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Trustees Monthly Meeting

The 89th Annual Membership Meeting convened on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 11515 Colima Road, Whittier. The following officers and trustees were present: Leroy Baca, Chairman of the Board; Andrew Thompson, President; John McBride, Vice President; Josie Woolum, Secretary-Treasurer; Trustees Kerry Carter, J.P. Harris, Jake Katz, Thomas Laing, Raymond Peavy and Liza Vera; Robert Ciulik, General Manager, and Carrol Leonard, Assistant General Manager. Trustees not present: Paul Drake, Joseph Fennell and Richard Maradiaga.

President Andrew Thompson called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Andrew Thompson, followed by roll call of officers and trustees by Secretary-Treasurer Woolum. Chairman Baca related how much he appreciates the job the Trustees and the employees of Sheriffs' Relief do. He commented that Sheriffs' Relief is a very well-managed organization, and he is especially pleased with the way the funds are administered and said he knew it was a big team effort.

President Andrew Thompson called for the Association reports.

BENEVOLENT REPORT

Reported by Trustee Thomas Laing

One of the most important functions of our organization is to have a staff member available to assist the family when a member passes away. We help the family with notifications, provide flowers for the services and coordinate other requests from them. We always offer to provide an obituary in the *L.A. Times*, in addition to email notifications to many retired members through the services of retired Sergeant William Mullen and his "Moon" list. We see that our mortuary benefit is paid promptly, and in 2012, \$674,900 in benefits were paid to the beneficiaries. In 2012, the Board of Trustees voted to raise the death benefit for members from \$6,000 to \$7,000, and the benefit for dependents from \$2,000 to \$3,000, effective January 1, 2013.

When a member is unable to work due to illness or injury, we may be able to provide financial aid. We were able to provide \$182,834 in assistance in 2012.

Many times members have a temporary need for a wheelchair or crutches and we provide them. We currently have 44 wheelchairs out on loan.

FINANCE AND INVESTMENT REPORT

Reported by Trustee Thomas Laing

Because the Association provides a death benefit for members and dependents, we must have sufficient assets to cover our actuarial requirements for these benefits.

Even though the country is still having economic difficulties, our diversified portfolio has kept the Association financially sound. The majority of our portfolio is invested with the brokerage firms of Merrill Lynch and Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. In addition, we have cash reserves at financial institutions and a mutual fund account at Vanguard Investments.

At year end, our financial balances were as follows:

Bank of America: \$ 446,195

First City Credit Union: \$1,081,820

Vanguard Group: \$817,140

Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC: \$5,192,431

TOTAL CASH & INVESTMENTS: \$14,821,102

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Retired Deputies

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On March 6, the Hi-Desert Retirees got together at *Carrows Restaurant* on I Avenue and Main Street in Hesperia for their monthly luncheon. Those attending were: Marlyn and Paul Meunier, Richard and Luella Obney, Edward and Shirley Sznaper, Joe and Sheila Ortiz, Beth Combs, Norman and Chickee Nelson. They had our strawberry lemonade again with the real strawberries. It was very good. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at *Carrows* so come join us. Everyone is welcome.

On March 6, the Marshal's Old Timers met for their monthly luncheon at *Matt Denny's* in Arcadia. This is a new location on the rotation and we had

a very good turnout. It is always good when old friends can get together to break bread and make merriment. The talk, at some point in the many conversations, as usual, turned to the good deeds and misdeeds of the past. Those in attendance included: Sam Combes, George Moore, Roger Konoske, Richard Duran, Rosie Banuelos, Terry Glisson, Dick Tinsley, Roger DeHaan, John Davis, Al Blomker, Cliff Hartfield, Dave Grijalva, Steve Jimenez, Al Barnett, Ken Swann, Wes Kutz, Gary Tollack and Terry Black. Missing from the gathering was Eugene "Swanney" Swanston. It was good to see Terry Glisson out and about as well as Al Blomker back with us. Terry

On March 6, the Southern Oregon Law Enforcement/Fire luncheon was held at the Grants Pass Elks Lodge. Seems as though all the "snowbirds" were in the wind in warmer climes like Arizona and So. Cal! Dale Yellin and I, Sue Maxwell, held down the fort. When it was obvious that we were the ONLY LASD in the building some LAPD "friends" asked us to sit at their table! We joined Walter (90 years old, into LAPD coffers for the last 40 years!), his friend/driver Carolyn (former LASD dispatcher!), Jim (who worked the El Sereno area where I grew up and knew all the old stomping

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LAWS & LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Reported by Trustee Kerry Carter

Retired Trustee Arthur Herrera completed his six-year tenure as of the end of 2012.

James P. Harris was the only candidate to file for the vacant retired member seat. For the active member seats, only incumbents Joseph Fennell, John McBride and Richard Maradiaga filed, so there was no need to have an election.

The Board approved James P. Harris, Joseph Fennell, John McBride and Richard Maradiaga to three-year terms.

At the December meeting, the Trustees elected the following officers for 2013:

President: Andrew Thompson

Vice President: John McBride

Secretary-Treasurer: Josie Woolum

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Reported by Trustee Josie Woolum

With the growth of the Department, our membership continues to increase. Board members have unflaggingly attended orientations and enlisted the new employees in our organization, much to their benefit.

In addition, almost all retired members of the Department choose to retain their Sheriffs' Relief membership. We now have over 17,000 members.

Active Members: 11,889

Retired Members: 4,889

Honorary Associate Members: 663

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 17,441

PUBLICATIONS REPORT

Reported by Trustee Liza Vera

The *Star News* continues to be a source of information to active and retired Departmental members. Since our conversion to full color, the smaller photos are much clearer and more defined, making the overall publication more meaningful.

Our relationship with 911Media remains positive and the company continues to do the layout of the magazine and solicits and bills for advertising, along with making arrangements for printing.

Advertising revenue has dropped significantly since the economic downturn and the abundance of advertising opportunities on the Internet. It appears doubtful that advertising via the print media will peak to a level that was possible prior to the Internet.

Overall the *Star News* is a success story and many members regularly comment in a positive way as to how much they enjoy and look forward to receiving it each month.

RETIREMENT REPORT

Reported by Trustee J.P. Harris

Last year witnessed a terrific turnout at the biggest retiree event each year held in Laughlin, Nevada, known as the "Round-Up." As in previous years, staff and Board Members manned a table to be of assistance to the retirees. In addition, the Association provided financial assistance to the event.

Sporadically during the year, our members gather together in smaller groups throughout the country for luncheons and other special events.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee Laing and unanimously carried to adjourn the Annual Meeting of the Sheriffs' Relief Association and to continue with Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc. reports.

SHERIFFS' RELIEF SERVICES, INC.

Reported by Robert Ciulik, General Manager

At the conclusion of the Sheriffs' Relief Association meeting, the Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc., meeting was called to order and roll call was taken by Secretary-Treasurer Woolum. All Officers and Directors were present except Paul Drake, Joseph Fennell and Richard Maradiaga.

EMPORIUM REPORT

With the hiring of additional personnel, our Emporium sales have increased. We still find it difficult to be competitive with major retailers that can buy in huge quantities and get large price breaks by doing so. Despite that, we are still in operation and providing a service by offering convenience and unique merchandise not available elsewhere.

LOAN CORPORATION REPORT

In 1985, the Corporation known as Sheriffs' Loan Corporation changed its name with the Department of Corporations to Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc., so that both the Loan Corporation and Emporium could be under one company name and tax status. Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc., filed a Fictitious Business Name Statement with the County so that it could continue to issue loans under the name Sheriffs' Loan Corporation. We continued issuing loans under our Sheriffs' Loan Corporation license for over 25 years, and were audited numerous times by the Department of Corporations, which was satisfied with our operation.

As a result of our audit in 2012, we were advised that we may no longer use Sheriffs' Loan Corporation to do business under our California Finance Lenders License, and that we would be receiving an

amended license changing the name of our Finance Lenders License to Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc. As a result, we have had new checks and forms printed and do all our banking relative to the loans under the name Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc.

The loan needs of our members continue to be met as evidenced by our ever-growing loan portfolio. During 2012, we provided 8,759 loans to members and had a loan portfolio of \$10,550,595.09.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Director Harris, seconded by Director Peavy and unanimously carried to adjourn the Annual Meeting of the Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc., and to continue with Sheriffs' Relief Foundation reports.

SHERIFFS' RELIEF FOUNDATION

At the conclusion of the Sheriffs' Relief Services, Inc., meeting, the Sheriffs' Relief Foundation meeting was called to order and roll call was taken by Secretary-Treasurer Woolum. All Officers and Trustees were present except Paul Drake, Joseph Fennell and Richard Maradiaga.

Reported by Carrol Leonard, Assistant General Manager

The Sheriffs' Relief Foundation, formed in 1982, continues to serve our members and the Department through the many varied funds established to offer assistance. Because the Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization, we are able to provide donors a tax deductible receipt for their contributions.

In addition, we provide each of the funds established within the Foundation with all of the accounting, auditing and tax preparation required by law. Through the Foundation, funds such as the Sheriff's Department Boxing Team raise thousands of dollars to fight cancer by supporting the City of Hope.

