiree Luncheon
March 17
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Offices & Store Closures
March 30
The DSA office and store are closed on most holidays, but the after hours system will direct your call if you have an emergency. Please plan accordingly, especially when purchasing discount tickets for use over holiday weekends.

Memorial Trip Registration
Deadline March 12
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Retiree Business Cards
All retired members of the San Diego Sheriff’s Departments may purchase retiree business cards through the DSA. Featuring the official retired logo of the Sheriff’s Department, these cards are offered at a discount rate, starting at just $15 for 100 cards. Cards will be printed in April, so all order forms are due before April 15. You can find the form at the DSA office and online at the DSA website.

PADRES TICKETS ON SALE

Padres tickets available through the DSA go on sale March 21 at 9:30 a.m. for just $16. All tickets will be sold first come, first served to Class One Active Members, except opening day tickets. Tickets will be available for Retired, Affiliate and Reserve members after April 9. No tickets will be reserved! Members must purchase their tickets in person.

Opening Day Rules
At 9:30 a.m. on March 21, a random drawing of Class 1 Active Members present will determine the first person able to buy tickets to opening day. The person whose number is chosen may buy 2 or 4 tickets to opening day. If there are 2 remaining tickets, a second person will be chosen to purchase those seats.

Regular Season Rules
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...Well, who really knows? Lots of indicators and at least two opinions on each. But we’re sure it’s been a long time since auto rates were this low and the competition between auto dealers this high. Those signs are telling us it’s great time to invest in that new set of wheels you deserve.

Plus as a kick-start, we’re including a free Golden Getaways vacation voucher1 with all vehicle loans funded for $10,000 or more and you get the same low rate whether it’s got two wheels or four. Now that’s a real deal these days!

1Vacation packages are 3 days/2 nights to 7 days/6 nights, taxes are not included. Some terms and conditions may apply. Free travel certificate will be mailed upon funding. Vacation packages include hotel accommodations only. Limited offer, good while supplies last.

2APR = Annual Percentage Rate accurate as of 6/11/2010 and available to well-qualified members. Payment on a $10,000 loan at 4.59% APR for 60 months is $186.87. All loans subject to credit approval and membership eligibility. Rates may vary and are based on credit history, term and amount financed. Rates, terms, and conditions subject to change. See CAHPCU for terms and conditions. Some restrictions apply.

3Interest begins accruing upon loan disbursement. Some restrictions apply. 90-day deferral is optional.

4$75 fee for internal refinances.
2011 DSA COMMITTEES

Would you like to serve on a committee?
The directors chose their committees for 2012. If you would like to serve on any of these committees or would like more information, contact the chair. The contact information for each director is listed on page 3. If you would like to participate in the DSA, but are not ready to commit to a committee, the DSA also needs station reps.

Budget
Chair: Steve Purvis
Tammy Bennett
Dave DiCarlo
Bylaws & Standing Rules
Chair: Marco Garmo
Charitable Donations
Chair: Steve Purvis
Insurance
Chair: Dave DiCarlo
Investments & Finance
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Tammy Bennett
Dave DiCarlo
Legal Defense Plan
Chair: Tim Petracek
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Steve Purvis
Rafael Flores
Lisa Harris
Dawn Patterson
Meet and Discuss
Chair: Steve Purvis
Member Events
Chair: Steve Purvis
Hank Turner

Membership
Chair: Steve Purvis
Negotiations
Chair: Matt Clay
Peace Officers’ Memorial
Chair: Tammy Bennett
Matt Clay
Political Action
Chair: Hank Turner
Chair: Tim Petracek
Tammy Bennett
Matt Clay
Robert Brunk
Lisa Harris
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Retirement
Chair: Dave DiCarlo
Scholarship
Chair: Tammy Bennett
Dave DiCarlo
Sickness and Distress/Relief
Chair: Dustin Lopez
Workers Compensation
Chair: Dustin Lopez

CLEA Long-Term Care Pre-Retirement Information

Each year seems to bring another round of department retirements. It’s time to consider the voluntary Long Term Care (LTC) benefit plan provided by the National Peace Officers and Firefighters Benefit Association (NPFBA). This is a jointly sponsored CLEA plan that can be purchased now and taken into retirement with lifetime coverage. Additionally, you must be under 61 years of age and enroll in the plan within one year after you retire.

The LTC Plan is the next logical step for protecting your retirement pension, deferred compensation, and other personal assets in case you are ever in a position where you or your spouse requires nursing home care, residential care, home care, and other critical need benefits. It is truly the best value for your dollars as compared to other LTC plans on the market.

This is not a group plan, so not everyone will medically qualify for the plan. Just like when applying for individual life insurance, each applicant has to be underwritten and medically approved. Payments for the LTC Plan are based upon your age. The younger you are, the less you will pay. View plan and payment option at npfba.org.

