

Wayne County Sheriff's Department Training Newsletter

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We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, therefore, is not an act but a habit.

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Thoughts...

This year has been unusually violent when it comes to assaults on police officers. Obviously, officers killed in the line of duty is nothing new but 2011 is proving to be one of the worst years in recent memory when it comes to LEOs killed in felonious assaults. This issue of the newsletter serves as a reminder that we are at risk every day and should always be prepared to deal with life threatening situations. Look at the statistics and avoid complacency, often the most deadly habit a police officer can develop.

REMINDERS

CPR TRAINING:	B Squad - August 18	A Squad – August 19
FIREARMS:	August 23 & 24 (Shotgun/Handgun)	
PHYSICAL TACTICS:	September 27 & 28	

Schedules for CPR and Physical Tactics will be out soon.

LOOK at the training calendar by clicking [HERE](#) or go to <http://wcsdweb2.co.wayne.in.us/training/>

Everyone should have recently received a memo regarding training topics for the prosecutor. So far, I have heard from only three officers. Please provide me with suggestions you have. I also sent out an email in May requesting officers to provide me with a list of their certifications, memberships, etc...thanks to all ZERO of you who responded. I am asking for this again so we can address budget and future training concerns.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Prescription Drug Abuse - Plainfield, IN - August 10

Accident Investigation - Indianapolis, IN - October 3-5

Criminal Drug Interdiction - Indianapolis, IN - October 31 - November 2

As always, if you are interested in attending any of these courses or other training not listed here, let Jason Moore (enforcement) or Jeff Ervin (jail) know. Enforcement officers can request training by submitting the proper training request through the link provided below. Any requests or suggestions for training topics are always appreciated.

If you have questions regarding training listed or an interest in attending training not found here, contact Jason Moore. Be sure to fill out a [training request form](#) for review if you would like to attend any training held outside the WCSD. Email reminders will be sent out when issues of this publication are ready to be viewed on <http://wcsdweb2.co.wayne.in.us/training>

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STAY ALERT!!

July 10, 2011

July 11, 2011

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LAW ENFORCEMENT FACTS

(From the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund)

There are more than **900,000** sworn law enforcement officers now serving in the United States.

Crime fighting has taken its toll. Since the first recorded police death in 1791, there have been over **19,000** law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. Currently, there are **19,298** names engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial.

A total of **1,626** law enforcement officers died in the line of duty during the past 10 years, an average of one death every **53** hours or **163** per year. There were **116** law enforcement officers killed in 2009, the lowest annual total since 1959.

On average, more than **58,000** law enforcement officers are assaulted each year, resulting in approximately **16,000** injuries.

The **1970s** were the deadliest decade in law enforcement history, when a total of **2,286** officers died, or an average of almost **229** each year. The deadliest year in law enforcement history was **1930**, when **285** officers were killed. That figure dropped dramatically in the **1990s**, to an average of **160** per year.

The deadliest day in law enforcement history was September 11, 2001, when **72** officers were killed while responding to the terrorist attacks on America.

New York City has lost more officers in the line of duty than any other department, with **693** deaths. Texas has lost **1,563** officers, more than any other state. The state with the fewest deaths is Vermont, with **21**.

During the past ten years, more officers were killed feloniously on **Friday** than any other day of the week. The fewest number of felonious fatalities occurred on **Sunday**. Over the past decade, more officers were killed between 8:01 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. than during any other two-hour period.

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News Release from the NLEOMF (July 20, 2011)

Washington, DC — For the second year in a row, law enforcement fatalities rose sharply nationwide during the first half of 2011, including 40 officers killed by gunfire—the highest number in two decades.

Ninety-eight law enforcement officers died in the line of duty during the first six months of this year, according to preliminary figures released today by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF), in conjunction with the Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.). This represents a 14 percent increase over the 86 officers who lost their lives during the same time last year. The number of officers killed by firearms surged 33 percent higher than the first-half numbers for 2010.

The one piece of good news in the report is that the number of officers killed in traffic-related incidents (35) declined by 17 percent compared to the first half of 2010. Traffic-related incidents have been the leading cause of law enforcement fatalities for each of the past 13 years.

Of the 98 officers who were killed during the first six months of this year: 40 officers were shot to death; 21 died in automobile crashes; 16 succumbed to job-related illnesses; seven were struck by automobiles while outside of their own vehicles; five were killed in motorcycle crashes; two were struck by a train; one officer died in an aircraft crash; one was beaten to death; one was electrocuted; one died in a fall; one was killed in a bomb blast; one was crushed to death; and one was strangled.

Florida and Texas were the deadliest states in the nation over the past six months for law enforcement officers with 10 fatalities each; followed by New York with eight; Ohio with seven; and California, Michigan and Tennessee with four each. Nine of the officers killed during the first half of the year served with Federal agencies, and five served with corrections agencies. The average age of the officers who died was 41. On average, they served for 13 years and eight of the officers who died were women.

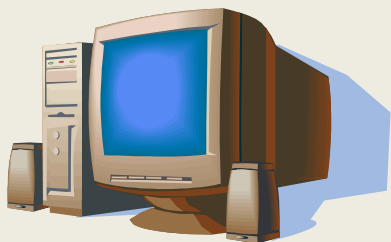
“The economy has forced reductions in training, safety equipment and personnel at law enforcement agencies across America,” stated NLEOMF Chairman Craig W. Floyd. “These budget cuts have put our officers at greater risk, especially as they face a more brazen, cold-blooded criminal element and a continuing terrorist threat,” he added.

“The number of family members impacted by line of duty law enforcement deaths increases each year,” declared C.O.P.S. National President Linda Moon-Gregory. “Correspondently, the number of families requesting assistance through their darkest days, and requesting assistance through C.O.P.S. grief healing retreats, has also increased. This gives C.O.P.S. a greater obligation and privilege to use our resources for our mission of ‘Rebuilding Shattered Lives,’” she said.

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TECH TIPS & TRICKS

(Courtesy of tech guru Alan Moore)

We have several forms that are PDF files that you can fill out using Adobe Reader. The problem is you cannot save them with the information you have typed in. However, you can create an electronic copy by printing them using the PDF Printer that is installed on your computer. Simply print like you would to any other printer and select the "PDF Printer" instead of a regular printer. You will then be prompted for a file name - that file will have the PDF document with the information you filled out in it. This only helps if you want an electronic copy of a form. Once the form is printed, you cannot go back into that form with Adobe Reader and change information nor continue filling it out.

I recently added the Indiana Missing Child Clearinghouse form to the list of forms on wayne8 and on the Sheriff's Intranet web page. You can fill this form out and print it on the "Dispatch Panasonic" printer along with your case report and they will have everything they need to enter the child into IDACS/NCIC. You should put "Signature on file" where the signature line is. Turn in the signed copy of the Missing Child Clearinghouse form (and note that it is signed in your case report) as an attachment to your case.

LEGAL UPDATE...

Take a few minutes to review this recent legal update regarding the use of a Taser by clicking [HERE](#).