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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mark Bardsley,
President



I saw the spirit of ICPC at its best during my worst!

During the Mid-Winter Executive Meeting in January the committee comes together to have an intensive two day work period, review ATS conference site, prep for the summer training event and work through the corporation challenges and opportunities. During this concentrated twenty-four hours of working issue after issue, you being to learn a lot about the people you work with and the intensity of their ethos for ICPC.

Working through lunch and dinner being the norm, I had ordered a friendly looking salad which I assumed would be good for the weight and my ample waste. But within an hour and a half to two from the consumption of the product, my body and that salad wanted a violent and permanent divorce! I can't be certain of the exact culprit but the reality of being sick hit me like a ton of bricks. Now you might be thinking ok take a break and get over it. While that sentiment was a reality for me, WE (ICPC Executive Committee) had

hours of work still ahead of us. So without fanfare or hesitation I said to President Elect Pam Neal, "The Chair is yours keep working." Without missing a beat the team kept going.

While the team continued the press forward on our many agenda items. I watched from the adjacent room stepping out from time to time to purge my attacker from my digestive system. WOW. But during my moments in the room I observed an amazing event. Dialog and discussion on the future of ICPC, point and counterpoint, compassion, deference, objection and acceptance, agreement and determination to move forward on a path that makes ICPC stronger, more effective and efficient. That is the TEAM I observed and it was an AWESOME moving experience for me. Nothing in the work I observed was self-serving or pushing personal agendas. None of us were exactly alike in appearance or background and yet our objective was the same, to take a charitable not for profit corporation to the next level. I am honored to work

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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with these great people!

Your ICPC elected officers and Board of Directors have a truly unique call placed upon them to serve. Everybody knows that ICPC is about training and providing support for chaplains and agencies with vital infrastructure. That is what it is all about on the front line.

But the elected officers and BOD also have a fiduciary responsibility to keep a 46 year old Not For Profit Corporation alive and growing! Accompanying that are the legal ramifications and corporate policy by which our leaders and members pledge our adherence to. I once was told that trying to lead a group such as ours is like “herding cats,” and that is a great description. But here is my challenge for “the herd” this quarter: Let’s together pledge our collegiality to one another as the professional chaplains we are. And added to that lets find the team spirit that causes us to close ranks and stand tall for the officers and agencies we serve.

That means we need *Collegiality!* From our diverse backgrounds we have come together as professionals to meet the needs of our responder communities. We may not agree with each other on theological points or how to counsel or when to step back and shut up. But we do professionally agree that the law enforcement community needs compassion and chaplains that are available to help them meet needs. We can do this!

And even though we may be a “herd” we can have *Team Spirit* that objectively works toward the goal of providing dynamic training and support for chaplains and the agencies they serve. We will achieve this by

pulling together. Where I may be weak (and sickly) you or the chaplain in the next community over from you may have the strength and support to assist my short coming. It is Team ICPC that has led Police Chaplain Training for the last 46 years and will continue to do so for years to come. Thank you for being a part of the team and thus a part of the answer for continuing success! Yes we can!

Don’t forget to check out your Regional RTS’s and then get ready to join the team in training July 22 – 26 in Wichita, KS at the 2019 ATS.

As always - Blessings!

Mark E. Bardsley
ICPC President 2017 - 2019

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FROM THE EDITOR

CHAPLAIN JOHN HARTH

I grow weary.

As with President Bardsley, I, too, have been battling health issues. That being said, things are on the upswing.

What really tires me is losing so many of our fellow chaplains over the last few months. Most recently my friend Chere Bates went to God, as did long-standing confrere Harold Elliott, among others.

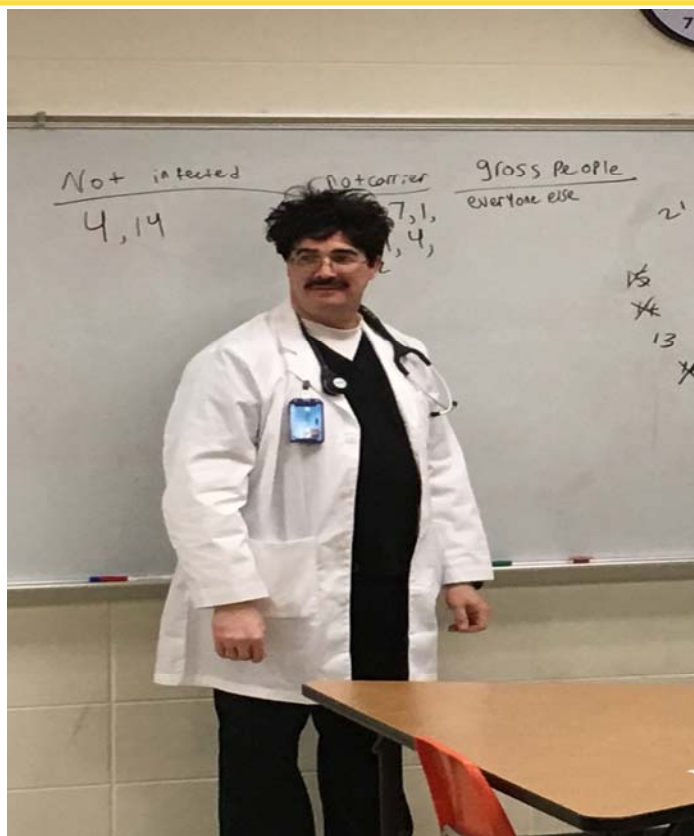
Along with my prayers for them and their families, I pray for us...ICPC. As I scan the crowds at our trainings, I see much graying and thinning hair among the men; of course, you ladies age more gracefully. But the point is: we need more young chaplains!

It is understandable that many agencies might prefer chaplains with more wisdom that comes from age, but there are plenty of new generation chaplains who likely have never heard of ICPC. My hope is that we are promoting our beloved organization, especially among the latter group. If you have found benefit from membership, kindly pass that along to other chaplains. Our training, resources and networking are the best. Make it better: be ambassadors for ICPC.

God bless you, and be careful out there.



Chaplain John Harth presently volunteers with the United States Secret Service, Missouri State Highway Patrol, and multiple other law enforcement agencies.



This is Dr. Isbein A. Karrier. The name is pronounced "Is-been" "A" Carry-Yay!"

Dr. Karrier is a germ specialist with the county health department on loan to the high school. Of course, he is French-Iranian, and was trained by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security with the highest security clearances. You know where this could lead..... His accent is quite thick!

