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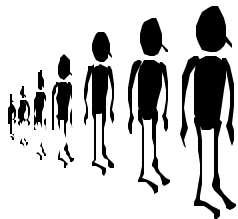
Financial Report



North Region	NA	Checking
Central Valley	NA	Checking
	NA	Savings
Central Coast	\$355.70	Checking
	\$5,721.45	Certificate of Deposit
	\$9,055.40	Money Market Acct.
South Region	\$4,449.96	Checking
State Balance	\$3,294.55	Checking

membership. Please do so. Applications can be downloaded from the website. Make **ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO C.A.P.T.O.** Only the mailing address changes to read: Fran Simpson, c/o CPOA 1455 Response Rd., Ste 190, Sacramento, CA 95815. Phone 916-263-0541, fax 916-263-6090.

Be sure you submit an application with your membership fees. We need to know who to credit the payment to!



Members:

North Region:	78
Central Valley:	36
Central Coast:	16
South Region:	39
Total Members:	169

HOW ARE WE DOING ON OUR WEBSITE?

- ? 26,348 hits since January 1, 2002
- ? 80% of the hits are between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Not getting your newsletter by e-mail when you could? Drop your editor an e-mail at captoeditor@aol.com. Get your newsletter faster!!

NEED TO GET THE WORD OUT?

CAPTO newsletter and the CAPTO website are available for advertising upcoming training classes. We have the means. Let's make the most of it!

HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR DUES?

Membership has taken a downward spiral. I would imagine many of you have not renewed your

One-month advance notice is recommended. Send the material to the CAPTO Editor by e-mail. The class will be posted to the website and if timely, the Newsletter.

North Chapter – June or July 2002

No report.

updates requirements, funding outlook and new mental disability training.

South Chapter – June 28, 2002

Meeting called to order at 0915 hours by President Kurt Wampole at the Holiday Inn Select in Riverside.

Old Business: Overview of the conference schedule, registration packets and conference needs. Registration packets will be sent to South Bay Regional Training Consortium who will mail them out to the membership as soon as CPOA mails the CopsWest registration forms.

Treasurer Report: Unavailable

POST Report: Lupe DelaGarza discussed perishable skills, racial profiling training, instructor certification; new format for the 80 hour supervisory course, FTO

There are four members signed up to work the registration table – Eddie Gilbert, SDSUPD, Jan Barandon San Bernardino DA, Marianne Yuste and an associate from South Bay Regional Training. More volunteers are needed to assist at the registration table and in staff work.

Still looking for a presenter for the opening ceremonies. Some ideas were shared, but more are needed.

Danny Calleros reported on the status of the gift bags. Looking into black attaché case type bag, t-shirt, coffee mug and assorted small commemoratives.

Greg Block reported on the status of corporate donations, which is slim. Most corporations contacted will be at CopsWest and unwilling to make a donation.

There was a discussion of budget and raffle prizes.

New Business: Elections for 2002-2003 year were held. New officers are:

President – John Storm, Imperial County Sheriff
1st VP – Greg Block, Self Defense Firearms Training
2nd VP – Paul Gamache, Corona PD
Secretary – Kurt Wampole, UCPD Riverside
Treasurer – Danny Calleros, Vernon PD
Sgt. At Arms: Vacant

Roundtable:

- ? Randy West of Anaheim PD announced that his department has a new training facility and invited all to stop by and visit. Possible location for future chapter meetings.
- ? Kurt Wampole advised that there were only four places left in the Beretta Armorer course to be held September 23 – 25, 2002.

Next Meeting: September 4 in Redondo Beach. Specifics are TBA and will be announced.

Central Valley Chapter – June or July 2002

No report.

Central Coast Chapter – July 9, 2002

Meeting was called to order by Bud Silva, Chapter President.

Old Business: Bud Silva reported the plaque for John Ferdolage's retirement was purchased and presented to him on July 3, 2002. The bill will be forwarded to Larry Cooper, Chapter Treasurer.

Orozco inquired about the status of the binders for the Allan Hancock College Law Enforcement Academy recruits that the CAPTO Central Coast Chapter was

intending to purchase, have the CAPTO logo imprinted on each, and distributed to recruits at the beginning of the academy. Orozco will confer with Genevieve Sweet (AHC) and Al Avila (AHC) regarding the cost of binders and the timeframe for printing the binders with the CAPTO logo. Ron Harmon (ASH) suggested getting in touch with RCPI-LA regarding the costs. Rebecca Muell (UCSB PD) suggested a cap of \$1000.00 be set aside for the purchase of the binders and for printing costs. She also indicated that AHC quite possibly has a supplier already. All members present were in favor of the cap of \$1000.00.

