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Honor guard at the Washington D.C. Memorial during the IPA 50th anniversary celebration

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Message from President Kevin Gordon



The newly elected National Board will meet for the first time in January. The meeting will be held in Sacramento Jan 18 and 19. All members are welcome to attend the board meeting. I have many things planned to move the IPA forward and I look forward to working with the new board, as I know they also have ideas and are willing to work hard to get us where we need to be.

Of the six board members, 50% are active officers, which I don't think we have seen for a while. We need the input of active officers. Four of the six officers 1st VP Livingston, Sec. Gen Nevarez and Treasurer Vi Powrie, and myself, have already shown what they can do on a national level. Our new members to the board, 2nd VP Calvin Chow and 3rd VP Cory Freadling have served extensively as active office holders on the region level and bring a lot to the table. We have a great board and I look forward to working with them.

Starting with the next issue of the National Reporter, we will be trying a new look to our magazine. We are talking now with a company to provide a full color magazine. Jim Pola has returned as editor and I would like to personally thank him. Several columns have been added as well. I ask all regions to submit pictures and/or articles about occurrences in their area. Any member who would like to submit an article, please do so by sending to editor@ipa-usa.org.

We hope to soon have an updated web site including a pass worded member only area and an online store. If you have webmaster skills, we are still looking for a webmaster! We are also looking for liaisons between various other organizations and the IPA. We need someone to serve as a liaison to the International Chief of Police (IACP), a liaison to the National Sheriff's Association, liaison to the International Law Enforcement Educator's Training Association (ILEETA) and the American Corrections Association (ACA). Please contact me at president@ipa-usa.org if you are interested in any of these.

The tasks for each National officer were adjusted from the past. This is an attempt to find a more efficient method by grouping tasks.

1st Vice President Steve Livingston will remain as Handbook Coordinator and all communication areas such as social media, etc. 2nd Vice President Calvin Chow will oversee all awards and scholarships. 3rd Vice President Cory Freadling will oversee the

Associate Secretary program. Secretary General Nevarez will oversee all membership areas including eligibility, distressed and new regions, and Foreign Associate Members.

Treasurer Vi Powrie will serve as Treasurer and Membership Secretary. As President I will serve as webmaster for the time being, E-newsletter editor, oversee the reporter and website, update forms, and the liaison officers not tied to VP positions.



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Message from 1st Vice President Steve Livingston



Where does a year go? Well, granted, for me most of 2012 was, and most of 2013 will be, in hospitals, doctors' offices, and physical therapy facilities, but still—it doesn't seem like the year should be over yet! I am honored to be elected as the 1st Vice President of the US IPA and looking forward to a full and productive term. I am slowly recovering from my on-duty injuries and expect to have 2-3 more surgeries before I can try to go back to work in July or August of 2013. I will be laid up for most all of January, February, March, April, May, and June having surgeries to my ankles and shoulder, so I hope to fill-in the time with some IPA work. I am told I will not be allowed to walk or drive most of that time, so I think even my dog will get tired of me.

I will continue to work and expand the Handbook for all members. Remember that 90% of the Handbook is now online for all to see and use at www.ipa-usa.org/handbook.html. Rules, regulations, by-laws, policies, forms, and more are there for everyone to utilize; I hope to make this a one-stop-shop for all your IPA needs in the future.

I will also be trying to coordinate events, the Active Officer's Exchange Program, and more, too. Remember that if your Region is having an event that other IPA members might be interested in attending, please forward to details to me at Events@ipa-usa.org so that the information can be included in future publications and online. Members may be traveling through your area or might want to make a special trip just to see or do something that your Region is putting on. We not only have cruises and trips to casinos, but also trips to luxury resorts, campgrounds, wine tastings, and more – share your events and open up the world of the IPA!

I will forward more information on the Active Officer's Exchange Program in the future as we start to get this up and running. Basically, it is for active-duty IPA members to be able to intern with other police departments here in the US and overseas – I foresee a great benefit here and something that will have a strong appeal to younger officers and, hopefully, entice new members to join!

There is a lot of work to be done and a long way to go, but I am looking forward to working closely with this Board and accomplishing a lot for all our members! We will be utilizing Skype and other technologies to communicate better on the Board-level and I encourage all our members to keep abreast of newer technologies. I am always available if you need anything – please email me at 1VP@ipa-usa.org or send me a text message (as I told the NDC delegates in DC, I send over 1,200 a month, so join in!)

Take care and BE SAFE!

Message from 3rd Vice President Cory Freadling

Here we are with my first report as your 3rd Vice President. I would first like to thank all of you for your support in the recent elections and also want to thank Kevin and Steve for all of the hard work and dedication to organizing everything for the NDC/50th. I look forward to working with this board to further the goals and ideals of the IPA. With that being said, it has not taken long for me to be thrown into the mix. Within days of being elected, I have taken over as liaison to the Blue Knights and also to the Associate Secretaries. As a member of the Blue Knights, I have already reached out and I am hoping to develop a stronger cooperative relationship between the two organizations. The Associate Secretaries are a work in progress and once I learn the intricacies, I will work with them to form a standard operating procedure and look into a monthly role call to make sure information stays current and up to date so that we can provide our IPA brothers and sisters the best care that we can.

I am also working on developing a program for younger officers. I have some ideas in the works that I have proposed to Kevin, Steve, and one of our younger Regional Presidents Joe Johnson. I will continue to develop these ideas and propose them to the board at the upcoming meeting in January. If all goes well, I would like to see these ideas implemented by 2014, so stay tuned. I would also like to make sure our officers are aware of the Arthur Troop and Gimborn scholarships. Applications are simple and a simple essay to say why you should be chosen can be done easily enough. This year we had one applicant for each scholarship. If you have not applied, I have to ask why not. As a former Gimborn Scholarship winner, I can say it is well worth the minor effort put into the application process.

I would also like to say you are a member of a great organization, so please take care to represent us well. Why would I have to say this? It came to my attention that at the NDC/50th and immediately after at the airport, that there were some less than cordial comments/attitudes given to hotel staff and TSA personnel. Remember a couple of things if you yell you are an IPA member to TSA: They probably have no idea what the IPA is, and if you are loud and insulting while saying this, I can guarantee you their opinion, along with any bystander's opinion of us won't be very high.

One final note, if you have made it this far, which is something that I try to preach to my Region. The IPA is a great organization, take part and be active, don't be content just being a card carrying member. You get out of it what you put into it. So I encourage you to vote, recruit, and attend regional meetings, while being willing to offer input and/or suggestions to further the organization and its ideals.

*Due to the change in officers, there will be no reports this month from the
2nd Vice President, Secretary General or Treasurer.*

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(4) of the IRS Code.*

GIMBORN (GS) DUE AUG 1

The Gimborn Training Center is located outside Cologne, Germany. Police officers of all ranks from around the world, meet, exchange experiences and learn. A large variety of different subjects are offered: drugs, terrorism juvenile delinquency, organized crime, road safety, agency co-operation and peace-keeping missions; seminars on different countries and their police-systems, and public management approaches.

HAROLD LITWIN (HLS) DUE MARCH 1

The IPA looks for students who not only want to continue in a career in Law Enforcement but who best exemplify the IPA motto of "Service Through Friendship" both in their school and community. Award winners are chosen not only for their school marks but also for their dedication to community as well.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING (IYG) DUE FEB 1

Every year young people 16 to 17 from around the world are invited to visit another country and participate in an event that many will never forget - the IPA's International Youth Gathering.

For the participants it is an opportunity to experience travel to another country and to meet people of a similar age from different cultures and backgrounds while gaining a deeper knowledge of the history, social character, nature and family life of the hosting country.

ARTHUR TROOP - (ATS) DUE AUG 1

This scholarship is awarded by the International. It is a financial award to assist an officer to attend a training class somewhere around the world.

SERVICE THROUGH FRIENDSHIP AWARD (STF) - DUE APR 1

This award is given to the IPA member who has gone out of his or her way to help others either in their local community, the nation or in another country.

*For more info contact Calvin Chow, 2nd Vice President 2vp@ipa-usa.org
www.ipa-usa.org/scholarship.html scholarships@ipa-usa.org*

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

NAME	REGION	NAME	REGION
Clemente	Acevez 4	Charles	Lelinski 56
Eric	Ackerstrom 16	Janine	Lewis 101
Randy	Aleman 30	Gregory	Lilyhorn 30
Steve	Alexander 101	Nykeisha	Linton 101
Dale	Anonsen 16	John	Lynch 39
Joseph	Anzini 37	Dinaysh	Maharajh 101
Steven	Armbruster 27	Carry	Manuel 8
Harold	Armet 15	Douglas	Martin 37
Scott	Asplund 56	Rene	Martinez 30
George	Astarita 26	Vincent	McNally 39
Alexander	Baldauf 1	Dhalia	Melville 101
Osvaldo	Betancourt 2	Daniel	Michener 47
Patrick	Bland 30	Alexander	Mihailtchenko 43
Warren	Breedlove 30	John	Mlinar 17
Gary	Buckner 9	John	Montgomery 8
Rich	Burdick 11	Robert	Moser 9
Sandra	Butler 2	Gary	Moses 30
John	Califano 5	Mark	Moyse 2
Gary	Call 1	James	Mullen 4
Natasha	Carrington 101	Frank	Muscato 30
Francisco	Casarrubios 3	Vinny	Nguyen 6
Vincent	Caslin 26	Jason	Pascall 101
John	Cassidy 2	Michael	Payne 56
Virginia	Cerda 29	Jack	Perritt 30
Scott	Chamberlain 27	Geraldine	Perry 4
Dean	Chesnut 14	Bruce	Powell 4
Rhonda	Chewitt-Nesbitt 101	Anthony	Powers 30
Matthew	Christopher 101	Jerry	Reeves 19
Robert	Ciecwisz 48	Scott	Rice 57
Clarence	Clarke 101	Franklyn	Richards 101
Vincent	Cole 30	Israel	Rios 2
Arnold	Dansky 11	Terisa	River 6
Michael	Daub 8	Maxine	Ross 25
Brendan	Deboer 14	Corbett	Rushing 18
John	Defilippo 12	Richard	Ryan 101
Armando	Dominguez Jr 30	Andy	Salcido 6
Joseph	Dymerski 6	Richard	Santiesteban 43
Kerni-Anne	Edwards 101	Jack	Santos 10
Lon	Eilders 14	Brian	Saunders 62
Kenneth	Evans 30	John	Sawyer Jr 57
Kenneth	Evans 30	Christopher	Schiavo 15
Vance	Falcetta 57	Thomas	Schmidt 8
Joseph	Fava Sr 9	Cedric	Schwyzer 40
Frank	Fones, Jr 16	Jagdes	Semurath 101
Peter	Forbes 56	James	Serrato 30
John	Ford 29	James	Shader 4
Beth	Formella 56	Petar	Simonovic 2
Thomas	Franklin 13	Kimberly	Singer 57
Michael	Garcia 30	Junior	Smith 101
Jim	Gilbert 21	Harold	Smith 30
Lyndon	Gonzales 101	William	Sona 48
Julio 'Alex'	Gonzalez 30	Edward	Spisak 43
Joseph	Gordon 2	John	Steineke 47
Daniel	Gorman 4	Anthony	Strollo 1
Alfred	Greenway Jr 39	J. Mark	Stubbe 4
Michael	Hairston 30	Stephen	Sysum 37
William	Harford 37	Brandon	Teer 30
Jeffrey	Hazelitt 9	Todd	Thomasson 30
Roger	Hosey li 14	Richard	Thornell 19
James	Ireland 25	Terry	Varden 30
Joann	Jackson 30	Teresa	Velazquez 30
Joann	Jackson 30	Peter	Vetrano 4
Robert	Jackson, Jr 16	Laura	Villegas 6
Timothy	Karn 4	James	Wear 14
Patrick	Kennedy 9	Jerry	Weiner 8
Rennison	Khan 101	Malcolm	Williams 57
Ionut	Komives 39	Donald	Willy 36
Damir	Krdzalic 4	Jared	Wilson 23
Eduard	Kysayev 46		

2012 Bylaw Revisions

□ Ellwood Cushman – Chair, Bylaws Committee

At the recent NDC all eight proposed bylaws amendments were passed, a couple of them after being modified by amendments from the floor. The sections affected, and the substantive changes to each, are listed below.

Statute 603.00: The positions of Region 2nd Vice-President and NDC Representative have been eliminated as required region officer positions as a result of passage of two bylaws amendments. Regions may still have these positions if they choose to do so, and current requirements that regions be represented at the NDC remain in place.

Statute 1101.00: The advance notice requirement for NDC meetings has been changed from 28 days to 60 days.

Statute 1105.00: This statute was amended to require that minutes from the NDC meeting be circulated not later than 45 days after the meeting.

Statute 1708.20: This statute was amended to change the method of appointment for the Investigative Committee in the case where a petition to recall one or more region officers has been filed. It also adds a provision for appointment of an Investigative Committee by the National President, with approval of the NEC, if a majority of the region officers are charged.

Statute 1902.00: This statute was amended to specify that proposed bylaws amendments will be forwarded to each region's official e-mail address, rather than to "each region NDC representative."

Standing Rule 1105.00: This standing rule was amended to provide that annual reports must be submitted on a specified form to the Secretary-General not later than February 15 of the year following the year that is the subject of the report, and may be submitted either by postal mail or by e-mail.

Standing Rule 1101.10: This standing rule was amended to allow for notice of NDC delegate substitution or proxy to be signed by the Region President or designee (rather than requiring two signatures), and sent to the Secretary-General via postal mail or electronically (e.g., e-mail, fax).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 1-5, 2013: Friendship Tours - Sri Lanka
- April 21-24, 2013: Las Vegas Weekend
- April 22-28, 2013: Norway Friendship Week
- May 9-18, 2013: Canadian AGM/Friendship week, Montreal
- June 15-24: Mississippi Cruise
- June 25-28, 2013: Iceland 50th Anniversary
- September 10-16, 2013: 60th Anniversary France
- Sep 15-22, 2013: Friendship week Copenhagen Denmark
- September 1, 2014: Friendship week Potsdam (Berlin) Germany
- October 12-18, 2015: World meeting Cyprus
- October 18-25, 2015: Friendship Week Cyprus

Region 43 Cares for Wounded Police Officer

On the night of May 26, 2012, Officers Colvin Georges of the U.S. Virgin Islands Police Department, and his partner Aaron Hodge were dispatched to a car wash in St. Croix in reference to a disturbance. On their arrival, a subject opened fire on them, wounding both officers.