He does have one quirk. He is deathly afraid of the "epizoodik". And he doesn't like it when people have the "heebee-geebees". Because when others have the heebee-geebees, he gets them too. And it's quite gross!

His specialty is training others in how to prevent contamination. Whatever contamination that might be.

His "do" was crafted by the cosmetology instructor and one of his students in the high school.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

The Annual meeting of the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC)

will be held in Wichita, KS,

July 22-26, 2019.

Business to be conducted will include:

receiving reports of the

officers and committees, acting upon recommendations of the same, setting the

2019-2020 budget, elections, and any other business necessary and proper to come

before said meeting.

2019 Election Procedures






Elections will be held during this year's ATS for the following ICPC Executive Office:

President-Elect
Vice-President
Secretary
Treasurer

Open to Full, Retired or Life Members of ICPC in good standing. Updates and/or changes to membership must be submitted **NO LATER** than **June 28, 2019** to the corporate office: icpc@icpc4cops.org

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REGION RESOURCES

For information on ICPC Regions, please visit our website: icpc4cops.org—Regions

Page Selections:	Description
Region Directors	Provides contact information by Region
Area Representatives	Provides a listing by State/Area of the Representative and contact information.
Region Map	Graphic containing the global regions of ICPC.
Region Training Seminars	Lists upcoming training dates, locations, host contact information, brochure for current and/or upcoming training events, and accommodation links.
Region News and Links	Links to regional websites for news and additional information.

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2019 Executive Officer Nomination Timeline

July 31, 2017	Nominations open for President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary
January 23, 2019	Nominating Committee provides slate of approved candidates. Include an electronic 5x7 color photograph (JPG) and bio (Word format) to the Corporate Office for inclusion in the March edition of the ICPC Journal 180 calendar days preceding the Annual Training Seminar elections
March 10, 2019	Journal article announcing Nominating Committee slate of approved candidates
April 23, 2019	<p style="text-align: center;">Closing of “Floor” nominations 90 calendar days preceding the opening ceremonies of the Annual Training Seminar</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Completed Officer Nomination Form N-2012 and all confirmation documents for Floor nominations must be submitted to the Corporate Office via fax 850-654-9742 or Email: icpc@icpc4cops.org no later than mid-night April 23, 2019 (90 calendar days) preceding the opening ceremonies of the Annual Training Seminar</p>
April 24, 2019	Corporate Office presents all submitted “Floor” nominations to the Nominating Committee for verification process
May 23, 2019	Nominating Committee provides slate of all approved candidates. Include an electronic 5x7 color photograph (JPG) and bio (Word) to the ICPC Office for inclusion in the June edition of the ICPC Journal no later than 30 calendar days after Floor nominations close
June 10, 2019	Journal article announcing all approved candidates
July 22, 2019	Candidates presented to the attendees of the Annual Training Seminar
July 24, 2019	Candidates Forum – Wednesday Evening 7:15 pm
July 25, 2019	Election of Officers
July 25, 2019	Announce election results at the Thursday Business Meeting
July 25, 2019	Officers presented at the Banquet and sworn in
September 10, 2019	Journal Article announcing new officers

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S SLATE OF 2019-2021
EXECUTIVE OFFICER CANDIDATES**

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(automatic)



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Volunteer Chaplain Coordinator
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Knoxville, TN
Baptist
ICPC Credentialed—Diplomate

President-Elect



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Treasurer



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(incumbent)
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Casa Grande Police Department
Casa Grande, AZ
Baptist
ICPC Credentialed—Fellow



Paul Ellis
Volunteer Chaplain
Maricopa Police Department
Maricopa, AZ
Assemblies of God
ICPC Credentialed—Master



Bob Fiers
Volunteer Chaplain
Indiana Guard Reserve
Non-Denominational
ICPC Credentialed—Fellow



Gary Malkus
Volunteer Chaplain
United States Secret Service
Apple Valley, CA
Calvary Chapel
ICPC Credentialed—Fellow



Bob Heath
Volunteer Chaplain
Joplin Police Department
Joplin, MO
Non-Denominational
ICPC Credentialed—Diplomate

QUALIFICATIONS TO HOLD OFFICE

President-Elect	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer/CFO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years • ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above) • Attended at least 5 Annual Training Seminars and Regional Training Seminars in the previous 5 years • Exhibited involvement in the activities of their Region and/or Area • Participated in ICPC committee work • Demonstrated organizational leadership skills and abilities • Served in the office of Vice President 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years • ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above) • Attended at least 5 Annual Training Seminars and Regional Training Seminars in the previous 5 years • Exhibited involvement in the activities of their Region and/or Area • Participated in ICPC committee work • Demonstrated organizational leadership skills and abilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years • ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above) • Possess strong knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order • Experienced in record keeping • Possess professional writing skills • Experienced in conducting business meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years • ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above) • Have at least 2 years of experience in business finance in such areas as accounting, bookkeeping, non-profit organization accounting and record keeping, investments and endowments • Ability to generate and present a corporate financial report

NOMINATIONS

Offices:

President-Elect
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

The Nominating Committee is soliciting nominations from “The Floor” (the Membership), which is open until **April 23, 2019**.

Nomination Guidelines are available on the ICPC website: **www.icpc4cops.org**—Members Only Section: Election/Nominations—folder:

- ⇒ Nominee Qualifications
- ⇒ Nominee Policy
- ⇒ Nominee Timeline
- ⇒ Nomination Form N-2012
- ⇒

Or you may contact the office: icpc@icpc4cops.org

If you wish to nominate a member, please confirm their willingness to serve prior to submitting nomination forms.

The final slate of approved candidates will be available **May 23, 2019** and published in the June 2019 edition of the ICPC Journal.

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Serving All Law Enforcement Chaplains

OFFICER NOMINATION FORM N-2012

Submission Deadline: **Midnight, Tuesday April 23rd**

FOR THE OFFICE OF: PRESIDENT ELECT _____ VICE PRESIDENT _____ SECRETARY _____ TREASURER _____

NOMINEE:

LAST NAME _____ FIRST _____ MI _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ CELL PHONE _____

NOMINEES MUST SUBMIT A 500 WORD STATEMENT OUTLINING THEIR PLANS AND PURPOSES FOR THE POSITION. STATEMENT MUST ALSO AFFIRM THEY MEET QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE.

