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TWICE A CITIZEN BANQUET HONORS RESERVES AND COMMUNITY LEADERS

By Reserve Officer Michael Sellars

The annual Twice a Citizen banquet was held on April 11 in the renovated ballroom of the Sheraton Universal Hotel, on top of the hill in Universal City.

Reserve Officer Bertram N. Szathmary from Central Traffic Division was named Department Reserve Officer of the Year. In his 32 years of service, he has made more than 1,600 arrests and received over 42 commendations. Prior to CTD, he

worked Rampart Area Patrol for 20-plus years. He worked Vice, Gangs and Narcotics Units for over 10 years, in undercover and special operations, and has served as a training officer. Officer Szathmary also received the Central Bureau Award.

The other Bureau Reserve Officers of the Year were Reserve Officer Timothy D. Borquin (West Los Angeles Area) for West Bureau; Reserve Officer Douglas C. Webb (77th Street Area) for South

Bureau; Reserve Officer Ismael Moreno (North Hollywood Area) for Valley Bureau; and Reserve Officer Warren D. Dern (Training Division) for Specialized Divisions.

Service pins were presented to reserve officers with 25 or more years of service. Forty-five

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RESERVE CORPS AT THE OSCARS



LAPD Reserve Motors working this year's Oscars. The team was tasked with all vehicle and pedestrian traffic on the red carpet.



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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Message From the Co-Presidents of the Reserve Foundation

By Karla Ahmanson and Reserve Officer Michael Sellars

It has been a busy year.

We wish to again congratulate all of our Reserve Officers and Specialists of the Year, who were honored at our 2015 Twice a Citizen banquet. Congratulations to Reserve Police Officer Bertram N. Szathmary, who has received over 42 commendations in his 32 years of service, and to the officers who received their service pins, from those with 25 years of service all the way up to Officers John Cresto and Dennis Zine (retired Sergeant and former City Council member), with 45 years of service.

Community leaders — Council Member Tom LaBonge, for his longstanding support of our city, and Ira Reiner, president and CEO of the Homeland Security Advisory Council — were recognized as being Twice a Citizen. These recognitions are

essential to building our relationship with our community, to tell your story and raise the funds we need to support the Corps. In this way, our banquet serves two important purposes: recognizing our Reserve Corps and supporting the Corps.

The Andrea Friedman Award was presented to retiring Assistant Chief Sandy Jo MacArthur, who has always gone above and beyond for the Corps. This past year, she steadfastly worked with the new Reserve Advisory Committee to bring very meaningful changes.

Funding opportunities have concentrated on projects that especially matter to our reserve officers. This has included additional training that provides the tactical/perishable skills essential for officer safety. The Board provided funding for the first Simunition firearms classes. This was

great training that would not have otherwise been provided due to budget constraints.

LAPRF was awarded “Gold Participant” status in 2014 by GuideStar. In addition, GreatNonprofits selected your Foundation as a “2014 Top-Rated Non-Profit.” This has been achieved by providing the information and reviews that philanthropic organizations and individuals need. A strong reputation has been an essential step in taking this Foundation to the next level.

We want to remind you that the LAPRF is now in the Ralphs Community Rewards program, as well as the Amazon Smile program. Please sign up and tell your friends. See pages 11 and 17 for details.

Soon you will be receiving a survey that will assist us in our efforts to support the entire Reserve Corps. This survey is vital and will receive our full

COMMENDATION FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

Deputy Chief Michael P. Downing, commanding officer of the Counter-Terrorism and Special Operations Bureau, presented the following commendation dated May 5, 2015.

“On behalf of the Los Angeles Police Department and the Leadership in Counter Terrorism (LinCT) Alumni Association, I would like to commend the below listed officers for their

outstanding contribution to the 2015 International Intelligence Conference of Counter Terrorism Practitioners.

“The conference was held on April 28, 29 and 30, 2015, at the Sheraton Universal Hotel, located at 333 Universal Hollywood Drive, North Hollywood, California. The conference provided the targeted audience of law enforcement, public safety executives and intelligence

leaders with a mixture of global and local practitioners’ perspectives on threats, strategies, analysis, integration and the way forward. The theme for this event was ‘The Ever-Changing Threat Environment Both Abroad and at Home, and Our Collaborative Response.’

“On April 29, 2015, these reserve officers played an integral role in the success of the off-campus event at the Greek Theatre, located at 2700 North Vermont Avenue. As required by the Greek Theatre, specific security postings were necessary and these officers performed this task effectively. Each officer demonstrated exceptional professionalism, security expertise and community service. The partners from the Five Eyes countries were extremely impressed and appreciative.

“I extend my personal gratitude to each and every one of these fine officers.”

Officers commended: A. Austria, G. Bautista, C. Charton, J. Choplin, R. Glucroft, M. Gutierrez, S. Hamilton, L. Herman, S. Hong, S. Hsu, B. Khalili, R. Matsui, J. Matthews, T. McDowell, T. Moore, J. Nocket, E. Ortiz, G. Patel, M. Payette and L. Rowland. 



attention, as well as that of former President Mel Kennedy. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Karla Ahmanson at kahmanson@laprf.org or Michael Sellars at msellars@laprf.org with any questions, concerns or ideas. We value your feedback. We thank Chief Charlie Beck for his continued leadership and support.

This will be an exciting year, and we look forward to working with Assistant Chief Michel Moore; Commander Patrick Smith, the new Department Reserve Coordinator; and Lieutenant Darnell Davenport, new OIC of the Reserve Section.

On behalf of the Board, thank you for your continued dedication to the Department and to our city. And to all of your families, a deeply sincere thanks for giving so much of you.

Be safe. ☺

TOY GIVEAWAY



LAPD reserve and full-time officers, along with LAFD Station 28, supported a toy giveaway at Toys "R" Us on Sunday, December 7.

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RESERVE CORPS IN THE NEWS: LAPD OFFICERS BUY CLOTHES FOR HOMELESS MAN

On Thursday, December 25, at 5:03 p.m. — Christmas evening — KABC News posted the following story recognizing the actions of Hollywood Area Reserve Officers Bernard Khalili and Trevor Ingold:

Two Los Angeles Police Department officers drove a homeless man to a Ross Dress for Less store in Hollywood and bought him clothes and shoes earlier this month.

Witness Marc Najjar thought the officers deserved recognition and contacted ABC7.

The officers were responding to a radio call of a disturbance, but when they arrived at the scene, they found no crime — only a man with no shirt or shoes on a cold, wet morning.

So the officers, identified as Bernard Khalili and Trevor Ingold, drove the man to the off-price department store in Hollywood

and bought the man a shirt, a jacket and a pair of shoes.

Then customers, realizing what the officers had done, chipped in themselves to buy the man even more.

“It was an amazing sight to see. They are, I wanna say, angels in disguise,” Najjar said. “God bless them and keep them safe. This is something that you don’t see very often.”

LAPD Sergeant Leonard Calderon says the officers never reported what they had done.

“We never would’ve known unless we would’ve got the phone

call from ABC,” Calderon said. “Officers do this, not looking for attention. They realize that their job here is not just to enforce laws and to take people to jail. They see a need, they fill it.”

The news story is online at <http://abc7.com/news/lapd-officers-buy-clothes-for-homeless-man/450694/>. ☺



ASSISTANT CHIEF'S MESSAGE

By Assistant Chief Michel Moore

Recently, I was given the opportunity to serve as the new director of the Office of Administrative Services. Within that branch of the organization resides the Department's reserve program.

First off, I'd like to acknowledge Assistant Chief Sandy Jo MacArthur's service as the outgoing director. She retires with over 35 years on the job and was a tireless supporter of our volunteer and reserve programs.

As your new director, I'm looking forward to the opportunity to continue to support and improve upon the mission and good works of the Reserve Officer and Volunteer Coordination Section, and you all. At the recent Twice a Citizen banquet, I was again reminded of your level of professionalism, commitment and truly humbling sense of civic duty. Balancing your responsibilities to work and family with your commitment to the City as a reserve officer is honorable, and no doubt challenging.