Officer Hodge received fairly minor wounds and was released from the local Hospital a few days later. Officer Georges received much more serious wounds, paralyzing him from the neck down. The local hospital was unable to deal with the degree of injury that Officer Georges had sustained, and he was air evac'ed to Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami. Officer Georges arrived alone with no one to act as a support system.

Although Officer Georges was not an IPA member himself, other Region 43 members in the Virgin Islands, contacted Region Officers in Miami and asked for assistance.

Region 43 First Vice President and Visitor Coordinator, Jerry Rudoff swung into immediate action and was able to give progress reports the Georges' fellow officers who were



completely in the dark as to his condition. As time went by, Officer Georges' family members began to arrive. With the help of other agencies, discount lodging and transportation were arranged for them.

Over the next 4 months, several local agencies teamed up with the Region to insure that all necessary assistance was rendered to the injured officer and his family. Someone was always at his side, and his family was looked after.

Unfortunately, on September 30th Officer Georges lost his gallant struggle and succumbed to his wounds.

This incident is a shining example of the service and friendship that the IPA represents. Special thanks go out to Region 43 First Vice President Jerry Rudoff and Region 43 Health and Welfare Officer Gladys Amato for their unflinching efforts and dedication to this trying event.

Thanks also go to Chief Juan Perez of the Miami-Dade Police Department for his invaluable assistance. Other organizations that assisted Region 43s efforts were: The City of Miami Police Department, Miami-Dade Police Department, The Police Officers' Assistance Trust, Dade County Police Benevolent Association, and the City of Miami Fraternal Order of Police.

Several local hotels that offered major discounts and transportation (They remain anonymous at their own request.)

Submitted by Lew Thomason, President Region 43

Kirov Policemen Visiting German Special Forces

The Friendship week, organized by International Police Association in Bork (North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany), brought together the existing police officers and veterans of Internal Affairs Agencies of nine countries in the period from the 27th of July to 4th of August 2012.

By the initiative of Nikolay Koscheev, the President of Kirov department of Russian Section IPA, who recently headed the Department for Combating Organized Crime in the Kirov region, German colleagues organized a trip to the Center for training of Special Forces police officers of the Federal State of North Rhine-Westphalia. This Center is located in a wooded area near the city of Bocholt and surrounded by mountains, which helps to ensure the secrecy of training and safety. Head of training center for Special Forces officer named sake conducted a tour of the objects of the Centre.

He did not hide his face from the camera, as, according to his words, he has been the leader of Special Forces for a long time and everybody knows him here.

According to Radi's words, the officers who have an experience of combating terrorism in "hot spots" such as Afghanistan and the former Yugoslavia serve in the Special Forces here. Only persons with good mental and physical abilities who have passed the strict psychological selection and numerous sport training standards can be the officers of Special Forces. The candidate to serve in Special Forces, who has passed all the test levels, signs a contract with the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Federal State of North Rhine-Westphalia. Financial support of Special Forces officers is 15% higher than in other police departments. Each federal state has its own training center for Special Forces police officers. In addition, there is a Special Forces unit that reports directly to the Federal Minister of the Interior of Germany.

As Radi has explained, the division of North Rhine-Westphalia Special Forces is intended for the following tasks: intelligence of terrorists and other criminals; disposal of enemy forces, their equipment and weapons; direction and arbitrary correction of shooting against criminals; hostage recovery; protection of civilian personnel during their missions in a high terrorist threat; security of diplomatic representatives; organized crime fighting consultations of other special services.

Special Forces detached unit is able to act on land, on sea-going ships and other water bodies, to parachute. Each officer has different skills and abilities that can be applied in a particular operation. Special Forces officers have different models of modern automatic and cold steel arms, grenade launchers, night vision equipment, laser aiming devices and other tactical means of illumination.

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2013 World Police and Fire Games Registrations Off To a Great Start

The 2013 World Police and Fire Games has literally hit the ground running since online registration opened on 1st November 2012. Within only three weeks of registration opening applications have already exceeded the 1,000 milestone with athletes signing up from 33 countries from around the world.

John Tully, CEO 2013 World Police and Fire Games, explains, "Based on research from Games held in previous years we have identified a target of 10,000 participants for 2013. We were greatly encouraged that on the day registration opened we more than doubled the numbers reached on the first day of registration for the 2011 New York Games. Interest remains very high, with significant numbers of competitors registering from USA, Canada and Australia and we are confident we will reach this target for the games next August."

Belfast Visitor and Convention Bureau (BVCB) is overseeing and promoting the accommodation booking service available to World Police and Fire Games participants. Mary Jo McCanny, BVCB's Director of Visitor Servicing, said: "Now that registration is open, accommodation bookings are gathering pace. We have a dedicated WPFPG accommodation booking team handling requests and promoting the wide range of accommodation available throughout Belfast and beyond and we're working with the hospitality industry to ensure the requirements of the competitors, organisers and their friends and families are met. Local accommodation providers who have not yet signed up to BVCB's WPFPG booking system should emailwpfgaccommodation@belfastvisitor.com or call 028 9024 5829."

One Belfast hotel can already put up the 'FULL House' sign. Ten Square Hotel has bookings from guests from USA, Australia and Italy for WPFPG 2013. Kevin Smyth, General Manager, Ten Square said, "We are very excited to be welcoming WPFPG visitors to Belfast and to Ten Square in summer 2013. Our full bedroom allocation sold out within 24 hours of going 'live' showing how prepared the athletes and their families are in making sure they are based in a great hotel for the duration of the Games. Belfast really will be buzzing in August 2013"

The World Police and Fire Games will take place in Northern Ireland from 1-10 August, 2013. One of the largest multi-sports events in the world, it is commonly referred to as the 'Olympics' for serving and retired officers. Over 57 sports will feature in 42 venues in Belfast and across Northern Ireland.

The WPFPG is the third largest international multi-sport event in the world. Northern Ireland will be only the third European host in the Games history which were last held in New York in 2011. The number of competitors in 2013 is expected to be 10,000 with an additional 15,000 supporters/family also expected to travel. Over 3,500 volunteers are being recruited to support the Games.

Online registration for Games participants is available at www.2013wpfg.com. For more information contact Jane Wells 028 90 760066 or mobile 07860 288860 or emailjane.wells@jprni.com.



Benefits for IPA Members

USA-IPA just initiated a benefit program for our members.

Our goal is to offer a wide range of deals and discounts from the cradle to the grave. The number and quality of these benefits is directly related to the number and demographics of our membership. Also, a number of factors come into play to attract businesses, such as a secure Web site and venues where sponsors can advertise their products.

We are currently finalizing the following: an accidental death insurance policy that's free to members; a Disney ticket discount program; and Govx, the largest Web site for discounts to government employees or retirees.

This is just the beginning. We will be attempting to increase the scope of benefits and discounts in the future. Much depends on the size of the organization. If we can increase membership substantially, we can start thinking of larger projects, such as a police retirement home and IPA houses.

If a member has any ideas, or wants us to pursue specific benefits or discounts, let us know at benefits@ipa-usa.org

Military Museum in Florida

Located in Largo, which is near Tampa, is one of America's best military museums in my humble opinion. It is a must-see non-profit venue, and truly will provide visitors with the opportunity to see so many wonderful exhibits which pay homage to the women and men of our armed forces and the people of our nation who have supported them in war and peace time.

I've had the pleasure of meeting the Museum's philanthropic founder, Marine John Piazza Sr., and his primary historian Marine Frank Corraera. These two men are dedicated at an exemplary level to professionally educate visitors, and to preserving martial treasures of many periods in America's history.

If planning a visit to the Tampa/Largo area, consider experiencing this unique opportunity.

I've visited the museum twice, and find it more impressive each time. I am pleased to share this video (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dYrTc9Vi-pA&feature=em-share_video_user) of a famous tank. The museum's website is www.armedforcesmuseum.com.

Submitted by D. Robin Barker 1st VP of Region 26

39th ANNUAL IOMGIA TRAINING CONFERENCE

September 8-13, 2013 • Saint Paul, Minnesota



Conference Location: The Crowne Plaza St. Paul-Riverfront Hotel is located at 11 East Kellogg Boulevard in historic downtown St. Paul. The hotel overlooks the Mississippi River and is within walking distance of a large variety of restaurants, shopping and sports/cultural attractions. Each room has a 37" Flat Screen HD TV and complimentary high speed wireless internet. Each guest has the full use of the 24-hour business center, fitness center, and heated indoor pool and whirlpool.



St. Paul Conference 20123: The International Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Investigator's Association will hold their 39th Annual Training Conference in St. Paul, MN September 8-13, 2013 at the Crowne Plaza Riverfront in downtown St. Paul. The International Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Investigator's Association is a professional training organization made up of federal, state, local law enforcement, and prosecution personnel. Originally formed in 1974 as the IOMGIC (International Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Investigator's Conference) in San Diego, California, it served as an educational organization, with its goals to improve the investigative skills and information exchange among its charter members. The purpose of the organization is to provide a conduit for information exchange, updated training, and international network building among its estimated 1,000 members.

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Thank You

□ Kevin Gordon

My thanks to everyone for the congratulations on my election. I cannot express what a pleasure it is to serve as the 12th president of the US Section as we enter our 51st year in the IPA. The new board of the US Section is a very professional, hardworking group and it is an honor to represent them. We realize the need to reach the younger officers and a lot of our efforts will be working towards that goal. We are already looking for benefits that we can add for our members. It is my intent to partner with existing organizations when possible such as the Fraternal Order of Police, Blue Knights and International Chiefs of Police.

I would like to see the US section play a bigger role in the International organization and we support a meeting of all the IPA sections in the Americas; North, Central and South. We need to work together at every opportunity. I would hope that all the sections could work together with the PEB to develop a full length DVD on the history of the IPA that could also be used for promotional use.



The US section plans on holding a travel event each year that will assist our members from around the world to visit our section. We also hope to organize our members for group visits to other sections. We also are actively looking for a location to display the police uniform collections and IPA collections of our members. I look forward to working with the PEB and the other sections.

"Servo per Amikeco!"

Letter from Rev. Charles Wright

Dear Mr. President and friend Kevin. Sheila and I have just returned home after attending the finest IPA meeting that I have ever known. I thank you for the invitation which I had decided might be embarrassing for both you and myself due to my unfortunate illness, but also realized that you had honored me greatly and I could not refuse your kindness.

As you are aware, over the past 52 years I have attended many similar IPA functions where my dear old friend Arthur Troop had been present. But none of these could match the hospitality and friendship present at your meeting, and the kindness you and your members showed me and to the members of the Canadian Section who were present—it was magnificent.

It is obvious that your elevation as National al President was the correct choice for you have the all the elements for leadership. You are a good man, an honorable man and excellent leader.

I think that I must apologize for my rather emotional speech to the members, but I realized I had to tell them the truth of the story of your formation, and the sterling work of Harold

NDC Report

□ Cory Freadling

You will find my short unofficial summary of the NDC in Bethesda, Maryland. This was the report I put together for my region as the NDC rep, however are not considered the official minutes. Hope this helps for any not in attendance.

Sadly, membership in the United States is 6,729, with 743 members delinquent.

Out of 47 regions who were able to cast a vote in the 2012 elections, only 31 regions voted and only 31 regions sent a NDC representative or proxy.

News of note, 3 regions have been deemed inactive. One of those regions will be given some time to get numbers back to acceptable levels.

Discussion of possibly forming an at large region for those members who may be in the military or may work in areas covering several regions.

Congratulations to Scott Patton of Region 43 who won the Service Through Friendship award.

The US section offers several scholarships along with the International Arthur Troop Scholarship. Only one person applied for the Arthur Troop Scholarship, and only two people applied for the Gimborn Scholarship. There were only two applicants for the four Harold Litwin Sr. Scholarships, both I believe were repeat applicants.

National has decided to go with 911 Media publications for printing of the IPA News. The cost of printing will double initially, going from .50 to 1.00 a copy. 911 Media however, sells advertisements for \$1500, of which the IPA would get \$750. If only 2 ads were sold, the cost would be offset, with the possibility to have the newsletter printed and mailed for free with enough advertising sales.

A new company is being looked at for new hard membership cards to do away with the paper cards we currently have. It is possible that this company, if all goes well, could handle all of the IPA billing also. Further research and investigation is currently pending.

81 IPA USA members died in the past year, 2 regions were retired, and one region rolled back into its initial region.

The 2013 NDC will be in Sacramento California, October 10-14.

The new IPA USA national board is: President, Kevin Gordon, Region 57; 1st Vice President, Steve Livingston, Region 21; 2nd Vice President, Calvin Chow, Region 9; 3rd Vice President, Cory Freadling, Region 21; Treasurer, Vi Powrie, Region 3; Secretary General, Richard Nevarez, Region 29.

Note: All bylaw proposals were passed either as written or as amended. See Ellwood Cushman's report regarding the bylaws.

Litwin and your first national Executive for it was a matter of honor that he be remembered as the founder in Toledo, Ohio USA, February 26, 1962.

Sincerest thanks to the USA Section IPA.

Submitted by Rev. Charles Wright, Canada

BRING FRIENDSHIP BACK TO THE NDC 2013

IPA REGION 29 SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA
OCT. 11- OCT.15

*Registration \$250 per person

*Includes Hospitality Rooms-- Trip to San Francisco via Golden Gate Bridge--
Dinner with San Francisco Region 9--Service at Capitol Police Memorial--Farewell
Banquet--and more.....



BRING FRIENDSHIP BACK TO THE NDC 2013

OCTOBER 11-15 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

THURS. OCT.10 Arrival of National Executive Council

FRI. OCT.11 NEC meeting--lunch--continuation of meeting
Arrival of Delegates. Registration.
Hospitality Room 7-10 PM

SAT. OCT.12 Formal Opening Ceremony (Uniforms or coat/tie)
NDC Meeting--- Lunch for all---Continuation of NDC meeting
(Spouses & Guests see** below)
Dinner on own. Hospitality Room 7-10-PM

SUN. OCT.13 A trip to San Francisco by luxury coach, entering the City over the
famous Golden Gate Bridge. Explore Pier 39 and other local attractions.
Lunch on your own
Dinner with Region 9.

MON. OCT.14 Walk as a group to the Capitol Police Memorial for Service (Uniforms or coat/tie)
Rest of the day free to explore Old town Sacramento, Railroad Museum, K Street
Mall, numerous restaurants and other nearby attractions.
Farewell Banquet (Uniforms or coat/tie)

TUES. OCT.15 Depart, or two days home hosting with members of Region 29 (subject to
availability).

