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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mark Bardsley, President



<u>Are you tired? Have you</u> <u>been lacking energy and</u> <u>motivation to get out in your</u> <u>community and support your</u> <u>agency and personnel?</u> Then it's time to revitalize.....take the week (July 9-13) and join chaplains from across the states, provinces and nations to refocus and hone your skills in law enforcement chaplaincy!

<u>Are you wondering if you</u> <u>are still making a difference in</u> <u>you agency?</u> Come sharpen your tools! ICPC is providing full access to our 12 core courses, 8 Liaison courses, 30 enrichment courses (have you read some of these course descriptions?) as well as 2 advanced training opportunities. There is a wealth of knowledge and information to be shared this summer.

Do you need to debrief and pour out your soul to a peer counselor? We have them available! Colleagues ready to



help you, listen to you and walk with you through your valley.

<u>Could you do with some</u> <u>new ministry challenges in the</u> <u>way you currently are serving?</u> We will spark provoking thoughts in which you can engage! We will stretch and grow to impact our agencies in the best possible way.

<u>Are you hungry to just sit</u> <u>down and talk with friends and</u> <u>colleagues who know what you've</u> <u>been going through and</u> <u>understand your journey?</u> We've got the networking rooms to enjoy for fellowship so we can laugh and swap your "war stories" with one another! Renew old friendships and meet new brothers and sisters in the cause of chaplaincy.

I SURE NEED THAT! In the last two months I have

engaged in counseling, LODD activities in my state, corresponded with chiefs and sheriffs about their local losses, dealt with a local plane crash & multiple death notifications, a wedding, a funeral, line ups, ridea-longs, prepped to testify in a homicide trial, taught officers on LODD updates, been engaged in church and community activities, dealing with work issues and family challenges....JUST LIKE YOU!

And just like US.... there are times when WE need to stop, step back from the firing line of service and feed the need of our hearts and souls.

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#### President's Message

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Meet with those who will affirm the challenging work we do. "As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17 New International Version (NIV). As I understand it that word sharpens means "to be sharp, be alert, be keen."

From what we learn, what we experience & what we share with each other....we make each other better, sharper & more alert in service to our agencies. I am so looking forward to ATS 2018 and having the opportunity to be with ICPC Chaplains.

For almost 45 years law enforcement chaplains have gathered together for training and support. If you haven't made a decision yet....I want to invite you to join us for ATS 2018! Each ATS offers these things and so much more!

I'm ready to be "sharpened" and more effective in chaplaincy service. Looking forward to seeing you in Lexington.

Be Blessed....You are a Blessing

Mark & Bardsley

ICPC President 2017 - 2019

In March of 2018 the American Legion recognizing my service during World War II sent me and my daughter on the Honor's Flight to our nation's capital. Visiting the memorials of all our wars and museums of various branches of service was a touching thing. Of course the memorial dedicated to veterans of WW II brought pride and emotional reactions. However, it was the Korean Monument that seemed more personal with statues of GI's trigging through swamp lands that and touched my heart. The trip was exciting, emotional and exhausting. The oldest of our group was a hundred and one making my ninety years junior in that group.

The question that burned in my heart was one asked many years ago: "What mean these stones?" Several thousand years ago a people seeking freedom from the tyranny of a cruel dictator had to fight their way to a land of promise. When they crossed over a river into that land they were instructed to have each family or tribe to bring a stone to be piled together to be a memorial of that day. It was also determined that each year they would celebrate their escape from slavery

and death. The record of those instructions indicates that on that day the eldest son would start things off by asking the question: "What mean these stones?" The father would then tell the story in great detail and after that they would have a feast.

That question burned in my heart in March as I traveled with thirty veterans on a cold day. To some of us the visit brought tears of memory. For all of us there was a sense of pride as we brought to the surface thoughts that had been buried in the past but always present in our hearts. During this month I plan to share my thoughts with you as I ask: "What Mean These Stones?"



Corporal Bob Cornelius, Chaplain for Casa Grande Police Department, AZ has been an ICPC member for 44 years.

### **ICPC Executive Officers 2017-2019**



### FROM THE EDITOR

The Region 7 Training Seminar was held in April in Texarkana, Texas. It was a lovely drive through Southeast Missouri and Arkansas. In fact, one of the most beautiful rest areas I've ever encountered sits between West Memphis and Little Rock. It's tucked onto a forested hillside with well cared for landscaping.

Sessions went well and the Host Committee and Texarkana PD are to be commended for their service and hospitality.

Having served as Assistant Director for the region for many years (I prefer the title Deputy Director but didn't get to write the job description), my hope had been to pass the torch. But a not so funny thing happened on the way to the election: no one was nominated for any of the offices. As a result, the current slate of officers ended up being re-elected.

Having already written urging everyone to become more involved in ICPC activities, I am hesitant to say it again so soon. However, I can't help it. Experience in leadership positions is a wonderful thing, but newer (dare I say younger) members need to be brought forward via mentors or, if they have an area of expertise or interest, are invited to step up and volunteer.

### CHAPLAIN JOHN HARTH

It will take all of us...a team effort...to improve and grow ICPC. We have a lot of work to do.

