



OREGON PEACE OFFICER

Presidents Message

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The OPOA E-Board met on May, 23, 2008 at the DPSST training academy in Salem. The meeting agenda included discussion on recently awarded college scholarships for high school students who applied and met the criteria. OPOA is proud to assist these worthy students with furthering their education. We also discussed upcoming training and the board's wish to see two training sessions a month. We would like to have training each month in a different part of the state. We invite you to e-mail the OPOA office with any special requests at opoafc@aol.com.

Discussion was held on the Annual OPOA Conference which will be held November 19-21, 2008 at Agate Beach Inn in Newport, Oregon. We

are excited to have confirmation that Lt. Randy Sutton will present "Policing With Honor" during this conference. If you have not seen this presentation it is a must see for both patrol officers and their supervisors. You can get a preview on Lt. Sutton's website at www.policingwithhonor.com.

As we sat in the board room going through the agenda we could hear the bagpipes playing downstairs for the newly graduating men and women of law enforcement. As our meeting came to a close I stepped out and looked over the railing at the crowd in the lobby below. Men and women in crisp new uniforms and gleaming badges, the smiles on their faces evidence they were happy having just completed the grueling 16 weeks of training. The faces on their family members were shining with pride as they took photos and hugged one another. The children looked up at these new officers with awe struck looks on their faces. These are the men and women who have chosen to protect the State of Oregon and communities within it. This was the first day of their new careers and the feeling of happiness and excitement was held by all who were there.

The next morning Saturday May, 24, 2008 I attended the Skyline Memorial Tribute honoring Military, Police, Fire and EMS Personnel who have lost their lives in the line of duty. The Fort Vancouver Pipe Band was playing at this event but for different reasons than the pipes played at the previous day's graduation. The families were smiling at times but with a different sort of pride.

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They were smiling in remembrance of their husband, father, sister or brother who gave his or her life in the name of freedom and protecting their communities. The entire audience was solemn during the 21 gun salute which echoed across the valley. Many shed tears of gratitude as Echo Taps played.

We, as Law Enforcement Personnel, need to remember each and every day what we stand for in our communities. Go about your jobs with integrity and respect and remember why you took the oath and pinned on the badge. Please note how others see us in the article on page 3. We need to live and work honoring those who have died while

A Police Officer Remembered

In the Spring issue of the *Oregon Peace Officer* we printed the roll call of fallen officers for Oregon. Every two to three years we repeat the tradition during the Spring to help us remember those Oregon peace officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Your editor offers his humble apologies for omitting Officer Walter Slusarczyk, of the Gresham Police Department from that list.

On September 8, 1999 Officer Slusarczyk suffered a fatal heart attack while on patrol. While training a new officer, Officer Slusarczyk reported having chest pains and was transported to a local hospital, where he died a few hours later.

serving the people of this nation and our home here in Oregon.

Stay safe and have a great summer with your family, friends and co-workers.

Wendy Svaren

A Ceremony Remembered

- This is the observation of someone who is not used to the kinds of freedoms that we take for granted.

On May 8, 2008, it was an honor to attend the Oregon Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony. The Ceremony was held outside of the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training Building.

Upon my arrival I noticed a lot of law enforcement officers representing their agencies. It was a great diversity of agencies and uniforms. The ceremony started at 1:00 PM and director John Minnis made welcoming remarks. My heart was trembling when three officers from Sweet Home PD and Lebanon PD sang the national anthem. It was a beautiful moment when I put my hand on my chest with all of the officers and guest to honor all those who had died in the line of duty.

There were guest speakers including Hardy Meyers, the Attorney General. The most touching moment for me was when I witnessed an officer say a prayer and read a poem. When he prayed, I was praying, too. I asked God to be a guardian for all

those who are still alive. I also told God that I wanted to be a part of this group and to serve the country which has given me all the opportunities and this good life. I was so thankful that I could say I am proud to be an American citizen.

I was surprised when the officer read the poem "Dialogue with God." I was able to feel the pain of the person who wrote that poem and at the same time the hope that that person has and his trust in God. The poem was written in honor of Marion County Deputy Kelly Fredinburg who was killed in an automobile accident last summer while responding to a call for assistance.

There were 166 Officers who died in the line of duty whose names were announced. After the roll call of fallen officers, the wreaths were placed by the memorial wall. I was amazed to see the closing salute by the combined honor guard and the Portland Highland Guard. I have never seen something like this in my whole life.

I was happy to be able to take pictures during the ceremony. I am glad that I can honor all of the offices who have been killed in the line of duty.

Inna Dumanovskiy- originally from Semferopol, Ukraine, has lived in the US for the past 14 years and became a US citizen on May 15th 2008. She is currently enrolled in Chemeketa Community College's Criminal Justice Program where she is completing work on a Law Enforcement certificate and a 2 year AAS degree. She is also a citizen volunteer with scenario training at DPSST. It is her goal to be hired as a recruit trooper with Oregon State Police.