** Hotel is situated within short walking distance of Old Town Sacramento, Museums, 49er Period shops,
“K” Street Mall, Capitol building, Fire and Vietnam Memorials.

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza, 300 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Book Rooms by calling 1-916-446-0100 or www.holidayinsacramento.com IPA code is APA

Reservations need to be made prior to August 1, 2013

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October 11-15, Sacramento, California

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Region Number _____

Flight Information Carrier, Flight Number, Time

Arrival _____

Departure _____

Super Shuttle is available from the Sacramento International Airport (SMF) to the hotel. There is a group discount: round-trip price is \$22. One way fare is \$13. This fare is good for three days before and after the event. Make reservations at www.supershuttle.com using **ERT4M** code.

_____ Check here to request Home Hosting at the end of the NDC (limited availability)

_____ Check here if you have mobility issues. Explain _____

PAYMENT METHOD Registration is \$250 per person, payable in U.S. Dollars.

Check made payable to **IPA Region 29**.

Mail check and registration form to **Jim Harris, P. O. Box 232143, Sacramento, CA 95823**

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EMAIL REGISTRATION FORM to jctravel@frontiernet.net

An American Dream, a Nightmare and a Happy End

The day has finally come - my wife Conny and I are going to fulfil ourselves a long desired dream: A guided tour through the southern states of the USA on a Harley Davidson motorcycle.

The tour is going to take 14 days and will lead through some of the musically most influential cities of the southern U.S., New Orleans, Memphis and Nashville, Chattanooga and other places. We are going to cross six federal states until arriving in Orlando / Florida. The weather meets all expectations created by the cheesy prospectus descriptions of the "Indian Summer" and all participants agree – this trip is going to be fantastic.

On day nine we arrive at the Great Smokey Mountains. Here we are about to complete a total of 3000 curves! The "Deals Gap" itself, a portion of a two-lane road known as "The Tail of the Dragon", has 318 curves over a distance of approximately 11 miles. This part of the tour is infamous for its degree of difficulty. We are cautioned by our guide.

The first part works fine. I feel comfortable on my Electra Glide and Conny also enjoys the trip. The Tail of the Dragon will soon lie behind us and we expect the trip to be much easier again from now on.

Afternoon the next day I realize that my concentration is slowly decreasing. However, I tell myself everything will work out well. A few more curves and we will be back to comfortable cruising.

Then suddenly it happens: After pulling a few inconspicuous curves the road shrinks to a hairpin turn. In an oblique position I let the footrest of my bike tap the road. The rear wheel loses ground contact. We slip away to the side and slide off the road into a small gravel yard. I end up about 2 feet away from the bike. Right behind us another member of our group roughly slides over the gravel and falls as well. Helpers rush. Thankfully I realize that my wife is unharmed. I check on myself and hold my breath: My left foot is unnaturally twisted by 90 degrees to the outside.

The following could be a scene from a movie. The police and an ambulance arrive; someone cuts me out of my clothes and puts me into the ambulance.

After a short drive I am put into a helicopter to be flown to the Memorial Hospital in Greenville.

I end up waiting in ER. A little later a young doctor tells me that they will now turn back my foot to its natural position - which he does using local anesthesia only. I am still in ER with all the other waiting patients.

Then the bad news follows. They tell me that I could not stay, no beds were available and it also would not be necessary medically. A surgery could be carried out in one or two weeks earliest. Thank God I brought a cell phone to call my wife and our tour guides asking them to pick me up and bring me to the hotel in Anderson where our entire travel group stays.

The next morning yet another shock is ready to strike: Our guides explain to my wife that they would have to continue the trip. Immediately the whole group leaves. No explanation, no support, not even a contact person is named for further organization. This moment runs deep.

Connie calls the ADAC (a German organization comparable to the "American Automobile Association") and we are told that we are fully insured and there was no need to worry. We are only asked to fax over the medical report and a "fit-to-fly-certificate". We have neither of them.

Now how do we get to the hospital? It is at least 30 to 40 miles away. I try to call the place, but I only reach an automatic answering service that wants me to enter some random numbers. I do not understand anything the machine wants me to do.

Sending Conny to the hospital by cab alone would be just as stupid. Both our English skills are far from perfect and the Greenville Memorial Hospital has the size of a German university hospital. The doctor has not called back yet, although he had promised to give me a feedback if I could possibly be called in earlier than expected.

By the way, I am still high as a kite from all the morphine they gave me and every movement hurts because I have some serious

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bruises on the left side of my body. I also start feeling dizzy every other minute.

We are trying to think of a solution to get out of this messy situation. Suddenly I remember the IPA. I call Mr. Hubert Vitt, the vice president of IPA Germany. He promises to help, we are relieved.

Just a little later, I receive a call from Al Tosi, a retired colleague and president of the "IPA Region 14 South Carolina, Tennessee and North Carolina". We briefly discuss the situation. He promises to pick us up at 11 a.m. the next day to help with the further procedure.

The next morning is exciting. Will Al actually show up? It is 11.20 a.m. when a van pulls up in front of the hotel. A man bursting with energy and a winning smile on his face comes right at us and explains that he is Al and ready to help. He is accompanied by his sympathetic wife Diana who hugs Conny and warmly welcomes us.

We drive to the hospital and are sent from one reception desk to another. Al patiently explains the situation to us and soon comes back with the necessary papers. Meanwhile his wife Diana is waiting in the car reading a book. Both seem totally relaxed and in control of the situation.

For the "fit-to-fly-certificate" we have to visit a private practice outside the hospital. During the trip the two take away all of our shyness and we chew the fat - everything suddenly seems so easy.

Arriving at the practice, I flinch. I am now sitting in a wheelchair and Al pushes me into a waiting room, where about 50 more patients are gathered. Immediately the thought that waiting alone will take hours flashes through my head.

But Al is about to prove me wrong. He walks to the receptionist, briefly exchanges some words and suddenly disappears. When he comes back he pushes the wheelchair past all those waiting people into the treating room while saying: "The doctor wants to see you now".

A young, friendly looking doctor awaits me. We have a chat; he reviews the papers, asks me to be more careful and signs the certificate while mentioning with a wink that obviously I would have to be flying home first class since it would be necessary to lie down during the whole flight.

Conny and I are totally happy. Within just two hours we got everything we need for our trip home and can send it to Germany. We want to thank Diana and Al and invite them to dinner. They recommend a nice restaurant (they serve excellent filet steaks). We have a good time - we talk, eat and relax. Al is a retired police officer of 71 years from Suffolk County, NY, who has recently accepted a position in the community of Seneca / South Carolina. He explains that he is planning to quit in the near future and then to enjoy retirement. His wife Diana jokes that he could never do that since "not working is not his thing". We talk about the weather, our jobs, the family and more. After about 1 hour Al brings us back to the hotel - we are immensely relieved!

The next day - after having corresponded with the ADAC via several faxes, mails and phone calls everything now seems to be settled - Al calls again. On behalf of his wife he invites us to lunch. A wonderful change for us, the day would otherwise and most certainly have become incredibly boring due to my very limited possibilities.

Al picks us up exactly at noon and takes us to Seneca - a 45 minute ride. We have not realized until now how far away the two actually live. When adding up all their rides from the day before, I see that they must have spent several hours in the car just to help out some strangers. However, to Al all of that does not seem to be the slightest issue.

Al appears to be in fantastic shape at age 71. On our way to Seneca he tells us a lot about himself. I do not get everything at once and have to ask him to speak a little bit slower from time to time.



Eventually the van turns down a side street and arrives at an estate of which one can only dream about in Germany - a beautiful villa is located right at Seneca River. We are again welcomed warmly by Diana and led into the living room. The house has an unusual romantic feel to it.

Diana has already prepared lunch. Afterwards, Al proudly presents his boat

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RVing With IPA-USA

□ Donald Fredericks, Region 14, RV@ipa-usa.org

2013 brings us a new year, a new look, a new experience for our RVing members. I have been asked to manage the RV section again for our members and to provide a new experience to all. Yes, there will be articles as usual and new undertakings also. Still under development are plans to have actual RV trips and camping meetings. These RV outings will be based around what our members want to do and what IPA-USA can provide. Most of all it will be your input to make this a reality.

Imagine a meeting in Branson, MO with all its famous theaters and entertaining shows to choose from and other activities for all. Maybe St. Louis, MO; with the Arch at the Western Expansion Museum, and the Bush Brewery Tour, or how about Memphis, TN from Elvis's Graceland House to the Beal Street nightlife. Maybe, river boat rides on the Mississippi or the many other sights to see in the area are more to your taste. The list only gets larger as we think of places and things to go and do. As stated above it will be hour input to make this a reality. The more input you provide the more this becomes your outing.

Most of us RVers have been doing so for many years and are experienced travelers. I have been ocean to ocean 5 times as well as up and down the country many times. Some members are just starting to enjoy the RV life. Either way our members have visited other towns and will have some ideas about where to go and what to see again to share with IPA-USA RV members. Emails with links to what you would like to see would be appreciated. Remember we will need RV camp sites to hold our meetings at as well.

This is a new venture for the RVing Division of IPA-USA and the operational procedures have not been worked out at this time I would expect the first outing to be around August or so. Also remember this is for our members at large and needs to be centralized so members can attend from both sides of the country. This is why I suggested cities along the Mississippi. Please keep this in mind when providing your input. When we have had a few outings a pattern of attending members will develop and future outings can be adjusted to areas where we can serve

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Please note that further information, including pictures and personal data will be circulated with the next IAC-Newsletter

more members needs.

As the timing of the outing and other RVing activities may change it would be very helpful to create a list of RV members for special notices and update contacts. Send your contact information today. Even if you do not intend to attend this outing your input will be greatly appreciated. Who knows when the date is finally set you may decide it fits your needs and interest and decide you too want to attend the outing.

In closing I would like to thank the leaders of IPA-USA for choosing me to head the RVing Division of IPA-USA. I would also like to thank you, the member, for your support and interest. And finally I am looking forward to meeting and spending time with you on our outings.

An American Dream... *continued from page 15*

of which only 4 or 5 models exist. He has rebuilt it with his friends and equipped it with a 400 horsepower engine. He also owns other paddle and pontoon boats. We chat about the house, the neighborhood and his former job as a policeman. Time just flies. I have to remind Diana and Al that I am not a native speaker from time to time, but overall having a conversation in English works out much better than expected.

Incidentally, Al throws in that he has to clean up everything really well after BBQ to avoid bears looking for leftovers. Imagine your garden being raided by hungry bears in Germany.

Later that afternoon, the pain caused by my leg tires me and I need to lie down. Al brings us back to the hotel. On the way we have a discussion on the current election campaign.

The next morning a cab called by Al waits in front of our hotel on time and takes us to Atlanta Airport. 14 hours later I am in Lukas Hospital in Neuss, Germany ready for my surgery. We are staying in touch with Diana and Al. The first emails have been exchanged and one intercontinental call has been made. We have made new friends and the IPA to me now has a face – it is Al's face.



Submitted by Detlef Fox, IPA Germany

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All major credit cards are accepted.

For more information or contact hotel or IPA coordinator at ipareg15treas@aol.com



IPA USA 50th Anniversary Highlights



Honor guard



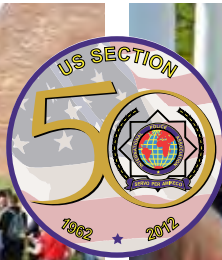
Reverend Charles Wright, guest speaker



Reverend Wright & International President Pierre-Martin Moulin



Flag ceremony at Fort McHenry



National Police Museum chairman Craig Floyd speaks to IPA group



Banner donated by Region 3, signed by all visitors



Print of US & Canda founders



Mike Lynch swears in new board

50th Anniversary Review

□ Steve Livingston

I admit it – I wasn't even born yet when the US IPA was formed back in Toledo, Ohio on a cold and snowy February day in the winter of 1962, sorry; but I was honored and thrilled to be the Chair for the US IPA's 50th Anniversary celebration in Washington, DC November 9-12, 2012.

This turned out to be a superb event for all the attendees with amazing gift bags loaded with goodies, great meals, drinks, socialization, and tours of the National Crime and Punishment Museum, the International Spy Museum, the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial, Fort McHenry, and the Baltimore Inner Harbor. We were treated to special ceremonies at the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial where we honored all of our fallen US IPA brothers and sisters and also a unique history and ceremony at Fort McHenry with the huge US Flag that flies so proudly there. Some attendees even went to see Ford's Theater, site of the Lincoln assassination, and the Holocaust Museum, while others made it to the White House, Capitol Hill, and other points of interest in DC. A certain LAPD Police Bear mascot was bear-napped on Day One, held for ransom (small unmarked coins), and eventually returned after several cryptic demand notes and torturous pictures were found; this did help provide some comic relief for the guests, but not the owner... Sorry!

Attendees were welcomed with wonderful words from John Walsh of America's Most Wanted (video posted online now for all to see), treated to a bagpiper one evening and a visit from the US Military District of Washington's Combined Forces Color Guard, too, along with silent auction items that were very enjoyable, incredible giveaways, and, hopefully, some inspiring words. Commander Solberg of the Metropolitan DC Police spoke to the attendees one evening about leadership and international policing and we were honored to have the Reverend Charles Wright with us from Canada. Reverend Wright was a founding member of the Canadian Section, instrumental in helping form the US Section, and best of friends with our founder Harold Litwin, his wife, and all the members who formed us into the US Section 50 years ago.

We had representatives from the following countries present to help all our US members celebrate, too: Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Monaco, Peru, Russia, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom.

There were many volunteers that assisted us in DC and I thank each one of them, too. We could NOT have pulled off this event without your time and effort – thank you so much!

Several Regions donated items or money to assist us with this event and I want to especially recognize them: Regions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 25, 56, 57 / Pat & Bill Wieners / Tom & Margaret Ciurlik / and Kevin and Beth Gordon. What a GREAT example of Servo per Amikeco – thank you all!

The 50th Anniversary Book that Kevin put together on his own time and effort is absolutely incredible and a must-read for all IPA members; I guarantee that you will learn



things about the IPA that you never knew before.

Please share any photos with us on Facebook or email them to me directly at 50th@ipa-usa.org so we can put them online for all to see.