I'm truly thankful for the work you do and the role you play in policing this city of nearly four million residents. When you compare our full-time sworn personnel strength at just shy of 10,000 officers with the NYPD's 34,000 sworn personnel over roughly the same number of square miles, the LAPD would need about 6,000 more officers to equal NYPD's per-capita

deployment. For that reason, Los Angeles has often been called "the most under-policed major city in America."

You help make a difference in that equation.

As such, the success of the reserve program is vitally important to me, to the Chief of Police and to our Board of Police Commissioners. I'm



committed to building on your successes and working to constantly improve the program. To that end, I invite your input and comments, acknowledging not only what we do well but, more importantly, where we can improve.

This is an exciting time in policing. The convergence of technology and social media has highlighted what we do like never before. Media stories that focus on police behavior have flooded the airwaves. As evidenced by high-profile events in Ferguson, New York City and Baltimore, our continued professional conduct will be key to maintaining the community trust that we've fought so hard to obtain. What you do matters.

The critical spotlight is even more important for reserve officers. When you don the LAPD uniform, pin on the badge and work a community event, patrol a crime hotspot or stand in a skirmish line, the citizens you impact don't see you as a "reserve officer"; they see a Los Angeles police officer.

We are truly the finest law enforcement organization in the nation, and the professionalism and character of our reserve officers has contributed to that legacy. I look forward to navigating these challenging new times with you, supporting your extraordinary work and taking the reserve program to the next level. 🌐

MESSAGE FROM THE NEW OIC OF ROVS

By Lieutenant Darnell Davenport

Hello, reserve police officers. I am very proud of my new assignment as the officer in charge of the Reserve Officer and Volunteer Section (ROVS). I could never have imagined 30 years ago, when I was in the Academy as a reserve police officer (RPO), that I would one day lead the unit that is responsible for my reserve Academy training. My experience as a former RPO and as a Department volunteer provides me with a

unique insight into the historical and real-world challenges faced by RPOs and Department volunteers. RPOs supplement full-time officers and provide a real service to the community.

In my short time back, it has become very clear to me that each RPO's level of participation, care and engagement has brought great improvements to the reserve program. The caliber of reserve officers and the ways we operate the program have improved, but that would not be the case if not for each RPO's commitment, creativity and high standards.

Under my leadership, the ROVS will focus on recruiting new RPOs and Department volunteers, improving and establishing new training, increasing communications, and improving relationships between the ROVS and the fine officers who comprise our Reserve Corps and Department volunteers.

I look forward to working with each of you. If you have any questions, concerns or ideas, please do not hesitate to contact me at (310) 342-3006, or email me at 25877@lapd.lacity.org. Thank you. 🌐

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RESERVE CORPS

year pins were presented to Reserve Officers John Cresto and former City Council Member and retired Sergeant Dennis Zine.

The second annual Andrea Friedman Award was presented to retired Assistant Chief Sandy Jo MacArthur, for going “above and beyond” in support of the Corps. The two other community leaders honored were Council Member Tom LaBonge, for his longstanding service to the City, and Ira Reiner, President and CEO of Homeland Security Advisory Council, who has also served in Los Angeles public office for over 15 years.

Speaking to reserve officers and their families, Chief Charlie Beck said, “It’s an amazing thing you

do, including law enforcement and the Los Angeles Police Department in your lives, and I thank you for it.” It was 40 years ago this year, the Chief recalled, that he went through the Academy and became a LAPD reserve officer. “I know how hard it is, to have a full life and a full career, and still do this . . . It’s not easy to be a cop; in fact it might be harder than ever.”

“The people in this room have an incredible reservoir of humanity, hope, and an ability to do something that all of policing needs so much right now — to serve as a connection between law enforcement and the public,” he continued. “The LAPD is made better — not by a little but by a lot — because of our reserve officers.”

The new Department Reserve Coordinator, Commander Patrick Smith, gave a heartfelt speech paying tribute to Reserve Policeman George Booker Mogle, who is known to be the first LAPD reserve officer killed in the line of duty, in 1946. Commander Smith revealed a portrait of Policeman Mogle to be hung in the offices of the Reserve Unit.

It turned into a star-studded evening, as the cast of the TV series *Major Crimes* hosted the festivities. And they enthusiastically bid on

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The banquet included a tribute to Reserve Policeman George Booker Mogle, as presented by Commander Patrick Smith, Department Reserve Coordinator.

TWICE A CITIZEN BANQUET - CONTINUED FROM PG 5

auction items, helping to raise much-needed funds for the Corps.

LAPRF Co-President Karla Ahmanson had a special announcement: "Two years ago, we honored the cast and crew of the television show *Major Crimes* for their positive portrayal of a specialized LAPD squad dealing with high-profile or particularly sensitive crimes. They were so taken by your excellence, they are here tonight as our masters of ceremony and it is a pleasure to announce — for the first time anywhere, *Major Crimes* is going to incorporate our reserve program into their story line."


Co-President Michael Sellars said that "the indistinguishable professionalism (of the Corps) is our success story, but it is also our challenge — to tell this story."

Recognizing a family who has been part of that story, he said: "Paul Martinez (Hollenbeck

Area) retired as an LAPD reserve officer this past week after 32 years of service. He started in 1983, but that is not the start of the story. In 1951, his father, Paul V. Martinez, became a reserve officer and served 42 years. Paul's brother, Vincent, served as a specialist for 26 years. The Martinez family has given exactly 100 years of combined service."

Auctioneer duties were handled by Kelley Nelson. The annual banquet is funded by the Los Angeles Police Reserve Foundation. The Foundation extended special gratitude to: The Ahmanson Foundation; Andrews International; Ambassador Frank and Kathy Baxter; Council Member Joe Buscaino; Mark Deitch and 911MEDIA; Council Member Mitchell Englander; Fazio Cleaners; Robert and Judy Flesh; The Frandzel Family; Galpin Motors; Rickey Gelb and the Gelb Group of Companies; Gary and Linda Goldfein; Council

Member Tom LaBonge; Lattie, Malanga and Libertino LLP; Los Angeles Police Command Officers Association; Los Angeles Police Federal Credit Union; Los Angeles Police Protective League; Peter Lowy of the Westfield Corporation; The cast and producers of *Major Crimes* (including James Duff, Robert Gossett and Phillip Keene); Barry Maiten; John Moriarty; Peter and Merle Mullin; Petersen Automotive Museum; Ms. Kelley Nelson; Ira Reiner; The Resnick Foundation; The Riordan Foundation; Michael Rosson and California Supply; Bobby Sherman and Volunteer EMT Foundation; Shiny Objects; Neil and Elaine Simon; Turner Broadcasting System; Walter Wang and JM Eagle Inc.; and Scherr Lillico and The Proper Image Special Events.

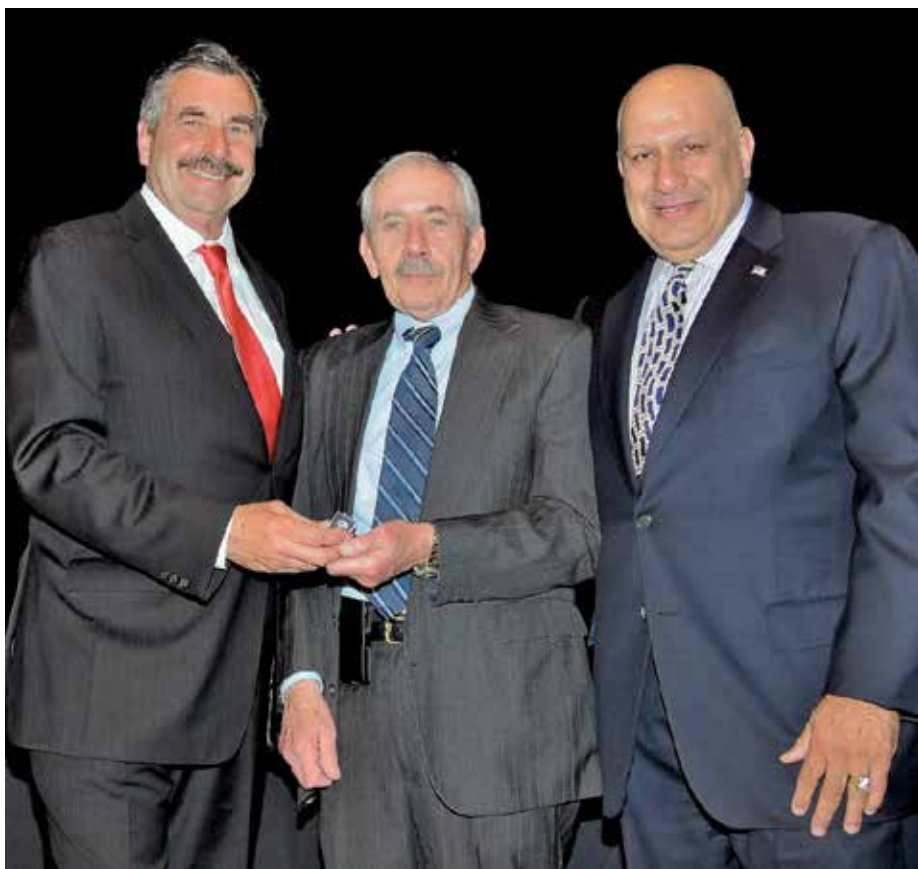
To see more coverage and photos of the event, visit www.laprf.org or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/LosAngelesPoliceReserveFoundation. 