Our Foundation remains financially sound and has funds in banks, credit unions and with Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. The portfolio value at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC was valued at \$1,353,847 at year end.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee Laing and unanimously carried to adjourn the Annual Meeting of the Sheriffs' Relief Foundation.

NEW MEMBERS

Aaron Altamirano; Diego Amores-Morales; Murett M. Bazile; Jazzmin C. Beaudion; Jordan

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By Jenna Underwood-Nuñez
Century Regional Detention Facility

Run, run and run! The CRDF B2V team has been running its way to an "EPIC" 2013 year! This month alone, they participated in the Century Station's Scorpion Relay with four teams of six runners on each team! It was an amazing turn-out from CRDF! "These girls are on fire!" CRDF wishes them the best of luck at the race this year!

A few brave CRDF souls took the challenge and entered the frigid waters and completed the Los Angeles Polar Plunge at Zuma Beach in Malibu on March 2nd. We couldn't think of a more fantastic way to raise money for the Special Olympics!

CRDF bids farewell to Sergeant David Haney,



who had become a huge part of CRDF. His sage advice will be missed as well as the in-depth knowledge he acquired over the many years he served at CRDF. His retirement was celebrated at

CRDF with lots of hugs, tears and good memories! CRDF wishes him the best of luck! He will be dearly missed, and as Sergeant Haney liked to say during his many speeches, "All things are possible" (his favorite quote via radio).

CRDF personnel and our other law enforcement families enjoyed Law Enforcement Family Fun Day at Santa Anita Race Track on March 9th. The event was a complete success! All those who were in attendance said it was perfect for the family with a sundry of activities, food and vendors to keep them entertained! Senior Deputy Tammy Sherman and many others worked very hard to make it such a success and we thank them for their dedication raising money for the Fallen Officers Fund.

As always, CRDF and its amazing employees believe in "Excellence through people" like you, so keep up the wonderful work, and be safe! ☆



grounds!) and Lee (just a nice guy!). It was two of us "number one in the County" against three of "them." Carolyn abstained! Good food, fun conversations. For information or directions for the next first Wednesday of the month lunch, please email Sue at Jellybeansbobo@aol.com.

On March 8 to 10, the Sunshine Rollers got together for their monthly get-together at the Palmdale Elks Lodge in Palmdale. They only have partial hook-ups for water and electricity. Those present at this campout were: The Wagon Master, Gilbert Sherwood, Art and Joy DeGroot, Jeff and Sheila Fitzgerald, Ray and Sandy Hoyal, Norman and Chickee Nelson, Steve and Ruth Powell, Rick and Sandy Spence, Carol Engle, Tom and Pat Jones and Claude and Dolores Waddle. Friday night we had a taco dinner in the lodge's restaurant. On Saturday we drove out to Boron to go on a tour of the Borax Mines. It was very interesting and fun. We learned a lot about Borax and the mines as they have a little museum there. It is \$3 per car. Then we went to an Air Force Museum and next to it was the Boron City Museum, so we went there, too. We had dinner at the well-known *Domingo's Mexican Restaurant*. The food was good.

On March 13, the Desert Heat Retirees got together for their monthly luncheon at the Lake Havasu Elks Lodge. Those attending were Claude Anderson, Joan Day, Jerry Gillen, Doug and Joyce Muchmore, Tom and Charleen Marshall, Kathy Powell, Bill and Norma Violette, George Bachmeier, Norman and Chickee Nelson, Bill and Donna Marquardt. This was a first in that Claude didn't spill anything on his shirt! If you are in the Lake Havasu area, come join us for lunch. The

cost is \$8.50 and that includes tax and tip. Soft drinks are extra and there is a no host bar. We celebrated the March birthdays for Liz Polidore, Mike Robbins and Tom Sirkel, but none of them were there! Their cake was delicious. We hope to see you some time!

March 29 started out as a beautiful spring day. The sky was clear and there was a briskness in the air that just made you feel good. Having said that, I will report that 15 of us retirees attended the monthly breakfast at *Carrows Restaurant* in Lancaster and all were in a good mood after having endured a very cold winter. Speaking of winter, the Antelope Valley, like many other parts of the Southwest, suffered without any meaningful rain and certainly zero snow. I submit this as the reason that this year we will not have the beautiful fields of wildflowers that normally would blanket the valley and the hills. I guess we will have to wait and see what next year will bring. Attending the breakfast were: Mary McKain, Ken Anderson, Marvin Jones, Pat Hood, Vance Kirkpatrick, Keith Hoyt, Glenn Hutchinson, Bob Bullard, Ron Shreves, Scott Budge, John Ament, Fred McNutt, Dan Gilmore, Gill Sherwood and yours truly, Carlos Valdez. Within the past month we lost two of our own retirees, Retired Deputy Fred Fate, who succumbed to cancer, and Reserve Deputy Dave Rodriguez, who did not survive a surgical procedure. On a personal note, I would like to recognize retired Deputy Ron Vestey, who also succumbed to cancer. Ron and I worked together for several years at Commercial Crimes Bureau. May these special friends rest in peace. To all of my fellow retirees, God bless, be happy and stay healthy. For informa-

tion regarding Antelope Valley retirees' activities, contact Carlos Valdez at Valdez5150@msn.com.

Norman and I were in Donzdorf, Germany, with my trusted computer with us. We have been touring Europe. Fantastic trip, but looked forward to returning to the United States. If it wasn't for our fabulous retirement, we wouldn't be able to do this! Have a great day. Hugs, Chickee and Don

The first quarterly meeting was a tremendous success. Forty LASD retirees from the Coachella Valley enjoyed a delicious lunch at the *Crab Pot Restaurant* in Rancho Mirage. Those in attendance were: Helen Reardon, Paul and Maria Myron, Bob Ripley, Dave and Loxi Hagthorp, Vicky McKown, Larry Dykehouse, Carolyn Lesseos (filling in for Harry), Bob and Karen Lindblom, Jerry and Nancy Burks, Dave and Doris Kading, Ernie and Teddi Roop, Glenn and Sherry Scott, Lou and Gloria Portesi, Gerry and Elaine Minnis, Bob Havercroft, Dennis and Gloria Gillard, Sandi and Bob Kostka, Al Halfon, Don Bonthron, Phil Staats, Vicky Randolph, Art Reddy, Jim Vogts, Jim and Joan Willis, Jim and Bette Shuler, Dick and Saucy Adams.

Retirees who live in the Coachella Valley full time, part time or vacation here frequently, are urged to attend future get-togethers. The next luncheon is scheduled for May 10th at 11:00 a.m. the *Crab Pot*. We'll take the summer months off and meet in October and December. Details will be forthcoming and posted on Moons' list. Those not on Moon's list can contact Dave and Loxi Hagthorp at (760) 340-9700 or dhagthorp@aol.com. ☆

Trustees Monthly Meeting *continued from page 4*

K. Bousema; Ronald J. Charrette II; Madeline T. Cheung; Marilyn F. Christian; Ernie A. Collaso; Ricky Corvera; Ashley D. Davis; Aram Galfayan; Katie Garcia; Tony G. Ghosn; Robert J. Guzman; Edie G. Hartwick; Megan L. Holyak; Marcie A. Hougen; Kellie J. Kolbow; Monique Y. Luevanos;

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R. Salazar; Antonio Salceda Jr.; Genesis V. Sanchez; Rose M. Sanchez; Velia M. Sapien; Harpinder Singh; Gordon T. Smith; Daniel J. Thompson; Juan L. Usquiano; LaTeef O. Williams; Andrew F. Wood; Mary L. Wright; Betty Zarate. ☆

Don't miss out on discounted ticket offers for SRA members! See the list on page 28.

COUNTY SERVICES BUREAU

By John Coleman
County Services Bureau

BBQ

Last month there seemed to be a lot of BBQ going on around County Services Bureau. It started when the South Health Ser-

vice command staff decided to have an employee appreciation BBQ for the personnel who work at Harbor, Martin Luther King and Rancho Los Amigos Hospitals. None other than Master Chef Deputy Ernie King slow cooked 36 slabs of award-winning pork ribs, Junk BBQ beans, along with a salad to round out the feast for all three shifts. Many of you might remember me writing about Ernie in the past as he has won several awards for his BBQ in numerous Department events. In addition to all that, he is just a great guy, but don't expect him to tell you his secrets about how to smoke pork ribs. The BBQ was appreciation for the hard work the line staff does on a daily basis and for making it a great place to work, especially with all the recent cutbacks and schedule changes. The staff was much appreciative of the huge feast.



Round two was a going-away BBQ for Detective Ricky Osburn. He has decided to move on to bigger and better things by promoting to the rank of sergeant and transferring to Lomita Station. As you can see in the accompanying picture, they awarded him with a recognition

GREAT HOOK

A couple of weeks ago at USC Medical Center, Deputy John Kleeh was unloading his gear from the patrol car into his personal ride at the end of his Early Morning Shift. The parking lot where the cars are parked is not secure, so it's always a good idea to look around the area for anything suspicious. As he was transferring his gear, he noticed someone crouched down hiding behind a patrol car parked in the corner. He approached the suspect to determine what he was doing. The suspect stated that he was trying to figure out which police were good and which were bad because he had been continually harassed. He wanted to find the vehicle that was harassing him. He

added that while looking at the vehicles, he noticed they were Sheriff, and not the LAPD cars he was looking for. For those of you thinking ahead, you are right. He was in possession of drug paraphernalia, which bought him a one-way ticket downtown. Detective Joseph Grigorian, who was working Day Shift, was kind enough to come over and take the handle so John could go home and get some rest. Thankfully, John was very aware of his surroundings that morning even after a long night of work.