Blessings, John Harth Jackson, MO



Chaplain John Harth presently volunteers with the Missouri State Highway Patrol and multiple other law enforcement agencies.

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### **Partnering for Long-Term Success**

### Chaplain John D. Putnam — Sheboygan Falls, WI

#### The Need:

Today more than ever, law enforcement agencies need spiritual guidance, counseling and assistance for officers, their families and their communities. No one is confronted with more situations that demoralize and create emotional, mental and spiritual burdens than a law enforcement officer and their family. Furthermore, no one is more equipped to assist the officer, their family, and agency, than a trained Law Enforcement Chaplain, with the emphasis on the word "trained."

In my time as the ICPC Wisconsin Area Representative, I've heard numerous stories of local clergy being called upon by their local L. E. agency, to serve as a chaplain, yet have little to no basic L. E. Chaplaincy training. Thus, at times, large gaffes and a poor representation of what a L. E. Chaplain's responsibility truly is becomes evident.

In Wisconsin, Attorney General Brad Schimel has made officer wellness a key focus when it comes to what new recruits are taught at the academy and what Training and Standards has adopted as part of their training regiment. One key component and resource to that wellness, which he has recognized, is the value and important part that chaplains play in the lives of officers and their families.

As I recognized the focus that AG Schimel was taking, I made an inquiry into combining our efforts: His ability to reach the entire state and desire to equip local agencies with resources to assist with officer wellness, along with ICPC's ability and desire to train and credential Law Enforcement Chaplains with a standardized set of training, to make sure that the service that chaplains provide to their agencies is the best available. Thus, we combined efforts to offer to the state of Wisconsin the twelve basic ICPC courses, paid for by the Department of Justice.

#### **The Process:**

First it involved reaching out to a few individuals that I knew had been selected to be on the 'Officer Wellness Committee' at the Department of Justice, asking the question, "Since chaplains are one of the greatest resources available to officers, their families and their agency, how can we combine efforts (ICPC and the DOJ) to offer chaplain training, which could work toward the chaplain becoming credentialed?" I emphasized that the ICPC is the largest L. E. Chaplain credentialing organization in the world, providing training specific to L. E. Chaplains.

Those conversations led to the Department of Justice doing a trial run with us (ICPC), in which we held a 'Beginning a Chaplains Program.' For this training, I brought in experienced chaplains: Chaplain Mark Clements (ICPC-Immediate Past President), Chaplain

George Papachristou (WI State Patrol chaplain), and Chaplain Paul Pfeffer (Fond du Lac PD Chaplain). The four of us covered subjects such as: 'Introduction to Law Enforcement Chaplaincy,' a Q&A session regarding 'how to start a successful chaplain program,' 'Ride Alongs & Chaplains,' 'Death Notifications,' and 'Wisconsin and Federal Statutes governing L. E. Chaplaincy.' We then brought in both the superintendent of the Wisconsin State Patrol, J. D. Lind, and Tony Barthuly, retired chief of Fond du Lac, to discuss the benefits of having a chaplaincy program within their agencies. We finalized the day with a Q&A panel including our guest speakers and instructors, answering questions from participants within the class. The class had upwards of 60 attendees, which included: Chiefs of police, Sheriffs, department administrators, potential chaplains, members of clergy, department of justice officials and currently-serving chaplains. It was a great success.

Following the training, I was contacted by the individual at the DOJ who handles the Wisconsin credentialing for all L. E. agencies of the state. They were setting the minimum standards suggested to agencies to be proficient in their respective field. He asked if we would help establish these

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minimum suggested standards to be a chaplain. Of course, I obliged. He sent us a template and myself and those whom I've already mentioned, as well as a few other tested chaplains, compiled our thoughts, which included ICPC's 12-basic courses as a must. He adopted our suggestions and now, ICPC training is the minimum standard established by our state's training and standards for L. E. Chaplains.

Going forward, and because of the success of the initial offerings and the fact that the standard has been set for chaplains, we then suggested that the DOJ partner with ICPC in providing the 12-Basic ICPC classes. They agreed and were excited to partner with us. The DOJ decided that they would handle all of the logistics (setting up teaching locations, registration, notifications, etc.) and ICPC handled the instructor portion of getting the classes registered with ICPC-Headquarters, assigning the instructors to each class and administering the days of training.

We determined that what best suited Wisconsin was offering training in the Northern part of our state on one day and then the next day, offering the same training in the Southern part. We also determined to spread the training out over a three-month period. Thus, we set up a day in the North and a day in the South, each month over a three month time frame (March-April -May), with the desire that once the three months are completed. all students would have completed all 12-Basic ICPC courses.

In January, the DOJ took the registration for the training live and the response was overwhelming. We've just completed our March training with over 125 chaplains participating. Again, the DOJ covered all cost related to the training: travel reimbursements for the instructors, facilities for the training, printed materials for the classes and a catered-in lunch. With the close connection that the DOJ has with local Technical Colleges throughout the state, the locations that they had host our

training were campuses with criminal justice programs.