NOMINATOR:

LAST NAME _____ FIRST _____ MI _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ CELL PHONE _____

PRINT NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE ____/____/____

SECONDER:

LAST NAME _____ FIRST _____ MI _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ CELL PHONE _____

PRINT NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE ____/____/____

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL NOTIFY THE NOMINEE OF THEIR "NOMINATION FROM THE FLOOR" (THE MEMBERSHIP) VIA EMAIL OR USPS MAIL. ALL APPROVED NOMINEES SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE CANDIDATES' FORUM AT THE ATS.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- COMPLETED FORM N-2012
- CANDIDATE PERSONAL STATEMENT
- CURRENT 5 X 7 COLOR PHOTO*

*MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY IN JPG FORMAT.

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POLICE CHAPLAINS - A VITAL PART OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Chaplain Jack L. Rinchich (Ret. Chief)

After serving in law enforcement for over forty years in a dual capacity as a police chaplain and as a sworn officer I have had the unique opportunity to interact with more than one generation of police officers. After discharge from my first tour in the United States Marines in 1970 I began submitting applications to various agencies in hopes of landing a position as a sworn officer. I eventually began my law enforcement career in 1972 when most police departments did not have any formal chaplaincy programs. Many years later I served a second tour of duty in the Marines during "Operation Desert Storm and Desert Shield" as a combat MP and unit chaplain.

Most police chaplains during the 60's & 70's were local pastors from within their communities. Typically, ministers who served as department chaplains during that time participated in an informal manner as "ride-along" chaplains. Few if any had any exposure to police chaplain training or fully understood the complexities of law enforcement. For one to serve in a (dual role) as a police chaplain and as a sworn officer was extremely rare and unique, however I served in that dual capacity for many years. To some that was viewed as a conflict, but to me that role was perfectly clear based on my understanding of scriptures.

Since my early years in law enforcement I have seen a dramatic increase in the use of police chaplains in both large and small agencies across the nation. Having been to approximately 15 countries during my ministry as a police chaplain I have noticed an increased interest in police chaplaincy programs in many other countries as well. I have worked with a number of agencies in foreign countries in developing chaplaincy programs to include Nigeria, Africa, Germany, Ireland and others. In spite of different cultures, languages, laws and boundaries, I have found that policing around the world is fundamentally the same. Evil is no different in the U.S. than in any other country and police officers around the world face many of the same challenges and stresses.

One of the most widely recognized police chaplain programs in the world is the International Conference of Police Chaplains. Their membership numbers in the thousands with chaplains serving departments throughout the U.S. and many countries abroad. They provide formal training and certifications specifically designed to meet the modern day challenges of police officers.

Although some police chaplains continue in the informal "ride-along" functions, many others have formal roles as (appointed) departmental chaplains. In addition to individual ministerial degrees and seminary training, police chaplains are now trained in many aspects of law enforcement. In many large agencies police chaplains are appointed with a command rank, wear the same uniform as other command officers and in some cases are armed. Some police chaplains also possess degrees and certifications as counselors, therapists and psychologist.

Unless a police chaplain is certified and licensed as a counselor or therapist, they generally refrain from providing any formal counseling.

The primary role of the police chaplain is to provide spiritual support, insight and encouragement to officers seeking help. The police chaplain also helps to set the tone by providing an example of moral conduct, compassion and decency. In many cases, the police chaplain is simply a "listening ear" and a shoulder to cry on. It takes time for a chaplain to gain the confidence and trust of police officers as many officers are cynical, paranoid and in some cases totally resistant to anything with a religious tone.

There are many religious doctrines, denominations, cultures and theological differences in our society and it may require more than one chaplain to meet the varied spiritual needs of a particular department and a particular community. The International Conference of Police Chaplains have chaplains representing all faiths and maintain a national roster of membership. For information regarding their programs and services one can simply go on-line to obtain information about the organization and police chaplains situated in their respective community.

As a police officer and as a chaplain, I have been confronted with some of the most challenging situations one can imagine. I have talked down bridge jumpers, people threatening suicide with a gun, delivered death messages to family members, prayed over dying people and provided comfort and spiritual support to countless people and victims in distress. The most challenging incidents were those when fellow officers have been killed in the line of duty, have threatened suicide, struggled with family breakups, fretted over rebellious and wayward kids, alcohol and drug related addictions and financial struggles. People often forget that cops are mere mortals with the same passions and struggles as everyone else, - yet they are expected to solve all of the social ills of society without ever soiling their own character and uniform.

I have had more than one officer weep on my shoulder when they reached their breaking point with no where else to turn. Many officers do not have a church affiliation or pastor and perhaps a departmental chaplain might be the only source of immediate spiritual help. Because I was an (officer) and a (chaplain) they knew that I could identify with their struggles. Until I found my calling and faith as a Christian I too faced many of the same struggles.

I believe man basically consists of the three main components, Physical, mental and spiritual, - a (triangular) being that requires all three of those components to be nurtured. We go to great lengths to address the physical and mental needs, but often put forth very little effort to address the spiritual. Personally, I believe one of the main reasons for the increased crime and violence that police officers

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face is the lack of spiritual input and maturity in our society. With God at the (top) of the triangle as it points (upward) and the physical and mental points being at the base, our existence is complete.

I have seen far too many answers to prayer and miracles to deny the existence of a Supreme God that deals in the affairs of men. I do not compromise my convictions as a born again Christian, however I do allow one to seek God as he or she feels they should. We live in a tumultuous world with radical religious ideologies and doctrines using God as an excuse with authority to destroy and kill others. I believe any religion that is void of love, compassion, and mercy does not emulate the true nature of God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons or children of God".

During my career as an officer and chaplain I began each day with a simple prayer, - "Lord, help me to be at the right place, at the right time, saying and doing the right things for the right people". Often and to my amazement I saw that prayer come to fruition. There were times when I had no doubt that my spontaneous assignments were guided by providence and not merely coincidence! All police officers eventually learn to respond to their intuitive sense along with their training and experience.

There are times when that unexplainable "gut reaction" made the difference in their street survival and the survival of others. Much of what we do is based on our response, training and experience, but in spite of all that there are those unexplainable events that go beyond our physical efforts of intervention. Some may choose to call those unexplainable events and outcomes as "lucky", "coincidental" etc., but others acknowledge that some obvious and mysterious divine intervention took place.

