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# PRESIDENT'S LETTER

PPOA accomplished many things in 2013. Of course, we continued to provide outstanding representation for our members and even provided attorneys for those who received subpoenas from the grand jury regarding federal inquiries into abuses in LASD. Although the attorneys were not allowed into the grand jury, the PPOA Board of Directors felt it was important to have attorneys prepare our members for their testimony and to set their minds at ease on what to expect. This was not without considerable cost to the Association, but it was well worth it for those members who faced these unusual circumstances. The federal investigations appear to be winding down and we can only wait to see what the results will be.

In 2013, we also held a new charity event, Oktoberfest, at Golden Road Brewing in Los Angeles. Several hundred people showed up and drank unique beers (responsibly, of course), ate good food and partook in fun games — all for a truly great cause. The money raised went to our charity organization, the Star & Shield Foundation, which helps members who are in need of financial assistance due to unforeseen circumstances, including when a member (or any peace officer in California) is killed in the line of duty. We also held our annual charity golf tournament, which is our primary fundraiser. It was a huge success and one of the best “police” golf tournaments in Southern California.

We continued moving forward with a few projects we started just a year ago, including our very own PPOA insurance agency. We developed this agency when we realized many of our members had multiple overlapping policies as a result of PPOA's insurance vendors selling their own products. With the creation of the Professional Peace Officers Insurance Agency (PPOIA), our agents work for the members directly and can identify the best possible policy from a variety of insurance vendors. Since we are not in the insurance business to make money, we can pass on considerable savings to the membership. Please contact one of our agents by calling (909) 599-8627, and allow them to try to find you a better policy for less money.

We also completed the second year of our new scholarship program in 2013, which we started when we realized that college costs were increasing while our members faced tougher and tougher economic times. It is quite rewarding to help our members and their children pursue higher education. Five years ago, I stated my goal was to make PPOA a more compassionate organization looking out for our members' total well-being, not just their working conditions. I think we accomplished two huge steps towards that goal with the insurance company and the scholarship program.

On a disheartening note, 2013 became a stressful time for LASD with federal investigations, media attacks on our credibility, significant changes in our upper management and the announcement of former LASD executives running for Sheriff in 2014. Sadly, it seemed this past year that LASD employees spent more time on politics and rumors instead of doing good old-fashioned police work.



BRIAN MORIGUCHI

I am a true optimist and I hope we can return to focusing on providing the best law enforcement service possible and providing our members with the resources to do their jobs. That is the best way to restore the fine reputation of LASD!

As we look forward to the future, we anticipate the attacks on our pensions to resurface in 2014. Pension “reformers” took a hiatus in 2013 after being soundly defeated in 2012. But they are back and they are armed with money, thanks to some out-of-state billionaires eager to force everyone into 401(k) retirement plans. PPOA played a major role in defeating the attacks on our pensions in 2012 and we will do the same in 2014!

As you can see, PPOA is involved in a variety of projects well beyond the basic services a union provides to its members. I am so proud of the Board of Directors and their vision for this organization, and the hardworking staff that carries out the day-to-day functions to make that vision a reality. Although we are facing some challenging times, PPOA will continue to put the membership's needs first. I wish all of you a safe and prosperous 2014, and I look forward to helping PPOA and the LASD keep moving in the right direction.

# CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

The Star & Shield Foundation (originally named the Professional Peace Officers Charitable Foundation) was established by PPOA in 2001 and has proudly raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to support worthy organizations and causes. The most important of our missions is to support the surviving family members of peace officers killed in the line of duty.

Spouses and children who suddenly find themselves forced to face life without the family provider often need much more than financial assistance. Emotional and moral support is crucial for anyone trying to make sense of a sudden loss while tackling a slew of new responsibilities. The goal of the Star & Shield Foundation is to provide care for the families in as many ways as possible. In addition to delivering immediate funds to the survivors, our Foundation also helps to navigate the pressing schedule of state-sponsored ceremonies honoring fallen officers. For years, the PPOA president has served as an escort for family members attending annual memorial ceremonies in Sacramento. Sometimes that means paying for airline tickets. Sometimes it means literally walking arm in arm with a grieving widow down the steps of the State Capitol building. Regardless of the need, we plan to continue offering support and, more importantly, our friendship.