I plan on being at the 75th Anniversary and maybe, just maybe, if I can keep the big SUVs from running me over again, I will be fortunate enough to attend the 100th Anniversary of our great organization, too.



Finnish Teenagers Travel the IPA Way this Past Summer

□ Barbara Piirinen, National Youth Exchange Coordinator

In early spring of this year, I received an IPA request from Sergeant Heli Jalander of the Kangasala (Finland) Police Department Training Division that her stepchildren, twins Julia Valimaa and Eetu Valimaa visit for summer in the U.S. After a lot of e-mails and figuring out dates, the twins would be arriving in June for four weeks. So the hunt for IPA host families began!

Thanks to Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Detention Sergeant Paul White and his wonderful wife, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Detective Julie Lykins-White, Eetu got his wish to visit the U.S.! Paul and Julie opted to open their hearts and home to 15 year old Eetu Valimaa for four weeks in June. Paul and Julie are new IPA members and felt that hosting a teen from a foreign country would be a wonderful opportunity to share their American way of life as well as share the beauty of the wild "west" in Arizona. They began communicating with Eetu right away via Skype, Facebook and e-mail. They also emphatically expressed to Eetu that our Arizona climate is nothing like European countries and explained our average temperatures in Arizona during June, July and August in the 40's Celsius range! Eetu still wanted to brave the Arizona heat and decided to spend his summer with the Whites June-July. Paul and Julie's family includes their lovely 18 year old daughter Taylor, 3 dogs and 2 cats. He arrived with his twin sister Julia on June 9th and was eager to begin his adventure with the White family. Eetu was an outspoken, curious, talkative young man who wanted to see, taste and try everything while he was here.

He said one of his best times here was with Paul, when Paul took him to Saguaro Lake for "midnight fishing" trips; where they both caught numerous fish and talked all night long! The Whites and Eetu also visited the Grand Canyon, Sedona, Flagstaff, Newport Beach, Universal Studios and Santa Monica Beach, California. His four weeks went so fast that he didn't want to go home when his visit was over! Needless to say, this chatty young man had a memorable summer with Paul and Julie White and said he was grateful to have had such a wonderful host family. He maintains contact with the Whites and hopes to visit them in the future. His family also gave the Whites an open invitation to visit their "summer cabin" in Finland any time they like!

My husband and I decided to host Julia Valimaa, Eetu's twin sister, since one of her biggest passions was working with animals. So, she stayed with my family at the International House of Piirinen! We have three dogs, one of which was a rescue dog named Sheila. Well, we rescued Sheila on a Wednesday and unbeknownst to us, she was pregnant. The very next day on Thursday, Sheila gave birth to 6 pups (just three weeks before Julia arrived). Thank goodness for Julia as she was a blessing to my husband and me, assisting in the caretaking of all those puppies! She was a great sport, helping with feeding time, cleaning their pen, playing with them and cleaning them as well.

Initially, Julia had some difficulties acclimating to our Arizona heat as it is much different from her home in Kangasala where she lives in the country-side near one of their lakes! It was quite a culture shock from her small town to a large city with big cars, lots of desert landscaping and 109 degree weather. She was amazed at the serving sizes here and the "free refills" at the restaurants. She said there is no such thing as "free refills" on anything!

Julia spent a lot of time swimming at the water park, shopping, going to the malls, visiting movie theatres and eating a variety of foods; authentic Mexican food, Chinese food, etc. She couldn't believe how much "cheaper" name brand clothing and shoes were here in the states compared to Finland. So she definitely took advantage of all the sales and bargains. In fact, we were concerned that she wouldn't have enough room in her luggage to accommodate all her wares bought here. But alas, she managed to stuff everything into her suitcase, carry-on luggage, backpack and purse!



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On the Road

Realizing many of our members don't travel the world but do travel the country, this column will provide some highway and interstate and highway information, travel info and tidbits.

I enjoy road facts. I think if you understand the creation of America's roadways and interstates then you understand our country better. I don't consider it trivia because the definition of trivia is "things that are very unimportant, inconsequential, or nonessential; trifles; trivialities". So interstate facts certainly don't fit that definition!

Interstate facts, like other areas, have seen truth and fiction muddled over the years. I love the word "factoid", partly because it is a relatively new word (coined in 1973 by Norman Mailer) and partly because of the meaning "a piece of unreliable information believed to be true because of the way it is presented or repeated in print". In other words a falsehood that has been repeated so often that folks think it's true. A famous interstate factoid is that for every 5 miles of highway there is 1 mile of straight line driving to allow emergency airplane landings. Widely believed but simply not true according to the Dept. of Transportation. This myth has been around for years. I remember my dad telling me when I was just a boy, and that was a long time ago!

A belief probably tied to the fact that one of the reasons behind the creation of our interstate system was to be able to move military equipment anywhere in the country quickly. Or maybe because in 1944 Congress considered (although briefly) including funding in the Federal Highway Act for emergency landing strips. These strips were to be built alongside highways. That idea didn't last long! But other areas are facts, not factoids, in that they are accurate.

Mile markers are an example. Most folks realize miles markers exist to help with locations on the interstate, especially useful for public safety response. I've noticed some states are installing markers every tenth of a mile so I'm wondering if those will still be called mile markers or will we have a new term, tenth mile markers? I know, I think too much. Many folks understand mile markers start and end at the state line but don't realize that mile markers go down as you head south and up as you head north just as they go down as you head west and up as you head east. So if you are in Illinois at the 25-mile marker on I-64, heading west, you have 25 miles to the Illinois/Missouri border.

But I can't help wondering if any of this will matter in the near future. I fondly remember as a kid driving across the country, let just say, with nature trying to call. And the more nature wanted to call the more we looked down the road wondering where the next rest area was. Anxiously watching as we rounded every bend waiting for that blue rest area sign to



come into view. That was all part of travelling. Who needs exits and mile markers and rest area signs when Tom Tom and Garmin tell you where you are, where you are going and what time you'll get there. Where's the fun in that?

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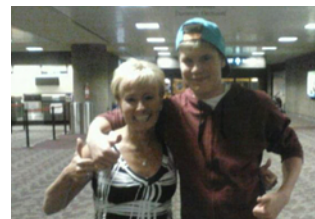
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While Julia was here, she stated one of her dreams was to see the Grand Canyon. So we visited the Grand Canyon the same time Paul and Julie went. We met with them at the Grand Canyon and Flagstaff. We also made the trip to Hollywood and visited the Hollywood Wax Museum and Universal Studios. Julia was such a great young lady and very easy to get along with. It was a nice visit with her and we hope to visit Julia and her family in Finland in the near future!

If you are interested in hosting a young person from another country for a short two-four week visit OR would like to send your son/daughter to another IPA region in the U.S. or another country to be hosted by an IPA family, please contact me for details at NYEC@ipa-usa.org



COLLECTORS

FOREIGN COLLECTORS

Belgium: Koen Geeraert, a member of IPA in Belgium, collects police hats/caps and shirts from all over the USA. His address is Tien Geboden 12, 8200 Brugge, Belgium. Email is koen.geeraert@telenet.be.

France: Dominique Bernard, a French policeman of Compagnie Republicaine de Securite (CRS Police Nationale) and a member of IPA delegation de Paris, is starting a collection and wants to make contact with British, Canadian, American and Australian police officers. He would like to exchange hats, badges and uniforms. Contact Dominique Bernard at ipaparis@wanadoo.fr.

Germany: My name is Andreas Fuchs and I am a police officer in Berlin and an IPA member. Our daughter, Dhana, attended Bard College in the US. I would like to trade German police items for US police items with other US collectors. Contact me at fuchsbauberlin@aol.com.

Greece: I am member of the Greece rural police and also a member of IPA-Greece. I have a hobby, collecting berets of the police of the whole world to show in my Police office. I have started with the collection of police patches some time ago and I now want to enlarge my collection of police patches. I would like to ask you if it is possible to send me a patch of your department such or badges, caps and especially hats and blouses. I would be very honored and proud if you had the possibility to help me in that quest. Thank you very much. Raptis Sotiris E-mail: sotmraptis@yahoo.gr.

Italy: Maurizio Di Iulio is a collector of police items (caps, badges, patches, police band CDs) and stamps. He would like to increase his collection and to have contact with local IPA members interested in an exchange of items. maurizio.diulio@email.it.

Netherlands: I am a Regional Police Force Sergeant in the Netherlands and I collect police patches. I'm especially interested in patches from departments having a connection to my country, such as Catskill PD. "Kill" is the Dutch name for small river and there are many cities in New York that were founded by Dutch immigrants. I am still missing patches from Plattekill PD, Catskill PD, Cobleskill Police and SUNY Cobleskill University PD. I'm hoping some members in the US can help me acquire these patches. I can trade patches from my department or other European departments. Jan van der Heide, jgheide@home.nl.

Poland: My name is Jacek Michalkowski and I'm a Polish police officer, IPA member and chairman of the Polish Police Collectors Club. I collect pins from different countries. Please view my collection at www.jackpolice.eu. If you are interested in exchanging pins contact me at jacekmichalkowski@wp.pl.

Slovakia: Stanislav Macejko is a police captain in Komarne, Slovakia and is collecting badges, caps and other items for his collection. macejkostanislav@gmail.com.

Spain: My name is Diego and I collect pins. I'm interested in acquiring pins for my collection. Pins can be sent to Diego Castillejo, Arana Calle Lorenzo Goni Number 3 3OA 16004, Cuenca, Spain. Contact me at diego.todopins@gmail.com.

UK: IPA member, police officer Mark Tasker (Hertfordshire Police) collects insignias and would like contact with collector groups. Contact him through www.dogacademy.co.uk.

UK: Peter Rooke would like to communicate with USA members. Interest's include cycling, reading and history. rookester@talktalk.net.

U.S. COLLECTORS

Mike Fales, R15 Long Island, New York. I am a Detective with the Suffolk County Police Department and have been collecting police patches for over 20 years. I have over 9000 patches on display within my department. I will gladly trade with any police patch collector in the United States and internationally. Email me at michaelfales@aol.com or send your patch to Mike Fales, 101 Sylvan Avenue, Apartment 44, Miller Place, New York 11764. Please contact me if you are looking to sell your collection of police patches. I consider all sizes, from 100 to 10,000 patches.

Monty McCord-IPA Reg.4 (Retired Lt. Hastings, Nebr. Police Dept.) is adding to his collection of international police breast and hat badges, and patches. Would like to establish trading/collector friends worldwide. Interested in ALL COUNTRIES (& especially Russian police breast badges). Have badges/patches for trade and can send email photos. Contact Monty at silstar@charter.net.

I have a large collection of US and international police patches, hats, badges, uniforms, and other items. I want to donate them to a police agency or organization that will appropriately display them. Please contact me, Gene Friedman R-43 at ejdoc@bellsouth.net.

PEN PALS

I am looking to communicate with an officer who can give me an insight into American policing, preferably from a metropolitan city or federal background but it really doesn't matter. I would be just as happy to talk to a constable (patrol officer) or to a detective, rank and area of expertise isn't of too much importance. Please contact Matt Wait at mwswait@gmail.com

France: Police Captain Corinne Deslandes seeks an IPA pen pal in New York. corinne-deslandes@orange.fr.

France: Martine Piguel, IPA member from France would like to correspond with member in US to be able to get to know more about the US. E-mail at marteane@free.fr.

France: My name is Lionel BARRIEU. I am a (French) Police captain in Gascony, Auch (National Police) seeking contacts for my son, Martin. He is twelve years old and he is learning English at school. He wants an American pen pal to improve his English. That friend could also speak French. We live in the S.W. of France, near Toulouse. Email at ariel.barrieu@gmail.com

France: French Police Officer assigned to the K-9 unit of the Paris area police wishes to correspond with K-9 Officers in the US, to exchange information and experiences in K-9 operations. Email chabala_roucoulette@yahoo.fr

France: Emeline, daughter of Franck Harion, 13 years old, is looking for a per friend of the same age to swap emails. franckharion@orange.fr.

Germany: My name is Eckhard Wolpert. I'm a German police officer and IPA member. I have a 17 year old son, Timo, who lives in Baden-Württemberg near Stuttgart. His hobbies are computers, reading and going out with friends. Timo is looking for a girl or boy pen pal the same age. He can be emailed at timo.wolpert@web.de.

Ghana: Christiana Opoku is an IPA Great Britain member in Ghana wanting to correspond with anyone in the US. Christiana Opoku, c/o Constable Ramstone of Regional Police HQ, Box 7111, Accra, Ghana 00233.

Ghana: Bright Annor Sackitey, a 41 year old police officer in Ghana, and associate member of the British Section, has an 18 year old daughter, Abigail, who would like to correspond in kind with the US. Hosting with his family is possible by any US IPA member travelling in this area. Email brisack2003@yahoo.co.uk.

Hungary: Csaba Szabó, who is a member of IPA Hungary, would like to make contact with colleagues in other countries. He is a police sergeant-major from Sopron. You can contact Csaba Szabó by e-mail at - szaboc@t-email.hu.

Israel: IPA member Arik Miodowski, who has served for 17 years in the police force and is currently a detective sergeant in the Tel-Aviv Criminal Unit, also wishes to make contact with IPA colleagues. His interests include the sea, tourism and history. Arik can be contacted at - ericmi@walla.com.

Italy: My name is Paola Bosi. I'm 35 years old and live with my husband, Roberto, and our 2 year old son, Andrea. We work for the Reggio Emilia Police Department. We live in the Reggio Emilia countryside and would love to hear from colleagues in the US to exchange opinions and start new friendships. I am an IPA member and my passion is motorcycles and martial arts. Roberto is a shooting teacher and collects weapons. I hope to hear from new friends. paola.bosi@gmail.com.

South Africa: Dale Smith is a South African member living in Paraguay. He is looking for penpals from the US. Dale Smith, Post Office Hohenau II, Itapua, Republic of Paraguay, South America.

Spain: Michel would like to email with English speaking officers from anywhere to improve his English. You'll have a friend in Spain. Email: cecharandio@hotmail.com.

Sweden: My name is Lena Petersson. I am an IPA member and have been a policewoman for 18 years. I'm looking for police officers who might have a 12 year old son into ice hockey for future hockey games together. I also have a 9 year old daughter into iceskating and soccer. I work in the south of Sweden. Email: lenpet2@hotmail.com.

Turkey: My name is Taryk Tuncel. I am a Turkish police officer and would like to converse with American police officers. I am a member of IPA Turkey. Please send e-mail to tarpol26@hotmail.com. Thank you.

