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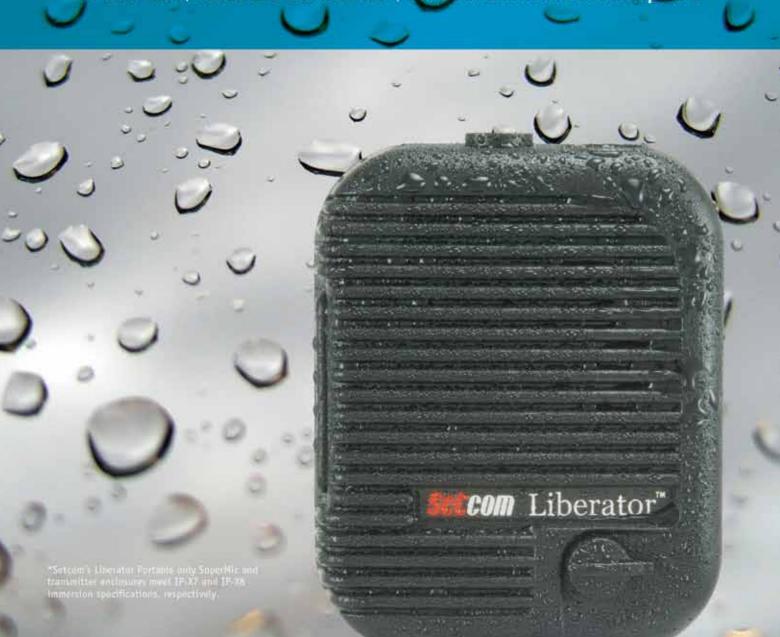
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police work. The Harley-Davidson Motor Company philosophy is still in place, which is that we are close to our customers. Our research and development in the area of police motorcycles has always emphasized its core philosophy of keeping the law enforcement officer properly equipped for service and safety. The respect that the Harley-Davidson Motor Company has always had for law enforcement has driven our product development. Harley-Davidson® Police motorcycles continue to build on their legendary reputation by providing superior performance and the reliability needed to withstand the rigors of everyday duty.

The Harley-Davidson Police Advisory Board met recently and provided valuable feedback permitting the Motor Company to remain close to this important customer segment. Fueled by their passion for motorcycles and motorcycling, the Advisory Board works in collaboration with Harley-Davidson employees from all areas of the Motor Company in the development and modification of existing and future law enforcement product offerings.

We are proud to feature the Florida Highway Patrol article and photos on the cover and on pages 12-15. The Florida Highway Patrol has a long time history of utilizing Harley-Davidson® Police motorcycles and is well respected throughout the entire Country.

Be sure to read part three of the motorcycle escort series on page 24. The article describes the special logistics required by a motor unit for a line of duty death. The article was a collaborative effort by the Fairfax County, VA Police Department Motor Unit's Senior Motor Officers, Supervisors, and the Commander. We are truly grateful for this informative article and are pleased to feature it in this issue.

The article on 'Multi Tasking that Motor Officers Face' written by Captain Jim Polan will hit close to home for most of our readers. We thank Jim for taking the time to keep us informed of the daily challenges a Motor Officer may encounter.

We sincerely appreciate and thank you for your continued interest in Harley-Davidson products. Ride safe!

MOTORCYCLE ESCORTS SERIES [P.24]

The Motor Officer magazine is proud to feature the final in a series of articles about motorcycle escorts in law enforcement. Law enforcement is a dangerous profession with an average of 140-160 officers killed every year in the line of duty. Traffic enforcement is a major duty assignment and studies show that traffic duties and escorts are listed at the top for those who provided the ultimate sacrifice or were injured in the line of duty.

Part three of the series on motorcycle escorts is on page 24. This article describes how to handle the special escort logistics required by a Motor Unit for a Line of Duty Death. We thank the Fairfax County, VA Police Department Motor Unit's Senior Motor Officers, Supervisors, and the Commander for submitting this informative article.

We are not recommending any method, but rather seeking to use this series to inform our *Motor Officer* readers. We hope to create informed debate about the merits and application of each. We sincerely hope you enjoy the entire series, and that this series stimulates interesting conversation within your motor unit, ultimately creating safer escort duties in the future.



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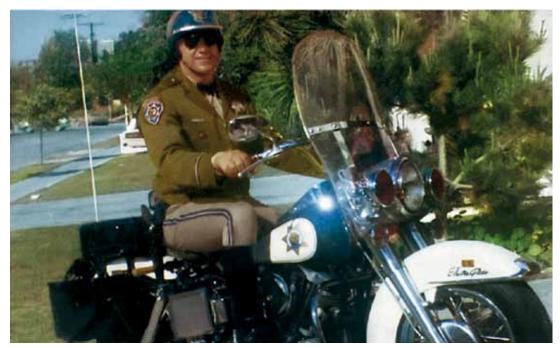
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Wallingford, CT – Officer George M. Callahan, Jr on the Wallingford Police Department's first police motorcycle – October 28, 1976. Photo submitted by Retired Officer Roger L. Cone





Van Nuys, CA – CHP Motor Officer Norm Hubbard (ID 5891), circa 1972, on his CHP issued Harley-Davidson® Electra Glide® motorcycle...the glorious years. Love the blue bow tie!





Sanford, FL – Father-Daughter family tradition. Left: Retired Seminole County Sheriff's Office, FL, Captain J. Leman with daughter Tina, circa 1979, on Harley-Davidson® Road King®. Above: Sanford Police Department, FL, Motor Officer Tina Leman, 31 years later, on '09 Harley-Davidson® Electra Glide® motorcycle.