I could write volumes about the times I just happened to be at the right place, at the right time and with the right people to intervene on their behalf, but there are some incidents that truly stand out in my mind during my career as a police chaplain. The day I was "officially" appointed as the departmental chaplain I began wearing my chaplain insignia along with my rank insignia. Eventually a formal "chaplain's badge" was issued similar to the standard departmental issue. Ironically, that very day a newspaper reporter showed up at our booking office at six in the morning just as I was about to begin my dayshift assignment. He advised the shift commander that he was there to see if our department had a police chaplain and he was perhaps interested in doing a feature story. The shift commander pointed in my direction and said, "our newly appointed chaplain just happens to be standing over there". With that he began to conduct a brief interview for a story which was published that day along with a photograph depicting my chaplain insignia.

After the interview I began my routine patrol as a police officer and newly appointed department chaplain. A few hours into the shift I was dispatched to a high crime housing area regarding a "disturbance". I had no details other than a general location. When I arrived there were adjoining apartments and I was unsure from which apartment the call had originated so I knocked on the first door I came

to. When the door opened a young woman in her mid to late twenties stared at me "wide eyed" and suddenly exclaimed, - "God does love me"! I asked what the problem or disturbance was and she invited me inside the apartment. With tears welling up in her eyes she began to tell me that she was contemplating suicide when she happened to look down at that days newspaper and saw my picture on the front page. She audibly said, "God, if you really love me then send that man on the front page to my door or I am going to kill myself". To her total astonishment, I knocked on her door a short later and managed to talk her out of suicide! Coincidence or divine providence?

Later on the same day I was dispatched to another location advising me that a woman wanted to talk to the chaplain whose picture she had seen on the front page of the paper. I responded and was met by a woman in her early 50's. She began to tell me that she was a state trooper's wife and her husband had just left her for a younger woman. She briefly left the room and came back carrying something wrapped in a linen handkerchief. She then said, "I was going to kill myself when I looked down and saw your picture in the paper so I decided to call the police department and request that you come here". With that she handed me the folded handkerchief. I unwrapped the cloth and discovered a loaded .38 snub nose, an off-duty weapon that had belonged to her husband. I was able to counsel her and encourage her and talk her out of suicide. Two times in one day! Coincidence or divine providence?

There have been so many similar incidents that had absolutely nothing to do with my response, training or experience as a police officer and God made it unmistakably clear to me that He in fact does intervene in supernatural ways. I was once called to a home where a police officer's father lived. He was dying of terminal disease and was contemplating suicide. Before my arrival he had shot up the house with two pistols. He was seated on the couch and refused to come out even though his son and other officers remained outside pleading with him. No one was really sure how to resolve the situation as they were afraid they might push him into shooting himself. When I arrived I removed my hat and proceeded into the house and came face to face with a desperate man holding two guns. I slowly sat down on a chair across from him and spent well over an hour to eventually talk him into giving me the guns at which time I prayed for him.

On another occasion my partner and I were dispatched to a violent domestic disturbance. Taking great precautions we managed to separate the husband and wife and remove knives that had been in immediate reach. I suddenly felt compelled to tell the man that I would pray for his family and situation which I did at the time. Afterward we made arrangements for the wife to be taken elsewhere until they both had the opportunity to calm down. Eight years later I was sitting in a church congregation when a man suddenly stood up and asked the pastor if he could speak. The man said, "Officer Rinchich you probably don't remember me, but you came to my house many years ago when my wife and I were involved in a dispute at which time you said a prayer for us. What you didn't know is that

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I had a bomb with me at the time and was going to my wife's church to blow up the congregation with her in it. After your prayer I changed my mind". I learned that this was a turning point in his life and marriage that could have ended in tragedy to not only him but to many others as well. Coincidence or divine providence?

Although the aforementioned events are unique and rare, I continue to serve as a police chaplain in a variety of ways, - marriages, line of duty deaths, ceremonial functions, public speaking for churches & organizations, award presentations, hospital visits, spiritual guidance, moral support and ongoing assistance in developing police chaplaincy programs as requested. It has been a privilege and honor to serve in this capacity for these many years. If you have police chaplains serving in your federal, state or local agency you are fortunate. They provide a vital service not only to your agency but to the community as well. I would like to close this article with a passage of scripture from Romans the 13th Chapter, which specifically deals with the role and authority of police officers: *Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinances of God: and they that resist shall receive damnation. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou not then be afraid of the power? Do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: For he is the (minister of God) to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid: for he beareth not the sword in vain: (for he is the minister of God), a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil,*

The passage that says "He beareth not his sword in vain" is key. Your efforts as public servants are not in vain as you exercise your (lawful) authority. The scripture also states, - "to whom much is given, much is also required", therefore you have a responsibility to exercise your authority with fairness, honesty, devotion and commitment. The peacekeepers in the early days of Christianity were Roman Centurions who kept the peace with their (sword). The modern day peacekeepers carry guns, pepper spray, tasers and batons, - nevertheless this scripture applies today as well. You beareth not your issued weapons in vain as you exercise (lawful) authority. You carry the sword of justice! We are held to a very high standard and we must realize that all men will be held accountable for their actions. May God grant you grace, mercy, wisdom and protection as modern day peacekeepers.. ***Police chaplains play a vital role in providing spiritual support in perhaps one of the most challenging professions on earth. They remain at your side to provide support, encouragement and most importantly, - their prayers!***



Chaplain Jack L. Rinchich
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John A. Price Award Comes Full Circle



December of 2018; we received the John A. Price award statue at the ICPC corporate office. The award was given to Chaplain Stephen M. Passamanneck; of the largest Sheriff's Department in the world, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, during the 1994 Portland, OR ATS. He had served as a chaplain since 1976 and was appointed to serve as the Supervising Chaplain in 1986 and continued to hold that post at the time of his award. At the same time (1986) he entered the department's reserve academy and became a sworn reserve Deputy Sheriff, a position he held for 11 years. His Sheriff has said he "is a very dedicated individual, a tireless worker

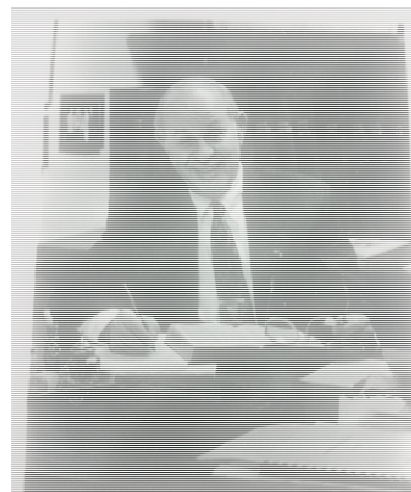
and, more importantly, a kind and caring human being."

