



# FBI MICHIGAN CHAPTER NATIONAL ACADEMY ASSOCIATES

## SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2023

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

**Ron Taig, President**  
*Livonia Police (Retired)*  
*Pepsico Corporation*

**Al Cox, Vice President**  
*Plymouth City Police*

**Dan Keller, Treasurer**  
*White Lake Police*

**Tony DeGiusti, Secretary**  
*Wayne Police (Retired),*  
*Ypsilanti Police (Retired)*

**Jeffery Lewis, Member at Large**  
*Muskegon Police (Retired)*

**Al Maciag, Member at Large**  
*Wayne Police (Retired),*  
*Northville City Police*

**Joshua Monte, Member at Large**  
*Romulus Police (Retired),*  
*Van Buren Township Police*

**Scott Pike, Chaplin**  
*Port Huron Police (Retired),*  
*Imlay City Police (Retired)*

**Bob Young, Member at Large**  
*Michigan State Police (Retired),*  
*Williamston Police (Retired)*

**John Courie,**  
**Retiree Representative**  
*Detroit Police (Retired),*  
*Schoolcraft College*

**Rick Huntzinger,**  
**Training Coordinator**  
*SSA FBI*

**Greg Laurain, Past President**  
*Van Buren Township Police (Retired)*

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*By: President, Ron Taig*



I want to thank everyone who attended our golf outing at Mystic Creek Golf Course. We were blessed with fantastic weather and great fellowship. A big thank you to our incredible sponsors who donated a record amount of money that will be used for our youth scholarship and leadership programs. The Curriculum Committee did a fantastic job of planning and organizing the event.

Congratulations to all our scholarship winners! We had some excellent candidates that applied. Good luck to all the winners this Fall.

Mark your calendar for September 6-8, 2023, on beautiful Mackinac Island. Your chapter has been working diligently on solidifying a fantastic lineup of speakers for the event with Retired DEA special agents Steven Murphy and Javier Pena subjects of the #1 Netflix series "Narcos". You will not want to miss the incredible story of these two as they pursue Pablo Escobar and the Medellin Cartel. There will also be training on health and wellness and a debrief of the hostage incident in Colleyville, Texas at the Israel Synagogue. If you have not registered for the conference, please do as soon as you can. Our room block is filling fast, and I do not want anyone to miss out on attending.

Thank you to those that have registered for our Michigan Police Executive Development Seminar (MPEDS) September 24 - 29, 2023 in Lewiston, Michigan. The training is now full. This training fills up fast and is capped at 38 attendees. Keep an eye out for future MPEDS registration related emails in January of 2024 when we open up registration for the fall 2024 MPEDS class.

Thank all of you for the continued support of the Chapter and I look forward to seeing you on Mackinac Island for a great Fall Conference.

God Bless,

Ron Taig



## TREASURER'S MESSAGE

By Dan Keller

This is a friendly reminder if you have not paid your 2023 FBINAA dues, please do so! Below is the payment information:

**FOR ONLINE PAYMENTS:** Go to <https://fbinaamichigan.org/> and click "Pay My Dues" at the top of the page. This will take you to the FBINAA national page. After logging in, select the "Renew Now" button, and follow the prompts. If you've forgotten your login, select the forgot password prompt to receive an email response (check your spam folder if not). Be sure to verify your preferred mailing address before leaving the website after processing online payments.

If your employment or email address has changed, please notify the Michigan Chapter through the website. For notifications, go to the website home page and click on the "Contact" tab at the top. This ensures you continue to receive our email trainings and updates.

**FOR CHECK PAYMENTS:** **Agency checks must reference the member's name.** Please make checks payable, in US dollars, to **FBINAA** and mail to: **FBINAA, Attn: Membership, FBI Academy, Bldg. 8-102, Quantico, VA 22135**

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at [dkeller@whitelakepolice.com](mailto:dkeller@whitelakepolice.com) or **248-935-6739**. Have a great summer, see you at the Fall Training Conference!

## RETIREE'S/MEMBERSHIP CORNER

By: John Courie

Retired Commander, Detroit Police Department



This year there is a big push to bring back and retain members in our great organization. Last issue I listed some of the new benefits the National Academy is offering. If you missed them, go to, <http://www.FBINAA.ORG>, and you can find them.