UK: My name is Donna and I'm a serving officer in the U.K with West Midlands police. and am looking forward to chatting with and getting to know some of you guys over there in the States. I have been a serving officer for 10 years and would love to link up with any of you who are willing to become "penpals" as it used to be known before computers, to share stories and experiences from different sides of the world. If you fancy getting in touch please contact me at my email address spoonhead71@blueyonder.co.uk.

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- Please contact the editor with questions editor@ipa-usa.org.

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UK: My name is Michael Chapman. I am a 30 year old serving Detective in the Northants Police Force in central England. I am keen to correspond with serving officers/ IPA members in the United States. My interests are sports including triathlon and distance running. I enjoy travelling and spent summers working in Indiana and Virginia whilst at college. I am also interested in history, film and current affairs. Replies to twiggy78uk@yahoo.co.uk.

UK: My name is Bob Baber and I am a member of British Section Region 7, since 1997. I am aserving DC with 29 years of service. I have three daughters aged 9 and 8 (twins) who would like pen pals from the USA or Europe. Their interests include Irish dancing, sports, horse riding and travelling. Please reply to me at bob.baber@avonandsomerset.police.uk.

Kirov Policeman... continued from page 8

The Special Forces Training Center has a complex of facilities, including room for theoretical classes and recreation, facilities for training of mine and explosive events, indoor combat assaults, shooting galleries.

However, to Radi's mind, unfortunately, the Federal State Government makes not enough appropriations for the Center's equipment and development, this fact reduces the quality of training and increases the risk of students' injury.

*Submitted by Vladimir Kislukhin,
IPA member, retired militia colonel*

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New IPA Member Seeks Traveling Partners

While at the 50th Anniversary in DC, we signed up a new member who goes only by the name of Eeepah. Eeepah is a garden gnome of the good type. Yes there are bad gnomes according to the book, *How to Survive a Garden Gnome Attack: Defend yourself when the lawn warriors strike (and they will)* by Chuck Sambuchino.

It seems Garden Gnomes creep some folks out like clowns to others! Eeepah has fought the good fight protecting our gardens and deserves some R&R. He just needs a ride. So if you'd like to take Eeepah on a trip with you and take some pictures of his travels for the National Reporter, let us know. We'll ship him to you and when done with your trip, just email us the pictures and ship him back. We'll even cover the



Region 39 Scholarships

Region 39 gave away two \$500 scholarships to two students who have graduated from high school and are in college or are going to college. To be eligible, the students must be related to a member of Region 39.

The winner of the first scholarship was Jessica Knab, granddaughter of Region 39 1st Vice President Roy Knab. The second scholarship was given to Aaron Blake Secret, grandson of Region President John Nabet.



Region 39 President John Nabet presents a scholarship award to Region 39 1st Vice President Roy Knab



Region Secretary Bruce Brown presents a scholarship award to Region 39 President, John Nabet

Harold Litwin Memorial

□ John Boland, Region 1 President

On September 8, 2012, Region I placed a monument at a sight in the South District of Buffalo, New York, at a park called Heacock Park, to honor the founder of the IPA US, Harold Litwin Senior. With the 50th Anniversary of the US Section this year, it was only proper that we have a monument for Harold Litwin. The installation ceremony was a little dampened by the weather but not our spirits.

The ceremony was attended by 51 people including dignitaries such as our President Elect Kevin Gordon who said a

few words and the New York State Senator for the Western New York area, Time Kennedy who also spoke. The Buffalo Police Honor Guard presented the colors and Harold Litwin's grandson who is a Rochester NY Police officer led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Even a bagpipe band was there and played "Amazing Grace".

Afterwards the group went to lunch at Ilio De Paolo's Restaurant.



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To take Eeepah on your trip, contact Kevin Gordon at president@ipa-usa.org.

In Memorium

Each year at our IPA national conference, we read a list of names of our members who have left us and gone on to the next watch. Sometimes we lose them in the line of duty which usually causes us to comment they left us too early or as Binyon put it in his poem For the Fallen, "Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn." But most we lose to natural causes, often just old age when the body tires. That old age that as young cops we often wondered if we would see.

During the reading of those names we lament what we have lost. Many very good friends that we will sorely miss. Friends who served the public in different areas: federal, state, county, city, but served all the same. That is one of the beauties of the IPA. Meeting and befriending officers from around the world who may do things differently but pretty much do the same thing and have that cop talent of understanding without many words being exchanged, who can speak volumes with a handshake and say thanks with a glance. Hearing the cop stories from officers from ages 21 to 100. Hearing what it used to be like and what its like now at their agencies.

When we lose those friends it is then that we realize how special the IPA is. As we consider what we have lost, it inevitably occurs to us that these are folks who without the IPA, we would have never met. Where else but the IPA can a rural police officer from the Midwest, a city officer from the east, a deputy from the west, all have met and become life long friends with the Bobby from the UK, a municipal officer from Italy, a national police officer from France, a Police Colonel in Russia. Officers who were able to stay at our homes when they visited from across the sea and who allowed us to stay with them on our trips. Friendships that may have started before the internet, when phone, mail and fax were the only method of communication but which grew with the ease of communication with the advent of the email and Facebook. Friends who have caused changes in our very core and in many ways have shaped who we have become.

Thanks to all of you for your friendship. And to those we lost this year and before, see you on the next watch.



Harold Litwin Scholarship

Region 1 President John Boland presents a US Harold Litwin Memorial Scholarship to Samantha Jablonski, granddaughter of Terry Sutton of Region 1.



Region 57 Scholarship

Wabash Valley College student Jeana Trimble receives her award from Sherriff Joe Keeling (left), Sergeant Eddie Johnson (middle), and Financial Aid Coordinator Mary Morningstar Johnson (right).



2012 Travel Raffle Winners

This year's travel raffle sold enough tickets for two winners. Each winner wins two air tickets to anywhere in the world. This year's winners are G. Stevens of New York and D. Casey of Texas.

The drawing was held at the quarterly meeting at the Annual Picnic. Winners were picked by Emma and Madison McGinnis, granddaughters of Region 57 1st Vice President Kevin McGinnis and daughter of Region 57 member Christopher McGinnis.

All raffle profits support the IPA scholarship program.



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Arizona

Mesa: 3 BR condo, gated community, pool, hot tub, exercise room Garage, pvt. BBQ, wireless internet, car recommended. Not a senior complex, not on a golf course. www.coyotelanding.com www.rentmyarizonacondo.com for owner's unit Security deposit and cleaning fees apply 30% discount for IPA members on weekly rentals April to December Contact Gerry at gerryipa@telus.net or 780-499-4958

California

Murretta: Southern California - Two bedroom house,each with its own bath. Guest room has a Murphy bed and internet access. Fully furnished including linens, located in a 55 and older gated community near 4 Indian Casinos. Club house, 18 hole golf course, swimming pool and tennis courts. I 1/2 hour from San Diego, 1 hour from L.A., 2 1/2 hours from Las Vegas. \$2800.00 month, 10% discount to IPAmembers. Bill Hatcher R6, email bidmup123@aol.com

San Diego: 1 Br Mission Valley condo, fully furnished. contact Jeff Church R38 for rates email renocop@earthlink.net.

San Francisco: Active SF police officer offers IPA members a reasonable rate for in-law Bernal Heights apartment. Queen bed, cable tv, full bath, small kitchen w/microwave, yard for pet, smoking in yard only, wireless internet, located in charming neighborhood, easy access to bus transportation. Will pick you up at SFO airport and may take you on city tour on day off. Sleeps two additional on roll away bed. \$75 per night, maximum four guests. Martha Fabiani (415) 574-9314, martha.fabiani421@gmail.com.

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Tampa Bay Area, Crystal Beach: Two bedroom house sleeps six, and one bedroom apartment sleeps four, fully furnished. Beautiful location, about 100 yds from the Gulf. 45 mins to Busch Gardens, 25 mins from Tampa Intl .Airport. Weekly or Monthly. 10% discount to IPA members. Contact R6 member Tim Smith 702-396-3200 or email hitim@lanset.com for more information.

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Marco Island, Anglers Cove Resort, condo, 1 bedroom, full kitchen, on the water, tennis courts and marina. Contact Joe Lobl, R 11, 954- 895-8257 or loblj@bellsouth.net

St. Petersburg: Vacation Rentals, 2 Bed, 2 Bath Condo Listing #28269 & Studio Apartment in Orlando Listing #45566 10% Discount to IPA Members www.vacationrentals.com Friedrich Seiltgen email polizei22@msn.com

Florida Keys

Key Largo: Condo on the bay, 2br/2ba on the water. Fully equipped with all amenities. Heated pool, tennis courts, marina. Weekly or monthly. 1 hr from Miami Airport. R-5 member Bob Livoti 516-579-1195. \$1000 per week - 10% for IPA. E-mail gotsha@aol.com Website <http://florida-vacation-condo.com>.

Destin: The Islander Resort on Holiday Isle. 2 bedroom 2 bath Gulf view condo. 2 pools, tennis courts. Check out unit 405 at www.islander-resort.com. 10% off posted rates to IPA members. Contact Leo Rolfes (513) 260-2043 or leor@fuse.net. If unit is booked contact Stephen at The Islander. ASK for source code IPA.

Ft. Lauderdale/Miami

Region 43 Miami Area lists many attractions and special IPA discounts on their website. For complete list and details go to <http://ipa-usa.org/region43/accommodations.htm>

Miami Airport West: Candlewood suites: email Haydee.letto@ihg.com web site <http://candlewoodsuites.com> Special IPA discount. Must make direct contact at Candlewood Suites for availability, advise you are IPA & tell them Jerry sent you. Good neighborhood and located just west of airport and walking distance to MDPD.

Orlando: Sheraton Studio City Hotel, 5905 International Dr, Orlando. (800) 327-1366. You must request Law Enforcement Rate. You must present confirmation number and Law Enforcement ID upon check in. Rate is subject to availability.

Cocoa Beach: Days Inn, 5500 N. Atlantic Ave 800-245-5225 email resv@5500northcorp.com rates vary with season, \$75- \$105 must mention IPA rate re: Larry McCormick R45

Best Western Ocean Beach Hotel & Suites 5500 N. Atlantic Ave 800-962-0028 email resv@5500northcorp.com rates vary with season, \$90 - \$145 must mention IPA per Larry McCormick R45

Palm Coast Rental: 3BR, 2BA furnished condo on inter coastal waterway in beautiful resort style gated community. Fully furnished and sleeps eight. Includes child friendly pool, stocked fishing lakes, 7 miles of nature trails, minutes from Hammock Beach, 30 min. to St. Augustine and Daytona, 90 min. to Orlando. Visit www.canopywalkca.com IPA rate 995 per week + cleaning fee. Contact IPA Region 43 Member Luis Taborda at adrobat1@yahoo.com 305-343-7687

West Palm Beach Condo Rental: 1 BR / 1 full bath furnished condo with water views (lake and ocean), Sleeps 4, pool, golf, nearby amenities, located 10 min from Palm Beach Intl Airport. MINIMUM 1 MONTH RENTAL. High Season from October to May \$2300/month. Low Season from May to October \$1750/month 10% IPA Discount. Two units available. Marcel Beaumont 954-261-1376 marcel@paradiseFL.com

Hawaii

Maui, Valley Isle Resort, beachfront deluxe studio, Steve Jackson, 775-742-3337 or 800-742-7955 \$129 per night, smoke free www.mauikondo.com

Maui: Paradise I, an Ocean View, resort apartment, fully furnished in Hawaiian style and equipped for your vacation needs. Master B/R with king size bed and a padded Lanai lounge or overstuffed sofa in living room for a child. Olympic lap pool, outstanding tropical garden and water features. Free wireless Internet supplied.

Maui: Paradise II, near the longest white sand beach. Suitable up to 4 adults. King bed in master B/R, queen bed in living room. Tropical garden, pool, hot tub, BBQ's, plus a pavilion kitchen for cooking by the pool. Both are away from road noise, and within walking to markets, restaurants, and a short drive to free entertainment and whale watching, scuba, snorkel, luaus, and other activities. Both available at 50% off to IPA members. Contact Vic Voss 530-238-8822 email r40ipa@juno.com for more information.

Illinois

Chicago: The Westin, 909 N Michigan Ave. IPA rate \$95 (some blackout dates) PLUS 25% off food in the Grill on the Alley. Call Westin reservations, 888-627-8385, ask for discount #378031, show IPA ID at check in.

Kentucky

Drawbridge Inn, 2477 Royal Drive, just off I-75 Exit 189. Ft. Mitchell (northern Kentucky) is offering discounted rooms to IPA members who show a current IPA card. \$65 plus tax per night. Located 6 miles from downtown Cincinnati and 30 miles south of Kings Island Park. Airport shuttles provided. Included is a 20% discount on all food purchased at the Josh Tavern and grille located in the hotel.

Maine

Two Lions Bed and Bath, 731 North Deer Isle Road, Deer Isle, ME 04627, phone (207)348-6976, twolionsbb@gmail.com Reasonable Rates. IPA member.

Maryland

Bethesda, American Inn of Bethesda, 8130 Wisconsin Avenue, 20814 Wi-Fi, free DSL, deluxe continental breakfast. Must ask for very special IPA rate. Phone 1-800 323-7081 www.american-inn.com

Kensington, 3920 Haksley Street, One bedroom apartment with furniture, garage, etc. \$40 a day. Also an apartment in Lima, Peru at same price. Contact George Martel, IPA member Region 62, Associate Secretary to Peru, Tel. 301-628-7519 or E-mail peru@ipa-usa.org.

Missouri

St. Louis, Bob Schure, R8 host officer and USA Associate Secretary for Germany, has a FREE place to stay when in St. Louis as over 60 coppers from all over the world have since 1986. Visit us on the web at <http://bschure597.tripod.com>. (314 439-0597 or bschure@prodigy.net

Nevada

Reno, studio condo, Call for rates weekly/monthly. Jeff Church R23. E-mail renocop@earthlink.net.

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Las Vegas, one mile from the strip (east of Wynn Hotel). One bedroom furnished condo, all the comforts of home, includes one parking space. Less than one mile to supermarket, mall, shops, library. IPA member: 4th night free on weekend rental, 15% off weekly or monthly rental. vegas.condo@live.com or (310) 746-6499.