GARGOYLE

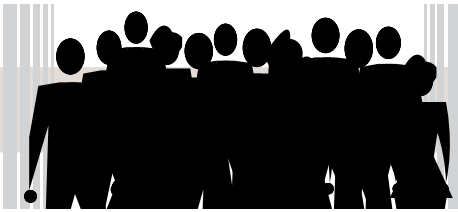
A little bird told me an interesting story the other day about the artwork on



the back of our Station's B2V shirt this year. As you can see in the accompanying picture, there is a gargoyle perched over the famous "Welcome to Las Vegas" sign. I was told the artist of the gargoyle had incorporated the face of a deputy who works downtown at the Hall of Administration. I won't tell you exactly who it is, but I know for a fact he knows how to hula dance. I had mentioned him in an article about our Christmas party in the not so distant past. Is it really him? For those who know "Phillip," I'll let you be the judge.

Until next month, stay safe. ☆





PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

By Mike Rodi

Greetings to everyone. I hope everyone and their families are doing well.

In late April, we had our first Peer Support meeting of the year. It was the first of three scheduled for the year. We welcomed our new members from our March certification class. The new members bring a lot to the program and we are happy to have them with us.

I am currently working on designing a Peer

Support "PIN" for our uniforms. The pin would only be for members of Peer Support. I feel it would provide another way for Department members to recognize who our Peer Support members are.

We will also be having an OIS certification class in June.

I want to thank all of our Peer Support members and our OIS members for their service. More and more Department members have used

us during tough times and it has made a big difference for a lot of people.

I was once told by a good football coach, "Nobody became successful on their own and nobody gets through tough times on their own." He is so right.

If you have any questions, you can reach me at marodi@lasd.org or call (213) 738-3500.

Mike Rodi

Peer Support Coordinator ☆

LASD 32nd Annual Retirees' Reunion

Sunday, June 16 – Saturday, June 22

Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds

McArthur, California

All retired members including professional staff of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department are invited to gather together at the Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds in McArthur, California, for the 32nd Annual Reunion. The location is on Highway 299, approximately 70 miles east of Redding. This beautiful place lies between the peaks of Mt. Lassen and Mt. Shasta.

Bring your R.V., tent or stay in one of the local motels in Fall River Mills. Full hook-up camping, showers, laundry and 30/50 amp service at \$15 per night. These camping fees are from June 16, 2013, through June 21, 2013. The Reunion registration is \$10 per person.

Activities include golf at a championship 18-hole golf course, horseshoes, lawn darts, Bocce ball, cart tournaments, potluck dinners, steak fry, a catered dinner, a pancake breakfast, fishing, sightseeing or just kick back and relax. Plenty of war stories heard daily. Newly retired and surviving spouses are especially welcome. Adult participation.



Please RSVP and for additional information contact:

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INDUSTRIAL STRENGTH

By Ramon C. Escamilla
Industry Station

2012, A YEAR IN REVIEW

Before I begin, I just wanted to wish everyone a belated Happy New Year and every holiday that came after. Deputy Scott Hensel retired from the Department in November after 25+ years. Scott spent a number of years on a motorcycle in the city of La Puente performing traffic-enforcement duties. Scott not only meant a great deal to the community of La Puente, but to the businesses as well. The owner of Nina's Café in old-town La Puente will always have a special place in her heart for Scott since he always made sure to have breakfast there before he began his duties. When news got out about Scott's retirement, many of the citizens, who asked to remain anonymous, had nothing but well wishes for him. A citizen was eager to tell me how much of an impact Scott made on his life and personally wanted to let him know, "Thank you for towing my car and issuing me that ticket for speeding, now I have to take the bus." Then there was the little old lady who said, "I can't afford my medication thanks to the speeding ticket you gave me." Deputy Scott Hensel and his friends (the ones he never gave tickets to) celebrated his career at *El Torito* restaurant in West Covina and now calls Reno, Nevada, his home. I wonder how long it takes him to get pulled over for speeding up there, so make sure you call us Scott and let us know.

Several deputies continued making great arrests which they were commended for. Those deputies were Jaime Moran, David Hernandez, Raquel Sandoval, Darren Shull and Walter Henkes. Thanks for the good police work you all did. There was more, but unfortunately, I lost all of the emails with other stories, but I will make up for it. Deputy Frank Chavarria is at home recovering from his kidney transplant, which he received from his wife. If that is not a sign of love, I don't know what is. LET Vic Mendoza gave his longtime girlfriend the gift that keeps on giving: Insurance, when he made her his wife over the winter.

COMMENDATION

Sergeant Ernie Barbosa recently commended LETs Suzanne Talley and Irma Espitia for their teamwork at the desk, which resulted in the arrest of a robbery suspect. LET Espitia received a 911 call of a 211N in La Puente and continued relaying information to LET Talley, who was

the dispatcher. Their information was relayed to field units that apprehended the suspect, who was in possession of a replica handgun and stolen merchandise. Apparently LET Irma Espitia is copyrighted in 27 different countries and was unavailable to pose for a picture due to her contractual obligations.

GUESS THE DEPUTY

Can you guess the deputy who has been at Industry Station for quite some time and is currently assigned to desk duty on PM Shift while he recovers from injuries, and for some reason, forgot the names of some of our popular streets?



This deputy has sent out calls on such popular streets as St. Temple, Temple Road, Turnbull Boulevard and Shipman Avenue North. This deputy also forgot Sav-on and Thrifty were bought out and are now known as CVS and Rite-Aid. Now I refuse to name this deputy because I promised him his name would not appear in this article because it is only a matter of time before he forgets that Zody's is now a Superior market, Gemco is Food for Less and the Federated is now the Hacienda Mart. You should also know this deputy received a call of a combative child who fought with his family and threatened them with violence and had to ask the watch deputy how

he should type the call in. Can you guess the sergeant who screamed like a girl, and is not a girl, when he observed a 4x4 Ford F-250 pickup use a small Subaru coupe as a launching pad at the intersection of Valley Boulevard and Hacienda Boulevard? This sergeant was on his way to help out a unit with a door knock when he saw the pickup truck traveling east-bound on Valley Boulevard in his death-proof truck.

As sarge turned around to try to stop the truck that

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obviously had more horses than 140S's Tahoe, the pickup had already run a red signal and used a passing Subaru as a ramp. The truck flew upwards then crashed violently onto the ground sending truck parts flying everywhere then sheared off a fire hydrant that turned Valley Boulevard into a raging river that almost drowned the driver and his passenger. After reading all of this, you can see why sarge screamed. On a side note, if you are thinking of buying a safe vehicle to drive that is great on gas, try the Subaru Impreza. Every airbag deployed in the car, and believe it or not, the passengers all survived without any serious injuries. Who is the CSO who got scream for telling everyone he was the shot caller for the Chinese New Year overtime?

COLD CASE

Industry Station Detective Bureau is requesting much needed information in helping them identify BPT (Banana Peel Tosser). This

criminal, who has no regard for the law, recently struck again and almost sent Detective Ramon Ulloa sliding off into the sunset like Mickey Mouse performing at a Disney on Ice show. Detective Ulloa had just completed his Carp Shift (a.k.a. Come and rescue patrol) when he stepped on a banana peel while walking across the patio. As he slid across the pavement looking like Dorothy Hamill back in her prime, witnesses could see the fear in his eyes as if the end was near. Detective Ulloa managed to keep his feet on the ground without injury and was able to walk away from this terrifying ordeal. Some argue it was poetic justice, but many at DB are convinced BPT is still at large and continue to request any information you can provide them with to help catch this elusive criminal.

THE END FOR NOW

Congratulations to Deputies Roger Garcia, Mayra Garcia and Dan Robinson, who successfully completed the patrol training

program. We would like to welcome Deputy trainees Irma Chavez, Armando Gonzalez, Jason Perkins, Jorge Balares, Byron Brooks, Alma Calvillo and James Velasquez (yes, another one). We also welcome our new Captain Timothy Murakami, who promoted from Temple Station where he served as the Rosemead Lieutenant. Captain Murakami was the Industry Station PM Shift Watch Commander before becoming the Rosemead Lieutenant. Sir, it is very good to have you back as our Captain, but you have to bring back the trademark wheel gun. Captain Murakami replaced Captain Mike Claus, who returned to the fort. Captain Claus returned to SEB as its new shot-caller, complete with a brand-new department-issued Dodge Charger. Sir, thank you for all the great times we all had with you, for always having our backs and for caring about us. You will be missed and we look forward to seeing you at our parties and callouts. Until next time and hopefully not in another five months...C'mon man! ☆





By Jacob Goble

Pitchess Detention Center, North Facility

BREAKFAST TIME

We all know we're facing budget cuts at every corner: at home, at work and in the government. There's nothing new there. At North Facility, instead of canceling field trips for elementary school kids (looking at you, White House), several of our employees pooled their finances together and enlisted the help of our local culinary experts to create what was known as "Module 3's Breakfast Spectacular." Deputy Justin Boosalis and C/A James Johnson summoned everyone to the module with the delicious smells of bacon, ham, sausage, eggs and pancakes.