OPOA Training

The OPOA will host a Death Investigations Seminar on August 29, 2008, at the Central Willamette Community Credit Union Administrative Office, 7101 Supra Drive, Albany, Oregon. This Seminar will cover Oregon medical examiner law, scene investigation, and witness investigation and information.

The second part of the workshop will cover forensic photography of the scene and the body and will include an overview of Karly's law as it pertains to photography.

This class is designed for patrol and first responders.

For OPOA members the price is \$60. For non members the cost is \$85 and registration includes a 1 year membership so that any further OPOA sponsored training this year will be at the lower price.

TRAINING

.....sometimes the folks who have been doing the job for quite some time forget that many of the younger generation coming into the career field do sincerely respect the honor and integrity of the profession. Inna is one of these examples.

Inspiring the Winning Mind and Warrior Spirit

The target audience for this training is: police, corrections and military; especially trainers, FTO's and supervisors

This 7-hour workshop will be held Monday, October 13, 2008, between 0800 and 1700 at Willamette Falls Hospital-Education Building, 519 15th St., Oregon City. The cost is \$50.

This dynamic and interactive presentation will utilize a number of strategies including case studies and lessons from inside the prison walls to address critical issues in training and leading warriors. Marcus Young will also describe how developing the winning mind and warrior spirit enabled him to remain focused on the mission and win the fight during a violent encounter where he was shot multiple times by a gang member. The focus of the presentation will be to give trainers examples and tools they can take back to develop the winning mind and warrior spirit.

Part two is inspiring excellence in the people that we train. This should be the goal of every law enforcement trainer. This dynamic presentation will examine strategies that can be immediately implemented, at no cost to the agency, to inspire the pursuit of personal excellence in officers by enhancing both their competence and confidence. The topics and strategies addressed during the presentation include understanding how the mind works and exploring methods to harness its power, the impact of language on mental programming, the

influence of expectations on training outcomes, training with imagination and emotion, ideas on the use of video and conducting more effective debriefings, inoculation training - stress vs. context.

To Register/For More Information: Contact Mike Brady, 503-635-0231, Lake Oswego Police Dept.

Trama Intervention Training

The training is sponsored by Trauma Intervention Program of Portland/Vancouver, Inc. on Friday, August 29th, 2008, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM.

Have you wondered what to say to someone during or after a time of crisis? All around the country, "Good Samaritan" volunteers are providing immediate emotional and practical support to survivors of traumatic events. An individual TIP volunteer gives an average of 40-hours every month to help citizens in crisis!

If your agency has volunteers who help in times of need, consider sending them to this training.

This seminar is designed for anyone who wants to learn these life-long valuable skills and will show you how to put compassion into action. Specific topics include: What to say and what not to say to a survivor of a traumatic event. How to give a compassionate death notification. Understanding emotional shock. The 5 "Emotional First Aid" skills. What family members need after a sudden death. The one characteristic survivors of tragic events value most.

The TIP National Emotional First Aid Course will give you the specific skills needed to assist friends, neighbors, coworkers, clients, family members and strangers immediately following any type of tragedy. For more information call: 503-271-0275 or 360-260-2740 Cost: \$100.00 The seminar will take place at the Portland Fire

Training Center: 4800 NE 122nd Avenue, Portland, OR 97230.

Leader June Vining is the Founder and Executive Director of Trauma Intervention Program of Portland/Vancouver, Inc. She is a certified “Master Trainer” with TIP and is known nationally for her leadership and training abilities.

Read all the details at www.tipnw.org .

Northwest SARCon '08

The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office is hosting a three-day training, October 2-4, at the Resort at the Mountain in Welches. Northwest SARCon 2008 is a search and rescue conference developed for emergency responders and their supervisors, including: sheriff's deputies, SAR team members, SAR volunteers, police officers from state and municipal agencies, firefighters, military and national guard personnel and Emergency Medical Services crews. At the conclusion of the conference, participants will have received hands-on training and

participated in discussions on topics related directly to the conduct of search and rescue missions.

Information and registration brochures are available at www.nwsarcon.com.

No registrations will be accepted after September 3, 2008. Request information at Northwest SARCon 2008, Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, Public Safety Training Center, 12700 SE 82nd Avenue, Clackamas, OR 97015.

Verbal Judo: Excellence in Tactical Communications

Oregon City Police Department and Code 4 Public Safety Education Association, Inc. will bring the Verbal Judo presentation to police officers, corrections personnel, parole and probation officers, and those in the field of security and private investigations. Hundreds of peace

Constitutional Change

The executive Board the of Oregon Peace Officers Association recently voted to amend the constitution to abolish the role and position of “alternate board member.” These men and women who are willing to serve the board will now be considered board members.

Article five of the Constitution Of The Oregon Peace Officers Association now reads:

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1 - MEMBERS

- There shall be an Executive Board of twenty (20) persons that represent municipal, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies who are current members of the Oregon Peace Officers Association.
- Four (4) Elected Officers (President, the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, the Treasurer), one (1) the most immediate Past President,
- Zero to Five (0-5) the current president of each of our sanctioned sub-chapters in place at the time of the annual elections,
- Ten to Fifteen (10-15) of the regular OPOA members in good standing.
- The officers and Executive Board position will be nominated and voted on during a General Meeting at the Annual Election of Officers.

