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**KEEPING OUR MEMBERS INFORMED** 

**FEBRUARY 2015** 

# Police Officers Really Do Care!





# President's Message

John Kazanjian

irst and foremost, I want to wish everyone a healthy and happy 2015. I want to thank everyone that showed up, December 21st 2014, to the rally to "support our of law enforcement officers." We had over 400 people show up at the PBA, along with our guest speaker Congressman Allen West. It was a great time and we had a lot of support from the public who also showed up at the PBA. I'm confident that we definitely got our message out. Prior to the rally, we had a barbecue and presented toys to our fallen officers' children. The toys came from a toy drive from our members and PBSO. We were able to fill 2 large trailers full of toys! Watching these kids receive their toys was awesome to see. The glow on the children's faces was fantastic! Later that day, December 21st, three (3) police officers were murdered. Two (2) in New York and one (1) in Tarpon Springs, Florida - it was a sad day for law enforcement. Since, the murders there has been an outpour of support towards law enforcement. You must be careful out there and be cognizant of your surroundings.

Some of the Boynton Beach Sergeants have petitioned PERC in order to have an election between the PBA and the FOP. This is simply retaliation from the City Manager trying to get back at the PBA for the protest and for calling her a liar in a public meeting. The City Manager has been meeting with an FOP representative attempting to "divide and conquer" the police officers. Take a look at what the City Manager has done to your Collective Bargaining process! It has been well over a year, and still, we have no contract. She now knows she can't control the PBA, so she wants us out. It has been no secret that the PBA wants to do away with the City Manager's method of managing and also get rid of the City Attorney because of his enormous fees to the City in order to fight the PBA on every front. He doesn't like the PBA because we made it public exactly what he has charged the city in legal fees - well over \$800,000!!! This isn't about the PBA losing a Unit. It's about the City Manager trying to run the Union and attempt to get what she wants. Look at the big picture before you vote! Be safe out there.

# \*\*\*\*\* REMINDER \*\*\*\*\* PBA Scholarships

The deadline for receipt of all PBA Scholarship Applications is Wednesday, April 15th, 2015 (by the end of business). Applications received in our office



after this date will <u>not</u> be accepted. Applications are available on-line at <u>www.pbcpba.org</u> and in the PBA Office.

Good luck to all applicants!

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REPRESENTATIVES	MCSO - Corr	Maritza Fundora, Appt √
Boynton Beach	Thomas Randazzo √	Tequesta McKinney, Appt √
Toby AtholExcused	Lawrence Lutrin √	requesta Mortimey, Appt
R. "Doc" Davis √	Rui Dutra, Alt V	Palm Bch Shores
Brian GoldfussExcused	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Douglas Gilbert √	Chris Gorham, Alt √	Charlie Hoeffer √
		Mike Simmons, ApptUnexcused
Cory Gray √	North Palm Beach	
- · - ·	Joseph YungkExcused	Palm Springs
Delray Beach	Javier Ortiz, AltUnexcused	Sean Grant√
Vinnie Gray √		Darrell Diez, AltExcused
Shannon Sniffen √	Ocean Ridge	
Rodney Stevenson √	Steven Wohlfiel √	Palm Springs Sgts
Gary Ferreri √	Mario Galluscio, AltUnexcused	Louis Collura √
Andrew Arena, Alt √	Mario Gandoolo, 7ttiOrioxodood	Michele Vazquez, AltUnexcused
Joe Hart, Alt √	PB School Police	Michele Vazquez, AltOriexcused
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Delray Beach Lts.	Kevin O'Sullivan √	
John Palermo √	Alex Lopez √	Paul Grohowski √
	Brian Qualters, ApptExcused	Carmine Izzo √
Scott Privitera, Alt √	Ronnie Williams, ApptExcused	Ron Caudell, Appt √
		Matt Pietrzak, ApptUnexcused
FAU	Palm Bch Gardens	
William Hernandez √	Bob Odell √	Riviera Beach
Miguel Cardona √	Randall Anderson √	Nancy Aspenleiter √
	Randy BuntinExcused	Peter ModicaExcused
Greenacres	Greg Allen, Alt √	Nir Mordechay, Alt √
Matt DeJoyExcused	Grog 7	Frank LaPorta, AltUnexcused
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Juno Beach	Butch Altonen, Alt √	David Duran √
Michael Graham, ApptExcused	Ray Griffith, Alt √	George McLain √
	Billy Gray, ApptUnexcused	
Jupiter	Grant Henderson, ApptExcused	Tequesta
Jason Levinstein √	Kevin Igo, Appt √	Charles Weinblatt √
Jason Vansteenburgh √	John McGuire, Appt √	
Jason Alexandre √	Alex Nunes, Appt √	West Palm Beach
Michael Lilienfeld, Alt √	Carlos Ugalde, Appt √	Lou Penque √
Adam Hirsch, Alt √	Canoo Ogarao, Appa mining	Troy Marchese √
	PBSO - Corr	Edward Thomas √
Jupiter Island	Tammy Bussey √	Roy Bevell √
Matt Potsko √		
Steve Bona, Appt	Jerry Sneed √	Joseph Herb √
Ctoro Bona, Appt	Jeff Jackson √	Brian Gaudette, Alt √
Lantana	Pete Tartaglione √	Jay Donde, Alt √
	William Pinto √	
Chris Decker √	Willie Powell, Alt √	
Manalanan	Patrice Quinn, AltExcused	
Manalapan	DJ Dowling, Appt √	
Chris FilippelliUnexcused	Thomas Jordan, Appt √	
	Reginald Napier, ApptUnexcused	

# Officer Of The Month

# Officer of the Month - July 2014 PBSO Cpl. Sean Lutz

Nominated by: PBSO Sgt. Nichole Addazio

On March 2, 2014 PBSO D/S reported a traffic crash on I-95. Upon arrival, Cpl. Lutz reported the car in flames with two occupants trapped inside. One occupant was deceased. With the entire engine engulfed in flames, Cpl. Lutz freed the one surviving passenger. Placing his own life in danger, Cpl. Lutz saved a life with his excellent police work and judgment.



PBSO Cpl. Sean Lutz

### Officer of the Month - August 2014 PBSO D/S Brian Fidler

Nominated by: PBSO Lt. Beth Krivda

On June 6, 2014, PBSO units responded to a house fire. D/S Fidler arrived first and the residence was engulfed in flames with three children trapped inside. Without hesitation, D/S Fidler climbed through a broken window three separate times into black smoke and flames to save each child. D/S Fidler' heroism saved the lives of three children.