Reserve Officer of the Year Bertram N. Szathmary accepts his award.



Paul Martinez, Hollenbeck Area's Reserve Officer of the Year. Members of the Martinez family have served in the Reserve Corps for a combined total of 100 years.



45-year service pins were presented to John Cresto and Dennis Zine.

TWICE A CITIZEN HONOREES

Department Reserve Officer of the Year

Bertram N. Szathmary

Bureau Reserve Officers of the Year

Timothy D. Bourquin – *West Bureau*
Douglas C. Webb – *South Bureau*
Bertram N. Szathmary – *Central Bureau*
Ismael Moreno – *Valley Bureau*
Warren D. Dern – *Specialized Divisions*

Community Leaders Honored

Andrea Friedman Award

Sandy Jo MacArthur – *Retired LAPD Assistant Chief and Office of Administrative Services Director*

Twice a Citizen Award

Tom LaBonge – *Council Member, Fourth District of the City of Los Angeles*
Ira K. Reiner – *President and CEO, Homeland Security Advisory Council*

Area and Divisional Reserve Officers of the Year

Garth E. Pillsbury – *Hollywood Area*
Barry Maiten – *Wilshire Area*
Timothy D. Bourquin – *West Los Angeles Area*
Andrew Kurkjian – *Pacific Area*
Jacquelyn Frazier – *West Traffic Division*
Pernell Miles – *Southwest Area*
Douglas C. Webb – *77th Street Area*
Lawrence Sam – *Harbor Area*
Carter A. Magnin – *Central Area*
Bertram N. Szathmary – *Central Traffic Division*
Khashayar Dowlatshahi – *Rampart Area*
Paul M. Martinez – *Hollenbeck Area*
Joe T. Galindo – *Northeast Area*
William C. Hirt – *Newton Area*
John X. McCarthy – *Newton Area*

Zacki Rabadi – *Van Nuys Area*
Peter A. Vanderburgh – *West Valley Area*
Ismael Moreno – *North Hollywood Area*
Gene J. Stratton – *Foothill Area*
Matthew S. Barker – *Devonshire Area*
Steve S. Unanian – *Mission Area*
Robert G. McConnell – *Topanga Area*
Kenneth Schwartz – *Valley Traffic Division*
James L. Layugan – *Gang and Narcotics Division*
James L. Rahm – *COS*
Kenneth Arlidge – *Counter-Terrorism and Special Operations Bureau*
Warren D. Dern – *Training Division*
Randolph Sherman – *Air Support Division*

Officers Receiving Service Pins

25 Years of Service

Robert Aguirre
Jeff Nocket
John McCarthy

30 Years of Service

Howard Ekerling
Tom Patterson
Tim Bragg
Baxter Duke

40 Years of Service

Robert McConnell
Richard Kanzaki
Michael Hagen

45 Years of Service

John Cresto
Dennis Zine

LAPD RESERVE OFFICERS OF THE YEAR FOR 2014

DEPARTMENT AND CENTRAL BUREAU RESERVE OFFICER OF THE YEAR: BERTRAM N. SZATHMARY



Officer Szathmary's tenure as a reserve officer with the LAPD began in 1982. In the 32 years since, he has gained a wide variety of experience. This includes working an "A" car as a patrol officer, where he responds to all calls for service, including but not limited to domestic disturbances, robberies in progress, homicides, missing children, child abuse, assaults with a deadly weapon, stolen vehicles and many other incidents.

Prior to coming to Central Traffic Division, Officer Szathmary patrolled in the Rampart Area for over 20 years. While at Rampart, he was assigned as a training officer, tasked with providing training for new probationary officers because of his wealth of knowledge and experience.

Officer Szathmary has spent time working with the Vice, Gangs and Narcotics Units for over 10 years in undercover and special operations. He is currently assigned to Central Traffic's Reserve Unit, where he assists with many of the DUI checkpoints and pedestrian crosswalk details CTD has each month. He is a leader among his peers and a liaison with his fellow CTD reserve officers and volunteers. He regularly functions as an officer-in-charge of the Reserve and Volunteer Units.

Officer Szathmary has made over 1,600 arrests and received over 42 commendations. He demonstrates a superior work ethic, and genuinely cares for the City of Los Angeles and its community members, as well as for his fellow police officers. His leadership talents have helped contribute to the overall effectiveness, productivity and esprit de corps of the reserve officer program at CTD.

VALLEY BUREAU RESERVE OFFICER OF THE YEAR: ISMAEL MORENO

Reserve Officer Moreno has been with the Department for 25 years and transferred to North Hollywood Area in 1990, where he has been assigned since. He has worked a variety of assignments in patrol and administrative duties.

Reserve Officer Moreno returned to Patrol Division six years ago, and has logged approximately 1,500 hours in a patrol vehicle. In 2014, he worked 182 hours alongside full-time police officers. He has worked closely with the North Hollywood Community Relations Office and has assisted in coordinating reserve task forces within the North Hollywood Area. Reserve Officer Moreno is a qualified member of the tactical shotgun cadre and has been so for the past three years. He also participates in various activities to support his fellow officers, as well as law enforcement as a whole. He plays on the North Hollywood Area's softball team and has served on the Board of Directors for the California Robbery Association for the past 20 years.

Reserve Officer Moreno continues to demonstrate a strong work ethic. He performs well under stress and is very thorough in completing his assigned reserve officer duties. He goes beyond the scope of his duties by assisting the Community Relations Office with such events as the Tip-a-Cop fundraiser, the Annual North Hollywood Area Golf Tournament, Open House, Area Appreciation barbecues, Citizen Surveillance Team, and Immediate Booking and Release System (IBARS). His reputation and professionalism are highly regarded by everyone at North Hollywood Area.

Reserve Officer Moreno embraces a spirit of camaraderie and teamwork. His commitment to excellence is evident in every project with which he is involved, and his dedication to those he serves is truly a valuable asset.



SOUTH BUREAU RESERVE OFFICER OF THE YEAR: DOUGLAS C. WEBB



Reserve Officer Webb has been assigned to 77th Street Area since 2007, after his retirement from the LAPD. He has served as a detective, having worked on the MAC, CAPS and Autos tables.

Officer Webb joined the Inglewood Police Department in 1957. In 1967, he lateraled to the LAPD, where he served as an officer for five years and a detective and detective supervisor for an additional 35 years. He retired on April 30, 2012.

He is known to his friends and fellow officers, warmly, as D.C. He considers his finest arrest to be the 1976 arrest and conviction of Douglas Winston, currently serving life in prison without the possibility of parole for a triple homicide.

Reserve Officer Webb has averaged approximately 25 hours per week as a reserve, with a combined total of 59 years in law enforcement. His dedication, work ethic and selfless service are consistent with the finest traditions of the Los Angeles Police Department.