FUNDRAISERS AND SUCH

But Boosalis and Johnson didn't stop with a breakfast this month. Along with Deputy Desilets, Sergeant Johnson and C/A Chavez, they formed the team of "North Facility's Top Chef" that brought a fundraiser barbeque to life.

This fundraiser was for the Stine family. Our C/A Stine's wife was diagnosed with an illness that will require a financial commitment above and beyond that which is covered by their medical insurance. In order to help them with the treatments and appointments she will need, the North Facility family brought out some hamburgers, brats, chips and drinks. Then we sent out a call for help to all the other PDC facilities.

NCCF, South and East all came by to help us out. We made quite a bit of money and we couldn't have done it without our brothers and sisters on the Department. Thank you very much for your support.

The Stine family is not out of the woods yet and we're going to have a few more fundraisers to help them out. So far, we have a bake sale and a TV raffle scheduled. Stay tuned right here and I'll keep you updated.

BABY ON BOARD

Congratulations to Deputy Alonzo on the birth of his baby boy, Alexander Thomas Alonzo. He was born March 7, 2013, at 17:17 hours and weighed in at 6 pounds, 8 ounces. To reward his parents for nine months of patience, he almost slept through the night and only woke up once.

INS AND OUT

Last month I only welcomed Deputies Nemeth, Stowers and G. Wilson, recent graduates from Academy Class #393, but forgot the rest of their classmates. They showed up a week early and you can imagine my surprise when I saw there were more trainees than I originally wrote about. So without further ado, we would like to welcome Deputies Penaranda, D. Smith, C. Smith, Dingman, Geter and T. Wilson to North Facility.

IN CLOSING

So in closing, be thankful for good health, thank you for supporting our family and celebrate life. Until next time, Stand tall, stand proud, North Facility out. ☆



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RETIREES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Thank you for your many years of dedicated service to our Department. We wish you long life, happiness, relaxation and many years of personal fulfillment.

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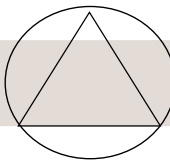
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I THOUGHT YOU HAD THE WHEEL?

You're driving through the city in the wee hours when you see a very odd sight. A car with obvious front-end damage, driven by a woman, stopped in the middle of a street. The woman gets out and walks around to the passenger side and re-enters the car. At the same time, a man slides over to the driver's seat from the passenger side and then drives away. A call to the PD relating the story results in officers locating the car several blocks away, stopped in the street about three feet from the curb with the engine running. The male is still behind the wheel, female in the passenger seat. Both were then recognized by the officers as being off-duty from the same department. Oops! The male admitted to having "a couple of beers," smelled like an alcoholic beverage and didn't know how the crash occurred. The female had *all* the objective symptoms of being intoxicated. When tested, the male's BAC was 0.16 and 0.149; the female was 0.23 and 0.247. But while he was apparently compliant, she failed the attitude test; she was cursing at the arresting officer, flipping him off and aggressively rushing him, having to be held back by a sergeant. She told them that she was driving her boyfriend around. Oh yeah, this was all on video during booking. Double oops! At the time of the news story, the traffic investigators were trying to ascertain what was on the receiving end of the car's bumper, but both Seattle officers were booked for alcohol-related charges. Yes, fortunately these were not LASD folks, although there have been situations in which a couple who wear tan and green have been hooked for some similar acts. Of course, it doesn't have to happen this way. Make a plan to get home safely and stick to it. Don't drive; make a phone call, maybe to someone you know on a different shift who could swing by and help out. If you're close to a station, try making a call to see if

These people have agreed to give up their anonymity so that others who are in need of help can find the POE. Don't worry about bothering us; helping those with drinking issues is one of the ways we stay sober.

NAME	HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE	WORK PHONE
Eric Castano*	(562) 493-5465	(323) 537-0927	
Joe Collins	(320) 684-4008	(909) 240-0509	
Chris Loomis	(626) 447-9011	(626) 230-3137	
Bob Ghan		(714) 916-3299	
Ray Terhorst	(505) 705-5656		
John Heckman	(661) 272-5756		
Marty Weirich	(360) 570-1216		
John Valencia	(909) 599-1160	(951) 316-3633	
Kathy King		(714) 323-8600	

*Active LASD

you can use their bunkroom. Maybe they'll even give you a ride...in the front seat.

DOING RIGHT; HOW ABOUT YOU?

Currently playing on TV is a series of commercials for a bank, one of which features actor Edward James Olmos. The message he relays is meant to instill trust in the bank and to make you want to become a customer. But in listening closely, the language struck me as something we (ESSB, LASD) continually try to get across to employees having issues with substance abuse. He starts off by saying, "Life has a tendency to teach us what's right and what's wrong. We learn it from experience." Life and the "school of hard knocks" are the best; presumably your parents and other family members instilled morals and ethics at an early age. More experiences came from school, friends, jobs, maybe military service and eventually the Department. "Trust,

integrity, commitment. If you have that, then you have everything," completes the monologue by Olmos. A voiceover ends the ad with the tagline, "Doing right."

Trust, integrity, commitment: Just words heard through life, but important words. They are especially important and meaningful in the military and law enforcement. How they apply to you, if you're having some issues with drinking or meds, depends a lot on what they *truly mean to you*. You need to trust in yourself and others to get the help needed to overcome the problem. You need to overcome the issue to maintain, or regain, your integrity. If you don't have integrity, how can others trust you? How can you honestly trust yourself? And commitment to get the job done and done right is a necessity. So, if you are in a situation where you really need to fix yourself, do these words stick to you or just slide off? Be seeing you. ☆

Mark Your Calendars!
The Retiree Roundup will be in Laughlin, NV
April 6-9, 2014

Surreal. The word does not do justice. Wasn't it just yesterday we lost LET Carlito Panlilio? On February 24, 2011, quite suddenly, he was gone. Throughout the same year, we suffered alongside our brother and friend Sergeant RJ Anderson. On October 3, 2011, he, too, was gone. Two funerals. Now, in March 2013, we attended two more. Two in one month. Deputy Gregory Martinez and Sergeant Brian Stover are gone as well.

There is an eternity, a place of rest with "no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying." But knowing that does not undo the terrible loss we feel. The pain is real.



DEPUTY GREGORY "OSO" MARTINEZ (1967-2013)

Greg, affectionately known as "Oso," was a 24-year veteran of our Department with 22 years spent at Carson Station. The void in our scheduling and training office is felt each time its door is opened.

Greg was a good deputy, a better man, an excellent partner and friend. Selflessly devoted to family, Greg was loved by all who knew him. "Loved by all." These words are often met with suspicion, believed to be artificial and contrived, as if describing an unattainable characteristic. In Greg's case, however, they are spot on.

Following severe health problems, Greg was hospitalized for more than a year; amputated, extremely ill and often in pain. His faith in God never faltered; it only grew stronger as time went on. As he suffered silently, never complaining, focusing on others and not himself, he taught us more than he could know as he watched life from his bed.

Then, on Friday, February 22, 2013, at 12:22 hours, following an hour-long struggle, Greg was pronounced dead. And for what seemed an eternity,

his wife and soulmate, Manoosh, who was with him through it all, cradled his head in her arms, stroking his face and hair.

On Friday, March 1, 2013, following a Mass of Christian Burial, Greg was laid to rest at Rose Hills, Whittier. Manoosh said it was her greatest joy to have been at his side each and every day no matter his condition, even at his worst. It was never a chore. She now sees him daily at Rose Hills. She said it feels like she is still going to the hospital every day to see her angel.

Greg leaves behind Manoosh, their three sons, Gregory, Mark and Matthew, his sister, Shawna, his parents, stepparents and numerous family and friends.

SERGEANT BRIAN STOVER (1953-2013)

Brian was a 38-year veteran of law enforcement with six years in Illinois and 32 years with our Department. For the past 21 years, he was a patrol sergeant assigned to Carson Station. Brian's signature line at his briefings, "Let's go play in the streets," will be heard no more.

On Sunday, February 17, 2013, less than a week before Oso's passing, Brian was hospitalized following an episode at home in which he could not get out of bed. He was incapacitated with unbearable pain from the aggressive cancer he was fighting. It was thought he would stay only a short time. He never got out.

Brian was a deputy's sergeant. Although he never hesitated to chastise his deputies when warranted, there was always a lesson learned and he



then moved on, never holding a grudge. More importantly, he could always be counted on to back his deputies when they were right. His experience and patrol tenure will be a tremendous loss to our Station.

During his time in the hospital, we witnessed a side of Brian many were unaware of. While there was no doubt he loved his job, and had he not been stricken with cancer, would probably have cheerfully worked 20 more years, Brian loved his family even more. His wife, Terry, was his best friend and their three children, his pride and joy.