Orozco inquired about the status of the CAPTO name badges for members. Silva indicated that he would contact Cooper regarding the status of the name badges.

New Business: Harmon expressed interest in any upcoming Train-the-Trainer courses for Racial Profiling. Muell indicated she was informed there would be a course offering in August from the Museum of Tolerance on the topic.

Post Report: No POST representative was present. Silva reminded everyone present about the perishable skills training requirement whereby 14 hours of the 24 hours of continuing professional training need to be specific to fulfill certain perishable skills. Muell indicated that a recent POST Telecourse was aired that would satisfy two of the four hours of the Tactical Communications requirement.

Roundtable:

Fox announced a POST-certified, Plan IV, 12-hour, Weapons of Mass Destruction for Executives course offering August 8-9, 2002 at the PG&E Center and opened the course up to line personnel and SWAT members as well. The National Sheriffs' Association and FBI will teach the course. Lunch is complimentary. POST is scheduled to be in attendance to evaluate the course. Fox requested that Orozco redistribute the information on this course via email.

Fox announced the offering of a POST-certified, 40-hour, Firearms Instructor course, October 28 to November 1, 2002. The maximum allowed in the class is twelve students.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2002. Fox will contact Juventino Ortiz from State Parks to inquire about possibly having the next meeting at Hearst Castle along with a BBQ. More information and details will follow.

You're Not a Cop Until You Taste Them

Author unknown

The department was all-astir, there was a lot of laughing and joking due to all the new officers, myself included, hitting the streets today for the first time. After months of seemingly endless amounts of classes, paperwork, and lectures we were finally done with the Police Academy and ready to join the ranks of our department.

All you could see were rows of cadets with huge smiles and polished badges. As we sat in the briefing room, we could barely sit still anxiously awaiting our turn to be introduced and given our beat assignment or, for the lay person, our own portion of the city to "serve and protect,"

It was then that he walked in. A statue of a man - 6 foot 3 and 230 pounds of solid muscle, he had black hair with highlights of gray and steely eyes that make you feel nervous even when he wasn't looking at you. He had a reputation for being the biggest and the smartest officer to ever work our fair city.

He had been on the department for longer than anyone could remember and those years of service had made him into somewhat of a legend.

The new guys, or "rookies" as he called us, both respected and feared him. When he spoke, even the most seasoned officers paid attention. It was almost a privilege when one of the rookies got to be around when he would tell one of his police stories about the old days. But we knew our place and never interrupted for fear of being shooed away. He was respected and revered by all who knew him.

After my first year on the department I still had never heard or saw him speak to any of the rookies for any length of time. When he did speak to them all he would say was, "So, you want to be a policeman, do you hero? I'll tell you what, when you can tell me what they taste like, then you can call yourself a real policeman."

This particular phrase I had heard dozens of times. Me and my buddies all had bets about "what they taste like" actually referred to. Some believed it referred to the taste of your own blood after a hard fight. Others thought it referred to the taste of sweat after a long day's work.

Being on the department for a year, I thought I knew just about everyone and everything. So one afternoon, I mustered up the courage and walked up to him. When he looked down at me, I said, "You know, I think

I've paid my dues. I've been in plenty of fights, made dozens of arrests, and sweat my butt off just like everyone else. So what does that little saying of yours mean anyway?"

With that, he merely stated, "Well, seeing as how you've said and done it all, you tell me what it means, hero." When I had no answer, he shook his head and snickered, "rookies," and walked away.

The next evening was to be the worst one to date. The night started out slow, but as the evening wore on, the calls became more frequent and dangerous. I made several small arrests and then had a real knock down drag out fight. However, I was able to make the arrest without hurting the suspect or myself. After that, I was looking forward to just letting the shift wind down and getting home to my wife and daughter.

I had just glanced at my watch and it was 11:55, five more minutes and I would be on my way to the house. I don't know if it was fatigue or just my imagination, but as I drove down one of the streets on my beat, I thought I saw my daughter standing on someone else's porch. I looked again but it was not my daughter as I had first thought, but merely a small child about her age. She was probably only six or seven years old and dressed in an oversized T-shirt that hung to her feet. She was clutching an old rag doll in her arms that looked older than me. I immediately stopped my patrol car to see what she was doing outside her house at such an hour by herself. When I approached, there seemed to be a sigh of relief on her face. I had to laugh to myself, thinking she sees the hero policeman come to save the day.