Northborough, MA – Officer Frank J. Mueller in 2006, three years prior to his unexpected death in 2009. Frank was a police officer for more than 35 years. He began his career with the New Jersey State Police where he was a trooper for seven years, before returning to his home state of Massachusetts to join the local department in Northborough where he proudly retired after 30 years of service. Frank was a proud member of the motor patrol, instituted in Northborough in 2005. Submitted by Karen Mueller





COPS WALK SOUTHWEST 2012

A physical challenge, an emotional high and the opportunity to help C.O.P.S.

SUBMITTED BY CAROLYN DAVINROY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR. C.O.P.S.



he Inaugural COPS WALK SOUTHWEST will bring together survivors, friends and members of the law enforcement community who are willing to take on the challenge of walking 25 miles in two days to support Concerns of Police Survivors. The goal is to ensure that C.O.P.S. continues helping those who have lost a loved one in the line of duty and provides many opportunities for those families to rebuild their shattered lives. The walk is designed to provide participants with a physical challenge as well as the opportunity to spend time with other survivors and friends walking in memory of loved ones.

COURSE

The course begins in South Mountain Park and then on to the Salt River Project's Canal in Tempe, Phoenix and Scottsdale, Arizona. The first day's walk is approximately 12.5 miles. The route is on a beautiful trail in South Mountain Park and on to an urban trail with many points of interest along the way.

TRAINING

The 25-mile journey will be challenging, even for those who are completely prepared. Some have compared our daily walks to two long days at a theme park. The more you train, the more energy you will have left to enjoy the experience. We

Suzie Sawyer

Concerns of Police Survivors'
Retiring Executive Director Receives
the Distinguished Service Award at
2011 National Police Week

On May 14, 2011 Suzie Sawyer, retiring C.O.P.S. Executive Director was awarded C.O.P.S. highest recognition, the Distinguished Service Award. Each year, this award is given to an individual who has shown exemplary support to law enforcement survivors and advocates for police survivor issues. This award was a fitting farewell for Suzie who for 27 years gave compassionate service to law enforcement survivors. Suzie dedicated her life to being a champion of survivors' issues and fighting hard for survivors' rights and benefits. She directed the growth of grief seminars and retreats to serve surviving children, spouses, parents, siblings, in-laws, significant others and co-workers. She



Suzie Sawyer, with her family, received C.O.P.S' Distinguished Service Award

was also instrumental in the creation of the Traumas of Law Enforcement trainings which help law enforcement agencies prepare for and handle line-of-duty death. Suzie will always occupy a special place in the hearts of thousands of survivors and members of the law enforcement community. C.O.P.S. will be Suzie Sawyer's legacy. Please join us in wishing Suzie and her husband, Buzz, a retired Prince George's County (MD) Police Officer, a long, happy healthy retirement! We love you Suzie!

have included some excellent information about training for long-distance walks in the walker packet.

COST

Each participant is asked to raise a minimum of \$1,000 on behalf of Concerns of Police Survivors, but the challenge is on for each walker to raise \$2,500 or more. C.O.P.S. will cover hotel and meal expenses from Friday evening through the end of the walk on Sunday afternoon. Your expenses will include travel to and from Phoenix Sky International Airport, hotel incidentals and Sunday evening dinner.

FUNDRAISING

The funds raised will be processed by the C.O.P.S. National Office to benefit Hands-On Programs. C.O.P.S. is able to accept donations in the form of checks or credit cards. C.O.P.S. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. Donations are tax deductible.

PRIZES

Walker prize levels are based on total amounts received in the C.O.P.S. office before March 1, 2012!

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Announced by National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund

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raig W. Floyd, Chairman & CEO of NLEOMF announced the winner of this year's motorcycle raffle during the 2011 National Police Week. More than 20,000 law enforcement officers and supporters attended the events. This is the fifth Harley-Davidson® motorcycle to be given away in support of the National Law Enforcement Museum.

The motorcycle is a 2011 Harley-Davidson FLHTCU Ultra Classic® Electra Glide® Peace Officer Special Edition in Peace Officer Blue donated by Harley-Davidson Motor Company!

The winner is Doug Caldwell of West Monroe, Louisiana! Doug Caldwell is the fifth Harley-Davidson winner from the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund. Each year Harley-Davidson donates a motorcycle to the Memorial Fund, which is then raffled off. Over the past five years the Harley-Davidson motorcycles donated have raised over \$250,000 for the National Law Enforcement Museum currently under construction in Washington, D.C.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON RAFFLE SUPPORTS NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT MUSEUM

For more than a century, Harley-Davidson Motor Company has been supplying motorcycles to America's law enforcement

agencies. Harley-Davidson has been a honored partner of the Memorial Fund donating motorcycles to help raise funds for the first-ever congressionally authorized National Law Enforcement Museum. "The Memorial Fund is honored to have Harley-Davidson as a Museum partner" said Craig Floyd, Chairman & CEO of the Memorial Fund. "Not only does the raffle raise funds for the Museum, it helps to raise awareness and build support for the Museum campaign" he added.

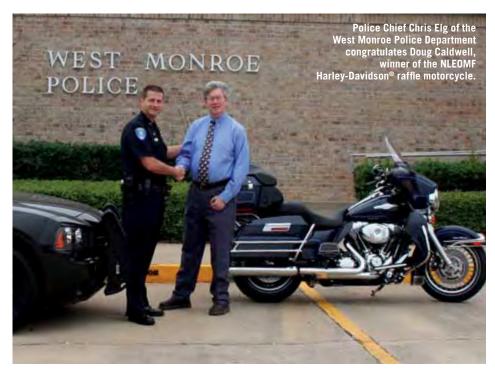
The previous Harley winners include a Police Chief from New Hampshire, a U.S. Border Patrol agent from California, a Florida woman who had been riding on the back of her husband's Harley-Davidson® motorcycle for two decades, and a corrections lieu-

tenant from New Jersey who recently retired and now spends much of this time touring New England on his new motorcycle.

