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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

NEAL ROSSOW



Holy smokes, time sure does go fast. It is hard to believe I have served as the President of the Michigan Chapter of the FBI National Academy Associates for two years. It has been a great experience and I have had a fantastic time representing all of you over that time. While your president, I had the opportunity to represent our Chapter at the President's meeting in Quantico and at the national conferences in Seattle and St. Louis. It allowed me a view of the national organization as I had never seen it before. I witnessed firsthand how hard our national executive board works for this organization and the profession as a whole.

During my presidency, the Curriculum Committee, under the leadership of Colleen Mott and Greg Laurain, stepped up and did an incredible job of planning our conferences and our golf outings. They were all *total* successes. The Committee brought in absolutely incredible speakers and training for the last two conferences and it helped our attendance grow each year. They have set the bar high for future conferences. This is a great, hard-working committee that is always seeking new members. I am truly grateful for Colleen, Greg, and the Curriculum's Committee's dedication and hard work during my tenure.

I want to thank the Executive Board (Chris, Monica, Maureen, Daryl, Tom, Garth, Bob, Jason, and John) for their support and leadership during my presidency. It is an Executive Board that doesn't shy away from hard work and one which everyone is willing to take on any task. I want to especially thank Monica, our past-president, for her assistance and expertise in helping organize the last two conferences. I also want to personally thank John Courie, our newest member to the board. He has done a lot of work trying to get our retirees to return as active members of our Chapter.

It is somewhat melancholy to leave the presidency of this organization but it is an organization that has depth in its leadership. I know Chris Jahnke will do a great job as our new president. He is a person that loves our profession and cares deeply about this organization and its membership. I plan on continuing to remain active during my tenure on the Executive Board as the past-president and for many years to come. This organization has led me to life-long friendships with some incredible people.

Finally, our profession is going through an extremely hard time right now. Yet with all the detractors and constant attacks by an agenda driven median, we continue to be a proud and noble profession. I believe one thing that helps us, or at least me, is our membership in the Michigan Chapter of the FBINAA and our interaction with the great men and women who make up this organization. A group of people who still love being members of this profession, no matter what others say.

It has certainly been my pleasure and honor to be your president for the last two years. Thanks for your support and friendship.

TREASURER'S CORNER

By: Bob Young



It's hard to believe Fall is here already. Soon it will be year's end and we will be thinking taxes & tax deductions. Please keep FBINAA Michigan Chapter in mind when it comes to your charitable giving.

Every year your chapter pays \$7,500 in college scholarships, to twelve of our member's children and grandchildren. FBINAA Michigan Chapter is a nonprofit corporation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. This makes your donation to the chapter tax deductible and you will be given a receipt for tax purposes. Donations may be sent to: FBINAA Michigan Chapter, PO Box 481, Williamston, MI 48895-0481.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at bob.young@williamston-mi.us or 517-655-4222. I look forward to seeing you at future events.

FBINAA Michigan Chapter 2016 Fall Training Luncheon

This year's Fall Training Event will be held on Friday, November 4, 2016, at The Polish Cultural in Sterling Heights. Our guest speaker this year is Michigan Secretary of State, Ruth Johnson.

Please plan to join your fellow NA graduates for a delicious lunch (and the famous homemade cookies) as well as a great opportunity to network with other law enforcement and private sector executives.

You will also want to check out the new FBINAA merchandise that will be available for sale.

Guests are welcome!

The Registration fee is \$25.00 per person payable by check or by PayPal: Make checks payable to: FBINAA Michigan Chapter Send your check & completed registration to:

-Robert Young P.O. Box 481 Williamston, MI 48895-0481

Payments by PayPal: Click on the PayPal link at www.fbinaamichigan.org

Deadline to register is Monday, October 31, 2016. Payment must be received prior to the luncheon. No door registrations!

We hope to see you there!



2016 FBINAA Michigan Chapter Fall Training Conference

By: Gregory M. Laurain

The 2016 FBINAA Fall Training Conference was held on September 7th, 8th, and 9th at the historical Mission Point Resort located on Mackinac Island. Once again, the Curriculum Committee put together an excellent group of speakers who shared their stories and experiences involving past events with a law enforcement perspective.

