



Central Oregon Police Chaplaincy
Serving the Hearts and Minds of Central Oregon's First Responders
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The Beat

July 2015

Greetings

Summer has arrived at least here in Central Oregon! It has been hot and our Departments and Agencies – Dispatch Centers have really been asked to pick up the pace. This creates a lot of extra requests for our chaplains as well. We have great chaplains who serve some pretty incredible Officers, Deputies, Troopers, Fire Fighters, Medics and Dispatchers.

We recently accomplished our Chaplains Appreciation BBQ's traveling to 10 different locations cooking for all of the agencies in our three counties – that's a bunch of hamburgers, hotdogs, watermelon – yum. We have had a great time.

Things we have talked about with our First Responder Families – where are they going on vacation, all the different calls we have all participated in, and their self-care – who makes the best chili!!! Someone please ask Sheriff Jim Hensley of Crook County how the hot sauce was – yikes.

Another subject was especially focused on the times and culture we live and serve in – Why do bad things happen to good people. Why does God allow some of the stuff to happen to the innocent? This has been the question for all time. I simply don't have an answer. I always tell folks respectfully that I am into sales, not management – I am called to

trust and wait. I find some solace in the words of [Joni Eareckson Tada, *The God I Love*](#) – **"Sometimes God allows what he hates to accomplish what he loves."**

I'd like to request that you take a moment to pray for the tragedies that we have all seen on the news recently. Pray as well for the awesome First Responders in your area that God will grant us protection and wisdom.

Thank You for your support and prayers for our chaplaincy –
You Are Appreciated

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2015 CENTRAL OREGON POLICE CHAPLAINCY GOLF TOURNAMENT

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Friday August 14, 2015 – Eagle Crest Ridge Golf Course – Redmond

Shotgun start at 8AM

Entry: \$125.00 per person/ \$500.00 per foursome.
Includes 18 holes of golf, carts range balls, snacks, on course beverages and lunch.

Reserve your spot today – visit www.copchaplain.com for more information.
Call Andrea at 541.390.4970 for questions.



International Conference of Police Chaplains Annual Training Seminar



Chaplain Jim Crowley and BPD Officer/COPC Board Member Troy Wiles will be attending the 42nd ICPC ATS in Sacramento, California July 13-17, 2015.

Here is an overview of the courses provided at the ATS:

Basic Courses: 12 classes required to make application for the Basic Credential Level.

Enrichment Courses: 27 classes to enhance the knowledge and abilities of the chaplain.

Liaison Courses: 7 classes to help Law Enforcement Officers maximize and expand current local chaplaincy programs.

Advanced Courses: Classes of specialized instruction designed for experienced chaplains who seek to refine their skills.

Dr. Ellen Kirschman (I Love a Cop) and **Dr. Joel Fay** (Counseling Cops) will present a full day seminar dealing with trauma, betrayal and working with couples and families.

Clarke & Tracie Paris will present their presentation "Winning the Battle" dealing with police suicide prevention; stress issues and how the chaplain plays an integral role in helping these officers.

Chaplain Tamra Gore and Sgt. Tim McVey will be leading the training on Disaster Response. This track is designed for those who are on the ICPC Disaster Response Team or interested in applying to the team.

Additional information can be found on the ICPC web site at <http://www.icpc4cops.org> or going directly to the ATS link: <http://www.icpcats.org/2015-ats---sacramento--california-.html>

News & Events

- **COPC Chaplains Training** – First Tuesday each month from 0900-1200 hours usually at the COPC office in Bend.
- **COPC Board Meeting** – Second Thursday each month at the COPC office.
- **DCSO Corrections** – Chaplains Crowley, Dismore, Jemes, and Michalek continue to meet weekly for lunch with the Corrections Family.

Prayer Requests

- Marriages of our Fire, Law Enforcement and Dispatch families. Our Chaplains meet weekly with officers, firefighters and dispatchers that request our assistance and prayers for their families.
- Covering of His Grace, Wisdom and Protection on our chaplains, agencies and families.
- There are many First Responder Families facing illnesses, surgery, and other physical ailments. Keep them and their families in prayer.

COPC Chaplains

The Chaplains of Central Oregon Police Chaplaincy provide the crucial services that support the region's First Responders and the community. On an on-call basis, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, COPC Chaplains are dispatched to calls including deaths (Code 99s), death notifications, drownings, fires, homicides, hospital transports, infant and child deaths, motor vehicle accidents, search and rescue, suicides, and more.

In addition, COPC Chaplains provide confidential personal counseling and mentoring, hospital and home visits to assist in healing and provide support, critical incident stress debriefing and defusing for First Responders and the community following traumatic events. They officiate at ceremonies including funerals, weddings, celebrations, dedications, and other events. They do ride alongs and visit the First Responders at the agencies throughout Central Oregon. They also are involved in administrative duties, attending meetings, making community contacts, and fundraising.

Monthly training is offered to the COPC Chaplains, First Responders, and others; training to help Chaplains, Emergency Services Personnel and their family members maintain healthy relationships.



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Raffle and fun team prizes including: 1st Low Gross, 2nd Low Gross, long drive, men's/women's closest to the pin and even last place!

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