PBSO D/S Brian Fidler

### Officer of the Month - September 2014 Boynton Beach Officer Cory Herny

Nominated by: Boynton Beach Officer Cory Gray

On June 19, 2014 Officer Herny conducted a traffic stop on a gold Honda that ran two stop signs. Officer Herny activated lights and sirens and four (4) occupants of the stopped Honda fled on foot. One of the back passengers pointed a silver gun at Officer Herny. Officer Herny drew his service weapon and fired at the suspect. As that suspect was hit, all other fleeing suspects returned to the car. Officer Henry then took a tactical position until back-up arrived.



Boynton Beach Officer Cory Herny

### Officer of the Month - October 2014 West Palm Beach Officer Jason Barquin

Nominated by: WPB Sgt. Lou Penque

On Saturday, August 23, 2014, West Palm Beach Officer Jason Barquin responded to an armed robbery with a firearm call. While en route, Officer Barquin saw an individual matching the description of the suspect. A physical altercation ensued whereby Officer Barquin was able to fire his taser. The suspect pulled a gun from his waistband and fired at Officer Barquin. Officer Barquin fired back at the suspect who died at the scene.



West Palm Beach Officer Jason Barquin

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## Officer of The Month Continued

Officer of the Month - November 2014 Port St. Lucie Sgt. Paul Grohowski

Nominated by: Port St. Lucie Lt. Carmine Izzo

Sgt. Grohowski saved three citizens lives in one (1) month. On September 8, Sgt. Grohowski responded to a call of a 60 year old man not breathing. Sgt. Grohowski prepared an AED and the man began shallow breathing as fire rescue transported him.

On September 16, 2014, Sgt. Grohowski again applied an AED to an unconscious male who was not breathing. Sgt. Grohowski began chest compressions. The patient stabilized while fire rescue transported him to St. Lucie Medical Center.

On September 23, 2014, Sgt. Grohowski responded to a female threatening suicide from the turnpike bridge. Sgt.



Port St. Lucie Sgt. Paul Grohowski

Grohowski developed a dialogue with the female and convinced her not to commit suicide as he pulled her to safety.

We all applaud Sgt. Grohowski's life saving heroism.

# Officer of the Month - December 2014 PBSO D/S Daniel Ganzel

Nominated by: Palm Beach County PBA

PBSO D/S Daniel Ganzel in October, off-duty PBSO D/S Daniel Ganzel noticed a victim in distress while on his way to celebrate his wedding anniversary. A female jogger on US-1 was attacked by a suspect who fled on a bicycle. D/S Ganzel, off-duty, made contact with the victim, drove and spotted the suspect on US-1 and took him into custody where the victim positively identified the suspect.

D/S Ganzel gives new meaning to the phrase "off-duty."



PBSO D/S Daniel Ganzel

# Petsmart Toy Donation

**December 18, 2014** 

Petsmart and PBSO held a Toy Donation Drive on Thursday, December 18, 2014. Included in the picture from PBSO are Captain Matt Eisenberg, Lieutenant Shawn Eastman, Lieutenant Pete Tartaglione, Sergeant Michael Morris, Deputy Michael Walsh, Deputy Elizabeth Alonso and Deputy Larry Nielsen. Petsmart employees are Manager Don Buza and Doreen Tucker, who is the person responsible for the collection of the stuffed animals.

Petsmart is located at 20861 State Road 7, Boca Raton Florida 33428



# Welcome New Members!!!

		SEPTEMBER 2014 Continued	
JULY 2014 MARVIN MARTY	PBSO	TAYLOR HUDSON	PALM SPRINGS
YOLANDA ARNOLD		JOSHUA KRONZEK	
RICHARD MCGRIFF		MATTHEW WARD	
LAWRENCE HALVORSEN		MARSHALL MILLER	
ERNEST GEORGE		MARC BOZONE	
CHELSEA MARINO		MARK BUDENSIEK	
CAMELA DAVIS			
TANISHA BLAKE		OCTOBER 2014	
TODD JOHNSON		PAUL SANCHEZ	GREENACRES
CODY BOYD		STEVEN THIBODEAU	PRSO
JUAN JURADO		MICHAEL PETRILLO	RETIRED
DAVID KALMUS, JR	PBSO	MICHAEL JABUREK	
ALFONSO CANDELARIA		DONALD ROGERS	
JOHN REED	PBSO	ROBERT GEORGE	
ANDREW SENTZ	PBSO	TRACY HUNT	
RAFAEL IRAHETA	PBSO	SHELLEY ORBEN	
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CHRISTOPHER MORIN	PBSO	OSSEL HARRISON	
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BRENDA JOHNSON	PBSO	MATTHEW ISHAM	
MELISSA CANTIN	PBSO	ANTHONY GOINDOO	
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JOEL KOVES	PBSO	NICHOLAS IMPERIALE	
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JONATHAN FRANKLIN		HOWARD LUNSFORD	
ADAM GOREL		JOHN CACERES DUQUE	
JOHN PASSEGIATA	GULFSTREAM	AISHA WESTCARTH	PBSO CORR
		THEODOREA FORBES	PBSO CORR
AUGUST 2014		LATARIA HILL	PBSO CORR
BERNARD O'DONNELL	GULFSTREAM	TALIA VERA	PBSO CORR
CHASE PICOTTE	FAU	MATTHEW JENNINGS	PBSO CORR
JORDAN LEON	BOYNTON	ANDRE MICHELE II	WPB
JENNIFER WORRELL	BOYNTON	THOMAS VIALE	WPB
CHRISTOPHER BAEZ		DANIEL FUCHSMAN	WPB
JENNIFER WORRELL	BOYNTON		
TODD SUTTON		NOVEMBER 2014	
ELWIN MORGAN		OSACAR RIVERA	PBSO CORR
JASMINE LEHE		JENIFER GROUNDS	
KEVIN CAMPBELL		RASHEEDAH GUDEN	ODEENLAODEO
			GREENACHES
JAIRO MORENO		KUMPOL KORNSUWAN	
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# **Body Cameras and Collective Bargaining: Will We Be Our Own Worst Enemies?**

Submitted by Gary Lippman, General Counsel

t shouldn't come as a surprise to anyone that the fastest growing resource file in my office cabinet is entitled "Body-Worn Cameras." Fattening the fat file considerably is a nearly 80 page report entitled "Implementing a Body-Worn Camera Program; Recommendations and Lessons Learned." The report was published through a cooperative agreement between the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice ("COPS"), and the Police Executive Research Forum ("PERF") after a conference about the new technology. What probably won't come as a surprise, either, is that only one police union is listed among the 127 law enforcement agencies and other entities in attendance at the 9/11/13 Washington, D.C. conference convened specifically "to discuss the policy and operational issues surrounding body-worn cameras."