He also served as a chaplain with the Los Angeles Field Division of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms since 1996. Chaplain Passamanneck's interest and association with Law Enforcement personnel prompted him to do a considerable amount of research into traditional Jewish Law concerning police work. He concentrated his academic writings in this virtually un-researched area of medieval Jewish Law and authored several books and articles in the field of his research.

On July 29, 2018 Rabbi Dr. Stephen M. Passamanneck passed away at the age of 84, leaving an enormous legacy. The above highlights are just a small sampling of the impact he had on those who had the pleasure of knowing him.

In December 2018 his children Daniel and Evi reached out to ICPC in regards to their father's JAP Award. They wanted to return the statue to honor Chaplain Passamanneck's service to ICPC and LE Chaplaincy.

The statue is displayed in our office, Destin, FL. If you are ever in the area be sure to stop by.



ICPC 'Fellow' Chaplain
Stephen Passamncek



**National Law Enforcement Officers
Memorial Fund**
Submitted by: Craig W. Floyd, CEO

Below is interesting article that appeared on WashingtonPost.com about when the flags of the United States are lowered to half-staff. I was pleased to see that they mentioned it is lowered on May 15 to acknowledge Peace Officers Memorial Day.

This important tribute to our fallen officers and their families was enacted into federal law in 1994. U.S. Rep. John Porter (R—IL) introduced this legislation at the request of NLEOMF (his daughter, Robyn, worked for NLEOMF at the time). The legislation was attached as an amendment to a historic crime bill that President Bill Clinton signed into law.

At the request of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, Public Law 103-322 designates Peace Officers Memorial Day as one of only two regularly scheduled days each year during which government agencies, businesses and residents are to fly their U.S. flags at half-staff. The other day, of course, is Memorial Day to honor those in the military who die in service.

It should be noted that the only time U.S. flags are not to fly at half-staff on Peace Officers Memorial Day is when May 15 coincides with “Armed Forces Day,” which honors members of our nation’s military. Armed Forces Day is commemorated on the third Saturday in May.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2018/national/flag-half-staff/?hpid=hp_rhp-visual-stories_no-name%3Ahomepage%2Fstory-ans-

The Stars and Stripes at 200: why the American flag is uniquely powerful

By [Matthew Ward](#); Senior Lecturer in History, University of Dundee

One Fourth of July, I was attending a minor league baseball game with friends. The evening was warm, the beer was cold, and the fireworks were spectacular. And then a stray rocket flew into the flag. The crowd turned angry and began shouting and jeering. One man nearby had tears in his eyes. As the Atlanta Braves famously discovered in a [similar incident](#) in 2014, setting the Stars and Stripes on fire with fireworks is not a good idea.

April 2018 marks the bicentennial of Congress’s formal adoption of the current “design” – 13 stripes representing the union’s original 13 states, and a changing number of stars representing the current states. That the number of stars changes

while the number of stripes remains fixed allows the flag to be both dynamic and instantly recognisable. (The original design called for the number of stars and stripes both to equal the number of states, so the flag would now have fifty very narrow stripes!)

But even though the flag is two centuries old, its remarkable potency as a national symbol is in fact relatively recent.

Anyone who has travelled to the US will know how ubiquitous the flag is. It festoons houses and front yards, flies from cars, and hangs from bridges; school children practise raising and lowering it. Federal law mandates that it must be flown from all public buildings – and the laws reg-

ulating its display are extensive.

The [United States Flag Code](#) goes into immense detail. In 50 lengthy articles, it outlines everything from when, where and how the flag can be displayed to the methods for the correct disposal of old flags. And for many Americans, even this is not enough. For many years, Congress has attempted to pass laws outlawing its desecration, but these have run afoul of [first amendment rights to freedom of speech](#). The US is not the only country to seek to outlaw the desecration of its flag, but these discussions have generated more heated debate than they ever would elsewhere.

Americans care so much about the Stars and Stripes because it plays a unique and supreme role in their culture. In the [pledge of allegiance](#), Americans do not first pledge allegiance to the country, but “to the Flag of the United States of America”. The national anthem, The Star Spangled Banner, celebrates not the nation, but the flag.

OLD GLORY

It was only at the turn of the 20th century that Americans began to view the flag as sacrosanct, and only then was the Flag Code itself drawn up. This was a period when a surge in mass immigration had many Americans worried that their national identity was under threat. With the shock of World War I, it became more pressing to create a symbol of national unity. Other nations have been able to build a sense of identity around ethnicity, religion, or culture – but for the US, that task was much more difficult.

An ethnically diverse country since its founding, the US also has no monarch to symbolise its nationhood, and the president can be as much a [figure of division](#) as national unity. The US’s internal and external borders are clearly artificial, not geographic. Even the term “America” is ambiguous and contested; talk to someone from Central or South America and they will tell you vehemently that they are Americans.

The Stars and Stripes can easily be associated with any number of ideas, feelings and events. It feels rooted in the very origins of the country and even has its own creation myth – the story of its birth at the hand of seamstress [Betsy Ross](#), for which the historical evidence is [at best thin](#). The flag seems to be present in the imagery of almost every key event in American history, from the [moon landings](#) to firefighters [raising the flag over the ruins of the World Trade Center](#) on 9/11. Joe Rosenthal’s 1945 photograph of troops [raising it on Iwo Jima](#) remains one of the most easily recognisable and frequently reproduced images.

It is difficult to think of any other flag that’s so heavily invested in meaning. The Stars and Stripes expresses the spirit, history and identity of an entire nation. Indeed, the Flag Code states quite clearly that “the flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing”.

When the fireworks display went wrong, it is perhaps no wonder that those baseball fans reacted in much the same manner as if a gang of teenagers had started torturing some helpless animal.

[Matthew Ward](#), Senior Lecturer in History, [University of Dundee](#)

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Backup Behind the Badge

Written by Heather Boling

Submitted by Chuck Dalinger of Consulting and Training Group, Kalamazoo MI
(With permissions)

Over the last 23 years that my hubby has been in law enforcement, I have learned if you want your Officer to be successful at work, AND want to have a strong, healthy, loving marriage and family at home....it has to be an intentional team effort. We have sadly watched countless law enforcement marriages train wreck (some in epic fashion!), and we have learned a few important ways that you can support your Officer, and strengthen and protect your marriage in the process. Whether you are a law enforcement officer (LEO) or whether you love and support a LEO.....this is for you.