SPECIALIZED DIVISIONS RESERVE OFFICER OF THE YEAR: WARREN D. DERN

Reserve Officer Warren D. Dern has been assigned to the Training Division's Tactics Unit since January 2013. During 2014, he worked a total of 375 volunteer hours. He also completed a 200-hour Level II Reserve Academy, for a grand total of 575 hours.

Reserve Officer Dern is a dedicated member of the Tactics Unit at Edward Davis Training Facility, part of the Division's Firearms and Tactic's Section. He assists in role-playing for scenario-based training, and has become certified in teaching the Taser and bean-bag shotgun. He has also completed the Los Angeles Police Department's Handgun Instructor Training School (HITS), which certifies him as a firearm instructor. He is an "Expert" shooter and a graduate of the LAPD's 1911 transition school.

He also enjoys volunteering for community events, be they charity-driven or community-relations-oriented.

A role model for reserve officers on the LAPD, Reserve Officer Dern's love for the city and his dedication to law enforcement is unparalleled. He is well respected by his peers within the Tactics Unit, and his peers assigned to Training Division.



WEST BUREAU RESERVE OFFICER OF THE YEAR: TIMOTHY D. BOURQUIN



Officer Bourquin has been a reserve police officer in West Los Angeles Area for the past year. He started at West Los Angeles in 2009, left, and then returned in 2013, continuing to serve as a model officer through his appearance and demeanor. Officer Bourquin is well respected by his peers and the entire West Los Angeles community. Along with being a reserve officer, he maintains a full-time job as well as a proud family life.

Officer Bourquin has participated in many assignments at West Los Angeles Area, assisting in the apprehension of numerous motor vehicle burglary suspects. He has also been tasked with backfilling for patrol when there are limited officers, where he has demonstrated he can still "hook 'em and book 'em" with the best of them.

In December 2014, West Los Angeles Area was experiencing a high number of vehicle thefts involving older-model Hondas and Toyotas. Officers were encouraged to run license plates fitting the descriptions and conduct traffic stops to identify stolen vehicles. On December 6, Officers Bourquin and Cho observed a vehicle matching the description given, ran the plate and discovered it stolen. A high-risk traffic stop took place, and the suspect was taken into custody without incident and booked for driving a vehicle without the owner's permission. This is a small example of the determination and resourcefulness that Officer Bourquin presents every day he puts on his uniform.

RESERVE APPRECIATION MONTH: VIDEO, PAB LOBBY DISPLAY AND MEDIA DAY

By Reserve Officer Michael Sellars

April was once again Reserve Appreciation Month at the LAPD. But this year was different in that the Department ramped up a few of the activities. Detective III Damien Levesque, in the Chief's Office, spearheaded these efforts.

A seven-minute video was produced by the Office of the Chief of Police highlighting reserve officers, starting with Chief Beck saying that November 2015 "marks an important anniversary in my career. It will have been 40 years since I became a Los Angeles Police reserve officer."

The Chief said: "April is Reserve Appreciation Month. It's the time when the Department comes together and remembers its reserves — Twice a Citizen. Reserves are very important to the Los Angeles Police Department and a huge part of its history."

A brief history of the Corps and its origins are discussed, and then the video features Reserve Officers Timothy Widmann, J.T. Alpaugh and Rebecca Doten, and K-9 Specialist Dr. Michael Pitt. The theme of the video is how reserve officers have two careers: they go to their regular "day jobs," and then they suit up to protect and serve with the LAPD. Officer Joel Morales' filmmaking talents resulted in the video being viewed by 13,000 people on the LAPRF's Facebook page. The video post reached nearly 45,000 people around the world. The video can be viewed by going to the video album of the Los Angeles Police Reserve Foundation Facebook page.

The video was played on a large screen in the PAB lobby, as part of a Reserve Appreciation display. The display included life-sized cardboard

cutouts of Officers Doten and Widmann, symbolizing their "double life": one side dressed in their LAPD Class As, and the other side dressed for their primary career.

The lobby display also included the uniform of Reserve Officer Paul V. Martinez, who served in the Corps from 1951 to 1993. The uniform had the old diamond-shaped badge, reserve shoulder patches and white hat. (*Editor's note: see below for more on the Martinez family.*) Also on display was the Twice a Citizen Community Leader Award presented to former LAPRF President Mel Kennedy in 2014.

On April 9, the Office of the Chief held a Reserve Media Day as part of the Chief's media availability/press conference. Chief Beck spoke about the Reserve Corps, the Appreciation

100 YEARS OF SERVICE




The uniform of Paul V. Martinez

Reserve Police Officer Paul Martinez retired this month after 32 years of service. His father, Paul V. Martinez, served as a reserve officer from 1951 to 1993. During Reserve Appreciation Month, his father's uniform — the old-style uniform with the diamond-shaped badge, reserve patch and white cover — was on display in the lobby at PAB. Paul's brother served as a specialist for 26 years. The Martinez family has served a combined 100 years!

Excerpt from the Spring 2009 *Rotator* article "The History of the LAPD Reserve Corps":

"Several families have had a couple of generations in the Corps. Paul V. Martinez joined the Corps in 1951. His son, Reserve Officer Paul M. Martinez, remembers his father going downtown to sign up for shifts. In those days, reserves worked primarily special events and details. One time, Officer Martinez recalls, his dad was assigned to work an event at the Greek Theatre — and it turned out he was the only officer assigned to work that event.

'He had taken me with him,' Officer Martinez recalls. 'He conducted traffic control and put me to work because it was a two-man operation back then. He taught me how to manually operate the traffic signal.' The uniform for reserve officers was different then. There was the diamond-shaped 'reserve officer' badge, and officers wore white caps and white shoulder patches.

"In 1983, Paul M. Martinez joined his father in the Corps. 'We worked together a few times. We used to do these "Care and Share" projects at the downtown mission, where we would provide donated clothes to needy families.' In a reminder that there is no such thing as a low-risk shift, a man pulled a knife at the event. Father and son apprehended the suspect and took him into custody. His father retired from the Department in 1993 and Officer Martinez is still on the job today. 'There is so much history with these guys, a lot of which has been lost.' He remembers a reserve officer who worked with his father, 'Officer Flores — at the time, he was considered one of, if not the, best marksmen on the LAPD.'" 

Month and the annual Twice a Citizen banquet, which would be held two nights later, on April 11.

Reserve officers from several different divisions and specialties were on hand. Retired K-9 Thor seemed to get most of the attention afterward, as the media cameras surrounded him and his handler, Specialist Michael Pitt.

The LAPRF thanks Chief of Police Charlie Beck



Specialist Dr. Michael Pitt and K-9 Thor received much of the press attention; standees of Reserve Officers Tim Whitmann and Rebecca Doten stand by.

for once again recognizing the Corps; Captain Ruby F. Malachi, Assistant Commanding Officer, Media Relations and Community Affairs Group, the Office of the Chief of Police; and all the officers in the OCOF, Community Relations Section.



Reserve Officer Rebecca Doten poses with the standee representing her "double life."



Reserve officers, including Foundation Board members, with Chief Beck during Reserve Media Day on April 9 at PAB

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Do you shop at Ralphs grocery store? Here's an easy way to support your Los Angeles reserve police officers! Ralphs will donate a percentage of your eligible purchases to the Foundation. Simply register your Ralphs Rewards Club card online (if you haven't already done so) and then enter the number 94438 as your charity of choice — the Los Angeles Police Reserve Foundation.

This is how to do it:

1. Have your Ralphs Club card handy. If you don't have one, you can get one by visiting the customer service desk at any Ralphs store.
2. Go to www.ralphs.com. If you haven't already registered the card online, click REGISTER in the upper right corner.
3. Once you are registered, go to MY ACCOUNTS and scroll down to COMMUNITY REWARDS. You will be asked to select an organization; type in 94438 for the Los Angeles Police Reserve Foundation.
4. You must swipe your registered Ralphs Rewards card or use the phone number that is linked to your card when shopping for each purchase to count.
5. Tell your friends!

Remember, you can also support the Corps when you shop on Amazon.com. For information, see page 17.

WORKING GROUP UPDATE:

FIRST RESERVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TASKS COMPLETED

As reported in the Winter 2014 issue of *The Rotator*, “On September 8 at PAB, Assistant Chief Sandy Jo MacArthur met with several reserve officers throughout the Department and management staff, establishing a reserve working group. The goal of the group will be to identify and discuss, on a regular basis going forward, the issues and challenges affecting the Reserve Corps and the specific concerns of LAPD reserve officers.”