While police departments throughout the United States from Albuquerque to Yakima, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the various federal agencies you'd expect, some corporations, universities, and management law firms all were represented in numbers (e.g., "200 police chiefs"), just one guy from a Baltimore police union is listed as having been there; again, specifically to discuss "*implementing* a body-worn camera program." So, it shouldn't come as a surprise that in fewer than 2½ pages "officer concerns" summarily are addressed, and the "useful" sources of input identified for agencies that might be interested in hearing about their own "officer concerns" are: "patrol commanders and officers, investigators, training supervisors, the legal department, communications staff, Internal Affairs personnel, evidence management personnel, and others across the agency who will be involved with body-worn cameras."

Duly states-certified collective bargaining representatives for officers' terms and conditions of employment got virtually no ink in the thick report apart from a broad recommendation



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that **when implementing** their body camera programs police agencies "**consult** with frontline officers, local unions, the department's legal advisors, prosecutors, community groups, other local stakeholders, and the general public." (Emphasis added).

How do you think concerns about body-worn cameras changing *officers*' terms and conditions of employment are going to fare with "community groups, other local stakeholders, and the general public?"

The report also noted that "meetings with union representatives are effective means to *communicate* with officers about the agency's body-worn camera program." (Emphasis added). I haven't done word searches on the report, but I'm pretty sure the words "collective bargaining" and "negotiate" don't appear in it.

While private employer installations of surveillance cameras in *private employees*' workplaces has been recognized as a "mandatory" subject of bargaining under the National Labor Relations Act since at least 1997,¹ and *public employees*' expectations of privacy in public employment workplaces have been recognized to be reasonably legitimate (albeit relatively tenuous) since 1987,² law enforcement employers' installations of GPS and various on-board and in-board video and audio recording devices on their employee-operated patrol cars, and now

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> O'Connor et al. v. Ortega, 480 U.S. 709 (1987).



# HAVE YOU MADE YOUR NOMINATION?

# Law Enforcement, Corrections and Civilian Awards

Please submit your nominations for Law Enforcement Officer of the Month, Corrections Officer of the Month and Civilian Employee of the Month to Gail@pbcpba.org

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Colgate-Palmolive Co., 323 NLRB 515 (1997).

"Nationally, much

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putting cameras on their law enforcement employees' **bodies** hasn't been subject of much reported collective bargaining negotiations.

If you Google "body cameras and collective bargaining," the first link you'll get is to a recent podcast interview the Labor Relations Information System ("LRIS") had with your writer specifically about "collective bargaining" issues police unions may raise about the cameras, and scrolling further down you'll find a couple of links recounting one Portland, Oregon police union president's concerns about his union members being equipped with the things. It's likely no coincidence that the Portland police union is in the backyard of Will Aitchison, the union attorney who founded and runs LRIS. But virtually all of the remaining links you can scroll through are about the "body cameras" only, and not at all about "collective bargaining" over officers being required to wear them as a term and condition of their employment. And most of the links reference the PERF report and/or the much-vaunted Rialto, California experience; neither of which addressed "collective bargaining."

Yet, there's no disputing that agency employers implementing officer tracking and recording devices comes into collision

with their employees' rights of privacy, due process, and rights to organize and engage in concerted activities for mutual aid and protection.

**Q:** So, why is there so little out there about police or corrections **unions negotiating** public employers' introduction of GPS, on-board and in-board recording devices, and body cameras into their workplaces?

A: You tell me.

Think about it: when **you** heard in roll call or shift briefing or actually saw that things were getting installed in your patrol cars or on your laptops or even on your body, did **you** call your union? Are you comfortable assuming that because criminal suspects have no reasonable expectation of privacy inside your police car that **you** don't either? Do you think your employer's "patrol commanders" or "legal advisors," or "prosecutors, community groups, other local stakeholders, and the general public" give a rat's ass about **you** being constantly tracked and recorded on- and even off-the-job?

Employers' associations and management legal advisors are out there right now accurately advising employers and management clients that a union's failure to "demand" bargaining in timely fashion *prior* to their clients *implementing* policies regarding anything (body cameras included) constitutes a "waiver" of the union's right to negotiate the policies and/or contractual language regarding the uses and consequences of anything their employers and management clients are *implementing* (body cameras included). Much as it's been said that a tree falling in the forest with no one there makes no sound, a change being made in your workplace in the absence of a union request for collective bargaining makes for no negotiating with the union over the change.

Ultimately, the burden is on *unions* to quickly identify changes in the workplace that warrant bargaining; which places the burden on *union members* to quickly advise their union of

changes in the workplace. And there's no denying: **body cameras are changes in the workplace**. Don't assume it's an employer's exclusive "management right" to install recording devices in your "office" or on you. And don't assume someone else will call the union

Think about this, too: last year a State Attorney's Office memorandum determining that no charges would be filed, and no Grand Jury consideration would be had regarding a certain officer-involved shooting, included extensive *verbatim* accounts of two recorded conversations the officer involved had "approximately 10 minutes" *after* the shooting. The conversations were with another law enforcement officer, and a "presumable supervisor," respectively. *The SAO memorandum noted that the officer likely "was unaware his comments were being captured by the in-car recorder.*" Considering the quoted statements made when the officer was unaware of the recording, together with the officer's consistent account of the shooting when he knew he was being recorded, the SAO closed-out the case as it did. But, what if the officer had been talking to me on the telephone? What if. . . ?

Nationally, much is being said and written justifiably about *citizens*' privacy when officers arrive wearing body cameras.

Nationally, much less is being said or written about *officers*' privacy; and within our federal court of appeals' and state court jurisdictions, there is very little guidance. At this juncture, there are few if any express exemptions that can exclude from Florida's definition of "public records" what is recorded of our union members' movements and conver-

sations; even when there is no third party physically "there." So, those two conversations our stressed member had moments after using deadly force now are public records.

Clearly, there needs to be legislation addressing the flood of personal data and information about public employees that new technologies in the workplace are harvesting.

While we can't negotiate records retention provisions inconsistent with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, at a minimum we *can* negotiate how recordings will be used *administratively*. More than 25 years ago the United States Supreme Court made clear that an officer's "use of force *must* be judged from the perspective of a reasonable officer on the scene, rather than with the 20/20 vision of hindsight." With the introduction of body worn cameras, the temptation to substitute "the 20/20 vision of hindsight" is greater now than it ever has been.

Police and corrections officers' unions can and need to ensure that the sounds and images captured by body worn cameras don't become part of administrative processes already in place which intentionally skirt fundamental due process and permit agency employers to connect the dots between allegations of misconduct and officers' discipline without ever asking the subject officer what happened.

Body cameras and collective bargaining is not a contradiction in terms; unless law enforcement and corrections union members make it so.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Graham v. Connor, 490 U.S. 386 (1989) (emphasis added).