The Foundation's most significant fundraiser for the past seven years has been our annual Peace Officer Memorial Golf Tournament held each June. The first seven annual tournaments netted more than \$300,000 for the families of fallen officers. The upcoming tournament will be held on June 9, 2014, at Friendly Hills Country Club in Whittier. For sponsorship information, please call the PPOA office at (800) 747-PPOA.

More information about each of our 2014 events will be available in *Star & Shield* magazine, *PPOA.com*, Facebook and via email blasts.

All Foundation proceeds stem directly from fundraising, merchandise sales and the generosity of donors. PPOA merchandise includes an entire line of logo items (shirts, hats, jackets, mugs, etc.) displayed in the office lobby and online at [www.poastore.com](http://www.poastore.com).

The Star & Shield Foundation is governed by the following individuals:

## Star & Shield Foundation Board of Directors

- » Brian Moriguchi (Sheriff's Department)
- » Jim Blankenship (Sheriff's Department)
- » Burton Brink (Sheriff's Department)
- » Jim Cronin (Sheriff's Department)
- » Rogelio Maldonado (District Attorney's Office)



## Advisory Council

- » Lee Baca (Sheriff), Co-Chair
- » Steve Cooley (District Attorney, Retired), Co-Chair
- » Paul Roller (PPOA), Member
- » Kevin Thompson (PPOA), Member

## Board of Governors

- » Gold Lee (Lewis, Marenstein, Wicke, Sherwin & Lee)
- » Julie Sherman (Straussner & Sherman)
- » Aaron Straussner (Straussner & Sherman)
- » Richard Cohn (Marfred Industries)
- » Mark Deitch (911MEDIA)
- » Cary Fletcher (RaSport Inc.)

## Partial list of recipients supported by PPOA and the Star & Shield Foundation in 2013:

- » Police Unity Tour
- » Officer Kevin Tonn Memorial Fund
- » SLA Benefit Ride Fund
- » Detective Jeremiah MacKay Memorial Fund
- » With Hope Foundation
- » Survivors Memorial Fund
- » Sheriff's Relief Association (various funds)
- » Sheriff's Support Group of Altadena
- » Friends of Lakewood Sheriff's Station
- » United Peace Officers Against Crime
- » Devil Pups Inc.
- » Indio Police Officers Memorial Widows
- » National Kidney Foundation
- » Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Support Group
- » SCV Search & Rescue
- » MCJ Downed Officers Fund
- » Fallen Heroes Fund Inc.
- » Santa Clarita Explorers
- » Star 6 Foundation

# THE PPOA STORY

In the early 1950s, cops in Los Angeles didn't fret about pension reform. Instead, they worried about threats to **abolish** their retirement system altogether. The concern became so serious that a group of deputy sheriffs, deputy marshals and district attorney investigators gathered at the Hall of Records in 1951 for a serious discussion. They shared ideas about how best to protect their general welfare as peace officers and decided the most important first step was to work as a team. It was at that meeting that this fledgling group of L.A. County employees shook hands and agreed to form the Los Angeles County Peace Officers Protective Association (POPA).

Monthly dues were \$1 per month back then and they were initially collected in person by members of the Board. Board members often had the lone staff member (a female secretary) tag along while collecting dues in order to apply a little social pressure to the men who hesitated to part with a buck. The average monthly paycheck for a deputy sheriff in 1951 was \$355, so standards were naturally different. In fact, according to recruitment literature used by the Sheriff's Department at the time, deputy sheriff applicants were required to possess "no less than 16 natural teeth."

Before long, POPA's first office opened in Chinatown. The Board retained an attorney and provided each union member with false arrest insurance. POPA's initial efforts centered on defending members' rights, convincing the County to issue a pay increase and fighting the 1952 proposal to abolish all public employee retirement systems. In this sense, POPA's most important responsibilities have remained unchanged over the last 60 years. The union's perseverance has resulted in a much-expanded role: PPOA (the acronym was altered slightly from "POPA" in 1978, but the original pronunciation has stuck) is now one of the most influential law enforcement associations in the nation. Few single-employer unions have as much impact locally and statewide as this one. In six decades of service, PPOA has accomplished much more than could be listed in this column. A few highlights include:

## 4850 Time

PPOA sponsored legislation in the 1960s to establish a key benefit for peace officers: paid time off for line-of-duty injuries.