Authorized by Congress in the year 2000, the National Law Enforcement Museum (www.LawEnforcementMuseum.org) is an architecturally inspiring, 55,000 square foot, mostly underground museum that will be located adjacent to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in downtown DC. The Museum will tell the story of American law enforcement through high-tech, interactive exhibits, collections, research and education. Ground breaking in 2010 marked the start of construction on the Museum which has a projected opening in late 2013.

The privately funded Museum has launched an \$80 million capital campaign, with more than \$43 million raised to date. Former Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton serve as co-chairs of the Museum's National Honorary Campaign Committee, which also includes seven former Attorneys General of the United States, as well as other former government officials and celebrities.

For more information about the Museum campaign "A Matter of Honor" and to learn how you can support the Museum, contact John Shanks, Director of Development and Law Enforcement Relations at the Memorial Fund at 202-737-8529 or JShanks@nleomf.org.



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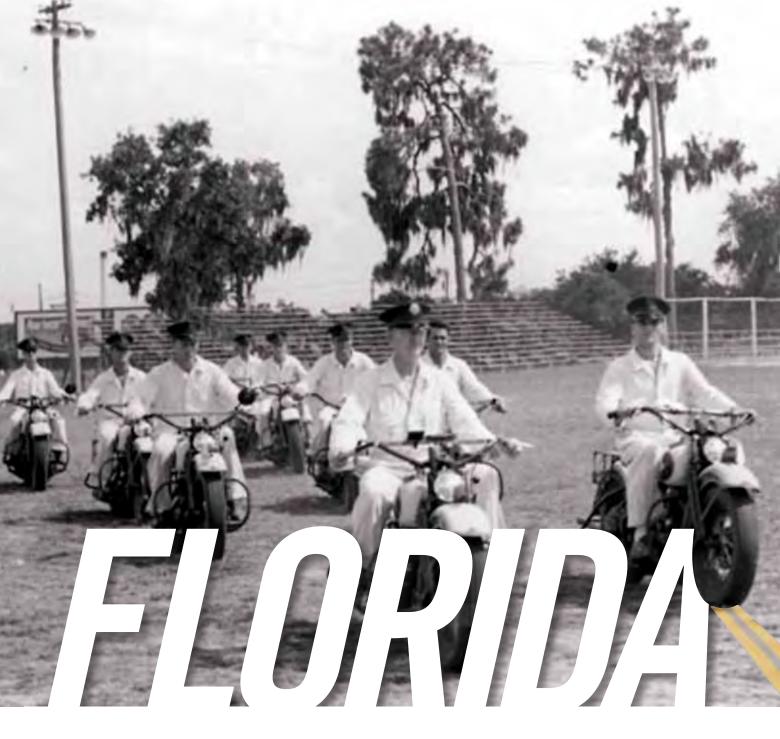
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Photos submitted by Captain Al Wofford and the Florida Highway Patrol









he Florida Highway Patrol Motorcycle Unit was resurrected in 1984 with a compliment of 10 troopers (1 sergeant & 9 troopers) assigned to Miami-Dade County. The motorcycle utilized was the Harley-Davidson® FXRP 1985 model. Over the past 20 years, the unit has progressed to having 10 motors assigned to Troop E (Miami), 4 motors assigned to Troop L (West Palm Beach), 10 motors assigned to Troop D (Orlando), 10 motors assigned to Troop C (Tampa) and 10 motors assigned to Troop G (Jacksonville). Presently the motor of choice is the Harley-Davidson® FLHP Road King®, however the newer motorcycles will be the Harley-Davidson® FLHTP Electra Glide® fair-

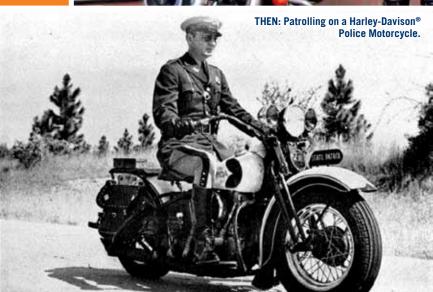
ing model with a slightly different appearance related to decals.

The Florida Highway Patrol's Vision Statement is 'A Safer Florida through Courtesy, Service, and Protection'. Their Mission Statement is to promote a safe and secure Florida through professional law enforcement and traffic safety awareness. Florida Highway Patrol 'Values' include Courtesy by treating others fairly and professionally; Service by rendering aid and assistance to members of the public; Protection by protecting life and property. Their 'Strategic Goals' are to improve traffic safety, interdict criminal activity, enhance homeland security, provide communications, and retain, develop, and recruit quality employees.











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Hurricane Irene May Have Canceled Dream Ride 2011 **But Didn't Stop The Dream!**

Farmington, CT

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he Dream Ride and Dream Cruise are more than a charity ride and charity car cruise to benefit Special O

to benefit Special Olympics. The Dream Ride is a day to bring together a diverse group of 'engine loving' enthusiasts to celebrate the achievements of Special Olympics Athletes.

Dream Ride was scheduled for Sunday, August 28, 2011. Organizers, volunteers and sponsors worked countless hours to not only facilitate a ride from 29 satellite locations across eight states over three days but Dream Ride 2011 was about to take on a new dimension.

Family, friends and fans across the northeast were about to converge on the Farmington Club in Farmington Connecticut. Governor Dannel P. Malloy proclaimed Sunday, August 28, 2011 in the State of Connecticut, Annual Dream Ride Day. 136 road use permits were pulled. Local and State Police received assignments for road closures and intersection blockings. DMV electronic billboards were displayed along the route. Television and radio outreach was underway. Producers and crews from Essex Television were on track to highlight Dream Ride on Discovery Channel's hit series Chasing Classic Cars.

