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A message from our president

There is new leadership at the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST). Eriks Gabliks took the position of Director this last year and has now brought in a new Academy Training Director. Between the two top leadership positions there is a wealth of training experience. Gabliks has been with DPSST for many years and put in more time than anyone I know, making sure there is a good balance at the agency. He has a strong Fire Service and Tele Communications background and now has brought in Troy Abney. Gabliks and Abney make a great team for running a professional training academy.

Abney was a member of the California Highway Patrol (CHP) for over 27 years, retiring as an Assistant Chief in May of 2011. He worked throughout the state at all levels and in various capacities. He is a former Non-

Commissioned Officer in an elite unit of the US Army and has been fortunate to have held assignments considered non-traditional within the CHP. These



*OPOA President
Scott Dye*

assignments have included being an operator, team leader and commander of the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team assigned to the State Capitol, bicycle patrol, hazardous device detail, criminal investigations, providing

personal protection to dignitaries at various levels and leading Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's Protective Detail. His traditional assignments were highlighted by coordinating the transition training of personnel during the merger of the California State Police (CSP) and CHP in 1995, the coordination and management of dignitary motorcades in the San Francisco Bay Area, being the project supervisor, founding member and commander of the CHP Special Operations Team (Mobile Field Force) and assignment as commander of the CHP Academy. Abney is the recipient of multiple Commissioner's, Division Chief's, and Commander's certificates of commendation relating to his performance and leadership as well as the Governor's Safety Award (2009) for innovation regarding officer safety training. He is completing his Master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA), possesses a Project Management Certificate, is a graduate of the FBI National Academy (235th session) and of the California POST Executive

Development Course. He is a tenured California POST certified instructor and has completed the IACP Leadership in Police Organizations Faculty Development Course through Arizona POST. He is also the first person from the United States to complete, with honors, the Queensland Police Service (Australia) Strategic Management Studies in Policing Program and returned as the Visiting Fellow for a subsequent class. Abney is an active member in various law enforcement associations.

On June 1, 2011, Abney joined the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) as Director of Training. He

has continued his professional development by becoming certified as a peace officer in the State of Oregon. He has been married for 25 years to Stacie, a Vallejo Police Officer and his partner in their consulting and training business. They have two grown children.

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-President Scott Dye

I spoke to some of the Training Coordinators and learned about some of the changes that are being implemented at the academy. The Coordinators will be discipline

specific to each class that they will be in charge of and the classes will follow more of a military style type of academy.

I believe the changes that Training Director Troy Abney is making will be very positive and beneficial to the students attending the academy, and to the agencies that are sending their new employees.

I recently spent over two hours with Abney and am very impressed. I believe he is a breath of fresh air and combined with Eriks Gabliks as the Director at the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, I look forward to seeing the academy succeed in being one of the best training organizations in the nation.

Public Safety Memorial Fund supports officers and families in time of need

The Department of Justice has confirmed that the Public Safety Memorial Fund is now applicable to 1997 survivors and on - rather than 1999 survivors and on - as was written into the Oregon Administrative Rules. DPSST says the OAR will be rewritten immediately. Please, if you know Oregon public safety personnel (as defined in ORS 243.950) that were killed or catastrophically injured between 1997 and 1999, pass the message on to their families.

Established by the Legislature in 1999, the Oregon Public Safety Memorial Fund is administered and staffed by DPSST, in conjunction with a Governor-appointed PSMF Board of public safety constituents. The fund provides financial assistance to public safety officers who are permanently and totally disabled as a result of a line of duty injury, and to family members of the public safety officers who have been killed or permanently and totally disabled in the line of duty.