## Retirement Credit

PPOA's efforts in 1972 resulted in a military buy-back program for L.A. County in which peace officers can make a retirement contribution for years in the military and get additional credited service for retirement.

## Disability Coverage

In 1990, PPOA co-founded the Peace Officers Relief Fund (PORF), which provides 100 percent employer-paid, long-term disability income, as well as life insurance coverage.

## Safety Equipment

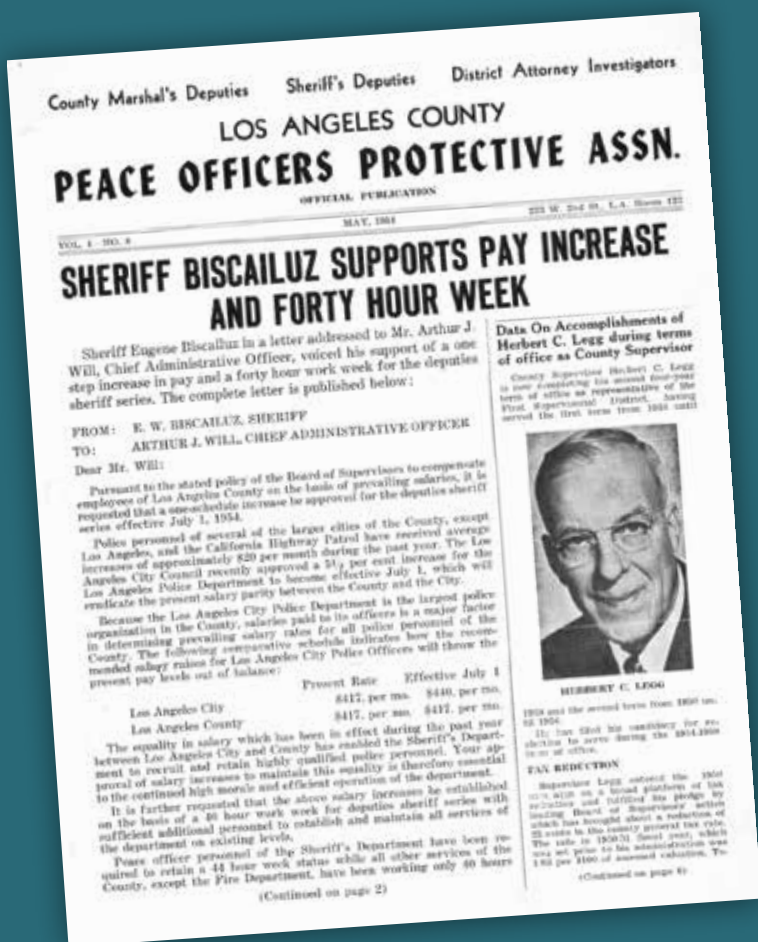
Thanks to PPOA's efforts over the years, peace officers no longer have to purchase their own firearms and safety equipment (e.g., vests); that all became standard issue by Los Angeles County.

## Medical Presumptions

PPOA's full-time legislative efforts have paid off handsomely over the last three decades, resulting in presumptions for cancer, blood-borne pathogens, heart disease, lower-back (duty belt) injuries, staph infections and more.

## New Members

PPOA proudly enrolled 317 new members in 2013 (as of the end of October), bringing the total membership to 8,647. The state of your union is strong and we are fully committed to forging ahead in 2014 as a leader among the nation's most effective law enforcement associations.



# REPRESENTATION

In the last 12 months, the PPOA staff has received thousands of calls from members for various reasons. Approximately 1,000 of those calls were forwarded to PPOA's labor representation team. From these, 279 became cases handled by our in-house labor representatives and/or attorneys. The rest were resolved informally by telephone, meetings, conflict resolution or correspondence.