Most importantly, all the Special Olympics Athletes from all over the northeast shined their medals and were eager to share their accomplishments with the

thousands of people who were going to rev'up their engines to support Special Olympics. Everyone was anticipating this day... until the unimaginable... Hurricane Irene. We were in the direct path for Hurricane Irene and we were not going to escape her wrath. And we didn't! With heavy hearts we knew that our mission was to communicate to the entire Northeast that Dream Ride 2011 was canceled.

All the food was donated to a local food pantry and 100% of the funds raised will be donated to Special Olympics this year. We value your dedication to Dream Ride and are looking forward to seeing you next year. Save the date, Sunday, August 19, 2012 as we celebrate humanity and the achievements of the Special Olympics Athletes.

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SCENES FROM THE KOREAN NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY

Submitted by Donovan Tan, Director of Marketing and Iskandar Shahril, Marketing Manager, Harley-Davidson Asia Pacific/Latin America Markets











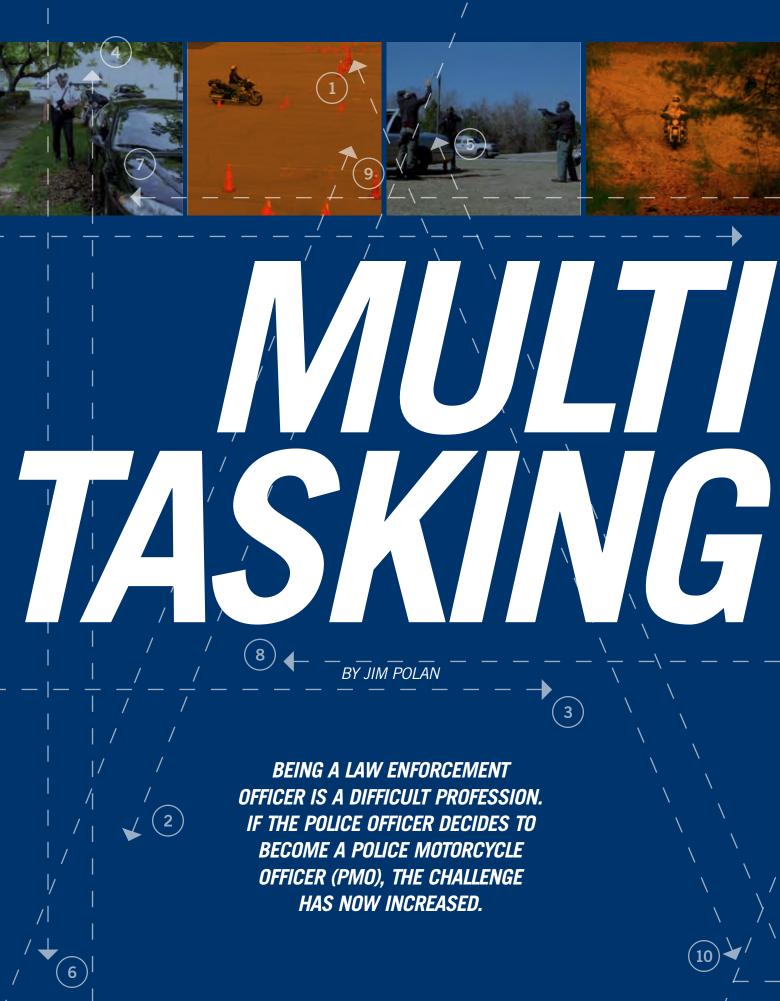




Brazil – President Lula of Brazil, at the independence day celebration in Brasília (7, September). With the Brazilian Navy and Army Escort (left), Brazilian Army Escort preparation for U.S. President Obama's visit last March to Brasília (helow)







VISUALIZE THIS "WHAT IF":

h blue sky full of swnshine, your Harley-Davidson® motorcycle is spotless with a fresh coat of wax and your boots with a new shine. You are traveling in track 3 of the center lane on one of the busiest 3 lane roadways within your jurisdiction and another officer has requested an emergency back-up a short distance from your location. You advise communications that you are en route and activate your emergency equipment. As you increase your speed a vehicle in the right lane abruptly changes into your lane, your instinctive response allows you to check your mirror and move over to the left lane to continue. As you approach a controlled intersection with a splid green light, you slow, scan, change your siren/mode and continue. From your right a vehicle makes a right turn on red and travels across all three lanes into your pathway. Again you must avoid this threat by applying effective braking using the front brake/first, followed by the rear brake and then safely switch lanes.

While this is occurring you are listening to/the radio transmissions regarding the officer requesting assistance to learn more information prior to your arrival.

You now turn onto a residential street and continue at an increased, yet safe speed; communications calls for your location and while you are answering the radio call a vehicle backs out of a driveway into your path. Due to oncoming traffic you only have one choice — controlled emergency braking!

You now arrive on scene and there are shots being fired...

WHAT NOW?



How many different items occurred in this one scenario that you must be trained and prepared for?

- 1. Scanning the roadway for violators and potential hazards
- 2. Listening to communications
- 3. Responding to communications
- 4. Evasive maneuver due to a lane change
- 5. Effective Braking and lane change
- 6. Controlled Emergency braking
- 7. Cover, movement and tactics

I used the word "instinctive" in this scenario yet instinctive behavior is an involuntary and unlearned response.

Some Psychologists define it as behavior that is pre-programmed through genetic coding, which is triggered when something occurs and it is matched by a response from the genetic code.

If this is true then it fully endorses the need for practical realistic training which involves repetition. Webster's defines *repetition* as: An act, process, or instance of repeating or condition of being repeated.

When we are involved in any type of stress like the previous scenario, it may have an impact on our Sympathetic Nervous System (SNS) which targets our mental and physical performance. If our performance is affected by stress, then our fine motor skills, breathing, vision and response time are also impaired which could make a huge difference between stopping in time or striking the motor vehicle.