U P C O M I N G T R A I N I N G

Elder Abuse: A Growing Concern for Agencies - Salem, OR - October 18, 2011

42nd Annual Training Conference & Awards Banquet - Grande Ronde, OR - November 2-4, 2011

Pursuit Review - Bend, OR - November 16, 2011

Before & After the Stop: DUII's From Roadside to Courtroom - Wilsonville, OR - December 14-15, 2011

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42nd Annual Conference

Keynote Speaker

Lt. Col. Dave Grossman

"THE WARRIOR MINDSET"

***Friday Only* Special Price**

\$75

November 4, 2011

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Spirit Mountain Casino

Those who place themselves in harm's way are consistently told to focus, concentrate and utilize the warrior mindset. However, rarely are they trained HOW to accomplish this. It is often assumed that mental toughness will automatically result from physical and tactical training. This is not always true, but mental toughness skills can be trained directly.

Warrior Mindset presents psychological techniques and training to develop Mental Toughness, the Survival Mindset and a hardened focus. The goal is to integrate the psychological with physical and tactical training to add a dimension that is often overlooked, but necessary to achieve maximal performance excellence. If you only talk about mental toughness but don't actively train it, you haven't developed the complete warrior.

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SWAT Officer
with Lt. Dan Marcou

7 training tips to survive your technology

Operate the technology in short bursts, pausing regularly to take the time to refocus, observe, and analyze your environment to assess changes and identify dangers.

Have you ever tried to continue a conversation with a person whose attention has been drawn away to answer a text message? How about trying to get the attention of an adult or child whose attention is intently focused on the screen of their laptop computer? Have you ever attempted to extend a greeting to an acquaintance as they passed on the street, when they were talking on a cell phone?

These attention-sapping devices are now in every squad car in America. Some are furnished by the agency and others are personally owned. For great lengths of time officers are turning away from the world spinning around them on their beats and dangerously concentrating on a parallel world flickering on a screen sometimes as small as three inches by three inches.

Anyone traveling about the country can't help but notice how many officers seated in squad cars have an eyes-down posture. As you see an officer on the side of the road or in a lot, stick your hand out the window and give out a friendly wave as you pass. Chances are it will not only go unreturned, but it will go unnoticed.

Guess what: criminals have noticed. They haven't posted a memo on any blog page or printed the information up on their monthly periodicals. They have chosen to forgo any notification and instead take advantage by engaging in tragically successful ambushes with startling regularity. As of this writing, 40 percent of officers who were killed in the line of duty through gunfire so far in 2011 have died in ambushes.

Suggestions

- 1.) Shut down all personal devices and place them in your locker, upon beginning your tour. To some they are no longer an occasional distraction they have become a constant distraction.
- 2.) Learn to log arrival on scene without looking at your keyboard.
- 3.) When you have to use the computer on the beat — don't type more than one line before you lift your eyes to scan and process.
- 4.) If you must text, prop the device on top of your steering wheel (never while driving!) and develop the ability to utilize your peripheral vision to keep the rest of the world in focus.

5.) If you must write up reports in your squad, save your work and change locations periodically. Do not stay in one place too long.

6.) Train to survive while using technology.

7.) Technological Survival Training

As you read this, stop to do this exercise. Lower your head slowly until your chin touches your chest. Think as it does, "Heads up!" Now lift your head and scan and process everything around you. Do the exercise when you are texting on your cell phone and on the computer.

Now, consider taking a toy laptop or toy cell phone to the range for this two-officer drill. While seated in front of a mechanical threat target that is turned away, the officer on the range lowers his or her head, chin to chest holding the toy technology. The partner officer then turns the threat target and shouts, "heads up!"

The officer lifts their head, observes the threat, immediately drops the technology they are holding without concern for breakage and draws to meet the threat. Do this for repetition.

A Couple Words from a Longtime FTO

The technology available to law enforcement allows the beat officer to have access instantaneously to vast amounts of information on the car you are following, the suspect you are about to contact and the address you responding to. Technology even allows you to see the heat of a suspect through walls and in darkness. It allows you to send a robot in to search a building rather than endanger an officer. Technology continues to aid law enforcement in many ways.

When your attention must be diverted by these amazing tools, operate the technology in short bursts like firing an automatic weapon. Pause regularly to take the time to refocus, observe, and analyze the environment you are in to assess changes and identify dangers.