This working group — now the Reserve Advisory Committee — has been meeting each month through March of this year, as Chief MacArthur spearheaded important changes before retiring.

Here are the updates:

The Los Angeles Police Department Reserve Corps Guidelines Handbook has been written.

As the handbook states, “These guidelines are meant to provide a basic resource to assist members of the Department. Should any of these guidelines conflict with Department policy, the policy prevails.” The LAPD Manual remains the primary policy reference for all officers.

The guidelines include the following: Purpose (of the Corps), Reserve Officer Qualifications, Classification and Assignment, Coordinator Responsibilities, Corps Organizational Structure, the Advisory Committee Guidelines, Reporting Hours Worked, Stipend Payment, Determining Duty Shifts, Leave of Absences, Inactive Status, Duty-Connected Injury Reporting, Returning to Duty Connected Illness or Injury, Medical Leave of Absence, Disciplinary Procedures, Separation (Termination), Reporting Changes to Employee Information Record/ Change and Change of Employment, Off-Duty Employment, Retiring Reserve Officers, Resignation Procedures, Special Volunteer, Chaplain Counselor and Frequently Asked Questions.

The handbook consolidates and helps to clarify policies specific to reserve officers and specialists. For example, off-duty carry of firearms and off-duty employment are clarified.

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS-SUMMARY CHART

LEVEL	AUTHORITY	ASSIGNMENTS	SUPERVISION	TRAINING
CDL-I (Certified Designated Level I) • 830.6(a)(2) PC • 832.6(a)(1) PC Level I with 2000 hrs. of patrol experience & approval of C.O. and Dept. Reserve Coordinator	Sworn Peace Officer • 24-Hour Authority (like a full-time Police Officer under 830.1 PC) • Can carry concealed/loaded firearm, on and off duty • NO CCW required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As any full-time P-II/P-III Patrol Detectives Gangs Traffic Vice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As with any full-time P-II/P-III Can work <i>alone</i> Can work with a non-probationary Level I, II, & III Reserve Officer Can work with a full-time Officer, including a probationary P-I in phase III 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular Basic Course (approx. 800 hours) Field Training Program (400 hours) CPT (24 hours/2 years) PST (14 hours/2 years)
Level I • 830.6(a)(2) PC • 832.6(a)(1) PC	Sworn Peace Officer • 24-Hour Authority (like a full-time Police Officer under 830.1 PC) • Can carry concealed/loaded firearm, on and off duty • NO CCW required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As any full-time P-II/P-III Patrol Detectives Gangs Traffic Vice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As with any full-time P-II/P-III Can work with a <i>non-probationary</i> full-time Officer or a CDL-I Reserve Officer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular Basic Course (approx. 800 hours) Field Training Program (400 hours) CPT (24 hours/2 years) PST (14 hours/2 years)
Level II • 830.6(a)(1) PC • 832.6(a)(2) PC	Sworn Peace Officer • Authority only while <i>on duty</i> • Can carry concealed/loaded firearm off duty with CCW permit (that LAPD issues after Academy)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patrol Detectives Gangs Traffic Vice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immediate supervision by a full-time Officer or a CDL-I Reserve Officer is required Can work with a <i>non-probationary</i> full-time Officer or a CDL-I Reserve Officer If doing Level III duties, supervision is <i>not</i> required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> POST Modules II & III (min. 333 hours) Field Training Program (400 hours) CPT (24 hours/2 years) PST (14 hours/2 years)
Level III – Armed/Unarmed • 830.6(a)(1) PC • 832.6(a)(3) PC	Sworn Peace Officer • Authority only while <i>on duty</i> • Can carry concealed/loaded firearm while on duty (Level III – Armed) • Can carry concealed/loaded firearm off duty with CCW permit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited Support Duties Front Desk Report Car Detectives CRO Transportation Subpoena Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervision by a full-time Officer or a Level I Reserve Officer in accessible vicinity is required Can work with a <i>non-probationary</i> full-time Officer or a Level I Reserve Officer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> POST Module III (min. 144 hours + firearm enhancement if Level III – Armed) 16 hours in-service training/2 years

See **LAPD Manual Section 3/252.15** and **Special Order No. 13, dated March 27, 2008**, for additional information about LAPD Reserve Officers. All Reserve Officers are sworn peace officers and wear the same uniforms as a full-time officer. Reserve Officer badge numbers are in the 60,000 series their serial numbers begin with an “R” followed by four numbers. To verify a Reserve Officer’s status and level of training, simply ask or look at his/her Department identification card, which lists the Reserve Level on the bottom portion of the back of the ID.

The handbook includes a singular, easy-to-reference chart, describing each reserve officer level and the authority, assignments, supervision and training for each. (*Editor’s note: see chart above.*)

New identification cards are now being issued.

“The Department has approved the new reserve officer identification (ID) cards with a revised version. The new cards address many of the issues and concerns that reserve

officers have had over the years and the new cards have removed the word ‘reserve’ from the front of the card to comply with City Council adopted policies. *All ID cards must be replaced.* In several months, all old cards will be deactivated.

“There will be another all-day Saturday replacement date in the future. Monday through Thursday scheduling is still available

and Personnel Division can accommodate five officers each business day. There are three days each Deployment Period (DP) that are not available for card replacements. They are the first Monday and Wednesday, and last Thursday of each DP. These days are reserved for new recruits, retirees, and promotions.

“The location for renewal is the Police Administration Building, 100 W. First Street, Los Angeles. The most convenient location to park is the Motor Transport Division parking structure just south of PAB, on Main Street. There are visitor parking stalls on the third floor and several unassigned stalls on the roof.

“All replacements must be scheduled in advance. ROVU will coordinate the scheduling. Please contact Police Officer Edward Espinoza at (310) 342-3160, or email him at 30044@lapd.lacity.org”

Stipend payment will be issued once per year.

“Reserve officers receive \$50 each DP for a total of \$650 each year based on the completion of 195 hours worked. This is generally accomplished by completing 15 hours each DP”

Beginning in July 2015, the stipend payment will be issued once each year, to reserve officers who have fulfilled their minimum shifts, including training and qualification requirements.

Level III Recruit Academy will be held in 2015.

As *The Rotator* went to press, 16 candidates for a class had processed. The increase has been the result, in part, of reaching out to students in the Police Orientation and Preparation Program (POPP). The class is tentatively scheduled for August.

POPP is a unique, two-year educational program that offers students the opportunity to learn in an established LAPD education environment while still in high school.

Previous updates, as reported by *The Rotator* in December, include:

Retirement CCWs are recognized for “retired” Level I.

Chief of Police Charlie Beck signed Special Order 11 dated September 25, 2014, stating:

“Effective January 1, 2014, the California Penal Code Section 26300 was amended to authorize a ‘retired’ Level I reserve police

officer who was authorized to, and did, carry a firearm during the course and scope of his/her appointment as a peace officer, to carry a concealed and loaded firearm in the state of California upon retirement, as defined in the California Penal Code Sections 26300 and 25900, if there is an endorsement on the officer’s retired identification certificate stating that the Department approves of the officer’s carrying of a concealed and loaded firearm.

“The Department currently recognizes reserve police officers who qualify for a ‘retired’ reserve officer badge and identification card after at least 20 years of service, or where the reserve police officer has been forced to separate early due to a service-connected injury.”

There will be three opportunities each year for POST-mandated training exclusively for the Reserve Corps.

About the Reserve Advisory Committee: “The Reserve Advisory Committee concept was established in 2014 as a means of discussing concerns of the Reserve Corps. The Committee reports to the Chief of Police via the Assistant Chief, Director of the Office of Administrative Services. Membership is composed of representatives from the Reserve Foundation, reserve officers from each Bureau, and ROVU. The group meets quarterly. Appointments to the advisory committee will be made by the Chair, Commanding Officer, Recruit Training, Training Division. There is a three-year maximum term for those appointed to the advisory committee. After a one-year gap in service, a member is qualified to be appointed to serve again. The co-chair of the advisory committee is the Officer in Charge, ROVU. The

Director, Office of Administrative Services, maintains discretion over the guidelines.