The most important path of travel with the goal to slow or remove the impact from SNS is to practice in a true atmosphere of conditioning. The theatre is your motorcycle, learning to safely stop, safely negotiate a curve or using the motorcycle for appropriate cover with an accurate shot to stop the threat.

Riding a motorcycle and performing all of the required duties and responsibilities of a law enforcement officer presents a unique set of issues each and every day.

You must prepare to ensure that you are ready for any incident that you may face and the multiple tasks that will be presented.

We begin, of course with training and believe it or not, all police motorcycle training is not equal.

In order to safety and effectively perform as a PMO your basic and in-service training must be practical and relevant. The basic school should be a minimum of two weeks which will provide sufficient time to complete all of the necessary objectives.



Passenger side approach on an unknown risk vehicle stop



Practicing effective braking in an accident avoidance exercise



Learning and understanding the importance of operating on multiple surfaces



Ultimate use of cover

- 1. Learning the proper nomenclature of the motorcycle
- 2. Learning how to effectively and safely operate the motorcycle at slow speeds in confined spaces with absolute control
- 3. Learn the proper and safe way to conduct accident avoidance exercises that will be used to avoid any potential vehicle crash
 - a. braking
 - b. countersteering
 - c. curve negotiation
 - d. braking in a curve
- 4. Learn street safety and strategies
- 5. If time allows in the basic school, learn appropriate vehicle stop procedures and tactics; if not in the basic school it must be instructed during the field training program.

Upon completion of this basic school the PMO should be placed into a structured Field Training Program with a motorcycle instructor or a veteran PMO.

In-service motorcycle training varies across this great country; and in many agencies it does not exist at all. Some agencies provide an annual qualification, while others perform every quarter. The more fortunate PMO's are the ones who are allowed to train on a monthly basis.

The most important issue with in-service training is quality. If you train every month yet only set up cone patterns but do not provide any quality training with change, then you maybe setting your officers up for failure.

Complacency exists at every position and rank. Therefore if you are in a position of authority, make sure you do not fall into this law enforcement trap. You must train your officers so that they are ready for any "what if" type situation. Simply riding cones is not acceptable. You must provide other types of training:

- 1. Vehicle and pedestrian stops on motorcycle
- 2. Escort training either with a table top exercise or an actual movement of a package
- 3. Firearms training
- 4. I have even provided handcuffing training during motorcycle training just to provide something different
- 5. Attend a law enforcement related seminar

Instructors, just because it's a motor training day does not mean you are restricted to cones! Provide a block or two of another relevant law enforcement topic to further develop your employees. Just ensure that whatever discipline is being instructed, a qualified instructor is leading the way.

One realistic problem with training is appropriate staffing and funding. The current economic status of our country can have a tremendous impact upon training. Another item that law enforcement nationwide shares in common is when the funds slowly disappear, one of the first items that takes a hit is training! Again we must be creative!

A good example is if your agency currently trains eight hours per training day, you may have to cut it back to four hours per training day. This is better then losing training all together. Depending on the size of your motor unit, you could complete your objectives in half the time if you plan appropriately and remove the abundance of side stand training.

If for some reason your agency does not provide motor training, then the responsibility belongs to you! You must practice, prepare and train for that one day to ensure that you go home to your family. Grab a buddy and go into an unoccupied parking lot. Use the painted lines for your boundaries while you practice slow controlled maneuvers. Then mark out a safe distance and practice straight line braking and countersteering.

PMO's are required to multi-task everyday. Therefore if you must practice without an agency scheduled training day, then you must take responsibility and get it done!

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Motorcycle Escorts in Law Enforcement: Managing a Line of Duty Death BY SUSAN CULIN

In this third and final part of the series on motorcycle escorts in law enforcement, veteran officer Captain Susan Culin of the Fairfax County, VA Police Department describes how to best handle the special logistics required for a Line of Duty Death. The goal of this series was to confront the realities facing escorts and motorcades, and to discuss the merits and applications of various methods.

> hankfully, most agencies rarely have a Line of Duty Death. Unfortunately, that also means most agencies do not know how to prepare for one.

Most important in handling a Line of Duty Death is the creation of an operation plan that addresses all associated events prior to taking action. Careful planning and attention to detail will deliver dignified, memorable service. Conversely, if an agency relies on things falling into place without proper planning, they will react to issues on the

"fly" and will struggle in their attempt to provide a great service to the family.

HERE IS A CHECKLIST OF POSITIONS AND ACTIONS TO ASSIST DEPARTMENTS IN THE PLANNING STAGES FOR A LINE OF DUTY DEATH (LODD) FUNERAL ESCORT.

□ LIAISON OFFICER

The family of a fallen officer is often faced with numerous inquiries and extra requests, which can easily overwhelm and hinder their grieving. When agreed upon by the family,



an employee from the police department can be the designated conduit for all communication between the department and the family, reducing the family's burden during an otherwise painful time.

□ INITIAL QUESTIONS FOR THE FAMILY

A Line of Duty Death funeral poses special questions for the officer's family, which should be addressed early in the planning stages:

- What type of funeral service does the family want? Will the service be traditional or private?
- On occasion, the family might not want the police department involved in the funeral. In such a case, a department memorial service may be held separately.
- If a police funeral is held, a suitable venue must be found which will accommodate the large number of attendees.
- Does the family want to be escorted to and from the viewings and funeral?
- Will the body be escorted to and from viewings and to the funeral using four corner technique?
- Determine if a military branch will be involved.