Discount Tickets for DSA Members

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SoCal Resident Disney Specials (Age 3 and up, Expire June 9, 2012)
2-Day 1-Park Per Day           | $99           | $96          |
3-Day 1-Park Per Day           | $129          | $125         |
2-Day Park Hopper              | $112          | $110         |
3-Day Park Hopper              | $144          | $139         |

*Lots more ticket information is available on the DSA website or call the DSA Store for complete price list and availability. Visit www.Disneyland.com for blackout dates.

DEPUTY SHERIFFS’ ASSOCIATION RETIREE LUNCHEON & MEETING

Saturday, March 17, 2012
10:30 a.m. Lunch begins at 11:30
El Cajon Elks Lodge
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Local Heroes Benefit from Homes for Heroes
by Jessica Bottrell

I met Bryan Walker as I was closing down an open house on a late Sunday evening in Oceanside. I had already locked up the home and was putting the final sign in my trunk as his SUV pulled up behind me. The first thing I noticed was the D.O.D. sticker on the front window, this always gets me very excited because I didn’t have to try to figure out if he was a Marine by his haircut and the sweet phrase, “Yes, ma’am.”

He hopped out of his car, and I offered to open the home back up for him to look at, but he said that his kids were asleep; they were returning from the Wild Animal Park. He wanted a flyer on the home. I dug through my paperwork and grabbed a house flyer along with two extra papers about Homes For Heroes*. As I was handing him the paperwork I thanked him for his service to our country and how much I appreciate his and his family’s sacrifice. I let him know that as an Active Duty Marine he qualifies for this free program and continued to ramble off the details of who qualifies as a “hero” and that he would be receiving 25 percent of the gross commission earned when he purchases a home in addition to the 50 percent loan discounts if he uses a Homes for Heroes lender affiliate.

Then, there it was. The blank look that I usually get after I explain the benefits that are coming the hero’s way from a program they have never heard about. Someone in the real estate industry willing to give up a hefty piece of the pie in this economy? Absolutely, and we gladly do it every day of the week and twice on Sunday.

Homes For Heroes is available to all active duty and veteran law enforcement, military, fire, first responders, health care professionals, and teachers along with other work force heroes who are looking to sell, purchase or refinance their home. Homes For Heroes originated in Minnesota after the tragic events of 9/11. Since then it has now spread to all corners of the United States, and I felt very honored to be the first to bring it to San Diego, specifically North County, in April 2010. We now have affiliates throughout San Diego and Riverside County to better serve our local heroes.

Here is the Homes For Heroes* Promise: No forms. No red tape. No fine print. No hidden fees. No catch.

In addition to the Homes For Heroes benefits, we also have our Friends of Heroes, which are local companies and service providers who offer additional discounts during the home buying or selling process and long after the sale of the home is complete.

The Walkers receive their check for 25 percent of their real estate agent’s commission.

The Walker’s knew they wanted to find a home quickly, as Bryan was gearing up for an upcoming deployment. They found a great home which fit their needs and included a large backyard for their three kids to play in. They now each have their own bedroom.

We knew at the beginning of the escrow that Bryan would be out of touch for two weeks while he was at training in Bridgeport. With every military spouse being called for duty in times like these, it came as no surprise that he would be out of town. Luckily, we have experience dealing with unplanned deployments, and we were able to continue the transaction without a hitch thanks to his lovely wife Anastasia. With a strong and knowledgeable team at your side, anything can be accomplished.

With the discounts and rebates through the Homes For Heroes program, the Walker’s saved close to $4,000! Unfortunately, Bryan didn’t make it back home from training on the day they closed, but Anastasia and the kids celebrated by having a carpet picnic in their new home and took a bunch of pictures to send to their Dad so he could be a part of it too.

Our generous and community minded affiliates believe that for our heroes, Service Deserves Its Rewards® and we are here to see they get them. For more information and to register, please go to www.HomesForHeroes.com or contact an authorized affiliate.

You can contact Authorized Homes for Heroes* Affiliate Jessica Bottrell at (760) 420-2625 or Jessica@TopSanDiegoHomes.com. Facebook Page: “San Diego Homes For Heroes – North County.”

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WHO IS ELIGIBLE?
Scholarships will be awarded to children of Active and Retired DSA members. To qualify for the scholarships, the student must be accepted to an accredited two or four-year college or university during the term immediately following high school graduation.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION
Candidates for the scholarships will be evaluated on Academic Achievement, Character, and Leadership. While the athletic achievement of candidates will be looked at, it is not a determining factor for scholarships to be awarded. Candidates must maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average based on a weighted scale.