Of the cases handled by the PPOA labor representation team:

- » 54% were internal investigations
- » 22% were grievances that either started out as such or became such as a result of the investigation
- » 6% were civil service appeals
- » 8% addressed contract enforcement issues
- » 10% were internal criminal investigations

As the statistics above show, representing law enforcement employees in one of the largest counties in the nation requires constant vigilance. There is no career as closely scrutinized as that of a public safety employee. With this in mind, you need to have representation. It can't be emphasized enough. If you are contacted by IAB or ICIB, your next phone call should always be to PPOA. Please never take the position, "They said I'm just a witness, so it's no big deal." We can assure you the transition from witness to subject can happen in the blink of an eye. The spotlight on the Department

and its employees has never shined as brightly as it currently does. You need to take every precaution to ensure that your rights are protected during any Departmental investigation.

Our labor representatives and attorneys (PPOA works with no less than half a dozen specialized firms) are uniquely experienced and familiar with local, County, state and federal administrative agencies and the laws that govern all aspects of the workplace. This allows PPOA to provide skilled representation in every area of labor including, but not limited to:

- » Arbitration
- » Contract enforcement
- » IAB investigations
- » ICIB investigations
- » Grievances
- » Unit-level investigations
- » Unfair labor practices
- » Workplace issues

If you are not a full dues-paying PPOA member, we ask you to consider joining. If you are a member, we thank you and remind you to call PPOA as soon as you suspect something may go awry at work. We can help. It's what we do for our members every day. Our representatives are available to speak with you 24 hours a day.



# PPOA INSURANCE AGENCY

**T**he goal of the PPOA Insurance Agency is to provide PPOA members with the tools needed to learn about the different types of policies and their benefits, costs and limitations.

We believe that the best way to help you obtain the right coverage — at the best possible price — is to help you understand what you need to know about insurance.

Have you ever wondered what kind of damage is covered by a basic homeowners policy? Or what types of coverage are generally included in a standard personal auto policy?

Want to find out about a disability income policy? Have you ever wondered how much of your paycheck you can protect and how much it would cost?

Are you curious about when the time is right to apply for long-term care? Want to know whether an HMO or PPO is best for you and your family?

What's the difference between a disability income policy and a long-term care policy?

We want your insurance to work hard for you and your family. Let us help you find the right protection while giving you the peace of mind that comes with knowing you are covered.

The PPOA Insurance Agency is committed to maintaining the highest standards of integrity and professionalism in our relationship with you, our client. We endeavor to know and understand your financial situation and provide you with only the highest-quality information, services and products to help you reach your goals.

## Disability Income Protection

Provides income to those who are injured on the job, sick or can't work. Does not require you to use or exhaust sick time or vacation time but does allow you to replace up to 40 percent of your income (in addition to state disability income).

## Critical Illness

Relieves financial pressure caused by health issues like heart attacks, strokes or cancer. It provides a lump sum benefit for covered illnesses. Ideal for those who don't have funds to cover at least six months of expenses saved in the bank.

## Accident Expense

Pays benefit amount based on covered injury. Preferred by people who engage in, or have children engaged in, sports or recreational activities.

## Life Insurance

Term policy with death benefit up to \$350,000. Does not require a physical or blood/urine tests.

## Homeowners, Auto, Boat Insurance and Much More!

Discounted rates extended to all PPOA members.

PPOA Insurance Agency representatives visit L.A. County work sites regularly to visit with our members and discuss insurance-related issues. If you'd like them to visit your work location, please contact PPOIA at (909) 599-8627.

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# MEMBER BENEFITS

**W**hile the current economy has taken a tragic toll on the peace of mind once enjoyed by many Americans, thousands of PPOA members report to work each day with the knowledge that their interests at work are securely protected. A rewarding career with good wages, benefits and working conditions goes hand in hand with the assurance that the immediate family is (and always will be) well cared for. But let's face it: Juggling those responsibilities simultaneously and around the clock is often stressful. That's why it makes perfect sense to put an experienced team of professionals to work for you. For the past six decades, PPOA has proudly offered an impressive array of benefits to our membership. The list below is assurance that PPOA's Board and staff strive to secure new, valuable benefits year after year.