In the case where an elected officer is also a sub-chapter president they maintain the title of their higher elected position and shall only cast one vote on any issue. Any vacancy of any Executive Board Member occurring during the year shall be filled by appointment of the president if they chose to do so, but it is not required unless 3 or more vacancies occur during any given year with the exception of the Officer position, which shall be filled immediately by a nomination and a vote of the Executive Board.

officers across the country have found this training to be invaluable.

The training will be held on October 1, 2008 at the Willamette Falls Community Health Education Center, 519 15th Street, Oregon City, Oregon. The training runs from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. (Lunch is on your own.) Call 800-622-9391.

Registration is \$99. There are discounts when you register online at www.code4.org.

The Updated 2008 Oregon Criminal Justice Directory Available

Every year the Oregon Peace Officers Association publishes the Oregon Criminal Justice Directory. It lists local, county, state, and federal agencies as well as courts, corrections, and larger corporate security agents. It is over 200 pages of addresses, contacts, and phone numbers.

For those agencies who already have the OPOA binder the new pages are only \$15 (plus \$3 shipping and handling). If you would like the binder and pages, the cost is only \$20 plus \$3 for shipping. (For five or more books, calculate shipping at 60 cents a book.)

Make checks payable to OPOA and mail to P.O. Box 9211, Brooks, OR 97305.

Award Nominations Due by August 1st

Each year the OPOA awards the men and women in the public safety community who have served above and beyond the call of duty.

The awards are:

- The Medal of Valor
- The Purple Heart
- Life Saving
- The L. Dale Morris Award
- The Medal of Honor
- The Distinguished Service Award
- The Public Service Award, and

• The Unit Citation Award

For a full understanding of each award criteria please read them on the OPOA website at www.OPOA.INFO.

OPOA Membership Dues

The OPOA is holding its annual membership renewal drive. Individual renewal is \$15. New membership is \$25.

The benefits of membership:

- Quarterly Newsletter
- Annual Training Conference
- Monthly Training throughout the state
- Effective lobby in Salem
- Communications within the Law Enforcement Community
- Educational scholarships
- Annual awards banquet
- Death benefits for those killed in the line of duty
- Group rates for auto, home, and supplemental medical insurance

Send your dues to OPOA, P.O. Box 9211, Brooks, OR 97305. Or renew online at www.OPOA.info.

Agency Group Rates

Agencies who choose to enroll all of their eligible employees receive a discount of 30%. When an agency enrolls as a group each membership is only \$10.

Agencies who have provided membership for their employees include:

- Hubbard PD
- Gladstone PD
- Salem PD
- Coos Bay PD

Springfield PD
Gresham PD
Boardman PD
Linn Co SO
Myrtle Creek PD
Independence PD
Corvallis PD
Hillsboro PD Reserves

- Some make it a payroll deduction. Suggest it to your administration.

News from Department of Motor Vehicles

This information was effective July 1, 2008, and deals with documents accepted for proof of legal presence in the U.S., Social Security Number and full legal name.

Proof of Legal Presence:

U.S. citizens:

- A U.S. birth certificate, Consular Report of Birth Abroad (FS-240), U.S. Government issued Certificate of Birth, or Request for Verification of Birth (DD372). A hospital-issued birth certificate, hospital card or birth registration or baptismal certificate is **not acceptable**.
- U.S. passport, passport card, or territory passport not expired more than 5 yrs.
- Approved Tribal ID card.
- Certificate of Citizenship (N560, N561) or Naturalization (N550, N570, N578).

Permanent legal residents:

- Resident Alien card
- Permanent Resident card (I-551)
- Permit to Re-Enter (I-327).

Non-US citizens or non-permanent legal residents:

- Valid foreign passport, not expired, with appropriate Arrival/Departure Record (I-94 or CBP I-94A) or a valid I-797 Notice of Action issued by the Department of Homeland Security or Custom and Border Protection.
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security issued documents, not expired, including:
 - Temporary Resident ID card (I-688);
 - Employment Authorization card (I-688A, I-688B and I-766); or
 - Refugee Travel Document Form I-571.

• Social Security Number

- (Verified with SSA - All persons eligible for SSN must have one):
- Social Security card or other SSA documentation;
- Income tax form filed with the Internal Revenue Service or a state tax agency;
- Employment document; or
- Military document.

(Proof if not Eligible for SSN):

Requires applicant to provide proof of ineligibility for SSN. Acceptable documents include, but not limited to documents issued by:

- SSA; or
- Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency or federal court that demonstrate why not SSN-eligible; and
- Applicant must certify not SSN-eligible.
- Full Legal Name - IF different from legal presence documents:
 - A marriage certificate;
 - A divorce decree;
 - A certificate of registered domestic partnership;
 - A judgment of dissolution or annulment of marriage or domestic partnership;
 - An adoption decree;
 - A court decree, order or judgment legally changing the applicant's name.