APPLICATIONS
Complete information and the application can be obtained at the DSA Office or online at www.dsasd.org. The application should be mailed to the Scholarship Chairperson, Deputy Sheriffs’ Association, 13881 Danielson St. Poway, CA 92064. Applications for scholarships must be received by the Scholarship Chairperson on or before April 2, 2012.

MEMBER SCHOLARSHIPS
The DSA will award a total of two scholarships at $1,500 each to Active DSA members in good standing. Payments will only be made to the school. Any Active DSA Member in good standing who has been a member for at least one year may apply for the scholarship. Member must be enrolled in an accredited College or University. Continuing education and online courses qualify if University or College is accredited. Complete information and the application can be obtained at the DSA Office or online at www.dsasd.org. A personal essay must accompany the application.

Remember that the deadline for both dependent and member scholarships is April 2, 2011. Your application must be received by the end of business on April 2. Late applications will not be considered. More information and applications available at www.dsasd.org/scholarships.

PORAC SCHOLARSHIPS
All Active DSA members’ dependents are eligible for the PORAC scholarship. Applications must be received at the PORAC office no later than April 2, 2012. Please contact PORAC at (800) 937-6722 or visit www.PORAC.org for an application.

CLEA SCHOLARSHIPS
CLEA will award four scholarships of $500 each. Call (800) 832-7333 ext. 6102 or visit www.clea.org for an application, which must be completed and postmarked by April 2, 2012. Available only to the children of members enrolled in CLEA.
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State Legislature - Assembly
76th District - Sherry Hodges (R)
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State Legislature - Senate
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2nd District Supervisor - Dianne Jacob
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3rd District Supervisor - Steve Danon
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Encinitas
City Council - Mark Muir
City Council - Jerome Stocks

Lemon Grove
Mayor - Mary Sessom

Poway
City Council - Jim Cunningham
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Santee
City Council - Jack Dale

Superior Court Judge
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Office 25 - Robert Amador
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Office 34 - Garland Peed
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Please check the DSA website for the latest updates as the PAC committee endorses additional candidates. The election is June 5, 2012.
**WINNING PHOTO:** On the left, Dep. Jason Philpot, and on the right, Dep. John West at the top of Mammoth Mountain during their annual downhill mountain bike trip.

Where have you taken your Silver Star? Whose been reading it and where? Send in your photos of the Silver Star around the world or in the hands of someone famous (or infamous). The winning photo receives a $15 gift certificate to the DSA Store. Non-winning photos are printed as space allows. Send your photos to kmacris@dsasd.org.

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- Compact version is 6” long, runs 3 1/2 hours on 4 AAAs, with 207 lumens: $56.95, member’s price.
Wool Pants

Elbeco 55 poly/45 wool uniform pants are now (finally!) being sold at the DSA Store. Men’s and women’s styles. Unhemmed. Only $63.99 each, before DSA Member’s discount.

Elbeco Uniform Shirts

Short and long sleeved uniform shirts. These are the ‘wash & wear’ West Coast Duty Maxx shirts. Two sheriff shoulder patches pre-sewn and other alteration services available to order through the store, or we can suggest a close-by shop. Men’s and women’s styles.

Short sleeve: $39.99 before Member’s discount.
Long sleeve: $49.99 before discount.

We have partnered with an alterations shop in Poway, who will hem pants for only $7. Details available in the store.

Blauer 8980 optional patrol pant, with cargo pockets now just $68.99 before DSA Member discount.
Happy St. Patrick’s Day from the K-9 Unit! Our patrol academy is almost complete, which means it time for Peter Alvarado to start ramping up preparations for the narcotics K-9 academy.

Having Peter Alvarado as our in-house narcotics trainer and Dep. Michael Krugh as an instructor saves our unit, and the department, about $5,000 in course tuition for each dog. In the past, we had to rely on other agencies to host a narcotics academy. This specialized course was often put on hold or cancelled by the host agency due to budget or scheduling constraints. We can now proudly offer our narcotics detection course to other agencies. They are quick to respond with K-9 teams ready to take on the challenge of sniffing out narcotics.

The mild winter has brought out some stubborn folks who still don’t seem to fully comprehend what sirens, flashlights, helicopters, and barking dogs can do to their mental and physical well-being. I have a few examples for you.

**CANINE OR CACTUS**

In December, two felons decided to extend their fuel stop at the 24-hour gas station located at “The Junction” in Rancho San Diego. Some of you may have seen this incident reported on the local news. These two men decided to break into a small structure housing an ATM machine while pretending to gas up their stolen truck. (Who actually puts gas in a stolen truck?) After realizing their crime had been discovered, they fled in the pickup towards the 94 freeway.

Patrol deputies picked up the pair in the truck and a pursuit ensued. The chase abruptly terminated when the duo decided to travel the wrong way on the 125 freeway in south Spring Valley. Deputies found the suspects’ truck a short time later abandoned along picturesque Highway 125, overlooking the Sweetwater Reservoir dam. Dep. Bruce Marler and K-9 Marko were called into action.