Here is a brief summary of the many benefits, perks and privileges available to PPOA members:

## **POPA Federal Credit Union**

POPA Federal Credit Union is full-service, non-profit and member-owned, with more than \$170 million in assets and four full-service locations in Los Angeles County.

## **Free Non-Job-Related Legal Advice**

One free consultation with an attorney is available each year for every PPOA member.

## **Free Insurance Coverage**

PPOA members (active and retired) are given a \$4,000 accidental death & dismemberment (AD&D) insurance policy at no cost. Plus, active PPOA members receive an additional \$4,000 in AD&D and life insurance policies.

## **Peace Officers Relief Fund (PORF)**

PPOA administers this free, long-term disability coverage and \$100,000 life insurance policy for active, sworn members.

## **PPOA Insurance Agency**

PPOA members have access to an array of plans designed to complement County-provided benefits, including disability income protection, critical illness, accident expense, homeowners, auto, boat, motorcycle and more.

## **Star & Shield Magazine**

A complimentary subscription to PPOA's official magazine is given to all members.

## **Annual Calendar & Benefits Booklet**

Members receive a pocket-sized resource listing PPOA benefits and the Smart Saver Blue Pages — a directory of local businesses offering special discounts to PPOA members.

## **Group Discounts**

Members enjoy exclusive deals for amusement parks, movie theaters, cellphone service and more.

## **Free Notary Service**

There is an experienced notary public on staff available to PPOA members at no charge.

## **Pre-Labor Day BBQ**

Hundreds of members and 30-plus vendors gather annually for free food, prizes and fun.

## **Annual PPOA Fishing Trip**

A private boat for PPOA members is chartered every summer for a day of angling near Catalina Island.

## **Purchasing Power**

Members who enjoy online shopping can now do so with convenient payroll deduction plans.

## **LEO Web Protect**

PPOA members can protect personal privacy by having their information removed from the Web.

## **Healthview Body Scan**

Active members carrying ALADS Blue Cross insurance are eligible for a free, non-invasive scan and consultation.

## **Red Book Auto Fleet Discount**

Members save both time and money when purchasing a new vehicle via the Red Book.

## **PPOA Conference Center**

A modern, multi-use conference center is available to members at no charge.

## **Estate Planning**

United Estate Planning offers peace of mind and exclusive discounts to PPOA members.

## **Rose Hills Memorial Park**

Members are entitled to exclusive discounts and convenient payment plans.

## **Home Mortgage Consultation**

PPOA members seeking mortgage advice have access to our trusted and seasoned expert, Adriana Rodriguez-Liberato.

## **Financial Planning**

PPOA's financial planning team is available to assist members through education, analysis and personal-program planning.

# LEGISLATIVE SUCCESS

**P**POA's vigilance in the halls of the California State Capitol goes back more than three decades. And while the hot topic for the last few years has been pension "reform," you can rest assured that PPOA's efforts in Sacramento extend well beyond protecting your benefits. Jim Vogts, PPOA's full-time lobbyist in Sacramento, is regularly involved in proposed changes to the various California codes such as the Penal Code, Civil Code, Labor Code, Government Code, Vehicle Code, Health and Safety Code and sometimes the Business and Professions Code. As we review the various proposals, we consider law enforcement labor issues, anything that might affect your health and welfare as you carry out your duties, and anything that would help you be more effective as you protect the public. With that in mind, we have included below a review of some of the legislative proposals from the last session in order to help you determine our degree of success.

The following is a partial list of bills introduced in the 2013-2014 legislative session that PPOA supported, opposed or had on the radar screen:

## Assembly Bills (AB)

**AB 4 — Ammiano.** Would prohibit a law enforcement official from detaining an individual on the basis of a United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement hold after that individual becomes eligible for release from criminal custody. **Opposed.** Signed into law, Chapter 570.

**AB 25 — Campos.** Would prohibit public employers from requesting or requiring employees to disclose a user name or password for purpose of accessing personal social media. **Supported.** It is now a two-year bill.