New York

Edison Hotel, the Hotel of record in New York City for the IPA. 228 West 47th Street, New York, New York 10036. IPA members can book and view the hotel direct from our website, www.iparegion2.org The hotel website is www.edisonhotelnyc.com

Fordham House B&B, Greenport offers members a 15% discount. On the eastern part of Long Island's North Fork, an old shipping and whaling port. Car ferry from Orient Point to Connecticut's naval sub base, coast guard academy and Mystic seaport. Pam (631) 477-8998, www.fordhamhouse.com.

Hotel Deauville, midtown Manhattan (Park Ave. & 29th St.), offering 20% IPA discount. Christina Manis, manager, 212-683-0990, www.hoteldeauville.com. Use website code IPA.

New York City: IPA MEMBERS ONLY. Furnished studio apartment, 15 minutes from Manhattan. Private entrance, queen size bed, full kitchen, TV, close to mass transit. Three night minimum and will usually pick up at NY airport. Contact R2 member Tony at nyc-ipahaus@hotmail.com or visit our website nyc-ipahaus.com

North Carolina

Blowing Rock: Cottage, 3 bedroom 2 baths fully equipped, sleeps 6. IPA rate \$500 per week, \$1500 a month. Contact: Ellen Pierson for photos/info ell3900@aol.com.

North Topsail Beach: Picturesque 1 BR, sleeps 4, full kitchen, ocean-view balcony. Amenities include several pools, hot tubs, beach access, tennis courts, more. 15% discount IPA members. Contact: villacapriani.com, 800-934-2400 UNIT 202A, Gasper Venturella, Region #2 gventure@optonline.net 516-270-2663.

South Carolina

Oceanfront condo: 3BR, 3BA, 25% IPA discount. Located on Fripp Island, S.C. five miles from Hilton Head by water. Private island, golf, marina, tennis, pools, great seafood, near historic town of Beaufort. www.frippislandresort.com 512-367-6432 Dick Tesendorf, President R-34.

Tennessee

Fun on the river: Guided raft tours on the Nolichucky River here in NE Tennessee, 15% discount to IPA members. This river is one of the most beautiful in the country with class 2, 3 and 4 rapids. The Nolichucky River Gorge is one from Asheville North Carolina and 1½ hrs North of Gatlinburg. There are several different trip itineraries to suit everyone. Visit us at www.mtnadventureguides.com 423 743-7111 or 1 866 USA Raft. Make sure to mention IPA. Richie Hayward MDPD-Retired Jonesborough, Tennessee The Oldest Town in Tennessee 423-753-4562 H 305-216-6666 C.

Washington State

Hansville: Gateway to the Olympic Peninsula. Five bedroom, two bath farmhouse on 20 acres. Beaches, trails, ferry's ride from Seattle. Two night minimum @ \$400 per night, also weekly rates + a 10% IPA discount. Cinda 360-638-1811 peckkerrbakken@centurytel.net.

International

Austria

The Austria IPA has a web page that lists many hotels, inns, pensions, etc. that give discounted rates to IPA members. For more information visit reisen.ipa.at.

Canada

Whistler, BC. IPA member has condo available for rent year round. Ski in/ski out. Hot tubs, year round swimming pool in complex. Short walk to Whistler village. 10% off regular rates to IPA, Police and Fire personnel. View details at VRBO #278903 E mail donmac2000@yahoo.com.

Hotel discounts in Canada: Visit www.policehotels.com. Contact Steve Gibson at steve@rpbhotels.com.

IPA House – Brasil

Internet House Code: BRBR

Accommodation: 12 bedrooms with 4 beds in each room (accommodates 48 people), all with bathroom, air conditioning, refrigerator, TV and ceiling fan. TV lounge, equipped kitchen, dining room and open air refectory, three swimming pools, camping area, playground for children, lighted soccer field, tennis court, barbecue grills and a large green area. Parking available. Linen supplied. No pets allowed.

Location: Campo Grande is the capital of the State Mato Grosso. The house is located in one of the most exuberant forest areas in the world, Pantanal. Close to the sea and river, as well as historic sites and sporting facilities.





IPA US REGION 57 2013 Travel Event



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- *Vicksburg, MS: "Red Carpet City of the South," Vicksburg Battlefield Visitor's Center, Old Courthouse Museum and Levee St. Museum, and more.
- *Natchez, MS: center of Antebellum South; tours of Longwood (1861) & Stanton Hall (1857)
- *St. Francisville, LA: Day for shopping and boutiques!
- *Baton Rouge, LA: Louisiana State Capitol building; LSU Museum of Art; tour the USS Kidd (WWII Fletcher-class destroyer); Veterans Memorial museum, and more!
- *Houmas House Plantation and Gardens, LA: Enjoy a mint julep at the Turtle Bar in the garden – after all, the mint julep was first concocted at the Houmas House – the "Sugar Palace"!
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Message to Kevin Gordon & All IPA Members

I just wanted to thank you for "taking the ball and running with it: in regards to helping LODD widows. In fact, I'd change the old saying to "you took the ball and scored game winning touchdown." I've been reading all the newsletters, emails & websites that indicate IPA joined forces with National C.O.P.S. and that couldn't be a wiser, helpful idea there.

All LODD widows now can get double help with the IPA (as I told you my region 48 stories that let me socialize again and smile) and C.O.P.S. Also, I do not forget it was you, Kevin, that helped direct me to the local I.P.A. chapter when I moved from New Jersey to Broward, Florida.

Region 11 proved to be as much a pleasant chapter as my initial chapter was to me. In addition, my emailed wish..came true. I asked if your LODD page could include an exception to list not only active IPA members, but include my husband as well. Words can't describe my gratitude to you all when I saw his picture and story listed in that member handbook chapter weekend retreat.

National C.O.P.S puts ALL their money into programs that you see on their video and it helped me in my grief. When my husband was murdered on 9/11/2001 in the Tower 1 collapse, C.O.P.S. helped me many ways. The obvious is found in both organizations mission statements: foster friendships.

However, I have an example that is personal I'd like to share. I had reoccurring nightmares and couldn't sleep well for several years due to the media images I saw of that tower's collapse.

I went to C.O.P.S. spouses retreat (free, paid by donors such as the IPA) many times since, but in 2005 I benefited from a seminar during this retreat that taught me coping techniques to purge the nightmares. It was EMDR therapy and a certified EMDR therapist, Olga B., that was able to perform steps on me that were medicine-free and non invasive. I never had that nightmare again. It most likely prevented developing PTSD in myself. Everything was paid for by the IPA.

Please let all IPA members know that National C.O.P.S puts ALL their money into programs that you see on their video and it helped me in my grief.



*Lt. Robert Cirri
Port Authority NY/NJ PD
EOW 09/11/2001*

Submitted by Eileen Cirri

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A PSYCHOLOGICAL SURVIVAL PLAN FOR POLICE OFFICERS

Region 41 Officers Sworn In

□ Richard Nevarez

On December 4, 2012, my wife Gillian and I traveled to Santa Rosa, California to IPA Region 41.

We had a wonderful time sharing their Christmas meeting and dinner and getting to meet their new board and the company of several of their members.

I also had the honor of swearing in their new Board of Officers. As Secretary General I have tried to do that for Regions within a reasonable driving distance.

Pictured below, left to right are USA Secretary General Richard Nevarez; Region 41 Board of Officers: 1st Vice President Gerry Upson, 2nd Vice President Tom Steinbroner, Treasurer Barry Brodd, President Carla Scolieri, and Secretary Gary McMahon.



Arthur Troop 2012

I am a Police Detective, with the Ontario Police Department in Ontario, California. This year I had the privilege to be selected as an Arthur Troop Scholar. The Arthur Troop Scholarship provides a grant for travel and tuition, for advanced police studies.

I have been a member of IPA USA Region 44, since 2007. I have read many articles regarding the Arthur Troop Scholarship, IPA training and travel, and IBZ Gimborn, but never had the opportunity to personally experience it.

Although the Arthur Troop Award can be used anywhere in the world, I chose to attend the IPA IBZ at Gimborn Castle, in Germany. I chose Gimborn, because it represents the core and soul of the IPA training program, and I wanted to experience the true essence of the IPA. The IBZ seminar I chose to attend was a newly developed, week long training on Product Piracy and Intellectual Property.

The setting at Schloss Gimborn was lush and beautiful, compared to the hot, dry, bareness of southern California. The facilities at Gimborn consist of guest rooms, conference rooms, and the famous Tower Bar, in the historic main castle, and classrooms and offices in an adjacent outbuilding. The nearby Schloss Hotel Restaurant provided excellent meals and refreshments. The arrangement at Gimborn afforded a nice mix of quiet solitude and boisterous camaraderie.

On my arrival to Schloss Gimborn, I was introduced to IBZ Director Gabrielle Bischott and Seminar Proctor Friedrich Schwindt, who put on a very well planned and organized program.

The Product Piracy seminar explored the global, yet largely overlooked problem of fake and counterfeit products, foods, and medicines. These items present a clear threat to the health and safety, as well as the economies of every nation on earth. The presenters shared examples of seized items, along with graphic evidence of the bodily harm each faked item can cause. Many of the items included products that you would not normally consider when thinking about product piracy. These included medication and surgical devices, construction



Product piracy class at Schloss Gimborn

supports, cigarettes, alcohol, and food. Most are produced under subpar conditions and without necessary safety testing. The production of such goods, are not only dangerous to the consumer, but equally or more dangerous to the often human trafficked workers who produce them. The kingpins who mastermind these huge operations are often rogue governments, organized crime, or terrorist organizations. In fact, some countries have exploited the production of counterfeit goods so extensively, that multi-billion dollar industries have risen, with government support, which add billions of illicit dollars annually to those country's economies.

Friedrich or "Fritz" as he is known, led the class through group workshops and presentations, to determine what steps law enforcement, as well as brand holders, and the public can do to attack the dangers and profits from product piracy.

The seminar was not entirely classwork, though. On the third day of the seminar, all of the participants were loaded onto a tour bus for a trip to the Plagiarius Museum in Solingen, Germany. At Plagiarius,



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IPA History

□ Kevin Gordon, Historian

The 50th anniversary book is still available. Contact supplies@ipa-usa.org for more information. The book can be viewed on line at <http://www.youblisher.com/p/423274-50-years-of-friendship/>

I have found one error in the book even after it was proofed over and over. On page 37, National meetings, two years were omitted. Not sure how since they are all listed in the history section of the handbook which is where the info came from. Somehow 1991 Reno and 1992 Dallas were not listed. My apologies.

Recently while viewing old issues of the National Reporter, stuck in the binding were two of the original US 1962 member stamps. For new members, these stamps were used for years and placed on the IPA "passport" to show membership.

I was recently contacted by Region 4 member Kathy Lambros and provided information of another member who died in the line of duty in 1988. Helen Cardwell has been added to our In Memory section of the handbook which can be found on line.



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we saw displays of exceptional, faked products, alongside their legitimate counterparts. We also received an informative lecture on the legalities of pursuing product piracy cases, and efforts of the European Union and United Nations to strengthen laws on intellectual property. The museum stop was followed by a special walking tour of magnificent Cologne, Germany, guided by Johannes Holl, "the most famous police officer in Germany". As those who have had a tour with Johannes already know, the tour was both entertaining, and informative.

Students attending the seminar included police and customs officers from North Ireland and England, to Austria, Albania, and Slovenia. The camaraderie was amazing, and I made many new friends and contacts.

As well as my main trip to Gimborn, I made two side trips to meet and exchange experiences with other IPA members. On beautiful Aero Island, in Denmark, I met Lennart and Morten, the resident officers. In Luxembourg, I met Nico, a special unit tactical officer. Before flying out from Frankfurt, I was treated to a city tour by new IPA friends Gerry, Hubert, and Hubert's lovely wife Waltraud.

My IPA trip to Europe left me with a deep appreciation of the beauty, culture, and history of the individual countries I visited. It also put in perspective for me, how young America truly is, as a culture and society. I realized that many parts of America have only been occupied or built on for 3 or 4 generations, compared to cities in Europe which have stood for thousands of years.

The greatest treasure I brought back from my trip was the warmth, sincerity, and friendship of fellow police officers and IPA members from the European Sections. I look forward to returning to visit my new friends, as well as sharing my corner of the world with them as well.

Any IPA Members who wish to email me are welcome to do so at byronlee@ontariopolice.org or firebasez@aol.com.

Submitted by Byron Lee



Frankfurt Opera House



Tour at Cologne Cathedral

All Flags Came to Visit LAFP

In accordance with the Federal Law of the Russian Federation from February 7, 2011 "About police" top priority of the Russian law enforcement agencies' activity is life, health, rights and citizen freedom protection; property and public order protection; public security.

The law provides improving of police training quality, individual and group activities of law enforcement officers primarily due to the growth of their professional skills.

In accordance with the law every police officer is required to maintain the experience level necessary for the proper discharge of official duties.

In this context, it is important to investigate issues related to the training of police officers in developed Western European countries with the established democracy, which country Germany is now.

Every two years Bork Section of International Police Association organizes Friendship Week for IPA member all around. This Week is held in a small town Bork (the Federal State of North Rhine-Westphalia).

Our correspondent Vladimir Kislukhin, a retired militia colonel, IPA member, interviewed Konrad Broecker, President of IPA Bork and the general manager of the Training Center for police officers in North Rhine-Westphalia (Landesamt für Ausbildung, Fortbildung und Personalangelegenheiten der Polizei Nordrhein - Westfalen - LAFP).

Vladimir Kislukhin (VK): *Mr. Broecker, can you tell us, how did you become a policeman, and then LAFP general manager?*

Konrad Broecker (KB): I was born in Emsdetten in 1956, studied at the Police Academy in Munster, then graduated economic and law faculties of Münster University. Since 1989, I am the general manager of Training Center for police officers in North Rhine-Westphalia (LAFP). My job is to provide 200 LAFP cadets with food and uniform. I am responsible for technical

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equipment of educational process, including shooting and driving trainings, computers and other technical means. I answer for any construction and repair work at the Center's territory, such as new campus buildings for training and sports facilities. I organize meetings with German and international delegations, including Russian one, which constantly come to LAFP for experience exchange.

VK: *Mr. Broecker, it is not a secret that the current system of professional training for police officers of Germany is considered to be one of the most fundamental and progressive in the world. Please tell us about the peculiarities of future police officers training at your Center.*

KB: It is known that the main principle of German police is not to violate laws and to serve the citizens of the republic.

That's why, any candidate must pass a hard competition to study in LAFP, he must pass difficult tests during which a applicant's general culture, appropriate moral quality, excellent reputation, knowledge of German, mathematics, physical training, the state of health, loyalty to the political regime are defined.