Deputies also asked for air support. Bruce and the patrol guys would like to give loud, verbal, high-pitched praise to the San Diego Police Department’s ABLE helicopter crew working that night. They answered the early morning call for assistance even though their “bird” was already bundled up and rolled into the hangar.

A perimeter was set up along the freeway and the Quarry road bike paths. As Bruce and Marko prepared to track their suspects, the vehicle was confirmed to be stolen and ABLE arrived overhead. It didn’t take long for the helicopter crew, using their forward looking infrared camera, to spot two warm bodies on the hillside. I wish you all could see the YouTube-worthy video of these two guys lying about 50 yards apart, each curled up in a semi-circle around the base of a small bush— oh, wait, that’s not a bush. Yeah, that there is cactus fellas! Anyway, it was dark and I’m sure they had their eyes closed, so they couldn’t tell.
ABLE’s observer was able to guide Bruce and Marko onto the path leading to the cactus cuddling criminals. As is required, Bruce gave his loud verbal warning for the suspects to give up. This is usually when the bad guy holds his breath and closes his eyes even harder, because if he can’t see us, then we obviously can’t see him, right? They chose to remain hunkered down heat sources.

While watching the video from the helicopter, you can actually see one of the guys begin to glow brighter and brighter as his body temperature rises among the cold dirt and cool night air. Bruce, Marko, and a couple patrol deputies began their brief trek along the bike path as they allowed the helicopter to guide them to suspect one. Marko caught the scent of the first man using a shoe the guy lost along the path. He lunged head first into the brush and bit him. Never wrestle with a dog near a cactus.

Once bad guy “numero uno” was in handcuffs, Bruce had to redirect Marko and get him to focus on the task at hand, trying to concentrate on suspect “numero dos”. Marko responded magnificently, despite bad guy one behind him crying and wincing in pain. Using the wind and the helicopter as his guide, bad guy two was apprehended just a short distance from the first guy. I don’t know about you, but hearing my companion screaming would make me want to give up or start running! Marko was credited with two apprehensions that night. Both suspects were treated at the local hospital for dog bite wounds and extraction of cacti needles.

I suggested the news reporter go with the headline “Canine catches cash crooks cuddling criminals.” As is required, Bruce gave his loud verbal warning for the suspects to give up. This usually has some kind of an effect even if the suspect doesn’t immediately give up. Usually coughing can be heard, but there was no response from this suspect.

After giving ample warning, Bruce lifted Marko up into the attic. Score one for the German Shepherd. See, the Shepherd waits to be lifted into a high place by his handler. A Belgian Malinois would rather try over and over to jump 8 feet into the air, using the walls, humans, and other furniture to further his progress, risking broken limbs and hangnails in the process. Not very efficient or well thought out by any means. Once in the attic, Marko found his man hiding behind a heater. During the apprehension, the suspect began fighting with Marko and then with Bruce and a couple of deputies who had made their way into the attic. The suspect was able to push away from the dog and quickly stand up on the wooden trusses.

Bruce described the scene as something only found in the movies. The suspect jumped away from the support beams and closed his legs together. Using his body weight, he allowed himself to drop through the drywall and down into the living room of the unit next door. Score one for the German Shepherd. A German Shepherd realizes very quickly that it’s a long way down from an attic to the floor.

The only thing a Belgian Malinois realizes is that his suspect is getting away and that he needs to go get him now! The Belgian Malinois will jump down, regardless of distance or danger, in an effort to reconnect his jaws with his target. In Marko’s case, he looked down the hole at the suspect, looked up at Bruce as if to say “Did you just see what I saw?”, and the looked back down the hole again at the suspect. Marko the Malinois tend to ignore their own safety before going after the bad guy. They would rather go “through” instead of “around”—”harder not smarter” can be their motto. I’ll give you examples from Bruce’s incident to help you understand.

Spring Valley deputies had located and followed a parolee-at-large to a townhome. The PAL never left the townhome, so the deputies set up a perimeter and attempted to make contact with the PAL and the residents inside. Upon contacting the folks inside the home, their suspect was nowhere to be found. Bruce and Marko were called out to help locate the suspect. Deputies found evidence in the ceiling that led them to believe the suspect had concealed himself in the attic. Deputy Bruce and Marko searched the bedrooms and then waited as deputies tried to coax the suspect from the attic. Pepperball was deployed into the attic. This usually has some kind of an effect even if the suspect doesn’t immediately give up. Usually coughing can be heard, but there was no response from this suspect.