First, this career is a family ministry/lifestyle. Perspective is everything and in law enforcement I think it is even more true! You have to remember WHY your spouse became an Officer in the first place. It certainly was not for the high pay, amazing schedule, and great benefits.....it was to make a difference in the world. There is not a more noble profession than that. To run toward all the scary things that everyone else is running away from is not natural.....and only a small percentage of people in this world are able and willing to take that on. To be with people in the worst moments of their lives....to help them. Your Officer is one of those people, and that means that you need to determine right now that you will be their support system on the home front. No matter what. Acknowledge that it will not be easy, and vow not to give up! You will be your Officer's reprieve from the darkness of the world. You will be their rock, taking care of business and life at home. That way they can go and safely serve and protect the community. This means that you have to be independent minded and able to handle situations at home (and make wise decisions) in their absence. Again, it is not easy, but this is your way of contributing and helping so they can do one of the hardest jobs on the planet. In order for your spouse to be able to go and do their job well and as safely as possible, they need to know that everything at home is fine.

You have to understand that your family will not look like traditional families, especially during holidays, birthdays, school functions, and even family dinners and bedtime. You may have to celebrate and do those things without your spouse.....or you may adjust those special days around your Officer's schedule because celebrating with them is more important than celebrating on the actual holiday or special day. Let go of "normal", and what you think family should look like. Every family is different, it's ok for yours to be too! You really have to find and do what works best for you and your family.

It is also very important to be intentional with the time you DO have with your spouse. You want a strong marriage? Learn to communicate well! With good communication comes lots of grace. Talk about changes in schedules, what is happening in your lives, share about your hopes and dreams.....talk about it all. Go on dates! Laugh together! When things get hard, remember what it was that brought you together in the first place. Be each others safe place to share the good, the bad, and the ugly of life and this challenging, demanding, and rewarding career. Listen to each other, and really hear what is being said. Quality over quantity. Be careful not to overschedule yourselves or your kiddos. You and your family need down time to rest and recharge!

The thief of joy is unmet expectations, and that happens in a heartbeat when you have no time to connect, share together, and be with your kiddos as a family. It is an honor to be a law enforcement family. Make sure your kiddos know that!

~ Heather Boling can be reached at heatherboling@comcast.net. She provides seminar training for law enforcement spouses and couples in the United States.

LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

EOW (End of Watch) Dates: November 16, 2018 through February 15, 2019

Click on Officer's name to link to ODMP article

Alabama

[Sergeant WyTasha L. Carter](#)
Birmingham Police Department
EOW: Sunday, January 13, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

[Officer Sean P. Tuder](#)
Mobile Police Department
EOW: Sunday, January 20, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Arizona

[Deputy U.S. Marshal Chase S. White](#)
U.S. DOJ—U.S. Marshals Service
EOW: Thursday, November 29, 2018
Cause: Gunfire

[Officer Clayton J. Townsend](#)
Salt River Police Department
EOW: Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Cause: Struck by vehicle

California

[Deputy Anthony Hinojosa, III](#)
Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department
EOW: Sunday, November 25, 2018
Cause: Automobile crash

[K9 Bane](#)
Tulare Police Department
EOW: Sunday, December 9, 2018
Cause: Gunfire

[Corporal Ronil Singh](#)
Newman Police Department
EOW: Wednesday, December 26, 2018
Cause: Gunfire

[Officer Natalie B. Corona](#)
Davis Police Department
EOW: Thursday, January 10, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Colorado

[Sergeant Matthew T. Moreno](#)
Las Animas County Sheriff's Office
EOW: Wednesday, December 12, 2018
Cause: Vehicular assault

Florida

[Detective Larry Marrero](#)
Miami Beach Police Department
EOW: Wednesday, November 28, 2018
Cause: Heart Attack

[Officer Jermaine Brown](#)
Miami-Dade Police Department
EOW: Wednesday, December 12, 2018
Cause: Vehicle Accident

[K9 Cigo](#)
Palm Beach County Sheriff's County
EOW: Monday, December 24, 2018
Cause: Gunfire

Georgia

[Officer Edgar I. Flores](#)
DeKalb County Police Department
EOW: Thursday, December 13, 2018
Cause: Gunfire

[Officer Michael W. Smith](#)
Henry County Police Department
EOW: Friday, December 28, 2018
Cause: Gunfire

[Deputy Joshua B. Ryer, Jr.](#)
Glascocock County Sheriff's Office
EOW: Tuesday, January 29, 2019
Cause: Automobile crash

Illinois

[Officer Samuel Jimenez](#)
Chicago Police Department
EOW: Monday, November 19, 2018
Cause: Gunfire

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Click on Officer's name to link to ODMF article

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[Officer Conrad C. Gary](#)

Chicago Police Department
EOW: Monday, December 17, 2018
Cause: Struck by train

[Officer Eduardo Marmolejo](#)

Chicago Police Department
EOW: Monday, December 17, 2018
Cause: Struck by train

[Trooper Christopher Lambert](#)

Illinois State Police
EOW: Saturday, January 12, 2019
Cause: Vehicular assault

Indiana

[Sergeant Benton H. Bertram](#)

Charlestown Police Department
EOW: Wednesday, December 12, 2018
Cause: Automobile crash

Kentucky

[Detective Deidre I. Mengedoht](#)

Louisville Metro Police Department
EOW: Monday, December 24, 2018
Cause: Vehicular assault

Louisiana

[Officer Jason M. Seals](#)

Slidell Police Department
EOW: Saturday, November 17, 2018
Cause: Motorcycle crash

[Corporal Shane Totty](#)

Baton Rouge Police Department
EOW: Friday, February 1, 2019
Cause: Motorcycle crash

Minnesota

[K9 Haas](#)

Duluth Police Department
EOW: Sunday, January 13, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Mississippi

[Patrolman LeAnn Simpson](#)

Philadelphia Police Department
EOW: Saturday, November 24, 2018
Cause: Automobile crash

New Jersey

[Trooper Robert E. Nagle](#)

New Jersey State Police
EOW: Monday, November 26, 2018
Cause: 9/11 related illness

New York

[Officer Jason B. Quick](#)

Lumberton Police Department
EOW: Saturday, December 15, 2018
Cause: Struck by a vehicle

[Detective Brian Simonsen](#)

New York City Police Department
EOW: Tuesday, February 12, 2019
Cause: Gunfire (Accidental)

Ohio

[Officer Dale Woods](#)

Colerain Township Police Department
EOW: Monday, January 7, 2019
Cause: Struck by a vehicle