Brian's short time in the hospital was filled with constant and extreme pain, so bad that even the heavy morphine drip seemed ineffectual. The apprehension on his face was unmistakable as he thought of the future. Yet, his faith remained strong.

One thing that stood out in both Brian's and Greg's trials was the importance of family. In fact, a reminder of this, although unintended, was seen on the dry erase board in Brian's room. Included among his nurses' names and extensions, beneath the words, "Our plan of care for you includes," was scribbled, "Wife Terry" and her telephone number. How true, because without her, Brian would have been lost.

Terry remembers seeing Brian, her one and only, in such extreme hurt that she tearfully told him, "I'm so sorry you're in so much pain." He didn't cry out. He didn't revel in the pity. He simply responded, "Why? It's not your fault."

Brian's family mentioned how much they had learned about him from the visiting deputies; much more than the husband, father and brother they had known. What they didn't know is how much we learned from Brian: the value in suffering, the meaning of true love, the dignity of dying in faith.

On Monday, March 25, 2013, at 02:25 hours, Brian passed away. On March 29, 2013, following a service at his church in Sun Valley, Brian was laid to rest at Rose Hills, Whittier, not far from Greg. He leaves behind his loving wife, Terry, his three children, Katy, Tyler and Bailey, his brother, Dennis, a Chicago police officer, his sister, Joanne, his granddaughter, Sabine, and numerous family and friends.

About a month prior, LACERA sent Brian a congratulatory letter. His retirement was granted. The effective date was March 29, 2013. Yes, you read that correctly.

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By Lee Davis
Community College Bureau

Greetings from the College Bureau.

LA SOUTHWEST COLLEGE'S VETERAN SHERIFF'S SECURITY OFFICER

Today's article is primarily based on a hard-working, knowledgeable and keen individual. I speak about none other than Sheriff's Security Officer Evencio Perea. Evencio joined the De-



partment in 1998. He is so "O.G." that when he joined, his class didn't even have a class number. The Department started labeling the classes with numbers after the Community College Bureau was formed. Evencio transferred from Court Services and saw an opportunity to try something different. He has been in this Bureau ever since. He has seen many changes within the College District and has adapted well with the administration. There has been a total of four team leaders that have been his supervisors. He has also worked with a host of security officers that he has had to train and show them the ropes around the schoolyard. He is highly dependable and team leaders often look to him because of his tenure and knowledge. Evencio is a people person and understands the relationship between faculty and students and takes into account his position of authority.

Officer Perea also took advantage of the college campus by receiving an Associate's Degree in Administration of Justice. On several occasions he spoke to Administration of Justice classes in regard to his job description and how it relates to law enforcement. Evencio knows how important his job is on the campus and on the Department. He realizes that campus safety is paramount for the students and faculty for whom he provides daily security. At any given time,

he may have to respond to a situation. Sometimes he can handle them by himself, but he also knows that if it requires additional resources, he is capable of acquiring those resources in order to accomplish the mission at hand.

Officer Perea would like to pass on some sound advice to all newly hired Sheriff's security officers and that is to do your job within the scope of an S.O.'s duties. You should look to learn something new every day. Never let your guard down and beware of your surroundings. Leave complacency at home. Perea didn't pay me a single dime to write this article, but a pan of homemade enchiladas wouldn't hurt...I'm just saying.

GUESS WHO'S BAAAAAAACK

Allow me to introduce a lady who needs no introduction. She started out in the Bureau as a team leader in 2005. She promoted to the rank of sergeant in 2011. She completed her jail time (LOL) at Twin Towers and has returned to the campus that she dearly loves, Los Angeles Trade-Tech College. I am talking about none other than Diane Dodd. Sergeant Dodd is a very familiar face within the Bureau and District. We welcome her back to the fold.

Community College Bureau, Homeland Security Division, over and out. ☆



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I recall, during the last few nights of Brian's life, reading a small pamphlet in his room describing the process of death. Enlightening, yet disturbing. On the final page, however, was a short passage by Henry van Dyke, an American clergyman from the late 19th century. He wrote of a ship, comparing this ship to his understanding of death. He watched from shore as this powerful ship with its massive white sails departed.

He continued watching as it went farther and farther to sea, becoming just a tiny speck on the horizon and then finally disappearing altogether. As it vanished from sight, someone at his side quietly said, "There she goes!" Had his loved ones been on this ship, he would have certainly been sad, worried as to whether he would see them again. But the ship had not really disappeared. It still existed. In fact, he wrote that as

the one at his side said, "There she goes!" far off there were others watching the ship come in and their voices cried out in unison, "Here she comes!"

Yes, we are sad. But as Greg and Brian departed, I'm convinced their loved ones who went before them, together with Carlito, RJ and all the saints and angels in Heaven, shouted with joyful anticipation, "Here they come!" ☆

Desert Dirt

By Mike Ruiz
Lancaster Station

YES!!! Hibernation is over, the ice has thawed, the wind is howling and the ravens are chirping. Awe, springtime in the High Desert is tough to beat. Well, we have lots to cover since our last edition many moons ago. So buckle up, it's going to be a bumpy ride. Here are your updated events from the embellished for readers' entertainment. No persons were hurt nor injured during these events, only sore egos.

WHAT PARKING SIGN?

Now I've heard of on-duty T/Cs that occurred in station parking lots involving POVs, but this was a tough one to beat and "intent to promote" Sergeant Paul Pfrehm took his licks like a champ. While backing into the field sergeant's designated parking stall with a newly delivered Tahoe, it seemed that visibility was limited since he failed to estimate the distance between his back bumper and the "110S PARKING ONLY" sign. It gets better. This caused the sign to fall back into a somewhat newly purchased Honda Civic causing substantial hood damage. It gets better. The registered owner of the vehicle was none other than the on-duty Watch Commander (soon to be Operations Lieutenant) Kent Kroeger. Paul did have reason to believe that a few choice station sergeants (a.k.a. "Axis of Evil") were envious of his placement on the Lieutenant's list and his theory that they sabotaged him might not be too farfetched. A hacksaw was recovered from the scene and booked into evidence. We are still waiting for the Crime Lab print results. Well, after a few pages of paperwork later, everyone was ok. Paul still picked up Lieutenant and is thoroughly enjoying being an early morning watch commander at Lancaster Station. Lucky you.

EXTREME HOME MAKEOVER

Finally, after months of operating dispatch out of the downstairs Sub-EOC, our newly remodeled dispatch area was completed. The conclusion is that the furniture is nice, but a "gauntlet" of chairs was created as you would work your way to the watch deputy. We are all still getting used to the new changes, but give it time and hopefully the direct line to the W/D will work and you can call to check to see if the range is open. By the way, what happened to the wizard statue?

FALLEN DEPUTIES HONORED

Continuing our Station tradition of honoring our fellow fallen past partners, on February 26,

with the leadership of Deputy Dan Gore, the Burglary Suppression Team, the AV Station Boosters and SRA, the second annual Living Memorial was conducted to remember the 35th anniversary of the deaths of Deputy Gregory Low and Reserve Deputy Charles Plumleigh. Both were involved in an on-duty traffic collision while responding Code-3 on February 26, 1978. Deputy Gore coordinated a heartwarming display located at the same intersection where the T/C occurred in the City of Lancaster. Station deputies shined-up their long-sleeved Class "A" uniform and stood



watch from sunrise to sunset. It was very touching to see family members and private citizens express their sympathies and respect for law enforcement. Good job Dan.

HEAVY HEART

I am also saddened to report the passing of Lancaster Station Reserve Deputy David Rodriguez this past March. David had been a part of our family for over 33 years. He started in Academy Class 50. He was a Reserve Deputy because he genuinely wanted to help the residents of Los Angeles County and the Antelope Valley. His compassion and professionalism is attested to by the numerous commendations he received for his actions under the color of authority. You will truly be missed partner.



IN, OUT AND ON THEIR WAY

Plenty of movement is an understatement. Among the many recent construction upgrades, Tim the "Tool Man" Taylor must have installed a revolving door that was spinning so often, it created gale-force winds.

A sort of retirement/promotion to Captain Bob Jonsen, who retired after over 28 years of dedicated service with the Department. He then immediately packed his bags and went up north to assume a position as the Chief of Police at Menlo Park P.D., roughly an area smaller than our Station parking lot. We wish you and Kristi all the best of luck. Thanks for motivating our new Lancaster Station B2V team. See you next year at the B2V finish line.

Congratulations to our former Operations Lieutenant Pat Nelson, now Captain Nelson. Sir, we hope the job is not as stressful as it appeared for your predecessor.

Some say Bob still had a full head of hair prior to his Captain promotion. Hope you keep those hair follicles.

Promotions to LIEUTENANT Paul Pfrehm confined to Lancaster EMs, Robert "Bobby" Rush went to Pitchess Detention Center, Randy "Ageless" Harris went to Santa Clarita Valley. Guess you must be a Tehachapi Warrior to promote around here.

Also moving up the Department ladder is newly promoted Sergeant Eric Eitner. Best of luck to you Eric and God's speed. We will miss you and will still throw a going-away party with or without you.