As luck would have it, the adjoining townhome was vacant and deputies had already occupied the unit to look for the suspect. The suspect came crashing down into the living room near deputies. The parolee continued to resist, finally jumping out of the living room window. He was stopped in mid-leap by a quick triggered deputy who fired his Taser at the suspect. The suspect was apprehended on the grass outside of the townhome by several deputies. The parolee was treated for his dog bite and the abrasions and cuts received from his stuntman free fall and window escape. Marko allowed Bruce to descend the attic first, naturally. Score another one for the German Shepherd.

DEsert Snow DeteCtiOns

We want to include narcotics finds in the Silver Star by anyone who attended the recent Desert Snow class. This month, we have two examples of extraordinary concealment techniques that could have gone undetected, if it wasn’t for the lessons learned at Desert Snow. Back in January, two Border Crime Suppression Team members conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with obvious equipment violations. When contacted, the driver admitted he didn’t have a valid driver’s license and denied having anything illegal in the car. He was more than willing to allow the BCST deputies to search his vehicle. One of the team members noticed the strong smell of gas around the outside of the car when he first walked up to the car. During the search of the interior, the smell of gas was even stronger. The deputy couldn’t find anything illegal inside.

Normally, just the odor of gas would not be a major clue that would make you say, “He got
drugs in here!” Some would think his vehicle was in terrible need of service and then assist him by citing him and towing the vehicle off the road because the owner was an unlicensed driver. But after talking with the driver, learning more about his vehicle, and his purpose for being on the road, the BCST deputies decided to call for a narcotics K-9 and use some of those stainless steel tools given out at Desert Snow. Deputy Kevin Olin, Scott Faiferlick and K-9 Quandro arrived to assist BCST. Together, the guys were able to locate 27 pounds of narcotics hidden inside the vehicle gas tank which had been altered. Nice job gents!

I’m told Dep. Joe Maes assigned to the Ranchita/Warner Springs area recently found 9-1/2 pounds of cocaine hidden in the transfer case of a vehicle. While details of the find are limited, I suggest you Google “transfer case”. Based on the images you see, try figure a way to stuff nine pounds of anything but gears into a transfer case! Something about the contact didn’t add up and Joe sent his canine Breston to sniff it out. Even through metal and grease, a dog’s sniffer can beat a well-trained mechanic any day. Nice job Joe & K-9 Breston.

**FRONT SIGHT**

In closing, I’d like to give a “shout out” to my patrol team in Spring Valley. Without their patience and planning, we probably would not have captured a parolee at large and I would not have been able to take the photo you see here during apprehension. How’s that for target acquisition? A couple months back we received word a wanted felon was inside a “popular” residence up on Dictionary Hill. The beat deputy requested any and all available help before contact was made at the residence. This guy was notorious for running and when found, more dubious for fighting.

We had the luxury of time on our side, knowledge of the residence, and familiarity of the layout for the surrounding properties. I had a deputy on my right as lethal cover and a deputy on my left equipped with less-lethal. We took a position behind the suspect’s hideout. Our perimeter position also happened to be about ten feet above the backyard of the target residence.

As a team of deputies walked up to the front door and knocked, the back door slid open slowly. Our suspect crept out from under the curtains and onto the back patio. He reached for his cell phone and quickly began to press buttons. In all likelihood, he was arranging for his pickup and getaway before running and jumping over the back fence. He didn’t get the chance to text or stretch out before exercising.

We began shouting for him to get on the ground, and that if he failed to comply; he would get bitten by the canine. Our startled suspect looked up at three deputies and a dog. You could see his obvious disappointment. He gave up texting and walked out to the spot you see here. For a man who enjoyed being on the run, the wait he endured lying on his stomach had to be agonizing. Gunner had no problem focusing on his man. He was eventually taken into custody and handcuffed by Cpl. Dan Gutierrez and his deputy-in-training.

From my vantage point above the suspect, I couldn’t help but see this image as I held the leash. I was only able to capture the image because I had adequate cover. Make sure your canines have adequate cover and please call us ahead of time. Until next month: “Wag more, bark less.” ★
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REMEMBERING TONY BIER...
The Grove bid a sad farewell to partner and friend Tony Bier who passed away in late January.

I met Tony for the first time four years ago as one of his first befuddled trainees. I have several vivid memories of him—at the far end of the briefing table growling his disapproval over some liberal outrage he heard about on Fox News; smoking a stogie on the sidewalk while I nervously tried to fill all the boxes on the citation I was writing. Mostly I was just intimidated and tried to stay out of his way. Traffic partner and lunch buddy Randy Ruby shared a few of Tony’s favorite things:

Favorite Ticket Spot - 1600 Lemon Grove Avenue.
Favorite Response to an Unhappy Violator - “I guess I won’t be getting a Christmas card from them!”
Favorite Prank - Rolling down his window and saying to a civilian, “My name is Randy (or whoever was in the car with him) from the Lemon Grove Station. Give me a call if you need anything.”