[Detective William L. Brewer](#)

Clermont County Sheriff's Office
EOW: Saturday, February 2, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Texas

[K9 Able](#)

U.S. Dept. of Justice—ATF
EOW: Saturday, January 5, 2019
Cause: Duty related illness

[Deputy Ray E. Horn, III](#)

Comal County Sheriff's Office
EOW: Thursday, January 17, 2019
Cause: Heart attack

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LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

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Click on Officer's name to link to ODMP article

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K9 Chucky

Bexar County Sheriff's Office
EOW: Friday, January 25, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Utah

Officer David Romrell

South Salt Lake Police Department
EOW: Saturday, November 24, 2018
Cause: Vehicular assault

Master Officer Joseph W. Shinnars

Provo Police Department
EOW: Saturday, January 5, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Virginia

Officer Hunter Edwards

Winchester Police Department
EOW: Saturday, November 24, 2018
Cause: Automobile crash

Trooper Lucas B. Dowell

Virginia State Police
EOW: Monday, February 4, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Wisconsin

Officer Matthew Rittner

Milwaukee Police Department
EOW: Wednesday, February 6, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

United States

Border Patrol Agent Donna Doss

USDHS— U.S. Border Patrol
EOW: Saturday, February 2, 2019
Cause: Struck by vehicle

Puerto Rico

Agent Alfred Zanyet-Perez

Puerto Rico Police Department
EOW: Friday, February 15, 2019
Cause: Gunfire

Chaplain Memoriam

To read an obituary please click on the name.

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Condolences to:
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Harold Elliott

DOD: 2/6/2019

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Line of Duty Death MEMORIAL PROGRAM

On April 17, 1984, the Arkansas Miller County Sheriff's Department received the first ICPC Line of Duty Death (LODD) memorial.

Upon notification of a LODD from the Officer Down Memorial Page (ODMP), ICPC prepares a memorial for presentation to the agency and family.

The memorials and letters expressing our condolence on their loss are presented to the agency head, with a courtesy copy for the deceased officer's family.

Memorial Program donations are tax deductible, please consider partnering with us in this vital ministry.

We invite you to partner with us to continue this vital ministry of compassion to those who have experienced a Line of Duty Death (LODD).

“We talk about them because we’re proud.
We talk about them, because they deserve
to be remembered. We talk about them,
because even though they are not physically
with us, they are never far from our mind.
We talk about them, because they are part
of us, a part that we could never ignore or
disown. We talk about them because we
love them still and always will. Forever.

Nothing will ever change that.”

—*Scribbles and Crumbs*



Chaplain Gary Crowe (left) Presents Waller County Sheriff Glenn Smith with the LODD memorial for Deputy Loren Vasquez

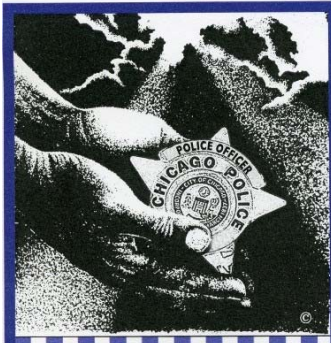


Chaplain Jamelle McKenzie (left) and **Chaplain Marjorie Dent** presents Chief James Conroy of the DeKalb County Police Department (GA) the LODD memorial for Officer Edgar I. Flores.

Chaplain Ric Worshill submitted the below tribute to Officer Samuel Jimenez after representing ICPC at his funeral



Officer Samuel Jimenez
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CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT
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LODD Presentation Feedback

“Wanted to confirm last week I was able to deliver the memorial presentations. Chief Scott and the family became very emotional and were so appreciative. Chief Scott said the department was having a picture made to of Cpl. Wells to hang in the department and they will place the memorial from ICPC under the picture. He also was interested in starting a chaplaincy program. He said he saw the importance in the midst of this tragedy. I shared information with him how to get one started and highly recommended his future chaplains become a member of ICPC.”



Submitted by
Chaplain Angela Pleasants
Mt. Holly Police Dept
Gastonia, NC

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Region 3

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Joshua C. Overfors	Guthrie Center	IA
Bruce L. Prentice	Bismarck	ND

Region 4

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Region 4

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They are trained to help comfort and confide
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Theirs is an occupation which can take its toll
On the husband, the wife, the family as a whole
Theirs is a profession which gives one a unique
perception
Of life of love and sometimes deception
These men and women are sworn to protect what is right
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These thoughts are not new
To these men and women in blue
For they experience them each day of their lives
I just thought I'd take the time
To jot down this rhyme
To give these men and women their due
For this is a group
Which forever stands tall
For they are the Finest the Finest of all

Submitted by **Chaplain Capt. James Occhipinti**,
Ocean County Prosecutor's Office, West Creek NJ.



C.O.P.S. was organized in 1984 with 110 individual members. Today, C.O.P.S. membership is over 48,000 survivors. Survivors include spouses, children, parents, siblings, significant others, and co-workers of officers who have died in the line of duty according to Federal government criteria. All programs and services are administered by the National Office in Camden, Missouri. C.O.P.S. has

over 50 Chapters nationwide that work with survivors at the grass-roots level.

Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) hosts the National Police Survivors' Conference on May 14 and May 16 (2019) at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center, in Washington D.C. The conference includes breakfast, lunch, guest speakers, debriefing sessions, and a Kids/Teens program for the surviving children and siblings of the fallen officer. On May 16, the conference closes with a Picnic on the Patio where dinner is provided with games, music, and more.

Visit <https://www.concernsofpolicesurvivors.org/> to learn about the many programs/service C.O.P.S. provides for survivors and their families.

News & Notes

Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office Honors Two of their ICPC Chaplains

Administrative Employee of the Year: Chaplain Larry Carter

“Compassionate, patient, selfless, approachable, humble, thoughtful, versatile and prepared are a few characteristics that describe Chaplain Larry Carter. These words only begin to describe the attentive shepherd we have in Chaplain Carter for he is continuously seeking methods and opportunities to serve his fellow man as he ministers in prayer, counsel, fellowship and encouragement.

Chaplain Carter takes a leading role in many programs throughout the agency, such as planning the annual Law Enforcement Memorial Luncheon, working with the SRO's for our Angel Tree program and Coats for Kids and this year facilitated a pastors and church leaders range day aimed at building relationships and weapon handling skills. He is also involved with STAR Charities and recruitment.