The National Board is changing their operating system and requested that our Michigan Chapter notify them of our Michigan Life Members. Joshua Monte, Deputy Chief of Van Buren Township Public Safety Department has compiled a list of Life members and eventually will put them on our website, [fbinaamichigan.org](http://fbinaamichigan.org).

If you wish Michigan Life Membership designation (no longer required to pay Michigan dues) go to our website and in the upper right, click on "Contact". Scroll down and fill in the required fields. In the message box, put your session number, year you attended the NA and police department or departments you were employed at for at least 20 years.

**The FBINAA National no longer allows local chapters to accept dues.** Active members dues are \$100.00, and retirees are \$55.00.

You can pay dues at, <http://www.fbinaa.org>, with credit card or mail a check to:

**FBINAA  
FBI Academy  
Building 8-102  
Quantico, VA 22135**

If you need help, I can be contacted at [jcourie@schoolcraft.edu](mailto:jcourie@schoolcraft.edu) or cell # 586-557-0367. The National can be contacted thru Renee Reynolds 703-632-1944 or [rreynolds@fbinaa.org](mailto:rreynolds@fbinaa.org), or Laurie Ulizio 703-632-1994 or [lulizio@fbinaa.org](mailto:lulizio@fbinaa.org).

# 2023 FBINAA MICHIGAN CHAPTER ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The FBINAA Michigan Chapter's Annual Golf Outing was held on Friday June 2, 2023 at the Mystic Creek Golf Course in Milford. The outing was again a huge success with 31 teams participating. It was a hot and sunny day as temperatures reached 88 degrees by the afternoon. The course was in great condition even with the dry conditions. Registration began at 7:30 A.M. as golfers were treated to light breakfast items and refreshments. Hotdogs and brats were served at the turn and dinner was followed by the awards presentation and raffle.

The winner of this year's outing was the team of Jim Nardone, Mike Hawkins, Pat Hawkins, and Anthony Bologna who shot a score of 56 which was 16 under par. The winning foursome each received a free round of golf at Mystic Creek, a dozen of Pro V1 golf balls and bragging rights for the entire year. The team of John Courie, Pat Courie, Carl Marlinga and Barbara Marlinga finished with the most strokes and received four dozen golf balls to practice for next year's outing. The longest drive winners were Kevin Starrs for the men and Barbara Marlinga for the women. Each of the long drive winners received a \$25.00 gift card to Dick's Sporting Goods. Mike Hawkins received the closest to the pin for the men. There was no formal winner for the women's closest to the pin contest, but Stacey Dinser was recognized for hitting it closer than the men's winner on hole #4 of the meadows. Each received a \$25.00 gift card to Dick's sporting goods.

As in years past, the raffle was a huge success with many big- ticket prizes to be had. The prizes included two large flat screen televisions, Red Wing tickets, vintage refrigerators, JBL head phones, ear buds and wireless speakers, ice maker, Blauer backpacks, and Pro V1 golf balls. The chapter would like to thank our two champion level sponsors that made this event a success, Belfor and James Burg Trucking Company. Additionally, the chapter would also like to recognize our ace level sponsors, D & B Landscaping, Alpha USA, and Bill Brown Ford as well as our many hole sponsors. A special thanks goes out to all the staff at the Mystic Creek Golf Club for their tremendous support in making the outing a great success.

Proceeds from the golf outing go to support our college scholarship fund. The fund provides an annual scholarship to three high-achieving graduating seniors each year. Your participation and support are greatly appreciated by the board, the curriculum committee, and every member of the FBINAA Michigan Chapter. See you next year!

## 2023 FBINAA Michigan Chapter Golf Outing Champions



Anthony Bologna, Mike Hawkins, Jim Nardone, and Pat Hawkins

## 2023 FBINAA Michigan Chapter Golf Outing Most Strokes Award



John Courie, Pat Courie, Barbara Marlinga, and Carl Marlinga



# **FBINAA 2023 College Scholarship Award Recipients**

**By: Al Cox**

There were several excellent candidates who competed for this year's College Scholarship awards. Each of the award recipients are exceptional young adults who recognize the importance of achieving academic excellence, while serving their communities, and participating in extra-curricular activities. **Congratulations on behalf of the entire Michigan FBINAA Chapter!**



## **Makayla Gerlach**

Granddaughter of Greg Laurain (Van Buren Twp PD- Retired) NA #220

Makayla plans to attend Michigan State University in the Fall majoring in Kinesiology in pursuit of a career in athletic training. She has participated in many school and community activities including multiple team sports, National Honor Society, and volunteering at her church. She has been the recipient of many varsity awards in sports and has also received the Southeastern Conference Scholar-Athlete award.