Heading off to much greener pastures and combining over 100 years of loyal service, we say bye to Lieutenant Richard Daniels, Detective Brad Feehan and Master FTO Steve Harbeson. I know Lieutenant Daniels will stop purchasing coffeemakers, Steve will throttle-up and fly more hours, but Brad, well not sure what Brad does other than joke around the Station hallways with Detective Torres. Best of luck to all of you and enjoy that County money.

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FROM THE DOCS

THE "BLENDED" FAMILY

By Debbie Campbell, Ph.D.

What is a "blended" family? Why is it so difficult to blend? What are some tips to better blend as a new family? This article will address these questions.

Although it's been a long time since *The Brady Bunch*, today, blended families are more and more common. In fact, 65 percent of remarriages include children from previous relationships, so stepfamilies are more of the norm than ever before. Blended families are the product of two partners and their children coming together to form a new family. This arrangement takes many forms. Some children may live with one biological parent and stepparent all or most of the time. Many children reside halftime with one biological parent and stepparent and halftime with another biological parent and possibly another stepparent. Talk about adjustments!

When two people get married or live together in a committed relationship, these adults are likely happy and excited about their future together. But what is the child's experience of this new union? The child is likely to experience losses, changes and adjustments. Why? Wouldn't the child be happier if the parent is happy?

We all resist change. Change is difficult and requires adjustments and often requires the loss of what was familiar and routine. When two adults come together, their children are used to different ways of living, different routines, essentially a different culture. Perhaps a child

is used to not having chores in the household they previously had with the biological parent. Further, this child had been allowed to go to bed when tired, which might mean a late bedtime. Imagine the conflict when this family combines with a family (stepparent and perhaps other children) that does have chores and regular (earlier) bedtimes. What could happen when one parent attempts to regulate the household with their familiar routines and rituals? Resistance, rebellion and often defiance can be the result, i.e., "You're not my father/mother...you can't tell me what to do."

Children may miss having the biological parent to themselves. They may even do what they can consciously or unconsciously to undermine the marital relationship, either acting out against the stepparent and/or the stepsiblings. In some cases, children have had to adjust to new neighborhoods, friends, schools and (step) siblings. Many children still harbor the wish (albeit secret) that their biological parents would reunite.

How long does it take to be a "blended" family? Much of the research says that it takes seven years to really blend as a family! This can be a long, gradual process. What are some ways to better ensure success as a blended family? Adjustments and changes that are not dealt with well can jeopardize the marital relationship, the functioning of the children and the viability of the new blended family.

TIPS TO BLEND AS A FAMILY

1. Open communication is crucial. Family meetings should happen weekly.
2. Mutual respect is required. Although it takes time to like and especially love someone, respect must be given to all family members even when there are disagreements and conflict.
3. Acknowledge changes and losses for the children. Do what can be done to minimize the number and intensity of changes and losses.
4. Make rules and boundaries clear and consistent for all children in the household.
5. The two adults need to be a united front in enforcing rules.
6. Consequences are best administered by the biological parent.
7. Invest time to nurture the marital relationship.
8. Each biological parent should spend some time alone with their biological children, perhaps a weekly activity, such as Saturday morning breakfasts out together.

If you are having difficulties related to stepparenting or becoming a blended family, or have other problems or issues that you would like to discuss, feel free to contact Employee Support Services Bureau. You can call for a consultation or to make a confidential appointment at (213) 738-3500. To obtain additional information, you may visit our intranet site (<http://intranet/intranet/ESS/Index.htm>). ☆

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Out – Our very own bright-eyed and bushy tailed EM Watch Commander Lieutenant Lieberman went to COPS Bureau, Sergeant Bryan Aguilera moved to West Hollywood Station, Adam Zeko arrived safely as a T.O. in Santa Clarita, Hector Gutierrez in looking for picnic baskets at Parks Bureau, Mike Berk is motoring around in Santa Clarita, Will Edson is yelling at recruits at Training Bureau, Courts Services West as Ramon Martinez and Brad Wagner walking defendants, Julia Vezina is at Palmdale DB teaching how to file cases, Christina Smerk is calling the shots as a Palmdale Watch Deputy, David Fletcher is hoping there is money at COPS Bureau, and last but not least, Jason McGinty is

showing Temple City how to crime fight.

We also welcome home second-tour transfers Danny Inez and Kelly Simon. From south of Ave "M" we welcome Sergeant Tony Gunn, Sergeant Chris Bergo, Sergeant Robbie Royster, Deputy Sean Maloney and Deputy John Hall Jr. from Palmdale, get ready for real police work.

New to our Station is Lieutenant Byron Wainie and Master Field Training Officer Sean Von Arx. Welcome to the "Tip of the Spear" in crime fighting for L.A. County.

New trainees willing to take on the "Crucible" that is Lancaster Station are as follows: Brian Clingscale, Michael Gelardo, Arnold Camacho, Michael Markman, Christopher May, Michael

Reynolds, Daniel Rodriguez, Oscar Martinez, Adam Nelson, David Pine, Andrew Taylor, Jorge Zavala-Guerra, Candice Bivins, William Harrison and Gilberto Borrueal.

Compliments to the following deputies who have successfully completed training: Shane Dobra, Stacie Carter, Victor Moreno, Eric Nordman, Amber Leist, Annette Lopez, Maria Trojanowski, Joshua Stamsek, Krist Mason, Cindy Prather, Russell Williams, Justin Ruppert. Congratulations on a job well done.

Well, that does it for this edition. For the rest of us here, let's go 10-8 and buckle up. Live well and be safe. ☆



By Paul Schrader
Parks Bureau

PROVIDING PUBLIC SAFETY FOR PARKS

For over three years now, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Parks Bureau has provided law enforcement services for the Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation. I would like to introduce a couple of the services we provide as a Bureau.

Youth Athletic League: Parks Bureau Deputy Karen Velasquez provides Youth Athletic League services at Mona Park, located at 2291 E. 121st Street, Compton. Each month she provides some type of a community service in the community to give back. One month, the kids and Karen decided to put on a "Ham Shoot," which was held at the Mona Park gym.

All the kids from the community were invited to participate in the basketball shoot. We had kids from 6 to 16 years of age participate. The game was broken down to four age categories and five winners. Winners with the most basketball shots in their age group were awarded a large sized ham to take home to their families.

There were 30 children from the community who participated in this event. The kids said they had "a big time." Several families from the community told us they appreciated the extra care that was shown to the kids. Many parents gave Karen praise for making the event happen. They further said that Mona Park had not experienced anything like it and they were happy to see the kids having such a great time. It was such a success that it will most likely be an annual event.

Mounted Enforcement Detail

Detail: The Parks Bureau Mounted Enforcement Detail (M.E.D.) is made up of two sergeants and four deputy sheriffs who are assigned to conduct law enforcement duties from the back of their equine partners. The mission of the Mounted Enforcement Detail is to provide the

Department with a well-trained equestrian unit, capable of being utilized in a variety of situations including, but not limited to:

Crime Suppression/Directed Patrol: The Detail can deploy in areas where it is difficult for patrol Deputies to access, such as parks, housing projects, train tracks, beaches and riverbeds. The mounted unit can also patrol shopping malls and other areas congested by traffic. M.E.D. deputies enforce every aspect of the law from the backs of their equine partners.

Crowd Management: Horses have proven effective during crowd management incidents and have calmed an agitated group of people at various events. M.E.D. deputies deploy to many events where large crowds gather.

Ceremonial Events: M.E.D. has provided mounted color guards at various contract city parades and events. They have also provided a "riderless horse" at some peace officer funerals. These



details are a highly visible method of representing the Department in a positive manner.

Static Displays: Uniformed deputies and their equestrian partners are always a big hit at community fairs and school functions.

Wildfire Equine and Livestock Evacuation: Through coordination with the Sheriff's Emergency Operations Bureau and the L.A. County Animal Control Department, personnel from M.E.D. are being trained to utilize Department truck and horse trailer combinations to evacuate equine and livestock from areas threatened by wildfires.

The Parks Bureau of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is responsible for providing law enforcement services to 177 county parks, golf courses and special event venues throughout Los Angeles County.

For more information about Parks Bureau please go to our website at www.parks.lasd.org.

Now go enjoy a day at the park! ☆

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The Chaplain's Notebook

Chaplain Rick Curtis
Lancaster Station

GUARD YOUR NOW

It was a beautiful day on the pier and my wife and I were walking hand-in-hand enjoying each other and the sights and sounds of the beach. All of that was soon disrupted by a couple in front of us that had previously been holding hands as well. From the release of their grip it seemed less than a second until the lines were drawn. Right there in public began an argument worthy of any wrestling federation smack down except the fact that this was for real! Words were flying and tempers flaring. Everyone was aware of it. In the flailing of arms and the amplified voices, a set of keys flew across the pier and almost ended up in Davey's Locker. Luckily a quick stomp of my foot ended their trajectory and I picked them up. Neither of them noticed the keys had flown and I wasn't about to get involved to give them back, not yet, so I waited until things simmered down.

Once our professional wrestlers had calmed down and were talking reasonably to each other, I approached to return the keys. Coming up behind the woman and saying, "Excuse me, but..." Those were the only words that left my mouth and she had turned on me with a start and some

very choice words. I held up the keys and she was both embarrassed and thankful. To the observer she was calm, but underneath the surface she was still hot and shaken.