## Palm Beach Co. S.O. News

In light of recent events, we have encountered an environment that undoubtedly places law enforcement in a multitude of precarious positions. The issues have been compounded by the tumultuous rhetoric being disseminated throughout the news, social media, and even certain governmental "talking heads." In spite of this, law enforcement remains steadfast in their oath and duty to protect one and all.

When I first entered the ranks of law enforcement, I did not do so for parades or accolades. Rather, I did it to serve my community through an unwavering devotion to safeguard my fellow citizens by putting criminals in jail. The day we turn our back on that credo is the day we allow the criminal to win. Notwithstanding the recent downward turn in the sentiment of detestation for law enforcement, the feeling of hatred for police is not something new. If anything, we all knew about it coming into this profession. We have all encountered it in one form or another, but we have never coward away from it. That's what makes us the professionals that we are.

I say we gain solace in two things: your fellow brothers/sisters-in-arms and your training. While this may be simplistic, when examined, it holds everything we need for success. It is that brotherhood/sisterhood that melds the very fibers of the proverbial "ballistic blanket" that keeps us from harm's way. When all others in our community despise us, we can gain strength knowing that our fellow brother/sister-in-arms have our backs. Now is the time for us to build and strengthen our camaraderie and "esprit de corps" because that is what we should be able to count on without hesitation. It's bad enough that we have to be second guessed by everyone else, therefore it shouldn't come from within. The minute we espouse uncertainty for one another is the day the criminals win. Take care

of one another and have each other's backs because no one else will. It is the sanctity of that solidarity that fortifies us and we are fortunate not many professions have what we have.

Which leads me to my next point: training. Unless you've been around the country or have conducted some research you would not know that our training is far above many other agencies. I say that not to bash others or because someone deserves a pat on the back, rather it is to convey the point that we need to have complete confidence in our training. The second that we hesitate and allow indecision to enter our thoughts is the moment in time when someone dies. Copious research demonstrates that human beings function on quarter-second increments when it comes to decision making. Do not allow indecisiveness to enter your thoughts and have the your opponent gain that quarter-second advantage. Seek solace in the training provided and rest assured that it is the very best out there. Take training seriously and apply it just as diligently through your day-to-day work.

Now is the time for law enforcement to hold the line and not veer from the tactics that keep us alive. Nothing would prove the skeptics' points even more than us "flip-flopping" our procedures.

I would ask that we continue to look out for one another and be meticulous in our application of training. At the end of the day, we know that we are professionals that remain resolved in our duties to protect one and all. Remain committed in what you know (your training) and each other. That is the recipe for victory and all of us going home to our families at the end of the each and every day.

Stay safe and train hard! Carlos Ugalde, PBSO Rep

# Martin Co. S.O. News

Dear Law Enforcement Members,

It was a unique bargaining session, to say the least. However; it is over for another year. All things being equal, the majority of our bargaining unit members received a bump in the positive direction, in the form of a "half-step" raise. Unfortunately, Health Insurance costs (for the Office and our Members), and the associated costs, keep rising... and I don't have to remind anyone that life in general isn't getting any cheaper. That being said, for those members (currently 61 and increasing), that have not witnessed a "base salary" (C.O.L.A.) increase since 2008... we hear you and we are trying.

It is here and now that I must point out, that it was very generous of the Sheriff to provide a full step raise last year to those members that are still progressing through the pay plan. Additionally, his funding of a half-step raise and the "Max Merit Pay" (for those members to whom it may be applicable) this fiscal year will surely be beneficial to all bargaining unit members. The PBA will continue to try to bargain for above average wage and benefits for our members, which is commensurate with the level of service and professionalism provided by you, the MCSO deputies.

I am pleased to report that the MCSO PBA Reps are now meeting with the Sheriff's Administrative team. A "Wage

Committee" will seek to identify positive and forward thinking remedies relating to future wage benefits for our members. We are hopefully optimistic that the committee can work together to formulate a salary benefit package that will be competitive and reward everyday professionalism and performance.

Please allow me to take this opportunity to thank and recognize Richard Parks, Donald Knott, Darryl Stokes and Jake Sirmans for their service as PBA Representatives during the past term. Their dedication to this Office and to our membership is second to none.

I would like to introduce and welcome: Brian Tison, Wayne Trocan, Jon Hanton, Andrew Porcelli, James Holloran and Willie Weiss to the 2015-2018 MCSO Law Enforcement PBA Representative team. I look forward to working together with each of them as we support our members and the Sheriff's Office.

As we begin the new year, please take the time to reflect on the many blessings that are ours. Take pride in the fact that you make a difference in Martin County and that your service continues to impact the quality of life for our residents in a meaningful way.

The Martin County Sheriff's Office PBA Representatives wish you and yours a Happy and Safe New Year.

Submitted by: Karl Nelson, MCSO PBA Representative

## Palm Beach Co. S.O. Civilian News

### Happy New Year to all of our PBSO Civilian PBA Members

On behalf of the PBA Representatives who were re-elected, I would like to welcome all of the newly elected PBSO Civilian Representatives. We are happy to have you with us. We would like to thank all of the civilian members who voted.

For the benefit of our new working group and the benefit of all I would like to recommend to the representatives and all of our members to read and re-read the Civilian Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). Being familiar with the CBA can assist in answering questions that come up from time to time. Of course, the PBA is here to assist if there are further questions.

Also, with a group as large and dynamic as the PBC PBA there is always something to do, always a way you can contribute. Be an active participant with the group looking out for your best interests. Review the PBA website, communicate with your fellow members regarding what is going on and find out how you can get involved. The PBA works for the benefit of all of us so make a New Year's resolution to help in any way you can

Thank you all for your support and contributions. Have a safe and prosperous New Year!

Submitted by: Mark Gish, PBSO Civilian Representative

# The Cop Who Kept Trying

Submitted by John Kazanjian

At some point in their career, every cop has wanted to turn their experiences and war stories into the great American novel. Career law enforcement officer and PBA brother James O. Born has taken his experiences with the DEA and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and turned them into a successful second career as a nationally known, award-winning author.

Always interested in writing, Born finished his first novel in 1989 and learned a hard lesson about publishing. The short version of the story is that his first two novels were never published, but he didn't give up, refusing to admit defeat. That all changed a mere 14 years later when he sold his first novel, *Walking Money*, to Putnam books in 2003 and shared the same editor with Tom Clancy, WEB Griffin and Patricia Cornwall. Born has stayed busy since, writing eight more novels, as well as consulting on TV shows and appearing on discovery IDs *A Crime To Remember*.

During all this Born has maintained his job as a Special Agent with FDLE, as well as raised a family. "It's been a challenge," said Born as he reflected on his ten years of success in the cutthroat world of publishing. "I like the pressure and the deadlines. I also like the fact that no one will bite or punch me during the course of my normal day as a writer." Born acknowledges that publishing is a tough business to break into. Aside from the ability to write a novel with a clear story and developed characters, the first step of finding an agent is probably the most daunting task. From there, the chances of landing with a major publisher in New York are remarkably slim. But, he says if you enjoy writing and that is your passion, you should keep at it no matter what rejection you might get from agents.