□ PARKING COORDINATOR

The high volume of traffic and parking requirements associated with an LODD funeral can best be handled with a dedicated parking/traffic supervisor, who is responsible for:

- Traffic control in and around events using Parking Enforcement Officers and Auxiliary Police Officers (if available).
- Designating areas for Honor Guard to present colors, police vehicles, VIP parking, Motor Officer parking, Honor Guard

- staging, media, command post, food and beverage stands, rescue vehicles, and a first aid station.
- Designating areas for officers and mourners to stand outside the church to render honors to the fallen officer as the body arrives (and later departs).

To best coordinate a proper exit, the Honor Guard should be parked in an area with direct access to the exit, as they are usually the first to leave in order to set up at the interment site. The order of departure is as follows:

- 1. Honor Guard
- 2. Escort Motors
- 3. Ceremonial Motors (mourning agency motors directly in front of lead car
- 4. Hearse, including Motor officers on four corners
- 5. VIPs (including family limos and other family cars)
- 6. Police and fire vehicles
- 7. Remaining mourners

□ ROUTE COORDINATOR

Typically a Motor or Traffic supervisor, this role encompasses the following duties:

- If possible, recruit state or other local jurisdiction(s) to handle the escort (securing the route) thus allowing the agency motors and cruisers to participate by riding ceremonially.
- Securing the route entails holding a briefing where
 personnel are assigned to every intersection. When given
 the command via radio the personnel will close the roadway
 to oncoming traffic and allow current traffic to flow ahead
 and out of the way of the procession.
- · All intersections and driveways must be accounted for so road-

way traffic does not run into or through the funeral procession.

- When there are too many driveways and shopping center exits to cover, cones can used to block each driveway. In addition, personnel should be assigned to handle locations in close proximity, enabling them to respond to any vehicle which attempts to circumvent the cones.
- Designate 3-4 "sweep" Motors who ride 100 yards ahead of the procession to handle last minute situations, such as a vehicle trying to enter the roadway or an uncovered intersection.
- · Attempt to have all jurisdictions utilize common radio channel.
- Four corners assign four Motor Officers to ride on each corner of the hearse.
- Publicize route so that citizens, working law enforcement officers, fireboard, aviation unit and marine patrol can show respect and honor along the route.
- At or around the church exit, stage two large fire trucks

Remember, large escorts require slow increases in speed. Normally a maximum of 25 mph is used except while on interstate, in which case 35-40-mph is usually a good speed. For the first mile or two, depending on the number of vehicles in the procession, the escort should not exceed 15 mph, to allow vehicles to safely exit the church in one tight group. Keep the speed constant to prevent gaps in the motorcade. Update location often so that the personnel in charge at the cemetery (honor guard commander) are ready for your arrival.

- Ceremonial Motors should maintain a straight formation, lining up two-by-two with equal spacing. Motor Officers following in formation should see only one helmet in front of them to ensure they are following in a straight line.
- Designate the location at the cemetery where Motor Officers should line up. This is usually a split wide gauntlet at the cemetery entrance. The motors will pull up end to end,





with the American flag hanging from extended ladders.

- Designate a Motor Officer or cruiser to run ahead of the procession and ensure the route is clear. A lead time of 5-10 minutes is usually acceptable (depending on traffic congestion). This and sharing a common radio channel are crucial to prevent LODD escorts from falling apart.
- Notify Public Information Office and media about the route and road closures.
- · Coordinate and brief escort and ceremonial officers.

□ ESCORT PROTOCOL

The large scale of a LODD procession demands special escort requirements.

Lead ceremonial motor sets the speed of the procession.

with left side motors dismounting on the low side and right side motors dismounting on the high side. There should be room in-between for the procession to easily pass through. If space is limited, line up in a straight line on just one side. This should be known and formation should be briefed in advance.

TRENDERING SALUTE

• A salute is rendered to the flag as the hearse passes. A common mistake is to hold the salute for the entire procession, however the salute is given to the American flag (draped over the fallen officer's coffin) which can be seen through the hearse window. The call to 'Present Arms' is made when the hearse approaches the last Motor Officer in line (the first set of motors the hearse encounters). The salute is held until

the hearse passes the Motors at the front of the line (closest to the cemetery). Then the call to 'Order Arms' is made.

- The four corner motors stay with the hearse to the grave site. There should be a predetermined spot or marking indicating where the hearse is to stop.
- If the distance is not too far, the motor officers will leave their motors and walk in formation to the grave site to line up.
 Officers should bring their helmets with them so they may render proper salutes when called by the Honor Guard Team.
- Designated officers may need to disperse throughout the formations to echo commands given by the Honor Guard.

□ CEMETERY COORDINATOR

Typically an Honor Guard supervisor, who handles the following responsibilities:

• Designating a staging areas for Command Staff, Motors,



K-9 with partners, and uniformed officers.

- Consider having K-9 officers and their partners standing in a line approximately 50 feet behind the other mourners as if they are holding the perimeter.
- Determine if there will be an aviation unit fly over, a last call, a releasing of doves, bagpipes, firing party, bugler, etc..., and schedule accordingly.
- Call units to attention as the casket exits the hearse, keeping in mind heat or cold and how long officers stand at attention. Another common mistake is to call all officers to attention too early and hold them at attention for too long. If Officers are called to attention too early, call them back to the position of parade rest. Then, when ready, call them back to the position of attention.

□ SECURITY

A large gathering of law enforcement officers may become a target of opportunity to persons looking to do harm and obtain attention by doing so. The Security Supervisor is in charge of the following:

- Security at church, along the route and at the cemetery.
- Coordinating communications on a side channel while monitoring the main channel.
- Recently there have been protestors showing up at high profile funerals. These protestors are very boisterous but remain within their rights to voice their opinions. Departments must prepare for such encounters and prepare their officers to avoid being drawn into taking unlawful actions against the protestors.

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Additional actions offer increased awareness of a fallen officer's funeral.