But if one his partners needed anything, Tony was always there. Detective Pete Carrillo remembered being involved in an OIS and the relief he felt when Tony showed up to cover.

Tony was a warrior and respected by those who worked with him. He will be missed by many, including his family at the Lemon Grove station.

GOOD MORNING, LEMON GROVE!
So, how do you like to start your day? Hearing the birds singing outside the window? A little nibble on the ear? ESPN Sports Center? How about a Rhino destroying your security door? A Glock screwed in your ear? Eight deputies sporting fresh donut crumbs on their tac vests in your bedroom? That’s the wrong side of the bed two Lemon Grove felons woke up on compliments of the Gang Suppression Team.

“What? What? What’s going on? We didn’t do anything wrong,” exclaimed these innocent victims of oppressive law enforcement overreach. “Why aren’t you out catching real criminals?”

Of course they are right. With the exception of the cocaine, the seventy pot plants, the three shotguns, the semi-auto handgun, the cash, and sales paraphernalia, the search warrant was baseless waste of time and tax payer dollars. In route to SDCJ with two jammie wearing fools!

SWING YOUR PARTNER...
Deputy Darshaun “Cash Money” Douglas is one our newest deputies having recently completed his phase training. Celebrating his new found freedom, he was out at 2 a.m. and observed a subject strolling down the street. Using his recently honed consensual contact skills he started talking with the subject who, of course, was not on probation or parole.

Finding a meth pipe during the search, “Cash Money” got one cuff on when the dude decided he had somewhere else he wanted to be. Holding onto the loose cuff, Douglas did a little dosie doe, swinging the suspect around as cover partner Don Wood arrived and put a hurt on him….I mean used the minimum amount of force necessary to effect an arrest. Surprise! Cash Money’s square dance partner turned out to be a PAL who, as always, only wanted to see his child. Good job Deputy Douglas and welcome aboard!

ON THE MOVE...
Kudos to three Lemon Grove deputies who are on the move! Trina Cremans was chosen for a Poway detective spot. Hopefully her ten years (!) in the Grove has prepared her to keep up with the intense activity level she’ll experience up north! Congrats also to Dep. Miguel Lopez who is moving from SRO to join the lonely Buck Ward in the Juvenile Detective Office and Barb Oborski who picked up a spot in the Lemon Grove bull pen. Congratulations to you all!

Welcome also to Matt Ellis moving to another detective spot from EC courts. You are joining a great team!

Over and Out! ★

60P-active...
Lemon Grove Station by Mark Kelley
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The DSA will purchase your gently worn dress jacket for $50. The jacket must be in very good condition with no rips, holes, stains, or missing buttons. You do not need to dry clean the jacket, as the DSA will take care of that before offering them for sale in the DSA Store. To take advantage of this offer, bring your jacket to the DSA Office Mon-Fri from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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At 9:30 a.m. on March 21, a random drawing of Class 1 Active
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tickets to opening day. The person whose number is chosen
may buy 2 or 4 tickets to opening day. If there are 2 remaining
tickets, a second person will be chosen to purchase those seats.

Regular Season Rules
Until April 9, tickets are available for CLASS ONE ACTIVE
MEMBERS ONLY and are limited to 2 games, 2 or 4 tickets
per game.
After April 9, any member may purchase up to 3 games, 2
or 4 tickets per game.
After April 23, all remaining tickets will be available for
purchase by DSA members.
I hope you were able to take advantage of last month’s opportunity to treat your sweetie extra special. I like to think with a little effort, it can be beneficial for you to treat your sweetie like it’s Valentine’s Day 365 days a year. I’m sure the Family Court calendars would be a lot smaller if more people lived by that rule.

The DSA Dinner Dance is yet another opportunity to treat your sweetie extra special. It’s the best deal in town! No flights involved to have some tourist time at the Hyatt near the bay. Hope to see you there. Don’t forget to wear yo’ green for Saint Pat.

Mary Jo, we’ll see you soon. I’ll leave it at that girl.

February was a month full of arrivals and departures for our personnel. George Flood and David Chong have moved on to other assignments. Yes, this was a great excuse to get together for some snacks and a couple cold ones. Thank you to the Downtown Café, our usual “close by celebration right after work” place. We wish you both well.

This is a good time to mention all our new guys. Deputy Ivan Ayala and Rolf Gefrom moved out to the valley from San Diego, while James Petruse and Mike Maxin came to us from the academy. Sgt. Tejeda decided to go back to the patrol side and headed to the City of the Lemon. Thanks for your sense of humor? Sergeant Bridget Cartier will be taking her place, also coming out from the San Diego courts. Welcome to you all and make yourselves at home, but remember to do your own dishes.

