CENTRAL OREGON PUBLIC SAFETY CHAPLAINCY



Serving the Hearts & Minds of Central Oregon's First Responders

# JUNE NEWSLETTER

One thing we know for sure about the business of public safety, is you never know what our business will bring each day. This is so true as we navigate what is our new and constantly moving normal is and will be.

Your Central Oregon Public Safety Chaplaincy Board of Directors has continued to meet. We have been fortunate like many others to find a connection with Zoom meetings. All of your COPC board members are Zoom savvy and have felt like we are able to manage COPC business but very much looking forward to meeting in-person.

We are actively planning for Executive Chaplain Mike Pismore's August retirement. We are excited for Mike but know that he will be greatly missed. We so much appreciate his service. Often, we do not realize the impact and work a person does until they are gone, this will be true when Mike retires.

As we work through plans to fill Mike's position we will keep everyone in the loop as we transition. Not only do we need to fill his chaplain position but are working on creating a part-time administrative/ financial person to take on that work load. Mike has carried that work load but our hope is to not have that job be part of the executive chaplain or assistant chaplain role in the future.

I know the current public health situation has created a situation where chaplain visits to the region's public safety facilities has been limited. I see the opportunity for station visits to come back soon. I want to thank all of our chaplains for the continued care, prayers, and responses as needed. The board recognizes this challenge and no doubt the organizations understand why our chaplain's presence has been limited. I for one have been very thankful for the text check-ins and phone calls from our chaplains and look forward to normal visits for the health and wellness of our members.

One of our concerns has been assuring our chaplains have had the necessary PPE to respond safely. Thank you for all of the agencies support, our chaplains have had the PPE they need.

As we move through the new phases of our communities opening up, I encourage everyone to remain vigilant to personal hygiene and safety. To all of our chaplains, thank you very much for your support! Please do not hesitate to reach out to any of your board members if we can help in any way. Take care, remain positive and we look forward to continued safe navigation of our public health situation.

Central Oregon Public Safety Chaplaincy Board of Pirectors:

Pave Pickhardt - Terry Webb - Peron McMaster - Brent Landels - Hadley Hawkins - Jim Adkins - Kevin Pieker





## Upcoming Dates

**COPC Chaplains Training** Ist Tuesday of every month

Due to COVID-19, please go to our website for up to date list of events. Stay safe and healthy! http://www.copchaplain.com

#### **Annual Benefit Golf Tournament**

Friday August 7th, 2020 Bam Shotgun Start Eagle Crest Ridge Course For Registration & Sponsorship Information visit: www.copchaplain.com or call Andrea at 541-390-4970

#### **Christmas Eve Service**

December 24, 2020 Aspen Hall 18920 NW Shevlin Park Rd. Bend, OR 6:300-7:30 PM Santa Clause will be there!

### **COPC Chaplains**

- <u>Mike Pismore</u>
- <u>Joel Stutzman</u>
- <u>Kinne Callaway</u>
- Lyman Flenner
- <u>Stephen Gilday</u>
- <u>Kimi Glaspie</u>
- <u>Terry Jemes</u>
- Paul Languist
- <u>Robin Mirrasoul</u>
- <u>Peter Pagel</u>
- Dan Parks
- Henry Porter
- <u>Amber Turnage</u>
- Bob Wiley
- <u>Richard Ross</u>
- Leslie Languist
- Don Manning
- <u>Skip Hinton</u>
- David Green
- <u>Mark Ward</u>

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