During one training day Attorney General Brad Schimel stopped by to greet all of the chaplains (picture inserted), showing his appreciation for their work within the Law Enforcement community. He stated that, "it's people like you who help our law enforcers be successful, in spite of the traumas that they face on a daily basis." He then proceeded to hand a challenge coin to every person attending the class, thanking them again for their service to our state's police officers and their families

In a recent blog post by Attorney General Brad Shimel, he stated:

"Did you know a law enforcement officer is more likely to die of suicide than a line of duty death?

As attorney general, I was not going to accept this status quo, so I made it a priority of my administration to promote and better wellness, both physical and mental, in Wisconsin's law enforcement

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Class Picture with AG Brad Schimel March, 2018



Wisconsin Attorney General Brad Schimel

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community. First, we increased the number of training hours focused on stress management, financial stability, and healthy relationships. We also increased the hours of suicide prevention training in the recruit academy, and developed special training for law enforcement executives, in order to help them assist their officers in a time of need.

I also saw great value in providing more support to Wisconsin's chaplains, who are critical in every community – to both law enforcement and crime victims.

Most recently, we hosted a Law Enforcement Chaplains Certification Program, the first state Attorney General's office in the United States to do so. After attending a conference for police chaplains, I decided that Wisconsin needed its own training and certification program for police chaplains, so we can provide better support to our officers and communities. The curriculum is based on standards established by the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC).

Wisconsin's Law Enforcement Chaplains Certification Program is making a difference in communities, statewide. I am so proud of the work it has already accomplished, and my team and I look forward to continuing to make sure our officers are physically, mentally, and emotionally healthy."

https://www.doj.state.wi.us/ blog/providing-policechaplain-trainings---promoting-mental-andemotional-wellness

#### The Future:

We've already been asked by the DOJ to do this again next year and asked if we'd be able to facilitate advanced course offerings as well. My hope is that this will turn into a long-lasting partnership between ICPC and the Wisconsin DOJ, making available solid, proven, L. E. Chaplain training for years to come. I also hope by the DOJ offering this, it will create a resource of chaplains, trained chaplains, to reach out to, should the need arise.

### My Challenge to You:

Wisconsin, to our knowledge, is the first state in the Nation to have such a partnership with ICPC, to provide L. E. chaplain training. Really though, why couldn't it go nationwide? Each one of us is only a few people removed from those with the power to make crucial decisions, but we have to be willing to ask the questions, and never forget, we do this as an extended service to our brothers and sisters in law enforcement.

We know, undoubtedly, that the need for trained

chaplains within our nation's Law Enforcement agencies is real. We also know that the door of opportunity only knocks once, in many instances. Please allow this success, for which we give all glory to God, to be an encouragement to you and your state. Big opportunities are out there, just open the door!



Respectfully submitted, John D. Putnam Sheboygan County Sheriff Chaplain Wisconsin State Patrol Chaplain United States Secret Service Chaplain

To continue the above storyline of the Wisconsin State Trainings here is a great story about law enforcement chaplaincy and the efforts happening in the state! <u>Please click on link below and</u> watch the news feed:

https://www.channel3000.com/ news/-ministry-of-presence-howchaplains-are-helping-wellness-of -police-officers-inwisconsin/744479550

Provided by Jessica Arp of Madison TV station WISC-TV/Channel3000.com

### Ministry of Presence

### Submitted by Chaplain Timothy Polley

The sights and sounds of a community football jamboree were in the air on a mid-November Saturday night in Scottsville, just southeast of Bowling Green. Several residents were at the annual event, which featured football players and cheerleaders of various age groups in a familyfriendly venue.

On this night, Pastor Dale Darley was at home with his family eating dinner when the phone rang. On the other end was Scottsville Assistant Police Chief Darren Tabor. Tabor needed Darley, who also served as one of the police department's volunteer chaplains, to respond to the high-school stadium quickly.

"He asked me to come to the stadium," Darley said. "A child was missing, and he did not have a good feeling about it."

Before Darley could finish putting on his chaplain uniform, the phone rang again.

"(Tabor) called back to tell me they had found her body, and this was definitely a homicide," Darley said. "I can still remember the tone of his voice."

That night, a 7-year-old girl was discovered raped, strangled and left face down in a creek behind Allen County High School. It was up to Darley – who now is pastor of First Baptist Church in Kingston, Tenn. – and fellow police chaplain Chuck Pruitt, pastor of Scottsville's Mount Union United Methodist Church, to help police officers, dispatchers and townspeople pick up the pieces.

"The impact on our officers was tremendous," Darley said. "Scottsville is a small town, and most of our officers grew up in that community and/or had children who attended the schools there. It was a personal loss for them in a way."

The scene was gut wrenching, and, as a result, the toll on police officers was immediate, Darley said.

"The brutality of the crime weighed heavy on those officers who discovered her body, and who dealt with the crime scene," Darley said. "An officer later confided that it was difficult to eat or sleep, and that there were times when the officer needed to just get away somewhere to cry or vent emotion."

The grief of the event extended to other first responders, Pruitt said.