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2011 Oregon Peace Officers Association

Award Recipients

- **OPOA Awards Banquet - Anyone is welcome to attend, honor & support the recipients!**
November 4, 2011 - 7:00 p.m. @ Spirit Mountain Casino. Tickets available online at www.opoa.info - \$35.00 per person.

MEDAL OF HONOR

Chief Marvin Hoover	Clatskanie PD
Officer Justin Bach	Lebanon PD
Officer Justin Clary	Portland PB
Officer Adam Barr	Portland PB
Officer Rich Storm	Portland PB
Officer Davonne Zentner	Portland PB
Officer Sara Fox	Portland PB

MEDAL OF VALOR

Deputy Matthew Rae	Linn Co SO
Deputy Eric Sorby	Lincoln Co SO
Deputy Cliff Cox	Lincoln Co SO
Lieutenant Marv Hammersley	Albany PD
Officer Douglas Kazensky	Longview PD
Sergeant Shaun McQuiddy	Clatskanie PD
Officer George Dominy	Lebanon PD
Officer Sean Cooper	Salem PD
Officer Chris Rasmussen	Newberg-Dundee PD
Officer Mark Wheeling	Coos Bay PD
Sergeant Robert Lounsbury	Coos Bay PD

PURPLE HEART

Officer Steven Dodds	Lincoln City PD
Chief Ralph Painter	Rainier PD
Sergeant Reed Hunt	Portland PB
Officer Parik Singh	Portland PB
Officer Chris Kilcullen	Eugene PD
Officer George Dominy	Lebanon PD
Officer Justin Bach	Lebanon PD
Sean Cooper's K-9 Jack	Salem PD

LIFE SAVING AWARD

Officer Ty Meier	Coos Bay PD
Officer Scott Rogers	Coos Bay PD
Sergeant Chris Long	Molalla PD
Officer Steven Long	Molalla PD
Deputy Janice Martin	Douglas Co SO
Deputy Todd Wingfield	Douglas Co SO
Deputy Brian Melvin	Douglas Co SO
Deputy Pete Wood	Douglas Co SO
Deputy Don Martin	Douglas Co SO
Cadet Larissa Pierce	Douglas Co SO
Officer Mike Bonner	Junction City PD
Officer Matthew Cline	Beaverton PD
Officer David VanCleve	Beaverton PD
Corporeal Justin Carney	Salem PD
Officer Jared Noack	Salem PD
Officer Stephen Chancellor	Salem PD
Officer Vince Dawson	Salem PD
Officer Kyle Stalder	Salem PD
Officer John Manitsas	Salem PD
Officer Jeff Keniston	Salem PD
Officer Lyle Gilbert	Independence PD
Officer Juventino Banuelos	Independence PD
Deputy Edward Vincent	Josephine Co SO

Reserve Officer Alex Bubar	Columbia City PD
Officer Denton Veach	Lake Oswego PD
Officer Bryan Sheldon	Lake Oswego PD
Deputy Dan Charter	Washington Co SO
Deputy Kenneth Coon	Washington Co SO
Deputy Mark Shah	Washington Co SO

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Sergeant Troy King	Portland PB
Captain Robert Ball	Portland PB
Reserve Captain Don Swift	Redmond PD
Research Analyst	
Laurie Waite-Reed	OSP
Administrative Supervisor	
Brenda George	Myrtle Creek PD

PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

Detective KC Jones	Hillsboro PD
Detective Sommer Hegland	Hillsboro PD
Officer Megan Townsend	Hillsboro PD
Call Taker Bethany Love	Salem PD
Call Taker Tim Sosinski	Salem PD
Deputy Jeffrey Boivin	Washington Co SO
Det. Viola Valenzuela	Beaverton PD
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Officer Vance Cooney	Salem PD
Officer Chris Kilcullen	Eugene PD

UNIT CITATION AWARD

Bend Police Department Detective Unit

Lieutenant Ben Gregory
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 Sergeant Clint Burleigh
 Detective Tom Russell
 Detective Pat Hartley
 Detective Don Jordan
 Detective Mike Tabor
 Detective Faith Wiles
 Detective Jason Maniscalco
 Detective Eric Hagan
 Detective Tim Knea
 Detective Hubbard
 Admin Specialist Lynda Gress