Born became interested in writing a novel during the nearly 20 years he gave technical advice to Elmore Leonard and other writers. To prepare, he read hundreds of novels and studied writing. The one thing that would jump out at him was the ridiculous premise of some police novels and movies. He wanted to show what police work was like for a real cop;

that cops have lives outside of the job and not everyone is perfect. His stories are spiced with colorful language and off-center characters on both sides of the law.

His true mentor has been the first real cop-turned-writer, Joseph Wambaugh, who gives him advice not only on publishing, but his police career as well. Born said, "Joe told me not to retire early and I listened. It was probably the best advice I've gotten since my first book was published." Born could retire at any time, but enjoys his job and sees no reason to pull the plug right away.

In 2014, Born co-wrote a novel with legendary commentator Lou Dobbs. *Border War* was a huge success and has raised Born's profile across the industry. His next novel, *Scent of Murder*, about a specialized police K-9 unit on the trail of a serial killer comes out in April of 2015. Born says it is the first book he has had to do serious research on by hanging out with dog handlers and listening to their stories.

Scent of Murder shows the lives of three members of a federally funded task force who each live with their canine partner. Many aspects of the incredible world of K-9 police work are part of the novel, from searching for a cadaver to chasing fleeing suspects. Lee Child, the bestselling author of the Jack Reacher series read Scent of Murder and said, "An established talent with a great new angle - irresistible."

Born appreciates the kind words from established authors. He has also won the Florida book award for best novel as well as the prestigious Barry Award for a short story that was included in Michael Connelly's best-selling collection *The Blue Religion*.

Born will donate a portion of his proceeds from every book sold in the month of April to a PBA approved charity, as well as charities supporting dogs.

For more information about James O. Born, visit his website at <u>WWW.JAMESOBORN.COM</u> or his author's Facebook page. All of his novels are available on Amazon and in most leading bookstores.





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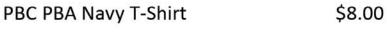
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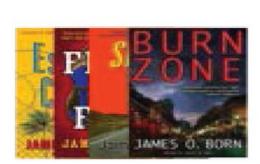




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# National Law Enforcement Officers MEMORIAL FUND

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# Officer Christopher Nebbeling Receives "Officer of the Month" Award from NLEOMF

ashington, DC—The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund has announced the selection of Officer Christopher Nebbeling, of the West Palm Beach (FL) Police Department, as the recipient of its Officer of the Month Award for November 2014.

On the evening of October 26, 2013, West Palm Beach officers were pursuing suspects of a reported shooting. The West Palm Beach Police Department issued an alert on the suspect's vehicle, stating they were last seen in a dark SUV heading south towards a crowded downtown area.

Officer Nebbeling was monitoring a Halloween event nearby, when he heard gunshots. As Officer Nebbeling headed towards the scene to assist, he noticed an SUV matching the description of the suspect's vehicle traveling in the opposite direction at a high speed, and he pursued the vehicle. The SUV accelerated and weaved between cars through heavy traffic to elude Officer Nebbeling. The SUV entered a major intersection and nearly struck several motorists before the driver lost control of the vehicle, eventually crashing into the median. The driver stopped the SUV, and the suspects fled on foot.

As Officer Nebbeling exited his squad car to pursue the suspects, he saw a rear passenger exit the SUV carrying an assault rifle. The suspect aimed his weapon at Officer Nebbeling. An



eight-year Army veteran who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, Officer Nebbeling instinctively drew his service weapon and advanced towards the threat, firing until the gunwielding suspect disabled. was Officer Nebbelrestrained him until reinforcements could arrive and then remained at the scene to render aid.

Police later captured the other two suspects. The suspect with the assault rifle succumbed to his injuries later that evening. He was a gang member with a long arrest record, including involvement in three shootings in prior years. One of those shootings was just a few weeks before the incident. The suspect's weapon was discovered to be a loaded AK-47.

"When thrust into this situation, Officer Nebbeling acted heroically," said Sergeant Adam Myers of the West Palm Beach (FL) Police Department. "In the face of superior fire-power, Officer Nebbeling stared directly at the threat, advanced and eliminated it. If it weren't for the decision-making and actions of Officer Nebbeling, unknown numbers of police and civilians could have suffered serious bodily harm, if not death."

"Officer Nebbeling's quick actions and police instincts enabled him to save his community from further danger," said Memorial Fund Chairman & CEO Craig Floyd. "He is truly a hero to his community and deserves to be the recipient of the Officer of the Month Award."

Located in the nation's capitol, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund is a nonprofit organization dedicated to honoring the service and sacrifice of America's law enforcement officers. The Memorial Fund's Officer of the Month Award Program began in 1996 and recognizes federal, state, and local officers who distinguish themselves through exemplary law enforcement service and devotion to duty.

Officer Nebbeling, along with the other Officer of the Month Award recipients for 2014 will be honored at a special awards ceremony in Washington, DC, in May 2015, during National Police Week. In addition, their stories of service and heroism will be featured in the Memorial Fund's annual calendar.



The Police Unity Tour is the official sponsor of the Memorial Fund's Officer of the Month Program.

# **Palm Beach County PBA Rally**

# Saturday, December 20, 2014

he Palm Beach County PBA held a Rally on Saturday, December 20, 2014 to show that Police Officers really do care for the community. We were excited to have Retired Colonel Allen West participate and support our event. In con-

junction with the Rally, we held a Toy Drive which was very successful in collecting donations for the children of the community for the holidays. We would like to thank everyone who came out in support of our efforts.