“The current membership will be posted on the Chief’s Web page under ‘Divisions and Sections’ and under ‘Reserves.’ Suggestions can be submitted directly to committee members or via the ROVU, which will also contact the committee members with suggestions.

“The reserve officer members of the inaugural Committee are: Sharon Abbott, John Colello, David Cox, Mitchell Englander, Mel Kennedy, James Lombardi, Eric Rose, Michael Sellars, Randi Tahara, and Drew Terenzini.”

As a way to reach out to the community and boost recruitment, the LAPD and LASD have partnered with the L.A. Dodgers to bring back the popular baseball card program first introduced 34 years ago.

RESERVE MOTORS SUPPORT POLICE WEEK

By Reserve Officer Jeff Nocket

On average, one law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 58 hours. One hundred and twenty six officers were killed in 2014; 14 of those were from California. More than 20,000 U.S. law enforcement officers have made the ultimate sacrifice.

Every year, the nation pauses to honor law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty. The largest of these services is National Police Week in Washington, D.C. The Reserve Motor Unit has been a regular supporter of Police Week since 2009, when they were the first motor unit to represent the Department at Police Week. This May, four reserve motors, Jeff Nocket, Eric Ortiz, Brian Pearcy and Larry Rowland, supported both the Police Unity Tour and Police Week. For some of us, this is the fourth time we've participated in these events.

The mission of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund is to honor and remember the service and sacrifice of law enforcement

officers in the United States and to generate increased public support for the law enforcement profession by permanently recording and appropriately commemorating the service and sacrifice of law enforcement officers. The Memorial Fund is a principal organizer of the National Police Week observance each May.

The mission of the Police Unity Tour is to raise awareness of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty and to raise funds for the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and Museum in Washington, D.C. Every year during National Police Week, PUT chapters from all over the country sponsor bicycle rides that converge at the memorial on May 12. Their mission is beautifully stated by the motto "We ride for those who died."

This year, the Southern California chapter of the PUT had 285 riders representing agencies and fallen officers from all over Southern California, starting in Somerset, New Jersey, and riding 225 miles over three days to Washington, D.C. During the ride, 24 motors from the Department provided an escort for the riders, keeping them safe from traffic and other hazards of the road. The motorcycles and equipment are loaded onto trucks and shipped to New Jersey a week in advance of the officers' arrival. After making sure that all the equipment made the journey safely, we are treated to a daylong orientation ride by motors from the local agencies. This year we traveled to New York to see the Statue of Liberty, 9/11 Memorial and

Museum, Times Square and other sights. The memorial is quite moving and a recommended destination any time you might be in New York.

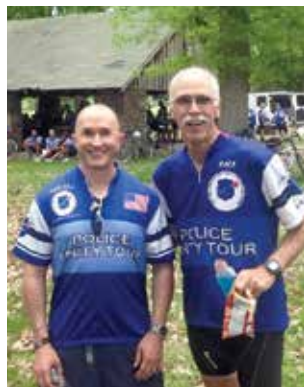
After the fun of New York, the work begins. The Unity Tour is an impressive sight, with a long line of bicycles followed by numerous support vehicles, mobile

repair facilities and ambulances. At times the "package" stretches out over a mile. Heat, humidity and slow riding sucks the energy out of the motor officers, and at the end of the day we're pretty spent. But that's nothing compared to the blisters, heat stroke and dehydration suffered by the bicycle riders, who this year included Reserve Officer Jim McLaughlin. The Unity Tour is appropriately billed as a challenge ride, and it lives up to the name.

On May 12, all of the Unity Tour chapters and their escort motors converge on RFK Stadium in Washington before riding into the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial en masse. It's quite a sight to see several thousand riders and several hundred motors move through the city and ride through the memorial to a cheering crowd. In doing so, the Unity Tour ends and the motors begin a new mission as ceremonial motors participating in escorts for the families of fallen officers. The BDUs are put away and the class As come out and we're all reminded of the gravity and purpose of the week's events. In addition to the motors, the Department sends a contingent of officers to act as a ceremonial honor guard. These officers participate in a number of events at the memorial, most notably standing at attention for the entirety of the candlelight vigil.

The Law Enforcement Officers Memorial is a truly moving place. During Police Week the walls of the memorial are covered with remembrances of those who gave their all. The LAPD places a card for each of our officers memorialized on the walls, and this year we sadly added three more. In addition to the cards, the Department performs a reading of the names every year, where the full contingent of officers arrives at the memorial early in the morning and stands in a circle while all the names of our fallen are read.

Police Week is a lot of work and a lot of fun. Meeting officers from all over the country, and trading patches, coins and goodwill reminds us all that there really is a thin blue line of people willing to risk everything so that others can live in peace. If you get the chance, be sure to visit the memorial, participate in the Unity Tour, attend Police Week as part of the honor guard, or just go there on your own. It will be a memory you carry with you for life. 🍷



ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

The Los Angeles City Council added Article 1.2 to the LAMC, establishing the Administrative Citation Enforcement (ACE) Program. The purpose was to provide officers with an additional method — an “administrative remedy” — for the enforcement of selected “quality of life” Municipal Code violations. The violator is fined and officers are not subpoenaed. The violator is subsequently mailed an “Official Notice of Administrative Violation and Fine Due.”

The Department issued Special Order 1 (dated January 6, 2015) on the program.

You can cite under this program (ACE citation books are in the kit rooms) if the following criteria are met:

- The LAMC section violated is listed in the ACE program. (See chart of the citable violations in the initial phase; updates can be located on the LAN, in the reference library under codes.)
- The violator would otherwise qualify for field release per the RFC criteria.

- The violator provides acceptable identification. Specifically, acceptable identification would be a permanent state-issued driver’s license or

ID card, a U.S. Military ID, or an officially issued Foreign Consulate ID card approved by the City Clerk (list to be posted on LAN).


The violator’s failure or refusal to sign the

Administrative Citation will not affect the validity of the citation and subsequent proceedings. If the violator refuses to sign, the officer will write “Refused” in the signature box. If the violator’s copy is not available, due to the officer issuing the citation to the violator prior to obtaining a signature, the officer will write “Unavailable” in the signature box.

If an error or omission is observed, officers should draw a single line through the error and add the correct or omitted information, along with the officer’s initials. A Notice of Correction or Proof of Service is not required.

Keep in mind that legibility is very important.

The City Attorney’s ACE Unit can be contacted at (213) 978-6907 or att.ace@lacity.org.

LOS ANGELES CITY ATTORNEY		PUBLIC WORKS AND PROPERTY	
		63.44	Regulations affecting Park & Recreation areas
		66.25	Deposit of garbage on street/LA River
LAMC VIOLATIONS		66.28	Tampering with refuse/rubbish/salvage
		67.02	Illegal sign posting w/o permission
PUBLIC WELFARE		TRAFFIC	
Code	Description	85.07	No skate/skateboard/biking where posted
41.27(c)	Drinking in public	BUSINESS REGULATIONS	
41.27(c)	Possession of open container on or adjacent to posted ABC location	103.20(a)	Failing to post city permit
41.40	Restricted hours for construction 9P-7A	103.20(b)	Failing to carry city permit
41.42	Music reproduction devices Prohibited 2-5A	103.102(c)	Illegal sign posting w/o permission
41.46	Failure to keep sidewalks clean	103.106(b)	Operating a dance hall w/o a permit
41.47.2	Urinating or defecating in public	103.112(b)	Pool room or bowling alley w/o permit
41.50B2(c)	Patron smoking in an outdoor dining area	NOISE REGULATIONS	
41.50C1	Failure to post "No Smoking" sign	112.02	Refrigeration/air/heating > 5dB
41.57	Loud & raucous noise	112.04	Operate a Gas-power Leaf Blower (Prohibg)
42.00	Illegal vending	112.05	Exceeding noise level-power equipment/tools 7A-10P
42.03	Sale of tickets in public places	112.06	Places of public entertain. sound >95db
42.15	Vending and excessive noise on beaches	113.01	Rubbish & Garbage Collect & Dispos.- 9P-6A
43.01	Gambling	114.01	Vehicle repairs in restricted area 8P-8A
47.11	Unlawful display of aerosol	114.02	Vehicles – unreasonable sound
47.15	Spectator at speed contest	114.03	Loading/unloading vehicles-Prohib 10P-7A
PUBLIC SAFETY AND PROTECTION		114.04	Loud air horns/vehicle loud speaker
53.55	Dogs on beach (exempt-guide/service/signal)	114.05	Audible devices-vendors Prohibited 9P-7A
56.08	Properly owner obstructing sidewalk	115.02	Sound amp device/loudspeaker on public property
56.15	Bicycle riding sidewalks	116.01	Loud & unusual noise
56.15.1	Use of skateboards		
57.5608.1.2	Possession/Use of fireworks		

SIMUNITION FIREARMS TRAINING

The LAPRF recently provided funding for two Simunition firearms training classes, each for up to 20 LAPD reserve officers, held in October and November 2014. A video about this training was shown at the Twice a Citizen banquet and is viewable at the LAPRF website.