It seems like Matt Ellis just got here, but he is off and running again, this time to the Lemon Grove station. He’ll be hanging up the tan and green for some Men’s Warehouse, as he’s going to be a detective. (Yes, I really wanted to say something else, but remembered little eyes that may be reading this.) Congratulations Matt and Jake. You guys are going to make a good team. We know you’ll make a good dick! (Oops.)

We then had two more deputies leave The Zone, pretty much under the radar as it was. Hector Rodriguez and Keith Nye. You both have left us some lasting memories. We wish you the best in the next step in your game of life. Don’t forget to stop by from time to time. John Rodinec will be the next person to make some movement in the ever coveted seniority list. You’ve heard the line, “let them eat cake?” Look for more to come in an e-mail.

It is about time to print out the application for the DSA scholarships. Look on the DSA website for the link. Remember, there are two available for members who are working on their continued education. Sgt. T. this would include you.

Thanks as always to our 120s and deputies willing to work O.T. who fill the holes on the daily deployment. We don’t say it enough, “We appreciate your help.” ★
JOE CANCHOLA
Joe Canchola, 78, retired as a sergeant in 2000 after 34 years on the SDSO. He was assigned to International Liaison, Homicide, Street Narcotics, and Gangs after working Vista patrol and traffic. He refurbished a home and enjoys surf fishing at San Onofre and Torrey Pines. He has four grandchildren, two in college and two in middle school. He and his wife, Martha, are looking forward to their trip planned for Europe. Martha retired as a Data Processing Supervisor for the Federal Judicial Department in Tijuana. They reside in Chula Vista.

DON HOKENSON
Don Hokenson and his wife Vickie have been on four cruises since he retired three years ago. They’ve enjoyed sailing to the Panama Canal, San Diego to Florida, Alaska, Mexican Riviera, and a Canada/New England cruise. Their son Chris is a senior at SDSU where Vickie still works. She'll retire in 2014 and they’ll celebrate with, you guessed it, another cruise. They enjoy their cabin in Big Bear as often as possible where Don has mastered the art of snowboarding. Don and his son found out how cold the water at Mammoth lakes was when they capsized their canoe while fishing this past summer. Their father-son time continues while they work together on their matching Ford Explorers. They are both members of the Explorer forum, an online group of Explorer enthusiasts, and just recently participated in an off-road get-together at Truckhaven, located near the Salton Sea. Don also regularly travels to New Mexico quite frequently to help Vickie's folks with upkeep on their homes.

LARRY LAMPER
Larry Lamper and his wife Margaret moved to Prescott, Arizona, in 2005 where they were the primary caregivers to Margaret’s mother. They began cooking, trying old Celtic recipes. In 2006, they began looking into opening a Celtic pub, and in 2007 Celtic Crossing Pub and Restaurant was opened for business. It is the only Celtic pub and restaurant in Northern Arizona and claims to have the best fish and chips in the state. Larry invites everyone over to verify this for themselves. As an indulgence for the long and hard hours at the pub, they have enjoyed travels to Scotland and Ireland where they tour the breweries and distilleries. Larry retired in 2004 having worked Central and South Bay Jails and the Lemon Grove Station as a K-9 handler with his German Shepard Adolph. He also worked Street Gangs, US Marshal’s Violent Crimes Fugitive Team, and NTF.

RON SEALY
Ron retired in 1981 after nearly 19 years on the department. He worked mainly in the North County, known affectionately by some as “Palomar County.” In 1965, Ron and Lew Jones attended the CHP academy and became the first accident investigators in Vista. Jim Hartshorn joined them a short time later. Ron also worked the civil car in Encinitas, but most of his time was spent at the Vista Station working for Mack Smith and Bobby DeSteunder. After medically retiring, he began “R. Sealey Consultants” and still continues to conduct accident investigations for insurance companies and attorneys in California and Nevada. He works closely with Dan Toneck, the retired SDPD officer injured in a traffic accident. (Dan provides 3D animations for traffic collisions.) Ron retired from Special Forces as a Green Beret, having spent time in Southeast Asia. He also possesses a degree in mathematics. He and Bonnie, his wife of 36 years, enjoy their jet skis on the Colorado River and have also enjoyed travels to Alaska and Cancun.

JERRY SNOW
Jerry Snow worked from 1967 until 2001 when he retired as a lieutenant. Jerry opened the Alpine SubStation in 1983 and the George Bailey Detention Facility in the early 1990s. Jerry and Colette are relatively new grandparents to two boys, 3 1/2 years old and six months old. Snow Training and Consulting, Inc., is Jerry’s business in which he is a hearing representative for obtaining unemployment or state disability benefits for individuals. He teaches workers’ compensation for IEA (Insurance Education Association), which provides training to insurance companies, attorneys, and risk managers. His son is an elder law attorney and Jerry works as a notary public for his law practice. He and Colette have enjoyed cruising to Alaska and the helicopter ride to one of the many glaciers. Living in San Diego, they enjoy walks along the beach. *

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"And as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age" (Genesis 15:15).