"(Darley) called me to come talk with dispatchers because they had a tough time hearing what they were hearing over the radio," Pruitt said. "The whole community was devastated."

### **Chaplain duties**

From shootings to fatal car wrecks and violent crimes, law enforcement officers deal with a variety of tragic situations.

If they go unchecked, the stress can build up and cause an officer a myriad of problems. To counter this, many agencies, like Scottsville Police, utilize chaplains to help officers. Chaplains are both sworn officers and volunteer ministers who might not have law enforcement experience.

Usually, police chaplains are called when the news is bad, Scottsville Police Chief Jeff Pearson said.

"They may be called upon to assist in death notifications, assist and support victims in times of crisis, respond to suicide incidents, and serve as part of a crisis response team," Pearson said. "They visit sick or injured personnel. They are a resource for counseling members of the agency and their families, and serve as a liaison with other clergy in the community."

The primary role of a police chaplain is to provide spiritual support, insight, and encouragement to police officers who seek help.

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### **Trust and Listening**

In the northern Kentucky city of Carrollton, Timothy Polley has served in the role of police chaplain since March 2015. Prior to serving as chaplain for Carrollton Police Department, he served as chaplain for Benton Police Department, located southeast of Paducah in Marshall County.

Without the ability to establish trust and listen, his chaplaincy would not be nearly as effective, he said.

"Being a listener is important, but the most important thing is trust," he said. "The officer has to be able to tell you whatever is on their heart and whatever is on their mind and know it's going to stay there. Pastoral confidence stays inside the police car."

Elizabethtown Police Officer Larry Robinson, a 13-year veteran, serves as a schoolresource officer and chaplain.

"I look after the welfare of the department," he said. "I talk to the officers and am friends with everybody. If a serious incident occurs, I go. I am not there to investigate; I'm there to make sure that they're OK."

Robinson isn't an ordained minister; he is a Bishopric (a position of leadership) with the Mormon Church. He completed chaplain training through the Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training and the Kentucky Community Crisis Response Team. Many times, officers who have experienced a critical incident need a sounding board, Robinson said.

"We've had two officerinvolved shootings in Elizabethtown since I've been here," he said. "The second one happened when I was out of town. The first one occurred when I was on duty and involved a friend. He sat in my vehicle, I got him a Mountain Dew and listened."

In addition to listening, Polley said chaplains must have the ability to roll with the punches.

"If you're a pastor or a layperson, you cannot be easily offended," Polley said. "You are gonna have to understand that the officers are going to swear around you, they may sometimes forget that you're in ministry, and you've got to be able to roll with that. Because if they feel like they cannot trust you and they cannot truly talk to you, then they won't utilize you."

### **Beyond the Call**

Many chaplains serve more than police officers, Polley said.

"I believe the spouse and children are just as involved in the officers' law enforcement career because they have to live with it daily," Polley said.

Robinson agreed that serving an officer's family is an important responsibility for chaplains.

"We had one officer involved

in a shooting, and he wasn't married yet," he said. "But he had a fiancé and we went and picked her up and brought her in here. We went and got his mom and dad, too. We got them involved to let them see what was going on because it was her fiancé and their son. That was much better because otherwise they'd be at home wondering."

Being a chaplain also goes beyond showing up when things are bad, Robinson said.

"I try to be at everything," he said. "For the new hires, I go to their physical training testing and graduations. I think it's important for me to be there so they can see who I am."

For the volunteer chaplains, they also serve a local congregation, so being at the police department for large portions of the day is not practical. However, that doesn't mean they're not visible said Nathan Oaks, Scottsville police chaplain and pastor of Victory Hill Church.

"I catch them out in the community a lot more than I do by coming to the police department," he said.

Oaks added that he went through the department's citizen's police academy, which helped him get to know the officers and gain a better understanding of the work they do.

**Death Notifications** Without a doubt, informing

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someone of their loved ones death is an unpleasant task, Oaks said.

"A recent call for me was about a man whose legs were crushed," Oaks said. "He bled out and passed away. I got the call to go to the hospital. To walk into that situation as a police chaplain, have prayer with them and try to say something uplifting is tough. It's something we learn to do."

That case involved a city worker who died following a work-related accident, Oaks said.

"They asked me to go to the city garage and (the co-workers) were devastated," he said. "A lot of them saw it, and it was traumatic. Our local police knew the guy well, so it was tough on everyone."

Being tactful is key in handling death notifications, Elizabethtown's Robinson said.

"It's hard to do, but what I like about it is doing it right," he said. "You can do it wrong. I remember one time where a police officer was on the phone and told the person, 'I can't tell you much, but you can give the coroner's office a call."

Robinson added that many times, those receiving the news are in shock.

"You tell them, but you don't talk that much," he said. "You listen and you're there for them. You stay there."

Sometimes chaplains are the go-betweens for sworn police officers, Pruitt said.

"When they call us to the hospital, there are many times when officers are trying to do some behindthe-scenes investigation and they need us to keep the family calm and be a buffer."

In addition, there are times when chaplains go the extra mile, he added, recalling an incident where a child committed suicide and the mother was understandably distraught.