# **Tickets on Sale**

Spring Training Game

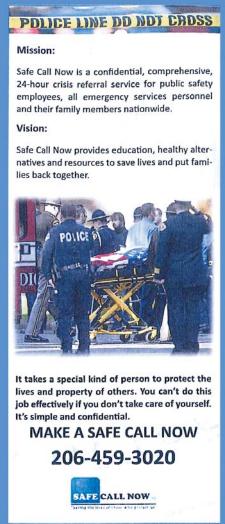
Monday, March 9, 2015 - 1:05 pm

\$45.00

w/food & beverage voucher

\*\*\$5.00 will go toward the Palm Beach County Charity Fund\*\*





# **Warning Signs: Excessive Drinking** Prescription Drug Abuse Finances in Turmoil In Need of Family Counseling Struggling with Addiction Marital Issues Depression **Erratic Behavior** Loss of Interest in Job Suicide Attempt Alienation Changes in Weight / Appetite Feelings of Hopelessness Unable to Sleep All communications to Safe Call Now are guaranteed to be confidential nationwide per Revised Code of Washington RCW.43.101.425



# APRIL 4, 2015 BB&T CENTER

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Law Enforcement

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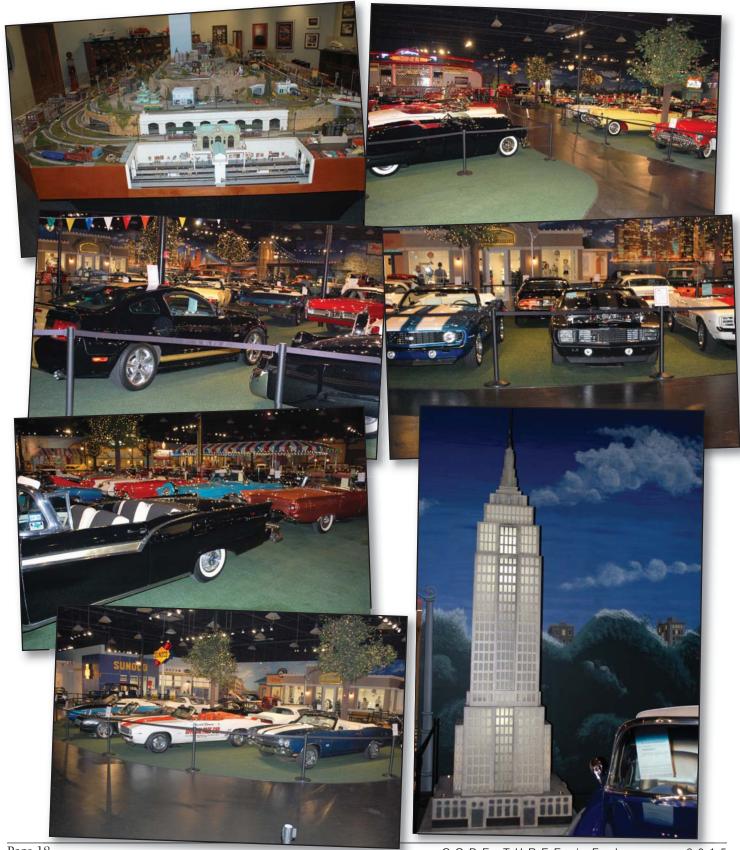
LIGHTNING

7:00 PM

Tickets available at the BB&T Center or call BB&T Box Office at 800.745.3000 and mention code PALMBEACH or BROWARD for discounted prices and location. Tickets are also available at www.thebbtcenter.com/teams/detail/panthers Prices vary by location. \$5 from every ticket supports local families of fallen officers.

# PBA Oldies Night Cars of Dreams - North Palm Beach

Friday, January 9, 2015











# We want our members to be the first to know...

There's a great new way to stay up-to-date with the PBA on up-to-theminute breaking news, events, money-saving specials and much, much more by receiving PBA texts and emails directly to your mobile device! Visit <a href="https://www.pbcpba.org">www.pbcpba.org</a> to sign-up today!

Signing up for the service is free. (However, standard text message and data rates may apply).

\*Be sure to add mail@pbcpba.com to your approved sender list.



# PBA "SUPPORT LAW ENFORCEMENT" TAG SELLING FAST!

The Florida PBA "Support Law Enforcement" license tag is a hot item. Over 100,000 tags have been sold so far.

The proceeds of this tag are deposited into a charitable fund—the Florida PBA Heart Fund—for the Association's members (see page 37).

The intent of the Heart Fund is to provide financial assistance to the families of members who are killed in the line-of-duty and to members who are injured and permanently disabled in the line-of-duty under certain circumstances. The great thing about the contributions



made to the Heart Fund, they are tax-deductible! Please ask for the PBA "Support Law Enforcement" tag when you visit your tag office and purchase this tag for your vehicle(s). Keep showing your support for PBA and your fellow officers.



## **Warning to Individuals Traveling Interstate Transporting Firearms**

In light of the many changes in firearm laws throughout the United States, the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and the Department of Airports has assembled the below information for travelers seeking to legally transport firearms in checked luggage.

- 1. Comply with all TSA rules as it pertains to traveling with firearms. All firearms must be declared at the ticket counter to the airline, firearms must be unloaded, only in checked bag in TSA approved hard cases with locks, ammunition can be in same locked case in original ammo box or box made for ammunition. Please read complete TSA regulations before travel at: <a href="http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/firearms-and-ammunition">http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/firearms-and-ammunition</a>
- 2. Contact your airline before travel with your firearm transport information and location of travel.
- 3. Check the firearm laws of the State that you are traveling to in order to ascertain if the firearms, ammunition and magazines are legal in that State.

Federal law: Title 18 USC § 926A – The Federal Firearms Owners' Protection Act (FFOPA) of 1986 provides an exemption from local laws where the person traveling with a firearm for a lawful purpose from a state where the possession of the firearm is legal to another state where the possession of that firearm is <a href="Legal">Legal</a>\*, providing that during such transportation the firearm is unloaded and not readily accessible to any passenger in the transporting vehicle and if there is no separate compartment in that vehicle, then the ammunition shall be in a locked container other than a glove box or console. \*Must also check if the type of firearm and magazine you have is legal in the state you are traveling to! Note: "travel" means uninterrupted travel.

Remember all the above must be complied with.

## IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO DO SO.

More information is available at:

www.nraila.org/gun-laws/state-laws.aspx www.atf.gov www.governor.ny.gov/nysafeact/gun-reform



# As a PBA Member, KNOW AND ASSERT YOUR RIGHTS!

# Remember, as a sworn officer, you have the right:

- ✓ to be represented by a PBA **attorney** during any interrogation;
- ✓ to be provided any complaint, all witness statements, and all existing evidence (e.g., audio and video recordings, GPS locator information) for review **with an attorney before** the beginning of any interrogation;
- ✓ to be interrogated at a reasonable hour (e.g., at a time when a PBA attorney can be present for the review and interrogation);



- ✓ to refuse a polygraph, and
- ✓ to refuse to respond to questions if an investigator intentionally fails to comply with requested requirements after being advised of his or her violations of those requirements.

As a dues-paying member, a Palm Beach County PBA attorney can be with you every step of the way.

Don't be intimidated out of your RIGHTS!

Don't try to be your own lawyer!

If you are a member in good standing, and you are suspended or fired, Palm Beach County PBA has attorneys to assist you.

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## **ATTENTION: RETIREES**

Please take notice that pursuant to §95.11(3), Florida Statutes, lawsuits, including "an action founded on negligence," and "for assault, battery, false arrest, false imprisonment, or any other intentional tort..." must be filed "WITHIN FOUR YEARS" of the incident date.