A logical thinking exam, including the issues that characterize the mental state of a candidate and the level of his intelligence is especially difficult.

Exams are finished by an interview with the committee, consisting of two examiners and a psychologist. They determine the total number of examinees' scored points during the three stages of testing and announce his admission or denial of admission to the Centre, if the total number of points is less than the specified minimum.

The number of candidates who will be admitted on the basis of testing into the Center is determined by law of Landtag of North Rhine-Westphalia, and last two years this number is 1100. The competition among applicants to get police education varies from 7 to 10 people for the place.

LAFP teachers are experienced police officers who have at least worked for four years. The teachers are selected by specialized commission consisting of school leaders, a psychologist and an expert on the subject, which the candidate will teach. After the successful selection a police officer is sent to a 6-month course of training. After its graduation, the candidate passes tests, and only if they are positive, practitioner can become a teacher. In addition, the requirement for the future teacher is to speak at least one foreign language.

The complex includes 8 modern gallery ranges with the length from 25 to 200 meters, where students practice "Walther-P99" shooting, a huge swimming pool, sauna, bowling hall, fitness and sports halls, a huge stadium with running tracks, a race track for testing driving skills. There are the classes for the criminal process and criminalistics, forensic science and other specialized and applied sciences, library. In general, there are all the opportunities for a good training and recreation of future police officers.

Educational program for the study of all academic disciplines lasts 3 years, 37 weeks of which are devoted to the



development of students' practical skills of documentation, investigation and disclosure of various offenses. Those who have unsatisfactory results in shooting or physical training, are not allowed to pass theoretical examinations.

The final exam is not passed in the traditional form. Crimes are feigned, and the students must investigate them, gather evidence, arrest the offender, and as a result to demonstrate their competence. All the students' actions are videotaped and evaluated by the teachers. At the final training stage students practice in police departments by the guidance of experienced German police officers.

At the end of educational course a student makes a qualifying research paper in the field of police law. This work is done in writing form and defended orally or in the form of presentation. After a successful final research paper defence a graduate receives a bachelor's degree and the rank of Police Commissioner. Thus, last year, one of the best LAFP graduates, your fellow countryman, a native of Kazakhstan, Alexander Schneider was appointed on the post of Commissioner of Criminal Police in Dortmund immediately after graduation. Usually at the beginning if the career graduates occupy positions in patrol, but after a few years, having gained the experience, they go to other police departments.

In addition, in Germany, knowledge, gained during international seminars organized by LAFP, and IPA membership promote our graduates' careers.

VK: *Mr. Broecker, I would like to learn about the activity of IPA Bork Section which you preside.*

KB: Germany police, as in no other country in the world, place emphasis to IPA membership, the organization which includes more than 320,000 members in 64 countries. Regional IPA divisions organize and finance foreign internships of IPA members and students exchange between police educational institutions, what has a positive impact to the future career of a police officer - an IPA member. For instance, Alexander Schneider, whom I have already mentioned, was sent for training to Moscow University of Ministry of the Interior in Russia.

IPA German Section is one of the largest in the world and
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Region 57 Guests Get Their Kicks on Route 66

The Region 57 Route 66 held in the summer was a great time! Some folks inquired about the trip but the 14 day bus trip scared them away because of the length. Summed up by Region 29 member Jim Harris, "At first we were dreading a "bus trip," but it turned out to be the ONLY way to do Route 66. What a pleasure to meet new IPA friends and have a chance to really get to know them. We are looking forward to another trip with the Illinois region."

The group met at the start of Route 66, Chicago where we were met by Region 4 President Bob Mitzner who came bearing gifts! Our tour director said Route 66 both started in Chicago and ended there but as all true Illinoisans understand, it starts in Illinois and ends in Los Angeles, to say otherwise is almost blasphemy. Each visitor was provided a Rt. 66 Illinois ornament so they would always remember where the route began!

With only 27 on the trip, the coach was very comfortable and no concerns about crowding. About half the group was IPA so we made the non IPA honorary members for the duration of the trip.

We left Chicago and visited a variety of Rt 66 spots along the way, spending the night in Springfield after visiting the tomb of Abraham Lincoln, and then onto St. Louis. The visitors experienced the Gateway Arch, Ted Drewes, Anheuser-Busch Brewery and a St. Louis Barbecue Dinner. St. Louis County Chief and Region 8 member Tim Fitch met the group for breakfast with St. Louis County mementos!

Continuing across Missouri we visited Meramec Caverns and Branson and saw firsthand the tornado path through Joplin. Entering into Oklahoma we continued a view of true Americana for our visitors with stops at the Will Rogers Memorial, the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum and the Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum. The OK Bombing Memorial and Museum is certainly a must see on any member's trip. A very somber and moving experience. A Region 57 member's mother was killed in the Oklahoma Bombing and we took time to locate the "chair" in her memory.

Continuing west we entered Texas and visited Amarillo where we were met by Region 30 members Bonnie Watt and Wally Graves, who found time to have dinner with us and send us off in the morning with Region gifts and went with us to see the famous Cadillac Ranch where we added some paint to the cars.

Next was the great state of New Mexico and visits to Albuquerque and Santa Fe and Arizona with stops at Sky City Acoma Pueblo (the longest continuously inhabited community in North America), Painted Desert, Petrified Forest National Park, Flagstaff and Grand Canyon. Beautiful vistas, new friends and late night discussions outside the hotel rooms, what more could you ask for!

The remaining trip flew buy with a night in Las Vegas and onto Los Angeles with some time spent in Hollywood and then the required, almost ceremonial stop at Santa Monica Harbor, the recognized official end of the 2400 mile Route 66 trip. The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce was on hand to provide Certificates of Completion for the entire route. IPA member Graham Sweeper from Australia commented "the trip gave insight into the distance and conditions travelers used to experience. We truly enjoyed the journey.

Sue and Gary Brown, also from Australia IPA, said "You and all the others we met along the way and on the bus are what IPA is all about. It is the IPA—Service through friendship—personified! New friends from around the world spending time on American's most famous route, the Mother Road. It was truly a trip to remember and an experience of a lifetime.

Next up for 2013, Memphis to New Orleans on the Mississippi River aboard the American Queen.



Cadillac Ranch



Oklahoma City bombing memorial

IPA Regensburg Celebrates 50th Anniversary

On the Morning of July 13, 2012, Mayor Oberburgermeister Hans Schaidinger Welcomed all IPA Members and Guests to Regensburg, Germany for the 50th Anniversary of the IPA Regensburg.

I was called to the stage immediately after the Mayor's address by IPA Regensburg President Franz Schmalzl to meet the Mayor. I approached the Mayor and saluted him and shook his hand. I stated, "I bring you greetings and best wishes from the United States of America Section of the International Police Association." I then presented him with an IPA Gift as a small token of friendship. The Mayor then invited me to stand next to him for a photo session.

I found Mayor Schaidinger to be a very charming person who spoke English and French fluently. He stated to me that he sends his, and the Citizens of Regensburg, Germany, their very best wishes to the IPA USA section and the citizens of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Submitted by Gerald W. Colbert, Region 11



Left to right are President IPA Bavaria Germany Uwe Kokotek; President of the IPA-Regensburg, Germany Franz Schmalzl; Gerald Colbert; Oberburgermeister Hans Schaidinger, Mayor of Regensburg; Bernard Lejeune, IPA-France Member; and Rolf Schubert, Treasurer, IPA-Bavaria, Germany



Gerald Colbert and Franz Schmalzl at the presentation



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On the steps of City Hall shortly after the Mayor's address

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Precious Time by Byron Lee - 2nd Place Winner, IPA International Short Essay

Sometimes we learn life's greatest lessons, and don't even realize we're being taught.

One day my partner and I rolled on a shooting call. An elderly man was shot in one of the city's older parks. It was a place where the trees, as well as the shitters were probably over a hundred years old. A place where a menagerie of creatures, both two legged, four legged, and winged, came to seek refuge from the city's chaos.

We were the first police unit on scene. As usual, the Fire Department beat us there. My partner dropped me off, and went to pursue the trail of suspect sightings being called in by citizens.

The man was sitting on a little grass rise under a tree. He was conscious, and his eyes were alert. He was calm. At first glance, there were no visible signs of injury. I tried to ask him if he was hurt, and what his name was. He didn't acknowledge me, and continued to quietly sit and look around. I thought that he was either senile, didn't speak English, or both.

I have seen many people die from violent acts. Some right in front of me. In every case, they displayed an intense expression of panic and fear. This man was different. There was no sense of fear about him, no anxiety. We took his jacket off. There was a spot of blood. Not a big one. The paramedics cut away his shirt and found a bullet entry wound near the top of his shoulder. Throughout the mayhem, the man remained calm. He was oblivious to us, but he remained conscious. His eyes sharply focused on some distant activity in the park. Maybe a dog, maybe some kids playing. It left me with a slightly uncanny feeling.

The paramedics laid the man down to treat him. About a minute later, he turned to his side, gurgled up some blood, and died. The paramedics continued to treat him, and the ambulance took him away to the hospital.

I started the crime scene investigation. Locating witnesses, doing a grid search for casings or other evidence, trying to reconstruct what had happened. Witnesses put the actual location of the shooting about fifty yards from where we had found him. They said that he had been confronted by a group of young thugs. They began to beat him. He leaned forward to protect himself. One of the thugs pulled a gun and fired three times. The thugs ran. The old man stood up and calmly walked over to the little hill and sat down. The witness did not think the man had been hit by the gunfire.

A few hours after the shooting, darkness was setting in. We were still working the crime scene, and TV news vans were set up with their microwave antennas reaching high into the air. A young man walked up and said that he thought that he knew who the victim was. His grandfather, who was eighty nine years old, used to be a rancher in Mexico. After his wife died he sold the ranch, and moved to the states to enjoy life with his daughter and grandchildren. Every afternoon, at about two, he would walk from their house to the park. He would spend a few hours napping, feeding the pigeons, or

talking with new friends. He would then walk home, just in time for dinner. Tonight, he didn't come home from the park. When the family saw the report on TV, they knew it was their grandfather.

I told the young man that I did not think that it was his grandfather, because the man did not seem old enough to be eighty nine. The young man described the victim's clothing and jewelry. With a sinking realization, I knew he was right. As the family's eldest grandson, he volunteered to go to the hospital and identify the body. The man's wallet and jewelry were intact.

Although I had worked late into the night, the call to attend the man's autopsy came early the next morning. As the Medical Examiner went to work, I noticed that the man really did not look eighty nine. He had the body of a very healthy fifty year old. A lifetime of fresh air and hard work as a ranchero had given him solid, well toned muscles, with very little body fat. This man could have easily lived to be over a hundred, and was probably healthier than me.

The Medical Examiner found two gunshot wounds. The first was non-fatal. It had entered near the base of his neck, and traveled under the skin, along his spine, until it lodged halfway down his back. The second bullet entered the top of the man's shoulder, and through his torso, traversing both lungs, and his liver, before lodging in his intestine. This wound was fatal, and should have instantly incapacitated him. This is a shot that big game hunters dream of, because it drops the large animals in their tracks.

At the same time I was watching the autopsy, the thugs were at school, bragging about robbing an old man, and having to blast him because "the old fool wouldn't give up his shit".

Back then, I realized that this man, who had lived nearly a century, who had survived two world wars, who had survived countless natural disasters, and personal adversities, was too proud to die at the mercy of thugs. He knew he was mortally wounded, and he chose to die on his own terms. To prove it, he calmly walked fifty yards, with a fatal wound. He picked his spot, and sat down to take in the sun, the wind, the sights, and the sounds of a lifetime, for as long as he could. He ignored us because we didn't matter. He knew there was nothing that we could do for him.

A few years later, as Christmas was nearing, I thought about the old man again. It was late one night, and I was lying in bed wide awake, next to my Baby. We were going through a rocky time, and I was suffering one form of anxiety or another, wondering why things were one way instead of another. I remembered the man, and understood the other lesson of his last few minutes of life. It wasn't just a matter of pride and dignity. It was a lesson of precious time, precious time.

I realized that like the old man, I couldn't change what might happen or not happen in life. But like him, I could let go of anger, fear, and bitterness, and just absorb and enjoy the

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The Detective by Kenneth Decker-3rd Place Winner, IPA International Short Essay

Montgomery Griffin, or “Monte” as he was known to his few remaining friends, had long ago come to accept that he was a career criminal. Monte had no appreciable skills other than the innate ability to quickly identify opportunities to relieve hard-working people of their valuables. Unfortunately for him, although Monte was very good at stealing most of the time, he also routinely got caught. On the whole, Monte realized that his “skill” made him money more often than it got him thrown in jail, and jail was such a frequent experience that it wasn’t completely uncomfortable for him anyway, so his cost/benefit calculation almost always urged him to work towards the next big score.

On this particular afternoon, Monte was enjoying a walk in the neighborhood adjacent to his own. He had learned long ago not to steal too close to home; he knew there were far too many witnesses who could immediately recognize him in his own neighborhood. Although he appeared to be out for an afternoon stroll, Monte was really keeping a close eye on everyone—and more importantly, everything—around him in the hopes that someone would slip up and leave their car unlocked or their garage door open—easy targets for an accomplished thief like himself.

While he was doing his recon, Monte spotted his biggest nemesis, a property crimes detective from the local police department, who also appeared to be out for a walk. Monte knew better, though. Although Detective Bergen thought he was being slick, Monte was onto him, and knew that Bergen was actually once again keeping a very close eye on him.

Monte played this game with Detective Bergen every now and then, and he usually enjoyed it immensely. Monte would go about his business, casing cars and houses, fully aware that the detective was keeping a close eye on him. He would never actually make a move, though, while Detective Bergen was watching him. Only after the detective lost interest in Monte and disengaged from his surveillance would Monte allow himself to act when he saw an opportunity.

Monte and Detective Bergen went way back. All the way back, in fact, to Monte’s first arrest, more than 10 years before, when Monte was only 13 years old. Monte thought he was being slick when he relieved his next-door neighbor of his lawn mower while it was still in his garage. Unfortunately for Monte, a neighbor across the street watched the whole thing and soon Monte was having a conversation with Detective Bergen at the police station. It didn’t end well for Monte; he ended up in juvenile lockup for the next four weekends. From then on Monte was constantly watching for, and occasionally seeing, Detective Bergen, who seemed to have made it his life’s work to thwart Monte’s criminal tendencies.