"I drove the mom to Nashville because she didn't have a way, and I stayed with her quite a while," Pruitt said. "Her child eventually died that night. Situations like that are tough, but God gives you the grace to deal with it, and you have to be there for people."

In the wake of the Scottsville child-murder case, the chaplains' duties extended beyond the immediate aftermath, Oaks said.

"It's still tough," he said. "There are the anniversaries and stickers on cars that read, 'Remember Gabbi,' and it's still tough for the guys and gals who had to be a part of seeing that."

The Scottsville police chief said the chaplains will be made available for the family during the trial that was scheduled in Spring 2018.

### **Rewarding Calling**

Being a police chaplain oftentimes isn't an easy task, but at the end of the day, it's worth it," Pruitt said.

"It can be very challenging," he said. "Before somebody goes into it, they need to think long and hard and pray about what they're doing. When I was asked, I took a week to think and pray about it, and I felt like it was something God was calling me to do."



Chaplain Timothy Polley Carrollton Police Department Carrollton, KY

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Police Suicide—(Wed and Thurs)—Students will receive an introduction to the National Police Suicide Foundation (NPSF), understand the goals and overview, as well as its mission as it relates to suicide. Students will gain knowledge of the historical problem of police suicide and what role law enforcement agencies play when there is a police suicide.



Dr. Robert E. Douglas, Jr. is the Executive Director and Founder of the National Police Suicide Foundation, Inc. out of Seaford, Delaware. The Foundation provides educational training seminars for emergency responders on the issue of suicide/mental health. Since 1995, over 100,000 emergency responders have been trained in the United States on suicide awareness. He is considered a leading expert in the area of police suicide according to Dateline, CNN, Time Magazine and USA Today.

The Essentials of Effective Chaplaincy—(Tuesday through Thursday)—This 3-day advance track course will combine the theological and theoretical basis for chaplaincy, results from outcome based evidence of spiritual care, as well as practical steps and ideas from Q & A sessions which can improve your chaplaincy ministry within your unique law enforcement settings. The course will assist the new and seasoned law enforcement chaplain from large or small agencies, with improving their skill sets for increased chaplain effectiveness.



Dr. Keith Evans is the author of Essential Chaplain Skill Sets: Discovering Effective Ways to Provide Excellent Spiritual Care (WestBow Press, 2017), www.ChaplainSkillSets.com. Dr. Evans earned degrees from Parker College of Chiropractic (DC), Trinity College of the Bible and Theological Seminary (MA), Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary (MDiv), and Temple Baptist Seminary (DMin). Dr. Evans is a board certified clinical chaplain with specialty experiences in law enforcement and trauma healthcare chaplaincy and on the Adjunct Faculty of Grand Canyon University College of Theology teaching courses on "Spirituality and Ethical Decision Making in Healthcare."

### Alaska Police and Fire Chaplains Ministries

Chaplain Peterson consistently exhibits professionalism while demonstrating her grounded personality. Diane maintains a broad view of what the chaplain's ministry entails and with the ability to lead and mentor peers. She is a role model for chaplains. Chaplain Peterson has the humility and heart of service that allows her to do what needs to be done. She is an engaged and active participant that applies what she learns in the field while providing excellence in service to our Anchorage community and across the State of Alaska.

Diane became Chief Chaplain of Alaska Police and Fire Chaplaincy in 2015 stepping into the role that had been held by the founder of the organization. At that time the Chaplaincy had engaged a new board of directors. In this role Diane receives a small stipend while also volunteering in many other capacities.

In the brief years since she has restructured and strengthened the organization helping create a model that will ensure continued success for many years to come. The Chaplaincy has continued moving forward responding to over 350 calls of service last year

### HONORS DIANE PETERSON

Diane is completing 15 years of dedicated volunteer service. She is a Master Chaplain for Police & Fire as well as a board certified clinical Chaplain. Diane has dedicated over 4000 volunteer's hours and was recognized through a Presidential lifetime achievement award.

She has persevered through many personal struggles herself; losing her husband of 32 years, supporting her son with recent brain surgery and the severe abuse of her granddaughter. Despite her personal trails Diane has continued to serve our community and first responders. Standing in Peace and Strength. She's a light, a beacon of hope, and a source of strength that others can draw upon in their own personal tragedy.

Chaplain Diane responds alongside Police and Fire responders in crisis. Diane has a way of coming alongside the Police/Fire Responder who had a bad call lifting their spirits to carry on another day. Many have said "We couldn't do this job without you".

Chaplains are frequently dispatched when someone dies of natural causes, accident or self-

inflicted. She meets people in the most horrific times of their lives. Death of a loved one, sexual assault, suicide and more. An officer said, "Over the years there are no words for all the many ways Diane has assisted us on scenes". Carrying children from scenes protecting their little eyes from the tragedy. Helping children and family members who witnessed their loved ones' death. Sitting with teens who are thinking about ending their lives. Embracing and celebrating an elder whose life journey on earth is ending. She walks families thru the process of the next steps assisting families thru the grief process. Recently she advocated for an abused child - standing with Zonta in "choose respect against domestic violence and sexual assault". The numerous lives she has changed has truly made a difference.