**AB 238 — Gomez.** Would enhance the opportunity to serve an emergency protective order (EPO) by allowing the information to be entered into the California Restraining and Protective Order System so that any officer coming in contact with the suspect could advise that person of the order. **Supported.** Signed into law, Chapter 145.

**AB 335 — Brown.** Would prohibit a law enforcement officer from impounding a vehicle that is being driven by an unlicensed driver if the vehicle is or can be legally parked nearby. **Opposed.** In Assembly Transportation Committee as of the end of October 2013.

**AB 353 — Brown.** Will close a serious loophole that currently exists in California's medical parole laws regarding the killing of a peace officer. **Supported.** In Assembly Public Safety Committee as of the end of October 2013.

**AB 398 — Fox.** This bill is intended to include coroner investigators who are peace officers under PC Section 830.35 in the provisions of the Peace Officers Bill of Rights. **Sponsored.** In Assembly Appropriations on suspense as of the end of October 2013.

**AB 473 — Ammiano.** Claims to "regulate" marijuana stores, but it actually enables them and would authorize the virtual unfettered trafficking in phony medical marijuana recommendations.

**Opposed.** Failed passage on the Assembly floor.

**AB 500 — Ammiano.** Similar to AB 299. Would prohibit a person who is residing with someone who is prohibited by state or federal law from possessing a gun from keeping a firearm in the residence unless it is kept locked up in a manner prescribed. Signed into law, Chapter 737.

**AB 624 — Mitchell.** County jail rehabilitation program. Would allow the sheriff to expand the rehab credit program from one to six weeks for inmates who successfully complete specific program performance objectives. **Supported.** Signed into law, Chapter 266.

**AB 729 — Hernandez.** Would extend a privilege of confidential communication shared with a union representative. Exempts any information necessary to disclose in order to prevent the commission of a crime or where required by court order. **Supported.** Vetoed.

**AB 822 — Achadjian.** This measure applies existing actuarial and public hearing requirements to local ballot measures, including charter proposals that seek to modify municipal employee retirement benefit plans. AB 822 also specifies that such municipal retirement-related local ballot measures may only appear on statewide general election ballots. **Supported.** Vetoed.

**AB 1040 — Wieckowski.** Would authorize any probation officer or deputy probation officer to carry a firearm if he/she is responsible for supervising "high risk" offenders. **Supported.** In Assembly Public Safety Committee as of the end of October 2013.

**AB 1084 — Melendez.** Penalty enhancement for weapons carried in or within 1,000 feet of a school. **Supported.** Failed in Assembly Public Safety Committee.

**AB 1309 — Perea.** Relates to workers' compensation for professional athletes and represents a very dangerous precedent for millions of employees nationwide. **Opposed.** Signed into law, Chapter 653.

**AB 1373 — Perez.** Would extend the workers' compensation death benefit for firefighters and peace officers up to one year after the date of death (this is similar to last session's bill, which was vetoed). **Co-sponsored.** Vetoed.

**ACR 53 — Quirk-Silva.** Designates June as Sober Graduation Month. **Supported.** Signed into law, Chapter 58.

## Senate Bills (SB)

**SB 57 — Lieu and Rubio.** Legislation addressing the removal and disablement of GPS monitoring devices by parolees and probationers. **Supported.** Signed into law, Chapter 776.

**SB 59 — Evans, et al.** This bill would make illegal certain types of rape, sodomy, oral copulation and sexual penetration, where the individual submits under the belief that the individual committing the act is the victim's regular sexual partner. **Supported.** Signed into law, Chapter 282.

**SB 105 — Emmerson.** This is the Governor's proposal that would prevent the release of more than 9,000 state prisoners by December 31, 2013, in compliance with the court order. **Supported.** This bill was amended to include some of the provisions of AB 84. Signed into law, Chapter 310.

**SB 199 — De León.** Would add a rank-and-file deputy sheriff or police officer to the executive committee of each county's Community Corrections Partnership (CCP). **Supported.** In Senate Public Safety Committee as of the end of October 2013.