Beaverton Police Department Bike Patrol Unit

Officer Mark Barrowcliff
 Officer James Patrick

Willamette Valley Consolidated Communications Unit

Theresa Bryant
 Audra Marsh
 Scott Burwash
 Sandie Carpentier
 Suzanne Petterson
 Teri White
 Sharron Barth
 Tina Holt

TOPIC #1 - LEDS TRAINING

This 4 hour class is for all members of law enforcement who routinely use LEDS (records, evidence, patrol, investigations, dispatch, and corrections). LEDS representatives will cover the following topics; Interpreting query information, little used query's, OUCR, how to get the most from LEDS, future of LEDS and more. This is the training you wish you had years ago. Taught by Kristine Hume Bustos, LEDS Training Manager.

TOPIC #3 – PREPARING FOR PROMOTIONS

Chief Craig Junginger of the Gresham Police Department and Chief Geoff Spalding of the Beaverton Police go over every facet of the Promotional Process to prepare you for the next phase of you career. Relying on over 65 years combined experience in every facet of law enforcement to include FTO, SWAT, Motor Officer, Narcotics, Vice, Beach Detail, Internal Affairs, Chief's Executive Officer and Watch Commander, Detectives, and Administration they will provide expert advice on the testing process from the application to the Executive Interview. They will provide tips on how to prepare for the process and how to present yourself during the interviews will be the main focus of the class.

GENERAL SESSION #1

"The Pain Behind The Badge"

Presented by Clarke and Tracie Paris, this entire seminar is designed to help police officers, police employees, and first responders deal with the struggles associated with police work, Cumulative Stress, and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). This seminar also addresses 'Officer/ Employee Involved Domestic Violence, 'Spousal & Family Involvement', 'Perception Protection' and 'The Progression of Stress', all with the ultimate goal of improving the quality of life for First Responders and reducing the staggering number of America's Heroes who commit suicide each year. This training also addresses issues such as police stress, depression and the roles they play in law enforcement (relationships, use of force, Internal Affairs complaints, motivation, etc.).

TOPIC #2 – BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS

John Stratford retired from the Washington County Sheriff's Office after twenty-seven years; the last twelve as a detective. John will thoroughly cover the "How To" on Background Investigations. Topics covered will include; Legal requirements and updates, forms and formats, investigative strategy, and more. This is a must have for anyone involved in law enforcement who may be assigned an employment background investigation.

TOPIC #4 – EVIDENCE COLLECTIONS & PROCESSING

The FBI's Evidence Response Teams (ERTs). Numerous FBI ERT members specializing in specific forensic areas will provide an 8hr training designed for all law enforcement members who deal with evidence related issues in the course of their job assignments. Investigators, Evidence Techs and Patrol Officers will learn evidence collection and handling skills from the crime scene to the evidence room. Topics covered will include; Chemical Laboratories (i.e. - meth labs), "white powder letters", Crime Scene Photography, Nikon Total Station (NTS) (surveyors equipment), DNA Collection, Procedures for Processing a Crime Scene, Proper Bag and Tag procedures, Casting Shoe and Tire Impressions, Post Blast, Bullet Trajectory, Latent Fingerprints, Trace Evidence and more.

GENERAL SESSION #2

"The Warrior Mindset"

Presented by Lt. Col. Dave Grossman (see page 3 for training details).

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Although "Cerakote" Firearms Coating System has been around for some time (especially used for camo-coating hunting firearms), it is now being made available in a wide variety of pastel and other colors for unique finishes on handguns and rifles. This system is marketed as a corrosion protection finish and is available online for about \$240.00. Although Cerakote is a brand name, the service is likely available through any company that provides high temperature ceramic coating service.

Coloring firearms may make it harder to identify real firearms from toy guns, or BB guns at a glance. Firearms coated in red or blue finishes could be mistaken as training or "simunition" weapons in the field. If it looks like a firearm, it might be one. Additional samples can be seen at www.Glockmeister.com.

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