I knelt at her side and asked what she was doing outside.

She said "My mommy and daddy just had a really big fight and now mommy won't wake up." My mind was reeling. Now what do I do? I instantly called for backup and ran to the nearest window. As I looked inside I saw a man standing over a lady with his hands covered in blood, her blood. I kicked open the door, pushed the man aside and checked for a pulse, but unable to find one. I immediately cuffed the man and began doing CPR on the lady.

It was then I heard a small voice from behind me, "Mr. Policeman, please make my mommy wake up." I continued to perform CPR until my backup and medics arrived but they said it was too late. She was dead.

I then looked at the man. He said, "I don't know what happened. She was yelling at me to stop drinking and go get a job, and I had just had enough. I just shoved her so she would leave me alone, and she fell and hit her head."

As I walked the man out to the car in handcuffs, I again saw that little girl. In the five minutes that has passed, I went from hero to monster. Not only was I unable to wake up her mommy, but now I was taking daddy away too.

Before I left the scene, I thought I would talk to the little girl. To say what, I don't know. Maybe just to tell her I was sorry about her mommy and daddy. But as I approached, she turned away and I knew it was useless and I would probably make it worse.

As I sat in the locker room at the station, I kept replaying the whole thing in my mind. Maybe if I would have been faster or done something different, just maybe that little girl would still have her mother. And even though it may sound selfish, I would still be the hero.

It was then that I felt a large hand on my shoulder. I heard that all too familiar question again, "Well, hero, what do they taste like?" But before I could get mad or shout some sarcastic remark, I realized that all the emotions had flooded the surface and there was a steady stream of tears cascading down my face. It was at that moment that I realized what the answer to his question was.... Tears.

With that, he began to walk away, but he stopped. "You know, there was nothing you could have done differently," he said. "Sometimes you can do everything right and still the outcome is the same. You may not be the hero you once thought you were, but now you ARE a police officer."

Upcoming Training Courses

- ? September 23-25, 2002 - **Barretta Armorer's Training Course**. The University of California Riverside Police Department, in cooperation with Beretta USA, will be hosting this three day course open to sworn law enforcement officers and certain non sworn personnel. All necessary materials (guns, tools, manuals, etc.) will be provided by Beretta USA. Course fee is \$218, which is not POST reimbursable. The class will be limited to 20 students and payment in full will be required to secure a space in this class.
- ? October 3, 4, and 25, 2002 – **Presentation Skills Course** at South Bay Public Safety Training Consortium. This course is designed for trainers, instructors, and supervisors to develop or refresh skills used in any presentation environment, whether in front of a classroom, a large audience or governing board. It will provide students with a basic understanding of presentation skills and techniques that can be applied in a teaching or presentation environment, including concepts of adult learning, learning activities, facilitation of small group discussions, public speaking and resources available to enhance training. A 4hour computer lab will be offered for PowerPoint instruction. This course meets the minimum requirements for instructors that become effective July 1, 2002. Class size is limited. Course will be POST and STC certified. To register, contact South Bay Public Safety Training Consortium at 408-270-6458.
- ? October 7-11, 2002 - **CSTI Terrorism Course**. A flyer can be downloaded from the website at www.cpto-online.org.
- ? October 28-November 1, 2002 – **Train the Trainer Course** sponsored by the San Diego Regional Training Center. This course is designed to develop or refresh training skills for trainers. It will provide students with a basic understanding of the concepts of adult learning and techniques that can be applied including learning activities, facilitation of small groups, public speaking and resources to enhance training. Special emphasis is placed on lesson plan development. For more information, contact San Diego Regional Training Center 858-550-0040.

2002 CAPTO Conference Tentative Schedule (Updated 2/12/02)

Dates: September 16, 17, 18 & 19, 2002

Location: Doubletree Hotel, Ontario California in conjunction with CopsWest

Sunday, September 15: 1900 – 2100: State Board Dinner & Meeting

Monday, September 16: 1300 – 1700: Opening Ceremony/Opening Speaker

Tuesday, September 17: 0800 – 1700: CopsWest Exhibit and training courses

Wednesday, September 18

0800 – 1200: Dave Grossman

1200 – 1300: Lunch provided by CAPTO

1300 – 1700: Dave Grossman

1800 – 2200: Dinner & Entertainment provided by CAPTO

Thursday, September 19

0800 – 1200: Closing ceremony/Closing speaker

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