To the extent that such lawsuits may be brought against you <u>after</u> you retire, you need to consider continuing your membership for four (4) years beyond your retirement.

If you are retired but have returned to law enforcement and are currently paying a "RETIREE MEMBER-SHIP," you should be aware that if you are subject to such actions at a time when you no longer are paying the appropriate dues, the PBA cannot provide legal assistance. See Palm Beach County Policy 12-1.

Enjoy the full peace of mind your retirement should mean.

# **REMINDER**

The legal defense policies of the Florida and Palm Beach County PBA have an important provision regarding representation. If a member elects to secure representation by anyone other than the PBA (a private attorney, for example) that member is considered to have waived representation by the PBA. Once this happens, it is the PBA's option whether or not to continue to represent the member in that matter. Please call the PBA office if you have any questions regarding this policy.

## **STAY UP TO DATE!**

Have you gotten married or divorced?

Working for a new agency?

Changed phone numbers or address?

Changed your personal e-mail address?

Please contact the PBA Office (561) 689-3745

to update your information.

The PBA is **NOT** notified of changes made within your department.

# 817.311 UNLAWFUL USE OF BADGES, ETC.

(1) (817.311 SS)From and after May 9, 1949, any person who shall wear or display a badge, button, insignia or other emblem, or shall use the name of or claim to be a member of any benevolent, fraternal, social, humane, or charitable organization, which organization is entitled to the exclusive use of such name and such badge, button, insignia or emblem either in the identical form or in such near resemblance thereto as to be a colorable imitation thereof, unless such person is entitled so to do under the laws, rules and regulations of such organization, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in S. 775.082 or S. 775.083.

(2) This section shall be cumulative to any and all laws now in force in the state.

Florida Statutes (1987).

## **PLEASE NOTE**

843.085 Unlawful Use of police badges or other indicia of authority: (l) Unless appointed by the Governor pursuant to chapter 354, authorized by the appropriate agency, or displayed in a closed or mounted case as a collection or exhibit, to wear or display any authorized indicia of authority, including any badge, insignia, emblem, identification card, or uniform, or any colorable imitation thereof, of any federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency, or other criminal justice agency as now or hereafter defined in S. 943.045, which could deceive a reasonable person into believing that such item is authorized by any of the agencies described above for use by the person displaying or wearing it, or which displays in any manner or combination the word or words "police," "patrolman," "agent," "sheriff," "deputy," "trooper," "highway patrol," "Wildlife Officer," "Marine Patrol Officer," "state attorney," "public defender," "marshal," "constable," or "bailiff," which could deceive a reasonable person into believing that such item is authorized by any of the agencies described above for use by the person displaying or wearing it.

(2) To own or operate a motor vehicle marked or identified in any manner or combination by the word or words "police," (etc.) Or by any lettering, marking, or insignia, or colorable imitation thereof, including but not limited to, stars, badges, or shields, officially used to identify the vehicle as a federal, state, county or municipal law enforcement vehicle or a vehicle used by a criminal justice agency as now or hereafter defined in s. 943.045, which could deceive a reasonable person into believing that such vehicle is authorized by any of the agencies described above for use by the person operating the motor vehicle, unless such vehicle is owned or operated by the appropriate agency and its use is authorized by such agency, or the local law enforcement agency authorizes the use of such vehicle or unless the person is appointed by the Governor pursuant to chapter 354

(3) To sell, transfer, or give away the authorized badge or colorable imitation thereof, including miniatures of any . . .

(4) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL PROHIBIT A FRATERNAL, BENEVOLENT, OR LABOR ORGANIZATION OR ASSOCIATION, OR THEIR CHAPTERS OR SUBSIDIARIES, FROM USING THE FOLLOWING WORDS, IN ANY MANNER OR IN ANY COMBINATION, IF THOSE WORDS APPEAR IN THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE ORGANIZATIONS OR ASSOCIATIONS.

# Receive PBA's weekly "Capitol Report" newsletter during the legislative session via E-PBA, PBA's free e-mail service!

To sign up, visit <a href="www.flpba.org">www.flpba.org</a> or call 1-800-733-3722 today! The "Capitol Report" is only available via E-PBA!

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# **PBSO CHARITY FUND DEDUCTIONS**

The Palm Beach County PBA Charity Fund was established in 2004 to assist our members and their children with scholarships to defray the costs of higher education. In addition, the Charity Fund now helps provide charitable assistance to our members and their families who have experienced a life altering tragedy or a catastrophic event.

The PBA Charity Fund, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions to the fund are fully tax deductible.

If you are a PBSO employee and wish to contribute to the Charity Fund, please visit <u>www.pbcpba.org</u> for instructions on donating or contact Wendy at the PBA (561) 689-3745.

## **NOTICE: LEGAL ADVISORY**

POLICE SHOOTINGS, IN-CUSTODY DEATHS, OR SERIOUS TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS WHAT TO DO?

**STAY CALM** 

Have you been ordered to write a statement about an incident that may be investigated?

## DON'T FORGET YOUR RIGHTS! CALL PBA AT (561) 371-7200

Do not talk to anyone until you have consulted with a PBA ATTORNEY!

### PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS

The following statement should be written as the first sentences on any statement, report, or memorandum an officer is ordered to write when the officer knows or has a reasonable belief that discipline may result:

It is my understanding that this report is made for administrative, internal police department purposes only. This report is made by me after being ordered to do so by lawful supervisory officers. I have not been permitted a reasonable amount of time to confer with a PBA representative or attorney. It is my understanding that by refusing to obey an order to write this immediately, that I can be disciplined for insubordination and that the punishment for insubordination can be up to, and including, termination of employment. This report is made only pursuant to such orders and the potential punishment/discipline that can result for failure to obey that order.

## **EMERGENCY CONTACT PROCEDURE**

Please be advised that the emergency number (561) 371-7200 is for CRITICAL INCIDENTS ONLY!

Our attorney(s) should **ONLY** be contacted after hours for critical incidents; that is, an officer-involved shooting, an in-custody death, an on-duty vehicle accident with injuries or if Internal Affairs investigators are responding right now to an incident.

If you are attempting to contact a PBA Attorney for any matter that is not a critical incident, please contact the PBA Office (561) 689-3745 during regular business hours 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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I will never forget your kindness).

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To the PBA Scholarship Committee,

Thank you very much for your generosity in rewarding me with the PBA scholarship. I have recently begun my academic career at UCF and your scholarship program is a significant factor in making my academic goals attainable. It is nice to see that the PBA takes care of its member's families so well and places such value on education. I am honored to represent the values that will carry on the tradition of what the PBA Scholarship Award represents.

Thank you,

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your thoughtfulness meant so much.