Haven't we all experienced that, an uncontrolled reaction to a word spoken or an action taken? The reaction that embarrassed us, or hurt another, as we yelled something that we should not have out of a visceral reaction that was completely unnecessary. The point: Behaviors come from conditioning and attitude. This is why we need to guard the NOW! Your attitude in the NOW can change your future.

Think for a moment about the workplace. You come to work having fought with your spouse, your boss greets you with a friendly word and you systematically lose your next pay increase. This dynamic is even more important to understand in terms of the LEO. You sometimes carry the attitudes of the last call into the NOW and it can affect your judgment and behavior on your current call. This can be deadly, to you or another, as a visceral reaction can send things south in a hurry.

Solutions are fairly simple, but not always easy.

Know your NOW and change it. While not always possible in the fast-paced world of law enforcement, when entering a new environment after something has affected your emotions, take the time you need, say a prayer, come down. Get on the radio with your buddy across town. Use the time to focus, observing the environment that you are about to enter. Be situationally aware. Do whatever it takes to change your attitude because it is octane for your behavior. If you can summon a positive attitude, your behavior will follow.

The ancient scriptures tell us in *Psalms 37:7-9*: Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret; it leads only to evil. For those who are evil will be destroyed, but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land.

In the same way that you would guard your spouse or your child, guard your NOW, your life may just depend on it.

Chaplains may be contacted at their units of assignment or by calling (213) 738-3500. ☆

☆ IN MEMORIAM ☆

MARY J. BROWN	RETIRED 03-20-84, DECEASED 02-27-13	DEPUTY/INMATE RECEPTION CENTER
JAMES C. CUCCIA	RETIRED 03-25-82, DECEASED 02-25-13	DEPUTY IV/ALTADENA STATION
JOHN W. HEARN	RETIRED 01-18-73, DECEASED 03-12-13	DEPUTY/EAST LOS ANGELES STATION
VICTOR T. MATHEUS	RETIRED 04-01-68, DECEASED 02-18-13	DEPUTY MARSHAL/COURT OPERATIONS
ROLLIE W. MC ENTIRE	RETIRED 03-31-83, DECEASED 01-30-13	DEPUTY/LAKEWOOD STATION
JOHN A. NELSON	RETIRED 03-22-93, DECEASED 03-28-13	LIEUTENANT/COMMUNICATIONS & FLEET MANAGEMENT
BENJAMIN A. ROGERS	RETIRED 03-28-83, DECEASED 03-18-13	SERGEANT/ SAN DIMAS STATION
JOHN S. STANYAN	RETIRED 08-01-79, DECEASED 03-15-13	SERGEANT/ORGANIZED CRIME
BRIAN J. STOVER	ACTIVE MEMBER, DECEASED 03-25-13	SERGEANT/CARSON STATION
JACK B. VAUGHN	RETIRED 04-30-74, DECEASED 03-08-13	LIEUTENANT/LENNOX STATION
GEORGE R. VESTY	RETIRED 03-10-91, DECEASED 03-23-13	DEPUTY/VICE BUREAU
LATRESE JONES-WEBSTER	ACTIVE MEMBER, DECEASED 3-27-13	CUSTODY RECORDS CLERK II/IRC
WARREN G. WRIGHT	RETIRED 03-31-94, DECEASED 03-05-13	SERGEANT/WALNUT
CAMILLE COLLINS, WIFE OF RETIRED MEMBER MICHAEL J. COLLINS, DECEASED 02-28-13		
NICHOLAS HURTADO, SON OF RETIRED MEMBER ANTHONY HURTADO, DECEASED 03-01-13		
MARGARET J. KATZ, WIFE OF RETIRED MEMBER PHILIP KATZ, DECEASED 12-14-12		



By Matthew Bossier
Altadena Station

Greetings,
The temperature outside is rising, which means activity here at Altadena Station is also heating up. A recent visit was paid to Altadena Station by Sheriff Baca. The Sheriff thoroughly answered many questions presented by Altadena Station personnel and provided the men and women of Altadena Station with valuable information on the future of the Department and Altadena Station. Many of the topics

the Sheriff spoke about our Station personnel with a positive feeling about their careers and the future of our Station. Sheriff Baca, thank you for the positive visit, and we look forward to seeing you again soon!

Captain John Benedict recently made an appearance on *Good Day LA* to promote the Department and Altadena Station's participation in a global law enforcement "Tweet-a-thon," which is best described as a virtual ride-along. Sir, congratulations on another outstanding public appearance. Maybe this television appearance was

a glimpse at a post-law enforcement career. Also, a special thank you regarding the "Tweet-a-thon" event goes out to Altadena Station Deputy Mike Spina, who pulled some strings and made the television appearance happen.

The early warm weather also means the Altadena Station Mountain Rescue Team is already very busy. During the first quarter of this year, the team has already participated in an above average number of hiker rescues. Stay safe ladies and gents. Your performance thus far this year has been outstanding. Thank you for all you do! Our Station volunteers have been very busy lately patrolling the streets of Altadena and providing much needed assistance at the Station. Thanks so much for your help, we are very proud to have you as part of our family.

In closing, Altadena Station would like to welcome four new additions to our family and thank one loss to Court Services. We welcome Sergeant Wayne Waterman from NCCF, Deputy David Perez from Court Services Bureau, Deputy Melissa O'Conner from CRDF and CSA Lakita Tyler from Lomita Station. Sadly, we lost Deputy Richard Laca via transfer to Court Services Bureau. Deputy Laca, thank you for your contribution to Altadena Station during your stay here.

Till next time!

"Officium Veneratio Virtus!" ☆



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Oct. 2

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Nov. 6

Marino's Italian
17126 Bellflower Blvd.
Bellflower

Dec. 4

Northwoods Inn
14305 Firestone Blvd.
La Mirada

THE LEGENDS OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

By Judy Leyn
Cerritos Station

WE'RE BACK! And welcome to everyone who is reading this. Cerritos has been on hiatus for quite some time. I hope to bring you up to speed and continue with the most current and "maybe" accurate (animated) happenings of the Station.

First off, we bid a farewell to Captain Joe Gonzales, who retired after 36 years of dedicated service. All of us here wish him happiness as he closes one chapter in life and begins a new one. Thank you for everything and remember the door is always open here at Cerritos.

As we start our new chapter (more like adventures) here at the Station, we welcome newly promoted Captain Keith Swensson. Many of us here knew the Captain as a trainee at Lakewood, being his radio car partner or working his sister car. So the Captain's transition here shouldn't be too hectic, almost like being back in high school with all the familiar faces and "back in the day" stories. I'm sure a story (dirt) or two will surface from time to time about the Captain's adventures at Lakewood.

Where do we begin? As news went out via email that we were having an article again (it wasn't even 30 seconds later), I got a deluge of "I've got a story for you!" Trust me, no one is safe in these articles, especially if they are coming from your partners.

For some strange reason, the city has become "Betty White's Wild Animal Park." Between the calls for service about coyotes, raccoons, skunks, stray dogs, cats (get the picture), we have our very own Jack Hanna among us. Deputy Bahman Atabaki rescued a rooster a few weeks back. Deputy Atabaki even caught the rooster and put it in the back of his radio car. Not sure how the rooster felt (probably wanted to fly the coop) being on a ride-along, but I'm sure he was glad to see the hen house at the Long Beach Animal Control Center. The story doesn't end there. Deputy Atabaki showed up to work the next day, claiming he wasn't feeling well and that he thought he had the "bird flu." Needless to say, that set panic throughout the Station saying there was an outbreak of bird flu, rooster flu or some type of flu epidemic. It must have been true as CSO Luke Leslie called in a few days later saying he had the "chicken flu." (Too chicken to come to work and afraid of catching something and getting sick.)

We also have many team players here where everyone is willing to help each other out.

Deputy Stephanie Reber is no exception. A few deputies who were transferring brought in donuts for everyone and left them at the desk. So who wouldn't want to enjoy a fresh donut, hot cup of coffee and say goodbye to a friend? Deputy Andy Guthrie wasn't going to miss out on this bonding opportunity, except for the fact that he is a traffic car. He is dedicated to his



traffic car and he didn't want to miss out writing a cite to keep his city safe. So he asked Deputy Reber to go to the Station and get him a donut and bring it out to him in the field. Way to be a team player Steph.

Rumor has it that Lieutenant Castellano prides himself on how he looks. Well, more like how his hair looks and how much he spends on haircuts. It's been told he spends \$300 for a haircut and says it's well worth it. All I can say is that it looks like the money was spent on a watering can because it has the beginning look of a Chia pet. Lieutenant Rick Harpham is also sporting a "new look." Lieutenant Harpham is letting his hair grow out and getting darker these days. He doesn't realize mullets are not in style and shades of gray don't mean you're old. Is Lieutenant Harpham reliving his younger days?

It's been said that deputies have a tendency of acting like little kids. Not so true. Sergeant Ciro Racowschi and Lieutenant Geoff Deedrick ran through the Station seeing who could be the first one to the T3 (electric standup vehicle). You would have thought it was recess time the way those two were acting. I guess they don't get out often. Anyway, Lieutenant Deedrick came back in, pouting no doubt, that Sergeant Racowschi ran over the orange cone and recess was over. The Lieutenant was mumbling that the Sergeant's driving privileges were on hold until he could play nice. "Boys and their toys."