In addition to his dedication to our agency, Chaplain Carter served as the 2018 Region 8 Secretary, Lead Chaplain for Division A, Credentialing Committee member and Finance Committee member for the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC) as well as being a distinguished trainer. Chaplain Carter was also called upon to provide LE Chaplain training to both the Pasco and Brevard County Sheriff's Offices.”

- Excerpted from the OCSO press release



Chaplain Larry Carter
Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office
Shalimar, FL

Outstanding Volunteer of the Year: Chaplain Geoffrey Prows

“Chaplain Prows began the application process for chaplain in early 2018; however, he did not delay serving the agency. Chaplain Prows made it a point to have meals with deputies and routinely visit the North District Office to build rapport and relationships with agency members. In May, he was appointed as a Volunteer Chaplain. Since that time he has responded to numerous after hours call outs where the services of a chaplain were requested. In each circumstance, he demonstrated his aptitude for ministry and service to members of the agency and public alike.

Chaplain Prows takes initiative to learn and take on additional responsibilities of the chaplaincy. He has aided with new hire orientation, participated in regular ride-a-longs with deputies, visited agency members in need and been available to counsel whenever called upon.

Chaplain Prows also brings a wealth of education and experience to the chaplaincy. In addition to holding a doctorate degree and working on a second, he also has over seven years' experience as a police chaplain in Knoxville, TN.”

— Excerpted from the OCSO press release



Chaplain Geoffrey Prows
Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office
Shalimar, FL



Chaplain Mike Vidal addresses officers of the Orlando Police Dept (FL), thanking them for their service and presenting a luncheon in their honor.

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Chaplain Ric Worshill (right) and his wife Chaplain Gwenn present Chaplain Dan Lovin with the “2018 Illinois Wintink-Kauffman Award of Excellence in Law Enforcement Chaplaincy”

Chaplain Dan Lovin (center)
Mt. Vernon, IL
Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office (IL)
Mt. Vernon PD (IL)



Chaplains Ric and Gwenn Worshill
Lindenhurst, IL
Evanston and Lincolnwood Police
Departments (IL)

Pictures from Region 3 Regional Training Seminar that took place Oct 2—4 2018.



The Pennington County Sheriff’s Office (SD) Chaplains routinely host barbeques and picnics for the officers and staff.

Chaplain Ted E. Huffman
(far right) in picture to right



**Auxiliary Information, news,
etc.,**

Contact President Janice Carr at

Janicecarr1120@gmail.com

View Auxiliary Newsletters: icpc4cops.org
Select: Chaplaincy Intro Tab—Auxiliary

TO PARTICIPATE IN ICPC’S PRAYER CHAIN, EMAIL REQUESTS TO: ICPC@ICPC4COPS.ORG

Your Help is Needed.....



The corporate office utilizes a database system to maintain membership records. We greatly need your assistance in keeping this database up-to-date.

Why is this important?

- ◆ It provides our members with an accurate membership directory. It's imperative to have accurate information when calling another chaplain for assistance at a time of need.
- ◆ Communication is enhanced between members and assures receipt of ICPC electronic announcements.
- ◆ It ensures current agency/invoice billing.
- ◆ US Postal Service is costly for return address corrections.

EVEN IF YOU THINK WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT INFORMATION, please log-in to the ICPC website: [icpc4cops.org/members only section/members roster](http://icpc4cops.org/members%20only%20section/members%20roster): verify all details of your record and notify us via email: icpc@icpc4cops.org with necessary updates to your file.

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- Current Events
- Training Events
- Comments/Suggestions
- SUBMISSIONS: Please include re-print permissions



Deadlines

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March	February 1st
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September	August 1st
December	November 1st

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Custom ICPC Embroidery available!



In collaboration with ICPC, 'Bruce and Lin Designs' <https://bruceandlindesigns.com> is our preferred provider of the ICPC embroidery logo. Using the specific color pattern helps to ensure consistency of the actual logo colors for ICPC soft good products.

Shirts can be ordered for both men and women. Not only do they design pieces honoring law enforcement, but also many other custom pieces. They will customize your embroidery and transfer designs and work with you to get a one of a kind finished product.

Since they are small, they can do customization without all of the overhead costs sometimes associated with "set-up" fees.

ICPC Chaplain Walter Person, Seminole County Sheriff's Office, Sanford, FL recently commented "I ordered both Kaki to wear with Blue 511 pants, and Harriton M510 Navy to wear with Kaki 511 pants. Both shirts have my name and my Chaplain credential. I love both and wear them to promote ICPC at all training events".

Bruce is a long-time law enforcement officer who retired a few years back. Lin is a law enforcement survivor. Her husband was Cincinnati Police Officer Daniel J. Pope, killed in the line of duty on December 6, 1997. She is also a retired fire fighter from the City of Cincinnati! Bruce and Lin decided to open a business as a way to honor those who have died in the line of duty. The business is home-based which includes embroidery, heat transfers, custom cutting for vinyl transfers including glazes, glitters, foils, and fashion films. They have a few websites that they LOVE for items to be embellished on. They will work with you to find the perfect items for your project!

Bruce and Lin Designs have been exhibitors at ICPC's most recent ATS' with a host of products for you to order on the spot. They are making plans to attend Wichita's ATS July 22-26, 2019.

Shop their website: bruceandlindesigns.com to order your custom ICPC apparel and/or Thin Blue Line items. They may also be reached at their email: bruceandlin256@gmail.com or phone number (843) 521-7306.



Strength for Service

“Lord, I ask for courage. Courage to face and conquer my own fears. Courage to take me where others will not go. I ask for strength. Strength of body to protect others. Strength of spirit to lead others... I ask for dedication. Dedication to my job to do it well. Dedication to my community to keep it safe. Give me, Lord, concern for all those who trust me. And compassion for those who need me. And, please, Lord, through it all, be at my side.

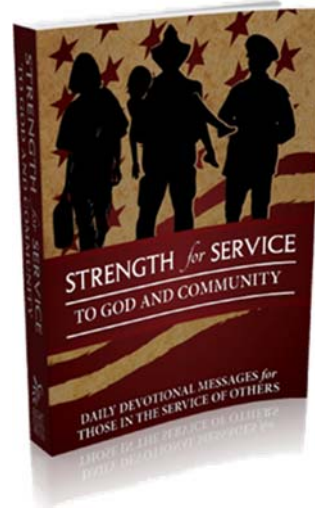
Excerpt from: *A Police Officer's Prayer* (Author Unknown). A Strength for Service daily devotional for June 27th.



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How the program works

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4. The funeral professional helps the family choose options and arrange the service.