On this day however, Monte was one step ahead of the

detective and cut his recon short due to the detective’s presence. “I’ll get by you another day, old man,” Monte thought. Unlike his normal amusement with the detective, today he found that he was getting frustrated because he really needed to pay some bills and he would be unable to proceed with his work with the detective nipping at his heels.

Monte returned to the apartment he shared with his current girlfriend and the mother of his child, Denise. When Monte arrived, Denise told him that Detective Bergen had called earlier in the day looking for him. Denise was painfully aware of Monte’s history with the detective and explained that she had “put him off,” refusing to offer the detective any information about Monte other than to say that he wasn’t currently available.

Armed with this information, Monte began to wonder what the detective wanted with him this time since he hadn’t stolen anything for over three weeks. Monte busied himself at home for the rest of the day, but his concern over Detective

Bergen actually trying to contact him was never far from his mind. It wasn’t normal for the detective to contact him before he committed a crime. And yet, it wasn’t worth the risk, or part of their “game” for that matter, for Monte to take the easy route and simply call the detective to find out what he wanted.

Monte spent the remainder of the evening considering all of the angles with regard to whether he should call the detective back or not. After thinking about the situation overnight, he decided not to call Bergen back because calling him would risk giving the detective the satisfaction of knowing how easily he could manipulate Monte. Instead, Monte decided to go for another “walk,” since he still had the same stack of unpaid bills sitting on his desk as he had the day before.

On this day, however, Monte didn’t see Detective Bergen at all as he walked through the neighborhood. He continued his surveillance, but he noticed how good it felt now that he was certain Bergen had taken the day off. As much as he hated Bergen constantly watching him and trying to make his life difficult, he liked it even more when he finally received a reprieve and noticed that Bergen wasn’t around for a day or two. Those days, of course, were “action” days for Monte, and it was becoming obvious that this was one of those days.

After spending a short time enjoying his newfound freedom, Monte got down to business. He continued to keep an eye on the same neighborhood he had walked the previous day, and before long he noticed a couple sitting in a cherry red Ford Mustang, which was parked at the curb. The male and female were having a heated argument, and he watched as both occupants jumped out of the car. The male began to walk away, screaming for the female to leave him alone. The

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has more than 60,000 members. The organization is supported by Germany Ministry of Internal Affairs and enjoys German government confidence. IPA North Rhine-Westphalia has about 16,000 members. 560 members are registered in IPA Bork. I am the president of this small in number, but a very active section, I am also a member of IPA Board Presidium in North Rhine-Westphalia. Every two year our organization, with the support of LAFP director, Dieter Schmidt, and Ministry of Internal Affairs in North Rhine-Westphalia, brings together IPA members all around the world, including such far away countries as the South African Republic, Commonwealth of Australia, Sri Lanka. The largest delegation is always from Russian city Kirov. Two years ago, I met with Nikolay Koshcheev, the president of Kirov regional IPA. It turned out that Nikolay studied in Germany during his militia service, speaks German fluently. I was pleased to learn that his delegation members are interested not only in entertaining program, but also in the experience of direct work of German police. For experience exchange especially for our friends from Kirov and at Nikolay's request we organized a meeting of Kirov police officers with various German policemen, dealing with murder disclosure, fighting terrorism-related crimes. Also, as I know, Kirov police officers visit our colleagues in neighboring Germany countries - police departments in Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg.

I should also note that there is famous castle Gimborn in North Rhine-Westphalia, it houses IPA educational institution - International Center for information and education. This Center is the place for training and professional development of international police officers, regardless of rank, position, nationality. Our guests always have a real opportunity to get acquainted with the work of the Centre, to send police officers there for retraining and study the positive experience of police activity.

VK: *Mr. Broecker, as I have noticed, you're nearly the whole day at work at LAFP. What does your family think about the fact that you constantly "disappear" at work, even on weekends?*

KB: During the years of my service in LAFP my family has born with the fact that I'm rarely home. I have grown children. My oldest daughter is 25. She has biological education and lives in Hamburg. A younger daughter is 22 now. She has decided to become a politician and studies at Tübingen University. Recently she has returned from Indonesia, where she was a volunteer.

VK: *Mr. Broecker, what do you want to wish to all IPA members?*

KB: I would like more and more police officers – IPA members from Russia as well as other countries come for experience exchange and rest to us in Bork. I am sure that they will be satisfied with their foreign counterparts' meeting, which we organize in LAFP.

Submitted by Vladimir Kislukhin, IPA member, retired militia colonel.

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woman was not giving up easily, though, and she followed the male, striking him with glancing blows all over his body as they walked.

Monte noticed immediately after the couple got out of the car that the keys were still in the ignition and the doors were open. As he was watching them leave Monte did several mental calculations. He had a good idea that this single score would bring enough cash to take care of all of the bills he was behind on. He already had a fence he trusted that he could sell the car to, and he knew that his chances of getting caught were very low because the keys were with the car, so he wouldn't have to peel the column like he normally did before stealing a car. And, of course, he had his work gloves, which he carried for just such an occasion and which would assure that he left no fingerprints in the car.

Finally, weighing heavily in the back of his mind was the fact that Detective Bergen was nowhere to be seen for a change. It felt like a sign. In those few seconds, Monte did the math and decided the reward in this case was well worth the risk.

Monte jumped into the driver's seat and closed the doors. This was the moment he loved: when the adrenaline rushed through his system while he was committing a theft. He had only a few moments to enjoy the high, however, because he had to act fast. He put the car in gear and stomped on the accelerator. Instead of moving, however, the car's doors locked, the windows rolled up and the engine shut off. Before he could process what had just happened, cops came from every direction, guns drawn, yelling orders at him to get out of the car and get down on the ground.

Monte immediately knew he had been duped. He was sitting in a police bait car waiting to be arrested, and there was absolutely nothing he could do about it. He slowly got out of the car and assumed the position he knew all too well, prone on the ground while the officers handcuffed and searched him.

While he was on the ground he replayed the entire situation in his mind. He couldn't understand how all of his experience and intuition had led him so horribly wrong on this particular morning. While he was contemplating his situation, Monte saw someone approaching from between the houses. The man he was watching looked more and more familiar the closer he got. When he was close enough, Monte saw that it was Detective Bergen. Bergen had a big smile on his face and seemed to be thoroughly enjoying Monte's situation.

The detective brazenly approached him, bent down and said: "Now, just because you didn't see me, I hope you didn't think I'd forgotten about you, Monte."

What is the International Police Association?

So what is this thing called the International Police Association, the IPA? No, this IPA is not the Illinois Police Association nor the Idaho, Indiana or Iowa Police Association. It's not a state organization. It's not the company that hires you and sends you to help police distressed foreign areas. The IPA is the oldest and largest police fraternal organization and yet most American police officers have never heard of it. Why?

The IPA, founded in 1950, is an organization based on idealism with the goal and purpose of creating bonds of friendship and promoting co-operation. Yes, that's correct, the IPA is based on intangibles. Things we realize can't be touched or easily explained. The intangible of idealism. The intangible of friendship. How do you explain such intangibles to a potential new member when they asks "why should I join, what's in it for me?" How do you explain that together we are pursuing higher goals of friendship and trust across national borders, which in the words of Arthur Troop was needed "otherwise there would be virtually no future for mankind." Or as former International IPA President Jurgen Klos once said, "Where there is friendship, there is peace." Or as Dr. Yosef Burg, former Israeli Interior minister said, "Friendship is peace."

How do you explain that the 400,000 members around the world in over 60 countries aren't paid and are all volunteers! Four hundred thousand police officers that believe in friendship and the benefits it can bring each other. Four hundred thousand police officers that are willing to assist you in whatever it is you need. How do you explain the uniqueness that is demonstrated by never creating a rank-conscious atmosphere among members who work in a quasi-military or military structure?

It's easy to explain that for just twenty-five dollar annual dues, the member will receive several magazines a year and that if they are a patch or uniform or badge or challenge coin collector, there is no better way. It's easy to explain that they are able to attend training courses at the IPA Training Facility in Germany and that the IPA provides scholarships for members and children and grandchildren of members.

But it is harder to explain the intangible benefit of meeting officers from around the world, home hosting a fellow officer from another country or staying at their home when you travel, whether organized group travel or individual travel. Who better to give you a tour of their town than a fellow officer who works there? You don't travel, that's okay you can still home host others. And you don't have to travel around the world to travel the IPA way. There are officers around the country willing to assist you. Maybe your youngster would like to have an "email pal" in another country to help them expand their awareness and help them experience other cultures and traditions first hand and who better than another cop's kid to talk to or help learn and refine foreign language skills.

The IPA frees us from our jurisdictional restraints that officers know too well. As officers we become very familiar

with our local officers, officers from the adjacent town or county and many from the state level who work our area. Occasionally when assigned to a task force or sent somewhere for training, we get to step out of our jurisdiction and meet officers from other areas. We usually sum it up quickly with the cop questions: what agency you work for, how many officers, what shift you work etc. Those very few basic questions that civilians would find without any real purpose but to an officer, they tell us everything we need to know. We enjoy our brief time with our newly met fellow officers, all the time realizing that after the class, with all the best intentions and claims to meet up again, we realize it probably will not happen. Remember your academy class? You went through hell together and bonded in a way civilians can't grasp. But how many have you seen recently? How many have you seen in the last 20 years? That's what the IPA does. It lets us meet officers from around the country and world and gives us a formal organization to promote those friendships and opportunities to build on those friendships.

Steve Livingston, an IPA national officer, says "belonging to the IPA is like having good friends around the world to help in whatever you need. Maybe you need advice on an area or would like to do a ride along in another country, or just want help on your family tree or in collecting a patch. Whatever you need in another country, who better to help than a fellow officer?" Like many IPA members, Steve has hosted many officers from around the world at his home and at his agency.

Italian State Police Officer Nicola Zichella joined the IPA in 1992. He says "I joined to be culturally informed from colleagues of other police departments in Europe on how they work, what tools they use in their agencies and to inform our Italian colleagues through police journals, blogs and other methods." Nicola is editor of foreign affairs with Italian *Atlasorbis* magazine that often uses contributions from IPA friends around the world.

Colonel Vladimir Kislukhin, a Russian police officer, said the IPA has allowed him to communicate with colleges around the world. The IPA created a Russian section in 1992. Vladimir said "before the IPA, Soviet and Russian police officers couldn't go abroad and learn how officers in other countries did the job. The KGB was always frightened that police officers of that country would enlist the police officer to work as a spy. The IPA has opened the world to us". What a powerful statement!

Calvin Chow, a US member from the San Francisco area believes the friendships he has built are the most important aspect. Chow said, "I've never had better friends than the friends I met through the IPA and they are friends from around the world."

Manfred Greitemeyer, a retired officer from Germany, said "the IPA brings police officers from around the world together

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as friends. I love being a member and I have friends around the world that would never have happened without the International Police Association”.

The opportunities provided by membership in the IPA are

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almost incalculable. Take the first step, join, then meet friends from around the country and world. We all know in this business, things can be true and still not be completely accurate. It's the same with the IPA. It is true; the IPA is the world's oldest and largest police fraternal organization. But more accurate, the IPA is what you make of it. So if you are member, I hope you will consider becoming more active. And if you aren't a member, well you have friends you haven't met yet waiting to hear from you and the only thing in the way is you haven't yet joined.

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richness and experience of my precious time.

As my Baby lay sleeping I let go, and used all the senses and soul of my being to soak up the smell of her hair, the touch of her bare skin, her taste on my lips, and the love and warmth from her heart and unique personality.

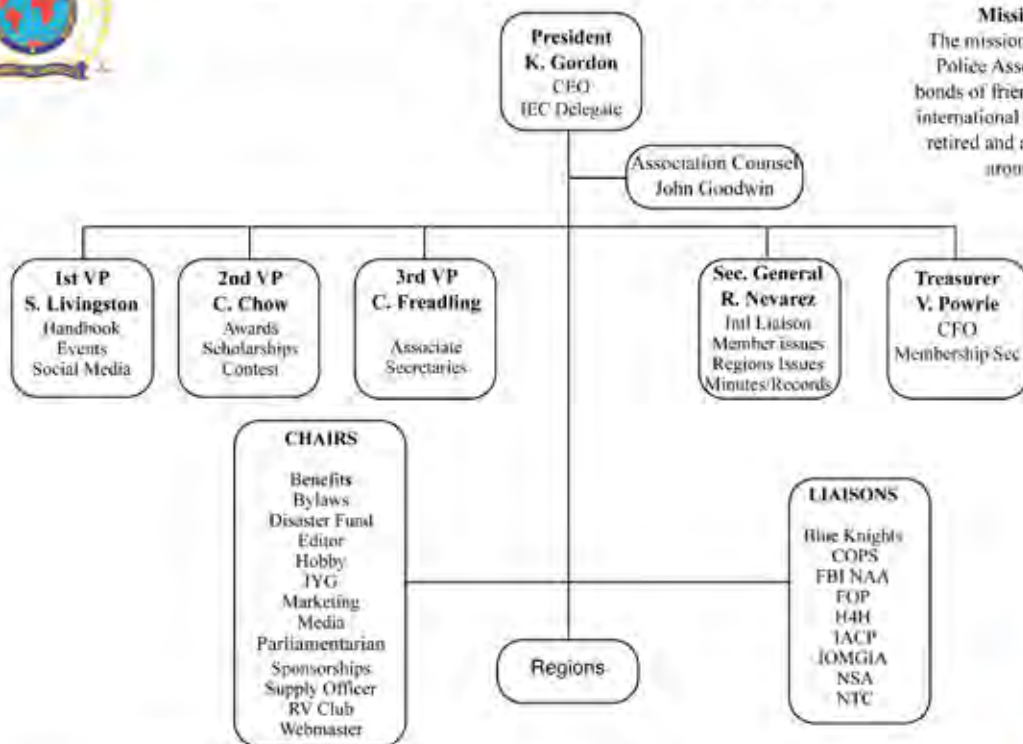
As I typed these last words, I poured a glass, and drank to the old man, who didn't know me, but in his final moments taught me that death can be faced without fear, and to value my precious time. And like the old man, I am calm.

INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION US SECTION



Mission Statement

The mission of the International Police Association is to create bonds of friendship and to promote international co-operation between retired and active police officers around the world.



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To continue the development of cultural relations amongst members through an exchange of professional experience, training, fraternalism, and ideas while contributing, within the limits of the IPA's framework, to the peaceful co-existence of different peoples and to the preservation of world peace.

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