When asked, "How do you make things better in the mist of tragedy"? Chaplain Diane responded, "You can't. Grief at times is incomprehensible. It is like you fell in a dark hole. You're surrounded in darkness you can't see, you can't think, you don't know where you are. Your brain is cluttered, and you are

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shattered into pieces. In that time of tragedy, a Chaplain can guide you on the way".

Diane knows what she is "Called" to do and being able to serve in that capacity is truly a blessing for her.

### Anchorage Resident Recognized with Daily Point of Light Award for Work with Police and Fire Chaplains

Points of Light Honors Diane Peterson for Dedication to Volunteering

April 9, 2018 Anchorage Alaska – Diane Peterson was named Daily Point of Light Award Number 6235 by Points of Light, the world's largest organization dedicated to volunteer service. Diane received this recognition for her ongoing commitment to serving her First Responders. Chaplains are frequently dispatched when someone dies, she strives to lift the burden from the responders by assisting the families. Chaplains goal is coming alongside the Police/Fire responder who had a bad call lifting their spirits to carry on another day.

Diane states, "I have always been calm in the midst of a chaos. I am no stranger to tragedy. My husband died after years of illness. My son had brain surgery and my granddaughter has been abused by her mother. I was able to be an advocate in each of these situations for my family. Speaking up, being present, supportive. This in itself makes a difference. When I had nothing to give, I gave of myself. Give with your whole heart, love with your whole heart and your life will be filled with happiness. One of the most important lessons I learned is you can't always fix things, but you can provide the greatest gift of yourself. The presence of Simply Being."

Two quotes Diane lives by: "Embrace Life and Each Other" "When you are in the service of your fellow man, you are in the service of your God."

Daily Point of Light Awards are given five days a week in the United States and the United Kingdom to honor individuals and groups creating meaningful change to meet community needs; efforts which often lead to long-term solutions and impact social problems in their local communities.

President George H. W. Bush was the first president in American history to institute a daily presidential recognition program from the White House, conferring 1,020 Daily Point of Light Awards on citizens and organizations making a big difference in other people's lives and solving community problems. Points of Light continues the recognition and honorees receive a signed certificate from President Bush.

The 5000th award was presented at a special ceremony at the White House with President Barack Obama and President George H. W. Bush co-presenting. The nonpartisan award was adopted by former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom David Cameron in 2014, and the tradition has continued with his successor Theresa May. More than 6,500 Daily Point of Light Award recipients have been recognized in the United States and the United Kingdom.

"The Daily Point of Light Award recognizes exceptional individuals who are using their time, talent, voice and treasure to improve the lives of others," said Jaqueline Innocent, vice president, Recognition Programs of Points of Light. "These points of light, like Diane, make an impact on individuals while also helping build resilient communities."

Diane continues to inspire others with her work and hopes to show others they can make a difference in their communities too. She says

"We are all here for a moment in time, all of us have something to give. Blessed is

### I REMEMBER

### BY: SGT. DEL GARCIA OF THE MARION POLICE DEPT, MARION IN. USED WITH PERMISSION

I remember like it was yesterday. The face, the smell and the sounds of a homicide victim. She was only 13 and her sister was 18, murdered, their lives taken from them. Even today there are certain smells that will trigger that scene in my mind. I see her face again, I smell that smell again and I hear that noise again.

I remember the lifeless body of the twoyear-old victim. Her life taken from her. I can still remember the burns on her body and thinking of the pain she must have went through. My heart was broken at the thought of what she went through. Those who said they loved her, had failed her and it was my responsibility to be her voice to hold those accountable who put this beautiful child through this horrific event.

I remember the mother/grandmother as she lay in her living room. Multiple stab wounds to her body, she laid there lifeless.

I could only imagine the fear and the pain that she must have gone through.

I remember the screams of a mother, her tears as they flowed down her face after I told her that her daughter had been murdered. Her screams will forever live in my memory.

I remember the countless faces of those who have passed on from this life. They are pasted on the wall of mind, never to be erased. I remember holding a two-year-old who was hit by a car. As he screamed in pain I could see the fear in his eyes. I could see the fear in his mother's eyes as we waited for the ambulance. After the call I had to take a few minutes to gather myself as I thought about my own twoyear boy at home.

I remember countless events, too many to mention. They will forever be seared into my memory. The horror, the pain and the fear will play back in my mind like a video. Constantly there to remind of the evil that occurs.

I remember, as many of my brothers and sisters in law enforcement do. Front row seats to the worst that this world has to offer.

I remember the victims and I pray for their families, I remember the officers who work courageously, tirelessly and with a heart for others and I pray for them.

I remember.

Lord these scenes are forever in my mind and the minds of my brothers and sisters. Give us peace, Your peace that passes all understanding. Give us strength when we are weak and overwhelmed. We are your servants.