**SB 260 — Hancock.** Youthful offender parole hearings. Mandates that the Parole Board disregard important aggravating factors in setting parole dates and creates new rules that favor the release of dangerous offenders. **Opposed.** Signed into law, Chapter 312.

**SB 289 — Correa.** Would make it unlawful for a person to drive a motor vehicle if his/her blood contains any detectable amount of a drug classified in Schedules I, II, III, or IV of the California Uniform Controlled Substance Act, unless legally prescribed. **Supported.** In Senate Public Safety Committee as of the end of October 2013, now a two-year bill.

**SB 313 — De León.** Public Safety Officers Procedural Bill of Rights Act (POBR). Would prohibit a public agency from taking punitive action, or denying promotion on grounds other than merit, against a public safety officer because the officer's name was placed on a *Brady* list, as defined. **Supported.** Signed into law, Chapter 779.

**SB 388 — Lieu.** Would provide that when any interrogation of a public safety officer is conducted, whether or not an investigation of that public safety officer is being conducted, it shall be conducted under the rules provided under POBR. **Supported.** In Senate Public Safety Committee as of the end of October 2013, now a two-year bill.

**SB 396 — Hancock.** Bans the possession of any magazine with the capacity to accept more than 10 cartridges. **Opposed.** Inactive as of the end of October 2013.

**SB 467 — Leno.** Would require a warrant before any electronic communications could be obtained from a storage facility. **Opposed.** Vetoed.

**SB 649 — Leno.** Would reduce the penalties of all drug possession offenses to "wobblers." **Opposed.** Vetoed.



# 2013 YEAR IN REVIEW



## New Board Members

Commander Ray Leyva and Senior Criminalist Christopher Lee are sworn into the PPOA Board.

**FEBRUARY**



## Delegates Meeting

Lieutenant John Kepley discusses the LASD Dual Track Career Path program with PPOA members at the delegates meeting in Glendale.

**MARCH**

**APRIL**



## LASD Retiree Roundup

Current PPOA President Brian Moriguchi shares a moment with five former presidents (Dennis Slocumb, John Stites, Art Reddy, Richard Shockor and Jim Vogts) at the LASD Roundup in Laughlin.



**44th Annual Los Angeles County Peace Officers' Memorial**

LASD executives pay their respects at the ceremony honoring the County's fallen officers, held at the STARS Center in May.

MAY

APRIL



**Vidal Retirement**

Recently retired Board Member Dave Vidal receives a plaque in acknowledgement of his years of service as a PPOA Director.



**Rinaldi Retirement**

Former PPOA Labor Representative Marlyne Rinaldi (center) is congratulated by PPOA staff members Clare Franco and Teresa Machado at Rinaldi's retirement reception in spring.

# 2013 YEAR IN REVIEW

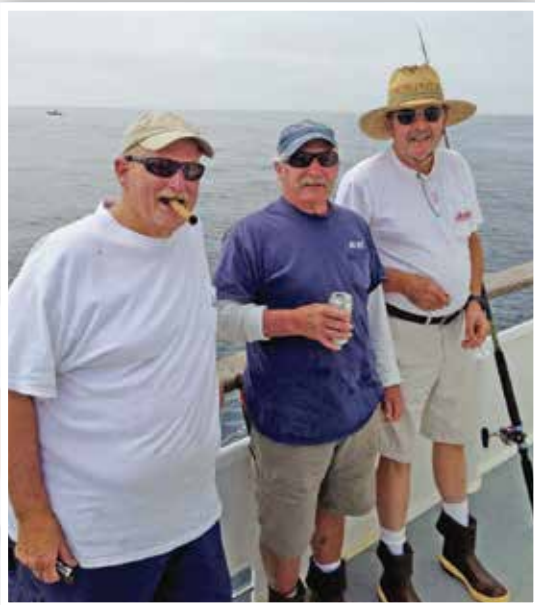


**7th Annual PPOA Peace Officer Memorial Tournament**  
LASD Honor Guard members present flags at the annual golf tournament fundraiser.



**Delegates Meeting**  
PPOA delegates Burton Brink and Kim Shelton take part in discussions regarding the LASD Return-to-Work Unit.