Thus the assurance to one Abram Ben Terah, descendant of Shem, son of Noah. Abram was led by God out of the land of his forefathers, from Ur of the Chaldeans, the oldest civilization of man. The year was roughly 2100 BC, and God brought Abram from there to Haran, now a village in southeastern Turkey. Then after a short time, he and his entourage were led into Canaan, now modern day Israel, where God told him He would make him into a great nation, would bless him and make his name great, where in him all the families of the earth would be blessed (12:3).

After some years of victory over enemies and great prosperity, while still childless (in his nineties), God then told him He would make him great by giving him a son from his own body, and descendants that would outnumber the stars. God made a covenant with Abram then, giving him that land to possess it, to which his future seed would return after 400 years in captivity as slaves. They would come out of that oppressing nation with great possessions, and in their fourth generation be brought back into this land. God then made the statement noted above. And at 99, God changed Abram’s name, meaning Exalted Father, to Abraham, Father of a Multitude, from whom nations and kings would come forth. He died at 175. Throughout his life, Abraham was a man of integrity, honored by all.

Last weekend, I attended another funeral of a friend, something that is occurring with rather increased frequency. I am greatly admonished each time I attend yet another respectful memorial to be mindful of the very stark, clear, relevant and sobering eventuality that I too shall pass from this world. Ecclesiastes 7:2 states “It is better to go to a house of mourning than to a house of feasting, as death is the end of every man, and the living takes it to heart.” My heart will cease and my body will go away, but what was caused and put in motion by my life will go on, whether good or bad. And that is the most sobering awareness of all. Once I am gone, there is nothing more I can do either way to effect others or this world, and the incredible opportunity my animated life affords me now to be a cause for the good, even as I have benefited from the causes of others who have faithfully taken full advantage to do so, will be over. What will have been the impact of my footprint once I have left this mortal domain? Regrets to be sure; I already have that. But shall there have been a higher and enlarging impact my years achieved? What if I’m more near to the end than I think?

Abraham did not know what he was headed into when God called him out of Ur. But he followed Him by faith. When God told him to count the stars, if he could, and that his descendants would be the same, he believed, and God counted him righteous for it. When God told him to walk before Him, and be blameless with integrity, he worshiped. When God told him to keep a covenant with Him as one marked out as belonging to Him, he obeyed. And God protected him, prospered him, gave him that son, and many others as well, and nations and kings populate the Middle East because of him to this day. From that son Isaac came Jacob, and from Jacob 12 sons who became 12 tribes and grew to a multitude in Egypt, returning after 400 years to populate Canaan, their Promised Land. “And Abraham breathed his last and died in a ripe old age, an old man and satisfied with life; and he was gathered to his people” (25:8).

God has a purpose for this world He made, and a purpose for the life He gave me to accomplish. And God “can do all things, and no purpose of His can be thwarted” (Job 42:2). He will surely accomplish that purpose, but how satisfying it will have been to have figured into that grand scheme, for the better and the good. No matter whom we are or what we do, we have that choice, and for a relatively short window of time, a chance and a charge to believe and trust that God would use us for the better. There will be an eternity to celebrate and marvel at the grace God provided to participate in this story, but it is imperative that we determine now that the life we live is a trust, and that the position we’ve been given is for the provision of that prospect. Our life is not our own, and “Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His godly ones” (Psalms 116:15).

The next memorial service I’m present at may be my own. God knows. But may He also know my heart, that, like Abraham, I believe He made those stars, and that each of them in His infinite cosmos are an assurance that this life is only the beginning. For all eternity, may the life we live be a song of worship in a story of obedience that added grace to His covenant for a greater good, and figured into a multitude that found the Promised Land.

“And it came about after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac” (25:11).

Keep in mind, the upcoming Annual Law Enforcement Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for April 20. Log on to www.sdclef.org for more info. ★
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<td>4 bedrooms, 2 baths, perfect for large group or family gatherings. Minutes to slopes, call for availability &amp; prices. Sarah (909) 866-2846.</td>
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<td>Country Studio For Rent</td>
<td>Jamul, 5 minutes from Rancho San Diego. Quiet privacy adjoining oak covered open space, away from the city lights. Wood burning stove adds to the atmosphere. 380 sq. ft. Furnished. Walk in closet, small refrigerator, microwave, kitchen cabinets and garbage disposal. No smoking. $625 /mo. Includes utilities. Email Robert Owen at <a href="mailto:Ro1xsh@msn.com">Ro1xsh@msn.com</a>.</td>
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17 DSA Dinner Dance
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