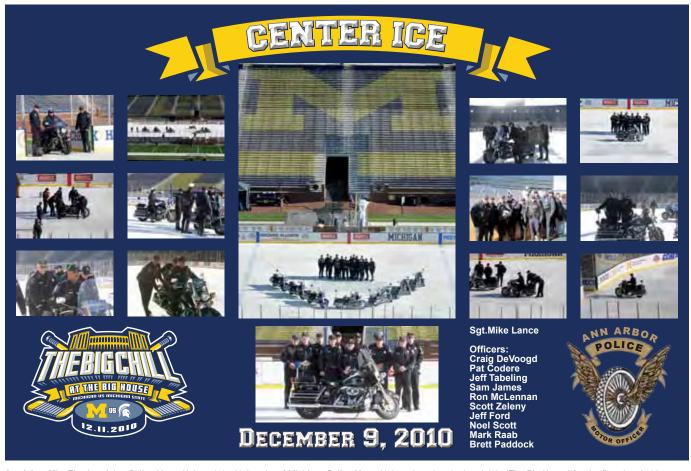
- Drape a cruiser or specialty vehicle in black and park it in front of police station.
- Use mourning bands on badges as well as black tape over badges on vehicles.
- If a specialty unit is involved you can determine additional symbolic displays. For example; for a fallen motor officer, the officer's motorcycle may be placed on a trailer along with a pair of boots placed backwards.
- Reach out to other local jurisdictions for help.
- Reach out to local businesses/community for help with food and beverages.
- Have a reception after the service; may be held in a high school cafeteria or other large venue.
- Determine how to honor the fallen officer in the future (possibilities include creating a memorial, challenge coins, and/or a plaque).
- Have motors attend National Police Week with fallen officer's family by participating in the escorts.

SUMMARY: ALL ABOUT THE DETAILS

Achieving a dignified, memorable Line of Duty Death is the result of careful planning, attention to detail and leaving nothing to chance. You only have one opportunity to do this for the family and you want to make it as nice as possible.

THIS ARTICLE WAS A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BY THE SENIOR MOTOR OFFICERS, SUPERVISORS, AND THE COMMANDER OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT MOTOR SQUAD, WHO HOPE YOU NEVER NEED TO USE THIS CHECK LIST. FOR THOSE WHO EXPERIENCE A LINE OF DUTY DEATH FUNERAL, THE FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT WISHES YOU ALL THE BEST AND WILL KEEP YOU IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.





Ann Arbor, MI – The Ann Arbor Police Motor Unit and the University of Michigan Police Motor Unit gathered at the ice rink in 'The Big House' for the first time in history Submitted by Officer Brett Paddock, Ann Arbor MI Police Department.



Flint, Michigan – Motor officers attended National Police Week in Washington, D.C. in May. The Officers were there celebrating the life of fallen Flint officer David Williams who was killed in the line of duty April 22, 2009. Officers from left: Ofc. Eric Rodgers, Ofc. Dave Bender and Sgt. Richard Besson. Submitted by Officer Dave Bender.





Deployed in Bagdad, Iraq – From left to right: Sgt. Rob Grimsley, Charleston SC Sheriff Dept, Dave Mata a California Highway Patrol Officer, and Nolan Rivera a Chicago Police Dept. Officer, on duty serving our Country in Bagdad, Iraq. Thank you for your service!



Grandview Heights, 0H – The Grandview Heights Division of Police instituted the Motor Unit in 2004, when Sgt. Larry Balla and Officer Calvin Adkins attended motorcycle training with the Columbus, OH Division of Police Motorcycle Traffic Control Unit. In March 2005, the officers hit the street riding brand new Harley-Davidson® Police Road King® motorcycles. The blue motorcycles were an instant hit in the City of Grandview Heights, as people found that the officers riding them were more approachable than officers riding in police cruisers. It seemed that "everyone" had a motorcycle, their dad had one, or they always wanted one! The motors are excellent for working traffic, patrolling city parks and are used as the officer's regular patrol vehicles, handling dispatch calls, traffic crashes, etc. Sgt. Balla and Officer Adkins were named "Law Enforcement Officers of the Year" by the Franklin County DUI Task Force in 2007, for their efforts in traffic enforcement. Today, the officers are riding Harley-Davidson® Electra Glide® motorcycles, or as they like to call them "Electra Glides in Blue", the Motor Unit continues to be a valuable asset both to the Division and to the City of Grandview Heights. Submitted by Sgt. Larry Balla, Motor Unit Supervisor, Grandview Heights, OH Division of Police.

From left: Sgt. Larry Balla, 2008 Harley-Davidson® Electra Glide®. Officer Calvin Adkins, 2009 Harley-Davidson® Electra Glide®

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Murfreesboro, TN – The Murfreesboro, TN Police Motor Squad in 2008 in front of the entrance to Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU). Left to right Ray Daniel, Wade Hatfield, Clayton Williams, Sgt Mike Luzadder, Brice Robbins, and Chris Harris. Photo by Patrolman Terry Spence (top), Police Memorial Week 2006 in honor of Motor Officer Kay Rogers who died in a fatal crash on duty 11/09/05. The picture was taken by Major Clyde Adkison. In picture from left to right: Clayton Williams, Ray Daniel, Kyle Evans, Richard Presley, Sgt Alan Cox, Sgt Shawn Murphy and Sgt Mike Luzadder.Submitted by Officer Ray Daniel.



Texas – The State of Texas DPS has two new Harley-Davidson® FLHP Road King® Police motorcycles that are protecting the Capital. The State of Texas has not employed motorcycles in more than 30 years and these state of the art Harley-Davidson® Police motorcycles will be an effective tool in and around the Capital. Specialized tools require specialized training and these Troopers recently successfully completed Police motorcycle training hosted by Northwestern University Center for Public Safety and Harley-Davidson Motor Company. In addition to commanding respect, this new team of Troopers and motorcycles will certainly stir more than one conversation! The motorcycles were sold by Cowboy Harley-Davidson of Austin, TX.