## JUNE



**13th Annual PPOA Fishing Trip**  
PPOA members enjoy a day at sea during the yearly anglers' outing.

## AUGUST



**POPA Federal Credit Union Dedication**  
Former PPOA President Camie Jarvis and former PPOA Board Member Seth Easley are honored during the branch-naming ceremony at POPA Federal Credit Union in San Dimas.



**Second Annual PPOA Scholarship Awards**

PPOA scholarship winners are congratulated by Sheriff Lee Baca and PPOA President Brian Moriguchi at a ceremony in August.



**13th Annual PPOA Pre-Labor Day BBQ**

Hundreds of PPOA members enjoyed the annual barbecue held at the Biscailuz Center.

**AUGUST**

**OCTOBER**



**Inaugural Oktoberfest Event**

PPOA hosted its first annual Oktoberfest fundraiser at Golden Road Brewing in Los Angeles. The event raised money for PPOA's Star & Shield Foundation.



**10th Annual PPOA Retiree Luncheon**

Current and former PPOA members gather for a photo during this year's luncheon, held at the Sheraton Fairplex.

# PPOA DELEGATES

PPOA is represented by more than 180 delegates at work locations around the County. The role of the delegate is crucial in facilitating effective communication between the union's board, staff and membership. Topics ranging from contract negotiations to legislation to lawsuits are discussed at quarterly dinner meetings. These meetings are held midweek at locations throughout L.A. County. The first meeting of 2014 is scheduled for March 4 (location TBA).

In addition to meetings, delegates receive updates (via email and/or regular mail) from PPOA on issues affecting the membership. Delegates are asked to make this information accessible to their co-workers. PPOA also calls upon delegates when input is needed on classification-specific topics or when opportunities arise to serve on a committee or attend union-related events.

If you are interested in being an actively participating delegate, please call Greg Torres at the PPOA office, (323) 261-3010.

## Current PPOA Delegates

Sup. P.R.D. Gregory Aguirre	L.E.T. Ann Margaret Canales-Mayorga	L.E.T. Ricardo Escalante	S.A. Phillip Guillen Jr.
C/A Maricela Alarcon	S.O. Humberto Cardenas	S.O. Jose Escobar Jr.	C/A Scott Gurnett
Court Svcs. Spec. Linda Andrews-Simmons	C/A Leticia Carlson	C/A David Esparza	C/A Rafael Gutierrez
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# PEACE OFFICER MEMORIAL

**O**n average, a peace officer is killed in the line of duty every 48 hours somewhere in the United States. It seems inconceivable that 19,981 names are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and yet, the countless grieving family members left behind each year remind us that we have a duty to memorialize the fallen and provide support to their loved ones. No state has laid more officers to rest than California (1,547 deaths, officially, since records have been kept). That is simply the risk peace officers face when they begin each shift.

One of PPOA's most honorable roles is to assist surviving family members of peace officers killed in the line of duty. The assistance is provided in a number of ways, from straight donations to sponsoring

entire families as they attend memorial ceremonies in Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

PPOA's annual Peace Officer Memorial Golf Tournament is a prime example of this Association's commitment to raise money and awareness for families of peace officers killed in the line of duty. Our upcoming tournament is set for June 9, 2014. If you would like to partner with us as a sponsor, participant or volunteer at any of these events, please call the PPOA office at (800) 747-PPOA.

Most importantly, PPOA extends heartfelt condolences to the families of the following peace officers who were killed in the line of duty in California in 2013 (as of the end of October):

## Officer Kevin Tonn

Galt Police Department  
EOW: January 15, 2013

## Detective Jeremiah MacKay

San Bernardino Co. Sheriff's Department  
EOW: February 12, 2013

## Officer Gilbert Cortez

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation  
EOW: March 25, 2013

## Officer Michael Crain

Riverside Police Department  
EOW: February 7, 2013

## Sergeant Loran "Butch" Baker

Santa Cruz Police Department  
EOW: February 26, 2013

## Officer Jon Couthie

Laguna Beach Police Department  
EOW: September 21, 2013

## Detective Elizabeth Butler

Santa Cruz Police Department  
EOW: February 26, 2013





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