### **OUT and ABOUT**

#### PICTURES FROM OUR MEMBERS



ICPC Training Class taught by Chaplain Walter S. Person, Jr. Seminole County Sheriff's Office Sanford, FL February 16, 2018 Below: The 15 chaplains from the same class who completed their ICPC Core Courses





Chaplain Walter S. Person, Jr. Seminole County Sheriff's Department Sanford, FL

ICPC Instructor Asst. Area Representative for Florida



2017-2019 President-Elect Pam Neal with Lt. Col. Dave Grossman, U.S. Army (Ret.) at the 2018 Region 5 Training Seminar. Whiting, NJ April 2018. Col. Grossman is presenting Advanced Course "The Bullet Proof Mind" at the ICPC Lexington ATS July 9–13th at the Hvatt. Chaplain Neal serves the Knoxville Police Department in Knoxville, TN. She is also a member of the ICPC Executive Committee, Strategic Planning Committee and an ICPC Instructor



Chaplain Bill Youngblood and his lovely wife, visited our Corporate Office in Destin, FL this past April. Chaplain Youngblood is the Chair for the Ethics Committee, a member of the Bylaws Committee and Asst. Area Representative for South Carolina. He volunteers with Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy in Charleston, SC.



Chaplain Robert Margaron joined ICPC in 2008. In 2018 he became Life Member 113. He serves the Stockton Police Department, Stockton, CA



Alaska Police and Fire Chaplains Ministries

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the influence of one true loving human soul on another"

To learn more about the Chaplain's work, visit their Facebook page Alaska Police and Fire Chaplains or call 907 272-3100

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Chaplain Diane Peterson Anchorage, AK Member of ICPC Disaster Response Team Area Representative for Alaska ICPC Instructor



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# LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

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

### ALABAMA

Officer Justin Billa Mobile Police Department EOW: Tuesday, February 20, 2018

### Officer Keith Earle

Huntsville Police Department EOW: Monday, April 9, 2018

### ARIZONA

Officer Jesus "Chuy" Cordova Nogales Police Department EOW: Friday, April 27, 2018

### **CALIFORNIA**

Officer Greggory Casillas Pomona Police Department

EOW: Friday, March 9, 2018

Deputy Ryan Zirkle

Marin County Sheriff's Office EOW: Thursday, March 15, 2018

### **CONNECTICUT**

<u>Trooper Kevin Miller</u> Connecticut State Police EOW: Thursday, March 29, 2018

### **FLORIDA**

Deputy Sheriff Kevin Stanton Brevard County Sheriff's Office EOW: Saturday, February 17, 2018

#### Deputy Taylor Lindsey Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office EOW: Thursday, April 19, 2018

Deputy Noel Ramirez Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office EOW: Thursday, April 19, 2018

### Deputy William Gentry

Highland County Sheriff's Department EOW: Monday, May 7, 2018 Deputy Lance C. Whitaker Jacksonville Sheriff's Office EOW: Tuesday, May 15 2018

### INDIANA

Deputy Jacob Pickett Boone County Sheriff's Department EOW: Sunday, March 4, 2018

### Officer Rob Pitts

Terre Haute Police Department EOW: Friday, May 4, 2018

### **IOWA**

<u>K9 Eico</u> Davis County Sheriff's Office EOW: Sunday, March 11, 2018

### **KENTUCKY**

Officer Rodney Smith Hickman Police Department EOW: Friday, March 2, 2018

### Officer Scotty Hamilton

Pikeville Police Department EOW: Tuesday, March 13, 2018

### Officer Phillip Meacham

Hopkinsville Police Department EOW: Thursday, March 29, 2018

### **LOUISIANA**

### Reserve Officer Christopher M. Lawton

Zachary Police Department EOW: Monday, March 12, 2018

### MAINE

<u>Corporal Eugene Cole</u> Somerset County Sheriff's Office EOW: Wednesday, April 25, 2018

### **MARYLAND**

<u>Corporal Mujahid Ramzziddin</u> Prince George's County Police Department EOW: Wednesday, February 21, 2018

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# LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

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### **MASSACHUSETTS**

Officer Sean Gannon Yarmouth Police Department EOW: Thursday, April 12, 2018

### **MISSOURI**

Officer Christopher Morton Clinton Police Department EOW: Tuesday, March 6, 2018

Special Agent Melissa S. Morrow FBI-Kansas City EOW: Thursday, March 22, 2018

#### Deputy Casey Shoemate

Miller County Sheriff's Department EOW: Friday, April 20, 2018

### NEW JERSEY

Officer Tamby Yagan Paterson Police Department EOW: Sunday, April 22, 2018

### NEW YORK

Officer Kevin Crossley Whitesboro Police Department EOW: Wednesday, April 11, 2018

### **NORTH CAROLINA**

Deputy David Manning Edgecombe County Sheriff's Office EOW: Sunday, March 11, 2018

### **PENNSYLVANIA**

<u>Sergeant Mark J. Baserman</u> Pennsylvania Department of Corrections EOW: Monday, February 26, 2018

#### Officer Brian Scott Cuscino

New Castle Police Department EOW: Thursday, April 19, 2018

#### Officer Alex Sable

York City Police Department EOW: Wednesday, May 9, 2018

### **SOUTH CAROLINA**

Deputy Dale Hallman Saluda County Sheriff's Office EOW: Friday, April 6, 2018

Deputy James Kirk, Jr. Lancaster County Sheriff's Office EOW: Tuesday, April 24, 2018