Thank you to the Police Benevoled Association Scholarship Fund For your generous check of \$500. I plan to use it to better my education and pursue a career in law enforcement.

Thanks again, Jake Gallagher



Dear Palm Beach County PBA,

I am writing to Ghank you for awarding me with your generous scholarship. I am working hard to set myself above the rest for success in the future. Your scholarship is helping me do that.

Sincerely,

Holley Maddel

November 17, 2014

W.P.B. Police Benevolent Association 2100 N. Florida Mango Road West Palm Beach, FL 33409

Re: Brian Chappell Memorial & Scholarship Fund

Enclosed please find a contribution to the Brian H. Chappell Memorial Scholarship Fund. This donation is in memory of his father, Tom Chappell.

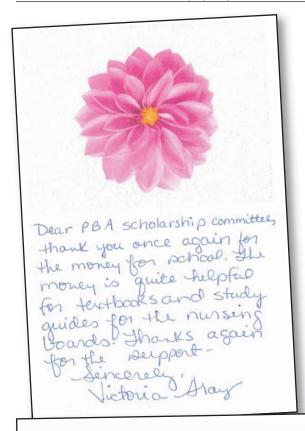
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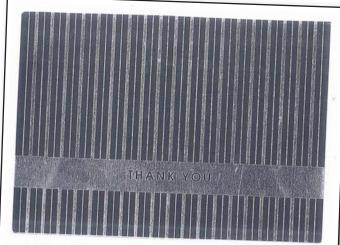


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Sincerely.

Brandon H. Miles





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gift you gave me. It has helped greatly gething me through college and getting the things I needed to have for School and the police Service academy. Once again thank You so much I greatly appreciate it.

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### Kimberly Edelstein

August 7, 2014

Dear Kaz and the Palm Beach County PBA Scholarship Foundation,

I am writing to thank you for your generous, financial support that you were able to provide towards my education.

As a homeland security major as well as a flight minor at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University I can guarantee that the money will be put to great use. It is also greatly appreciated that you were able to interview me at such a late time due to my prior summer commitments with the Army.

Thank you so much again for your time, understanding, and funding. Your financial generosity has allowed me to be one step closer to my future goal and I hope to one day help other students achieve their goal as you have helped me.

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### U.S. Department of Justice

United States Marshals Service

Investigative Operations Division

Alexandria, Virginia 22301-1025

August 6, 2014

President John Kazanjian Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association 2100 North Florida Mango Road West Palm Beach, Florida 33409

Dear Mr. Kazanjian,

I would like to personally thank you for the assistance you provided to the Florida/Caribbean Regional Fugitive Task Force and the Technical Operations Group following the sudden death of Senior Inspector Walt Reilly. The commitment and professionalism of the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association (PBA) provided USMS personnel with much needed support as they moved forward during this tragic and difficult situation.

It goes without saying that the Marshals Service thinks of our state and local law enforcement partners as family. In this instance, the PBA members who represent Florida law enforcement returned the favor and it has not gone unnoticed. From the planning, preparing, and facilitating of the reception at the PBA, you provided a professional and dignified event that honored Senior Inspector Reilly, his family, and the Marshals Service.

Your assistance speaks volumes to the partnerships forged not only by law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line each day, but the strength of spirit, commitment, and sense of duty shared by our two agencies. Speaking for the Investigative Operations Division, we are grateful for the outpouring of support received from the PBA, the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, and surrounding community.



# MANALAPAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

600 South Ocean Boulevard, Manalapan, Florida 33462-3398 Telephone (561) 585-4030 Fax (561) 585-9498 www.manalapan.org

February 2, 2015

John Kazanjian Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association 2400 N. Florida Mango Road West Palm Beach, Florida 33409

Dear Mr. Kazanjian:

Thank you for providing the timely notice of the newly elected Manalapan Police Department PBA representatives.

The Town of Manalapan will continue to treat all of its employees in a fair manner respecting the legal rights of every employee.

Sincerely,

Carmen Mattox, Chief of Police

Sincerely,

Angel Gonzalez

Acting Assistant Director

Acting Assistant Director Investigative Operations Division





# Florida House of Representatives

Representative Kevin Rader

District 81

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December 22, 2014

Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association Mr. John Kazanjian 2100 North Florida Mango Road West Palm Beach, Florida 33409

Dear Mr. Kazanjian;

Thank you for your comments and thoughts at the Legislative Delegation Meeting.

I always enjoy hearing form the residents of Palm Beach County as I am here to serve you. I appreciate you taking the time to discuss the local bills that the Legislative Delegation was voting on; these issues are important to the community and I will take your thoughts into account as we proceed through Session 2015.

If I may be of assistance to you in the future, please let me know.

Kindest Regards,

Kenn Roudes

Kevin Rader

Committees:

Business and Professions Subcommittee (Ranking Member)
Appropriations Committee
Local and Federal Affairs Committee
Local Government Affairs Subcommittee
Government Affairs Subcommittee







December 16, 2014

Dear Friend,

Now that the frenzy of Election Day has passed, I wanted to take a moment to thank you for your support in my first campaign for the Florida House.

Obviously, the results were not what we preferred. It is difficult to come so close - within 2800 votes - and not come away with the win. But this election was not an ending, by any means.

We heard from thousands of residents of House District 89 throughout the past year. They want changes in public education, property insurance, and myriad other areas. I made a commitment to them that I would be an advocate for change, and I intend to keep that promise.

Your help was integral in this campaign, and I look forward to working with you again.

With appreciation,

David Silvers

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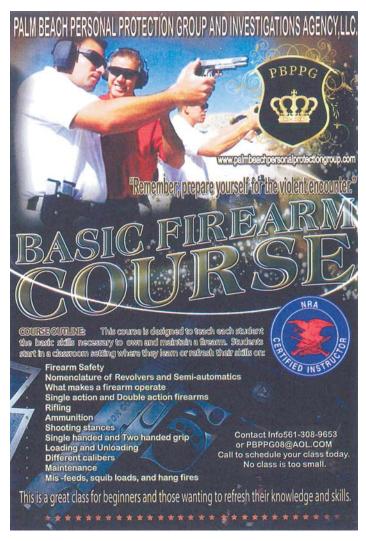
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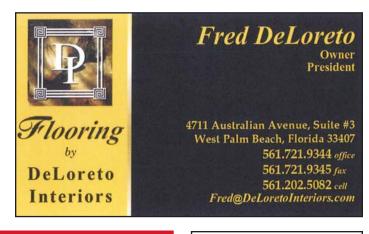


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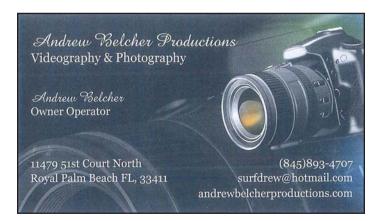
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