New Haven, CT – New Haven, Connecticut Police traffic and canine division line up for a photo before hitting the streets. Submitted by Officer Joe Avery, Crime Prevention Specialist, New Haven Police Department.



Gaithersburg, MD – Montgomery County, US Park, Rockville MD, and MNCPPC Park Police joined 1500 motorcycles on the Remembrance Ride to the Pentagon and D.C. for Rolling Thunder May 29, 2011. Submitted by Devin Battley, of Battley Harley-Davidson, Gaithersburg, MD.



Wausau, WI – Officers from three departments leading the Marathon County Wisconsin Labor Council Labor Day Parade. From left to right: Motor Officer Darren Honkanen from Rothschild Police Dept. on a 2010 Harley-Davidson® Electra Glide®, Motor Officer Clayton Vecchio from Everest Metro Police Dept. on a 2006 Electra Glide®, Officer Nathan Pekarske from Wausau Police Dept. on a 2010 Electra Glide®, and Motor Officer Mark Klein from Wausau Police Dept. on a 2004 Road King®. Rothschild Police has one certified Motor Officer and one Harley-Davidson® Motorcycle. Everest Metro Police Dept. has two certified Motor Officers and one Harley-Davidson® Motorcycles. Everest Metro Police Dept. has two certified Motor Officers and one Harley-Davidson® Motorcycles. All the certified Motor Officers have successfully completed an 80 hour Motor Officer training course. The Wausau Police Department has used motorcycles for patrol and traffic enforcement since the early 1900s. The Motor Officers are leading the Wausau Police Department's Honor Guard at the front of the Labor Day Parade. Submitted by: Motor Officer Mark Klein #3842 Wausau, Police Dept.



Bloomington, IN – The mission of the Bloomington, IN Police Department is to safeguard life and property while respecting diversity, encouraging civility, solving problems and maintaining a high standard of individual integrity and professionalism. Photo of the Bloomington Police Department Motor Unit taken at the Indiana University Memorial Stadium in Bloomington, IN. The Bloomington Motor Officers are: MPO Hall, MPO Bailey, PFC Mangan, and MPO Oliver. Submitted by: SGT Brad Seifers, Bloomington Police Department.









St. Pete Beach, FL – The St Pete Beach Police Dept utilizes one Harley-Davidson® Police motorcycle. The Agency is located on the Barrier Island next to the city of St Petersburg with approximately six miles of shoreline and about 10,000 residents that increases to 40,000 in season. Officer Vaughan is a certifical FUGENERAL CONTRACTOR OF STATES fied EVOC and certified Police Motorcycle operator/instructor. He is the Police Liaison officer for the Pinellas County Traffic safety committee. The Department Chief's secretary is Mollie Taaffe who is also the Records Supervisor and photographer.





North Hampton, NH – Competitors in the Police Motor Officer Skills Competition hosted by Seacoast Harley-Davidson on Mother's Day 2011. Submitted by Arielle Andrews, Director of Marketing, Seacoast Harley-Davidson.





Vienna, VA – The Town of Vienna VA Police Dept. Motor Unit has four Motor Officers that ride year 'round. They are located 12 miles West of Washington DC. Submitted by MPO W.G. (Bill) Murray.



Carson City, NV – Carson City Motorcycle Unit. Submitted by Sergeant Mike Cullen.



Tennessee – Tennessee Highway Patrol Motor Officers hosted the first ever "Music City Motorcycle Competition at L P Field" in Nashville in May 2011. Submitted by Harold Gooding.



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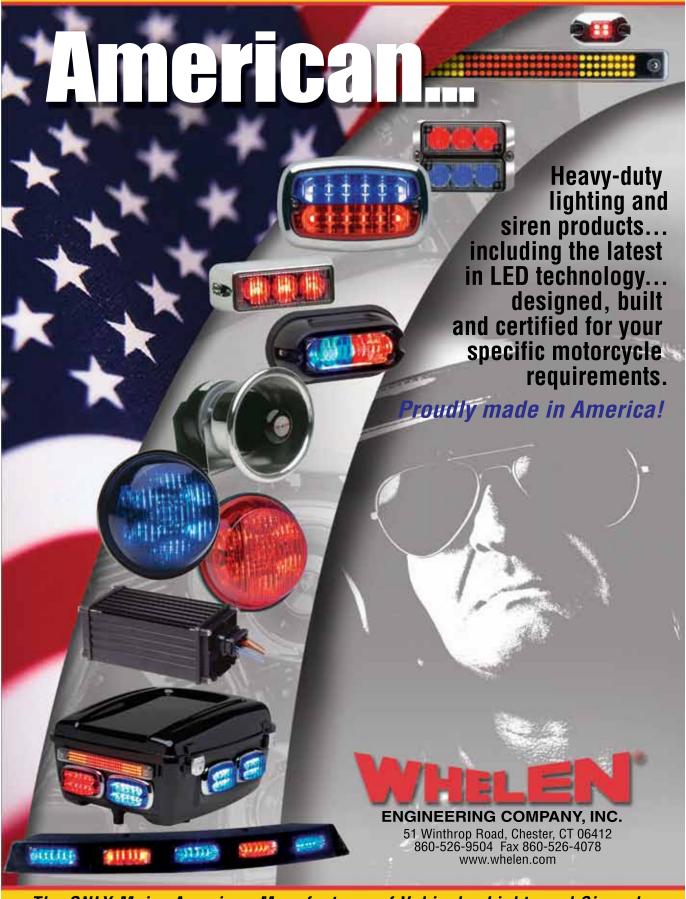
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