### **TEXAS**

<u>K9 Rony</u> Houston Police Department EOW: Wednesday, February 21, 2018

### Officer Rogelio Santander

Dallas Police Department EOW: Wednesday, April 25, 2018

### Officer Charles Whites

Round Rock Police Department EOW: Friday, April 27, 2018

Deputy Inspector General Richard Hale

Texas Juvenile Justice Dept—Office of Inspector EOW: Wednesday, May 9, 2018

### **PUERTO RICO**

Officer Andres Laza-Caraballo Juncos Municipal Police Department EOW: Wednesday, March 21, 2018

### Agent Joel Pantojas-Fuente

San Juan Police Department EOW: Sunday, May 6, 2018

### SUPPORT THE LODD MEMORIAL PROGRAM

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### LINE OF DUTY DEATH

Memorial Program

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

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

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

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

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

### MEMORIAL PRESENTATIONS





Presentation of LODD Memorial to the wife of CPD Commander Paul Bauer (EOW: Feb. 13, 2018) by Chaplain Vidal Cordova, Feb. 2018. Chicago, IL Representing the International



Conference of Police Chaplains, Chief David DiSanti, Sr. (2nd from left) of the Town of McCandless Police Department presented "ICPC Line of Duty Death Memorial" plaques to Lower Burrell Police Chief Tim Weitzel, New Kensington Police Chief Bob Deringer and Stephan Shaw (father of Brian) in memory of New Kensington/Lower Burrell Police

Chaplains Jamelle McKenzie (far l

Chaplains Jamelle McKenzie (far left), Marjorie Dent (2nd from right) and William Poole (Far right) present the LODD Memorial to Locust Grove Chief Jesse Patton (above) and (below) Funeral Director Betty Purcell (Far right) on behalf of Officer Chase Maddox's wife Betty. Officer Maddox's EOW was Feb. 02, 2018. Locust Grove, GA.





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Brownell, John A.	Butte	MT		
Marquardt, Douglas A.	The Dalles	OR	Regi	on 7
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Rupp, Timothy G.	Idaho Falls	ID	Bienhoff, Nathan A.	West Columbia
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Weber, Heather W.	North Liberty	IA	Gates, Heather T.	Galveston
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Cobb, Nickole K.	Indianapolis	IN	Haynes, Mary L.	Rogers
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Propson, Patricia J. Reese, Joshua M.	Kaukauna Eagle River	WI WI	Lewis, Robert L.	Richmond
Ryder, Timothy B.	Waukesha	WI	Owens, Jan E.	Lubbock
Schuetze, John D.	Mequon	WI	Raymond, Michael B.	New Orleans
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Alexander, Steven R.	College Park	GA				
Artreche, Victor	Winter Springs	FL				
Bandy, David C.	Lenoir City	TN				
Bankson, Douglas M.	Apopka	FL				
Biddle, James S.	Knoxville	TN				
Clark, Michael B.	Knoxville	TN				
Cutshaw, Adam Q.	Manchester	TN				
Demarais, Steevenson	Fort Myers	FL				
Dent, Marjorie A.	College Park	GA				
Dowdy, Craig A.	Concord	VA				
Eggebrecht, Thomas J.	Winter Springs	FL				
Filmore, Freddie	Orlando	FL				
Frederic, Wilbert	Fort Lauderdale	FL				
Goins, Terri A.	Knoxville	TN				
Goza, Barry K.	Apopka	FL				
Joyce, Thomas M.	Burke	VA				
Kittrell, Lisa A.	Castel Hayne	NC				
Levelle, C. Michael	Leesburg	FL				
Lopez, Ariel	Apopka	FL				
Martin, Andre L.	Oviedo	FL				
McAfee, Tony L.	Andersonville	TN				
Mercidieu, Arnel	Tampa	FL				
Middlebrooks, Daniel R.	Plant City	FL				
Mitchell, Michael E., Jr.	Daytona Beach	FL				
Modica, Michael	Deland	FL				
Mulford, George A.	Fruitland Park,	FL				
Perry, Terry E.	Corryton	TN				
Ransom, Percy L.	Plantation	FL				
Rivera, Daniel	Saint Cloud	FL				
Rzepka, Lisa C.	Fairfax	VA				
Schrock, James C.	Apopka	FL				
Searles, Andy J.	Casselberry	FL				
Sterlachini, Michael T.	Pickens	SC				
Stewart, Kevin D.	Knoxville	TN				
Toliver, Michael R.	Chesapeake	VA				
Walker, William R.	College Park	GA				
Wilkinson, John D.	Knoxville	TN				
Wood, Theodore, E.	Casselberry	FL				
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"Lord, I ask for courage. Courage to face and conquer my own fears. Courage to take me where others will not go. I ask for strength. Strength of body to protect others. Strength of spirit to lead others... I ask for dedication. Dedication to my job to do it well. Dedication to my community to keep it safe. Give me, Lord, concern for all those who trust me. And compassion for those who need me. And, please, Lord, through it all, be at my side.

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