As the narration explains, “This past year, it was our goal to concentrate on funding the opportunities that really matter to our reserve officers. Assistant Chief Sandy Jo MacArthur asked our Foundation Board to fund

firearms training. This additional training, that refreshes and reinforces our officers’

tactical/perishable skills, is training that has not been available due to costs. Two classes were funded and held last year. These training exercises are vital for officer and public safety. We thank all our donors and supporters for continuing to help us meet the needs of our Reserve Corps, and we look forward to building on this essential partnership.”



Screen capture from the video of the training classes

The video was produced by 911MEDIA. The LAPRF thanks Mark Deitch for personally matching the funds for the production.

REPORT FROM THE U.K.:

RESERVE LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

By Reserve Officer Michael Sellars

“The police are the people and the people are the police.” — Sir Robert Peel, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom (1834-1835 and 1841-1846)

“My visit was very much a two-way process.” — Gavin McKinnon, Chief Officer, Special Constabulary of the Kent Police, U.K.

In September 2014, Gavin McKinnon journeyed from Kent, England, to visit the Los Angeles Police Department, to learn about LAPD’s Reserve Corps. The visit was part of a five-week Winston Churchill Memorial Trust Fellowship to research current good practice in reserve and auxiliary programs in the United States and Canada.

Chief Officer McKinnon heads the Special Constabulary of the Kent Police. Kent is a county in South East England. The English Channel and the Straits of Dover are to the south; the mighty North Sea is to the north. France lies 21 miles across the Strait. The special constables are the reserve/auxiliary officers on the Kent Police Department. It is a force of 300 officers, providing over 100,000 hours of service per year. This figure is up from 68,000 in 2013 and 54,000 in 2012.

Chief McKinnon toured seven agencies: the Los Angeles Police Department, Dallas Police Department, Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C., Edison Police Department in New Jersey, New York Police Department, Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Toronto Police Department.

“The nomenclature is different from place to place,” his report begins. “Specials, auxiliaries, reserves. The motivation is the same however: to play an active role in their community by supporting the salaried police force and engaging with the community they serve.” Interestingly, he notes, such programs are “only really a feature of law enforcement in the U.K. and North America, with some limited examples in Germany and the Netherlands. It is not a concept familiar in many cultures. Considerable pockets of best practice exist across the Atlantic, and it is that I wanted to explore further in my fellowship.”

In Los Angeles, he found the tiered approach as a best practice. “Reserve officers receive the same training content as full-time officers and work alongside them in every aspect of Department operations ... [The Reserve Corps] is structured on a tiered system, consisting of three levels of service with varying training commitments and a corresponding ability to work more or less independently.

“This system means that those people who wish to focus on community engagement and assisting the police in work that is low-risk and nonconfrontational can do so and still be an important part of the team. The system also provides flexibility for officers who no longer prefer to work patrol or other enforcement assignments.”

He also found the Los Angeles Police Reserve Foundation to be a great asset: “What they do on behalf of volunteer officers is both pioneering and inspirational.” He said several of the agencies he visited have “a strong desire to emulate it in their own jurisdiction.” (For example, the Dallas Police Reserve Foundation was recently established.)

McKinnon considered a lack of rank structure as a disadvantage in the LAPD, particularly pointing out the lack of a single-designated lead. He goes into more detail on the matter, as he wrote about the leadership he found in the auxiliary unit in the township of Edison, New Jersey. (*More on next page.*)

The Rotator asked him what other impressions he had of the LAPD program. He said: “I thought the commitment and dedication of the LAPD reserve officers really shone through. They are a credit to Los Angeles and to policing worldwide.” He revealed that he had attended an orientation evening: “Reserve Officer Ken Wong didn’t know I was in the audience, and he did a really passionate sell on what being a reservist means.” McKinnon saw that same passion when he attended the September training day at Davis.

“I really liked the balance that the tiered system brought — by allowing a wider group of people to participate, you are increasing the bond between the community and the LAPD,

and that is priceless. In Kent, I have implemented my findings, including introducing a tiered system.”

Chief McKinnon also had particular praise for the Dallas Police Department’s Reserve Battalion (DPRB), calling it an “extremely well-run, competent and confident volunteer unit” of just under 100 officers. “There are reservists flying helicopters, in the heavily armed SWAT team, in dignitary close protection, working as detectives, and in virtually every other area of police work.

“The DPRB is led by the battalion reserve commander, Richard K. Andersen. He holds the rank of assistant chief of police, and has exactly the same standing and authority as assistant chiefs in the salaried force.” The battalion also has a director on the board of the Dallas Police Association.

The Washington (D.C.) Metropolitan Police Department has 85 reserve officers, and they are unusual for a reserve unit in the eastern part of the United States in that they are armed. Most police agencies in the East use the term auxiliary instead of reserve, and they are primarily in support positions and do not engage in direct operational policing.

This west-east comparison was also discussed by Martin Alan Greenberg in his 2005 book, *Citizens Defending America*. As *The Rotator* reported in its Fall 2009 issue, “Greenberg describes how reserve law enforcement units, especially in the western states, have evolved over the years, and how they differ substantially from the ‘auxiliary police’ concept one finds primarily on the East Coast. Reserve units are ‘under statutory provisions’ and are held to a level of training and professionalism similar, if not identical, to that of full-time positions.”

The reserves in Washington, D.C., have implemented the Reserve Corps Focused Initiative (RCFU), operating all-reserve, independent crime suppression forces in high-priority areas, rotating Friday and Saturday evenings.

The big beast of volunteer policing in North America, as McKinnon describes it, is NYPD’s auxiliary program, with 4,236 officers. They are

unarmed, have a power of arrest, but carry no enforcement powers. Their badge is a seven-pointed star rather than a shield. Their vehicles read "Auxiliary." They carry a straight wooden baton for self-defense, and carry handcuffs which allow them to detain offenders if need be.

McKinnon was struck by the ethnic diversity and the age range of the NYPD program: "They are very representative of the community they serve, something the regular force has strived for but not met." In December 2014, after New York Police Officers Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos were ambushed and killed, the NYPD temporarily pulled all of its auxiliaries off the streets.

In the United Kingdom, police officers are generally retired completely from policing by the age of 50. The number of special constables aged 65 and older "could be counted on one hand." This was a big part of the reason the LAPD's tiered system was considered a best practice.

McKinnon spent a week in Canada, studying two of its larger reserve units, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and the Toronto Police Service.

The RCMP is a national service and has 2,000 auxiliaries and 220 paid reserves, and operates in a "rather complex federal/provincial split, which means that each jurisdiction within Canada" is administered differently. "In some provinces, they are sworn in as peace officers, in others they are not. They do not carry firearms anywhere, but are trained in them in case they have to use the weapon of a regular colleague."

The Toronto Police Service has 340 officers, servicing the most populous city in Canada. McKinnon found the agency "unquestionably the best relationship I have seen between the auxiliary chief and his team and the regular police." This was not the norm elsewhere, he said. He found reserve coordinators were often placed in the position because of medical conditions or other light-duty status, or even as a punishment: "Departments that do not take these roles seriously ... are risking the success of their volunteer programs."