Our detective bureau did not want to be left out of the loop on sharing the happenings of DB.

Sergeant Keith Kanouse decided their office was in much need of redecorating. He brought in a family picture/portrait (20x30) that his mom and dad had hanging above their fireplace for the past 25 years. Sergeant Kanouse didn't want the picture to end up in the closet or at a garage sale somewhere, so it is proudly hanging in DB. The story being told is that Keith can't leave home without his mommy and daddy and this was the best he could do. Does anyone have scissors to cut the apron strings? The picture does add that homey touch to DB.

With all the fun we are having with these stories, all the shifts have been working hard chasing down 459 suspects as well as other calls for service. Just like everyone else, we have seen a slight rise in residential burglaries. Our SAO team and patrol have been saturating areas along with volunteers on patrol and neighborhood watch. With this, combined with our desk crews providing information quickly, we have been able to go 10-15 with several of these 459 suspects. Good work! And who said Cerritos was a sleeping city.

We have a few of our personnel out with injuries or illnesses. We wish you a healthy recovery and we are here if you need anything. If you haven't spoken to them recently (Deputies Navarette, Di Gaudio, Hicks, Anderson and LET Gustafson), give them a call. It really isn't a lot of fun when you're grounded to the house, but a friendly call can make the difference.

To make things clear, I am not responsible for the information I am given. I'm the messenger and write what I have been told. I will not give up my CIs. We all have investigative skills, so you should be able to figure out who is making you a "STAR." If not, then jump on the bandwagon and tell your story.

Question: Which detective came to work wearing one brown shoe and one black shoe? Stay tuned for the answer in the next article.

On a last note of this lengthy article, we bid farewell and good luck to Lieutenant Castellano, who recently transferred to the Office of the Sheriff. Thank you for everything you have done for us here at Cerritos!

Until the next time, stay safe and we all go home every day! ☆



Over the years, photographs, documents and memorabilia crucial to preserving the history of the Los Angeles Sheriffs' Department and its members have been destroyed. To prevent essential memorabilia from being lost forever we must act immediately. This includes not only preserving the past but documenting and preserving our history as it is occurring today. The mission of the Los Angeles Sheriffs' Museum is to "Preserve the History and Perpetuate the Pride" of the Department and its members. This includes our history dating back to the beginning in 1850, all the way through today and into the future.

The past, present and future of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has and will continue to involve many significant events, places and people, including you. If you have been involved in significant events, changes to equipment, policies, procedures or anything which has allowed the Department to evolve and change, help us preserve your involvement through donating photographs, documents and your personal stories. Remember that today is tomorrow's history.

In order to maintain our history your financial support is also needed to acquire, preserve and store photographs, documents, film, video, audio interviews of members and equipment. Funds are not spent on Museum personnel since they are all volunteers working for free. Your support will be used to purchase proper archival supplies and storage, for the restoration of our department memorabilia and updating of Museum displays.

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Star News 39 Years Ago

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1850 to 1920

MAIN STREET AND SUNSET—
Photo taken about 1855. Notice the
Plaza to the right of the picture.

Sheriffs Influence Early Justice

Chances are if TV Westerns make up a regular part of your television viewing fare, your concept of history and what life was really like in the Old West is probably distorted.

The local Sheriff is usually portrayed as the man having the glamour job of that era—chasing the bad guys and becoming the hero of the townspeople. He is normally shown doing relatively little work to keep the peace.

More than likely, if the westerns told it like it was—the glamour now associated with the Old West as well as the “high ratings” would soon disappear.

The job of Sheriff in Los Angeles County (since its beginnings in 1850 until the present time) has been a grueling rather than a glamour position.

When the first Sheriff was elected, Los Angeles County had a reputation for being a haven for criminals. Gamblers bent on separating miners from their gold poured into the territory. In addition, the pueblo was overrun with robbers and cutthroats whose primary talents included slitting a man's throat to get his money and gold.

Fights, shootings and murders were common occurrences. The job of Sheriff was to bring order to the existing chaos.

The Sheriff's duties also included the jail facility and the housing and feeding of prisoners.

Patrolling the 34,000 square miles of the County which also included the present Counties of Kern, Orange, San Bernardino and Ventura was another monumental task for the Sheriff to accomplish.

In 1889, the County was trimmed

in size to the boundaries of today's 3,980 square miles. At that time the criminals still outnumbered the law abiding citizens. Law enforcement techniques in the early years were crude, but the Sheriff's Department had led the way for modernizing enforcement methods.

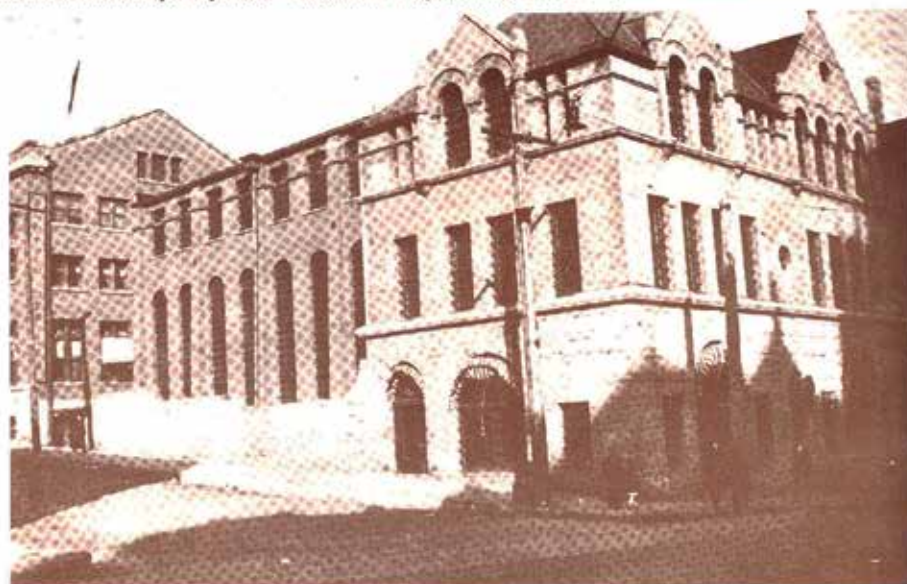
During the era of 1850-1920, twenty Sheriffs held office. Two were killed in the line of duty. They served

terms ranging from two weeks to 26 years. The Department's personnel grew from the one Sheriff and one Deputy arrangement to a total of 82 in 1920.

Some of the innovations introduced during the first 70 years of the Sheriff's Department included the first automobile in County Service in 1907. The formation of the Identification and Fingerprinting Bureau

was established in 1915. The Horse Theft Detail and first Night Detail were begun in 1912. That same year, Margaret Q. Adams was sworn in as the first Woman Deputy in the United States.

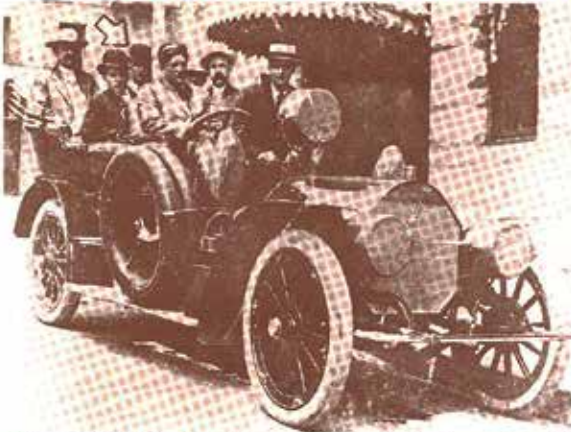
With the help of the Sheriff's Department, life in Los Angeles County moved from a position with the criminal in control to a land with respect for law and order.



THE OLD COUNTY JAIL—The County Jail from 1902 to 1926 was housed in the building at the corner of Temple Street and Justice Street, which later became Spring Street. The approximate location of the building in the present Civic Center would be on the lawn of the Federal Building. Its peak count, at the time prisoners were

transferred across the street to the present Hall of Justice in 1926, was 875. The building faced Temple Street and the very narrow street beside it became the driveway for the parking lot of the new jail. The building was razed when Spring Street was extended.

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SHERIFF'S FIRST CAR—The Locomobile was the first car purchased by the County in 1907 for the personal use of the Sheriff for his official duties.



CHIEF PEOPLES AND NIGHT CREW—Photo taken in the early 1920's. Deputies were first assigned to night duty in 1912.



EARLY SHERIFF'S POSSE—Photo taken in front of the early Court House, showing just a few of many men who rallied to aid justice during the lawless years.

EVEN TODAY, THE SHERIFF depends on posse members to help him in critical areas where the horse is still the only practical way to go.




CRIME LABORATORY—1910. Photo of latent prints file section. The laborious task of looking through fingerprint drawers is no longer necessary with the computerized system of today.



THE COURT HOUSE IN 1869. It stood on the site of the new City Hall. Erected first by Don Juan Temple for use as a market and meeting hall.



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I hope to see you on this special day as we honor our service men and women!

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