## **Ryan Sanborn**

Son of Eric Sanborn (Livingston County Sheriff's Office) NA #240

Ryan plans to attend college in the Fall to study Political Science. Future aspirations include attending law school leading to a career in Constitutional Law. He has participated in many school and community activities including National Honor Society, Varsity Soccer, and as a children's leader at his church. He is the recipient of multiple awards including the Special Governor's Tribute for Community Service.



## **Lauren Smiley**

Daughter of James Smiley (Michigan State Police-Retired) MPEDS 2014/NA #272

Lauren is this year's recipient of the MPEDS Jill Dheel Scholarship. Lauren plans to attend the University of Kentucky in the fall where she will study Psychology and Criminal Justice. Following her undergraduate work, she plans to attend law school. Lauren has participated in many school and community activities including Varsity basketball, volleyball, and as a Make-a-Difference Volunteer. She served as Captain of her basketball team and was elected to serve in Student Government each year of high school, including service on the Executive Board during her Senior Year.

As a reminder to members, in addition to grade point average, community service, and school activities, the involvement of a student's sponsor is a key consideration in the decision-making matrix used to award scholarships. Another great reason to be involved in your Michigan Chapter of the FBINAA!

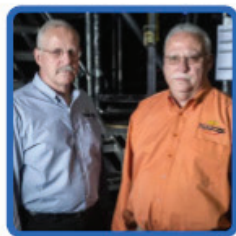


# Sep 6-8, 2023 Mackinac Island



## FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY MICHIGAN CHAPTER

2023 Fall Training Conference  
Sep 6th - 8th  
Grand Hotel - Mackinac Island



DEA special agents  
Steve Murphy and Javier Peña

FBINA Michigan Chapter is pleased to welcome guest speakers  
retired DEA special agents Steve Murphy and Javier Peña  
Thursday, September 7, 2023 8:30AM - 11:30AM

DEA special agents Steve Murphy and Javier Peña were assigned as the lead investigators targeting Pablo Escobar and the Medellin Cartel. These true American heroes provide a first-hand lesson in history as they discuss their efforts to bring down the world's first narco-terrorist, the challenges they faced in oftentimes hostile and life-threatening environments, and the innovative strategies they employed to successfully end the reign of terror of the world's most wanted criminal.



### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Early Bird - \$290 by Jul 14th

- \$325 after Jul 14th
- \$75 Spouse/Guest



Conference registration includes round trip ferry provided by Shepler's Ferry



### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

2 Night Package

- \$466 Single/First Guest
- \$204 Spouse/Additional Guest

3 Night Package

- \$699 Single/First Guest
- \$306 Spouse/Additional Guest

Conference room block available until Aug 5th



### NETWORKING

Pre-Conference Golf Outing  
Wednesday, Sep 6th @ 7:30AM\*

- 4 Person Team Scramble
- \$95/person

\*Requires Tuesday night stay due to ferry

Conference registration **does not include** hotel accommodations.  
Upon conference registration, attendees will receive a confirmation email containing a Grand Hotel registration form and instructions for reserving a room at the group rate. Group rate available until August 5th.

Conference and Grand Hotel Dress Attire:

Business casual for conference (no jeans) | After 6:30PM gentlemen are required to wear coat & tie and ladies are required to wear dress, skirt, slacks, & blouses or pant suit



### JOIN THE FUN in the *FUN RUN*

Sep 7th 6:30AM

1 mile and 3 mile fun runs scheduled on Thursday, Sep 7th. Open to all conference attendees.



Early bird registration by Jul 14th

Early birds get the conference gift!

Visit our website for registration

[www.FBINAAMichigan.org/event](http://www.FBINAAMichigan.org/event)