The Edison, New Jersey, Auxiliary Unit is small (40 officers total), "well-run," and "what it achieves for the community ... is exceptional." McKinnon attributes the effectiveness of the unit to strong leadership. They have a chief and deputy chief, both of whom are auxiliary officers.

"Units without a single-designed lead who is also a volunteer themselves had far greater problems in surfacing the concerns of volunteer officers," he said. "Without a focal point, [officers] found it pointless to even consider raising issues with their departments. This inevitably causes grievances to build."

McKinnon told *The Rotator*: "One of the key bits about reserve ranks is the pastoral care and team leadership they bring. In Kent, for example, we have doubled the hours volunteered in two years with fewer officers — it is worth \$8 million dollars or so, instead of the \$4 million it was. Who can afford not to do that in this day and age?"

From his final report, he presented the following recommendations to the special constabularies:


- Have a strategy in place to attract retiring (full-time) officers to join the program
- Seek to negotiate representation on local and national associations and unions
- Introduce a tiered approach (like LAPD)
- Establish a broad-based charitable

foundation to assist them in honoring their officers and helping fund their work

- Periodically run their own dedicated operations in support of the priorities of the full-time force
- Have a designated chief who is also a volunteer
- Specifically target older people up to and over retirement age to serve in their ranks
- At the national level, have a dedicated lead for best practice and guidance
- Seek to put some of the best officers into roles as coordinators

"Finally, a small confession to the LAPD reserve officers," Chief McKinnon wrote in his report. At the training day, he went through FOS. "[The officers] were taken back by my marksmanship as a member of an unarmed volunteer English police unit. I actually carried a handgun on and off duty for 21 years with the police and army in North Ireland, but chose not to mention it to avoid spoiling my fun for the day!"

The fellowship report by Gavin McKinnon is posted at www.wcmt.org.uk/fellows/reports/getting-best-communities-volunteer-police-officers.

You can also read more about Kent Special Constabulary in their annual report at www.kent.police.uk/join_us/attachments/Special_Constabulary_Annual_Report_2015.pdf. 

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NEW COMBAT QUALIFICATION COURSE AND OTHER ISSUES

By Reserve Officer Charlie Nicgorski, Firearms Unit

By now, most of you have probably shot the new Qual course. You may be wondering, why the change? Let's go over a few points.

It's been a very long time since the LAPD has made any changes to the course. What we had previously was really based on shooting a six-shot revolver, and yes, there are still a few being worn in the field. First off, you may notice that we are using feet for distances instead of yards. This is probably good because when we are in the field, we normally will be asked about distances in terms of feet. Saying we shot at seven yards sounds pretty close compared to 21 feet. Every tool, when used, has certain distances that need to be remembered, from bean bags

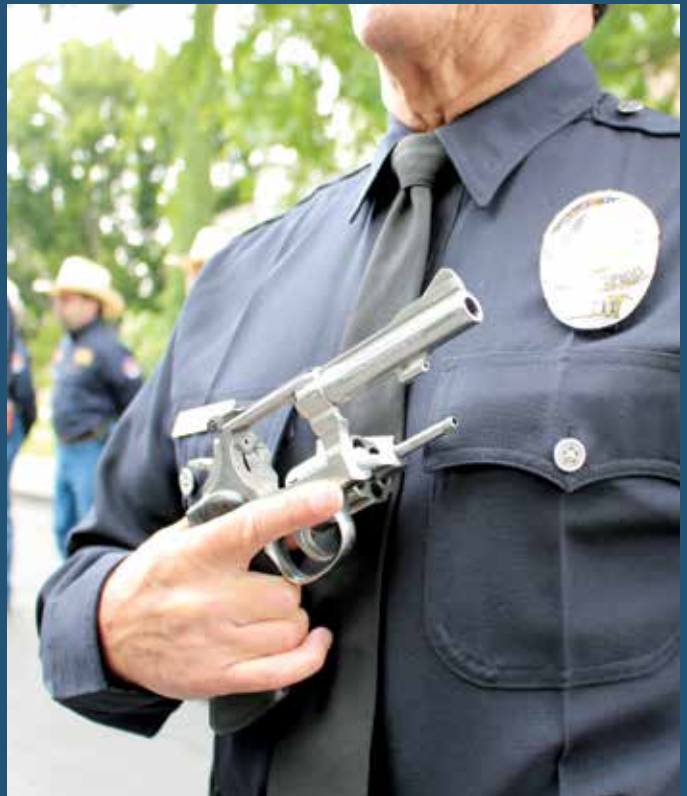
to the Taser to OC spray and firearms. Measuring in feet is a better way to standardize our distances.

The loading sequence has now changed to 6-7-6-6-5. The first sequence of fire is the same, but now you will have an out-of-battery speed reload after shot six, which adds a sense of urgency to the reload. After the 12th shot, you will conduct an in-battery speed reload, assess, de-cock and holster.

Phase two is basically the same, but now only the target that needs to be shot will turn toward you. This should help those who have a problem shooting out of sequence — and it does happen quite often. Phase three is the same.

Phase four, the barricade, is now a lot different. You will follow directions and start in a box that is offset. When the target turns, you will move to cover at the barricade and fire three shots on your own in 12 seconds. This is continuous slow fire. This is a good tool to teach you to slow down and take better aim at distance. You also get to practice moving to cover. Then you will get to repeat this sequence from the opposite side of the barricade, but again with your primary hand. Research has basically shown that no officers were ever trading off to their weak side just because they were on one side or the other of a barricade in an actual shooting event. Note that this is not the same as shooting with the weak side, one-handed,

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The Valley Bureau's Reserve Police Officer Inspection and Training Day was held on May 16.

if your primary side is disabled. All in all, the changes are beneficial and practical. I actually like this new course over the prior one. Thank you to Officer Rampton for working on the new course and answering my questions.

Even though recent news events may be discouraging, that should never be allowed to cause hesitation in the field. It's always a good idea to review use of force policy and pound it into your very psyche. Make sure you have thought out your plan of action and possible options in various situations. If you are in doubt as to what is appropriate, we have many resources to get answers from. Use them. You are less likely to hesitate if you are confident in your knowledge of the law, Department policies and your skill set.

Recently, the media was heaping praise on a newer officer for not shooting a suicidal double murder suspect. As the bad guy rushed the officer, claiming to have a gun in his pocket (and reaching for it), he continually told the officer to kill him. Watch the video, then decide if he used the best tactics and made the right decision or was just lucky. Backpedaling, with his weapon drawn, with a homicidal suspect bearing down on him until he fell in the street, could have been disastrous for the officer and the arriving units! Was he a hero or the victim of hesitation? How would you have reacted? This is not to put anyone down. Only this officer can say what was going through his mind at the time. There is a great article in *Police One*

by Doug Wyllie with comments on this case. If you get a chance, look up "A Cop's Shoot/No Shoot: When Is a 'Good Decision' a 'Deadly Hesitation?'" With the stakes so high, making the best decision in a split second has never been questioned as much as it is today. Think smart, think tactical — but above all else, think safety, for you and your partner. Be the professionals that we know we are.

In Hartford, Connecticut, an officer was put in a chokehold by a violent high school kid and was almost choked unconscious, while a crowd of students cheered and filmed the incident. Was this a use-of-deadly-force situation? Watch that video and put on your critical-thinking cap! 

Qualification Schedule

Cycle #	Qualification Cycle	Officers with Less Than 20 Years of Service	Officers with 20-29 Years of Service
1	January	Shotgun Level III Exempt	Shotgun Level III Exempt
2	February/March	Qualify Duty Ammo	Qualify Duty Ammo
3	April/May	Qualify Practice Ammo	None
4	June/July	Qualify FOS	None
	August	None	None
5	September/October	Qualify Practice Ammo	Qualify Practice Ammo
6	November/December	Qualify Practice Ammo	None

Officers with 30 years or more of service are required to qualify one time per calendar year at their convenience, during cycle 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6. Officers must qualify prior to the last week of handgun qualification cycles, unless exempted by their commanding officer. The last week of these cycles will be reserved for remediation and officers with the approved exemptions.



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