Training began Thursday morning with Chief Kurt Frisz of the Wentzville, MO Police Department. Chief Frisz was a former police Captain at the St. Louis County Police Department. Chief Frisz went through the events leading up to several days of protests and civil unrest stemming from the fatal shooting of Michael Brown by Officer Darren Wilson in August 2014. Chief Frisz provided an overview of the protests and the rioting and looting that took place several days after. Chief Frisz discussed the massive coordinated efforts that took place between several agencies and shared the law enforcement strategies utilized during the incident.

Our second presenter started the afternoon off with a riveting first hand account and lessons learned from the San Bernardino terrorist mass shooting in which fourteen people were fatally shot and killed. Lieutenant Brad Toms, commander of the Public Affairs Division of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department covered the mass shooting, which captured national and international attention. Lt. Toms shared details not released to the public on the investigation and events leading up to the encounter of the two suspects. He provided a detailed timeline of the events that led up to the initial shooting at the Christmas party until the final gun battle with the police later that afternoon.

Our third and final presenter for Thursday afternoon was the Under Sheriff of Wayne County, Dan Pfannes. Dan is a Member at Large on the MACP Legislative Committee and is well versed in the current legislative matters facing law enforcement today. Dan delivered a comprehensive update on several legislative topics, including those related to areas of forfeiture, police surveillance (BWV, plate readers, drones) and medical marijuana (legalized production, distribution of medical marijuana and recreational use). Other area of interest covered was legislation related to firearms and roadside drug testing as a pilot program in some Counties.

Our dinner guest speaker this year was one of my section two classmates from the 220th session, Paul Butler. Paul was selected by our class to be their graduation day speaker alongside then FBI Director Robert Mueller. He continues to serve on the national level with the FBINAA as their official Master of Ceremonies and in 2015 was the keynote speaker for the FBINAA National Conference. Paul who is well known as a speaker, presenter and trainer, entertained us that evening with an inspirational leadership message.

On Friday we started the morning with Chief Joe Collins of the Two Rivers Police Department in Wisconsin. He is a graduate of the FBINAA session 236. Joe is the 2015-2016 President of the Wisconsin Chapter FBI National Academy Association and the past co-chair of FBINAA National Committee on health and wellness. Joe spoke to us about the FBINAA Officer Wellness and Suicide and Prevention Initiative. He spoke on the importance of mental health care during the course of our careers and that of our officers and what the department can do to help provide it. He talked about the warning signs and the need for department awareness and to have the requisite training to recognize it. He presented exciting news about a new FBINAA initiative targeting law enforcement officer wellness and suicide prevention, hopefully to benefited you, your families and your organization.

Our final presenter this year was Paul Butler who spoke on the, "Leadership in Life; How to make a difference at work and at home". This motivational presentation covered what it takes to be a good professional and highlighted the power of being a good person. Paul illustrated how to take individual talents and apply them to a group setting to make an unstoppable and productive team as well as how each of us can use the lessons of yesterday to overcome the challenges of today and capitalize on the opportunities of tomorrow.

During our time at the training conference, a variety of vendors, sixteen to be exact, were on site and supplied information on the latest trends in equipment, uniforms and technology. This along with the opportunity for members to enjoy great company and plenty of networking at our hospitality rooms made for an enjoyable time.

Thank you to all of our guest speakers who took the time to appear at the conference and shared their experience and expertise. I would also like to thank the Curriculum Committee for putting together another outstanding line-up of speakers who provided quality training to our membership. Finally, our fall training would not have been a success without the continued support of our membership, so thank you for your attendance again this year. We hope to see everyone next year on Mackinac Island for the 2017 Fall Training Conference at the Grand Hotel.

RETIREES CORNER

By: John Courie



Our Curriculum Committee has done it again. They put together an outstanding Fall Training Conference. Mission Point (or Pointe) was very well attended and I am sure it was the result of the great presentations. Paul Butler was both funny and informative. He was perfect as dinner speaker and motivational speaker on Friday morning.

The Committee worked hard to deliver professional training on the challenges from Ferguson unrest and the San Bernardino bombings. Next September we are back to the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, which provides an excellent location for this training, and our significant others like it too.

At Mission Point, the Past Presidents of this chapter met and a slate of officers for the next two years was proposed and unanimously adopted by the membership in attendance. Having been around and attending National Conferences since 1988, I can tell you that several states envy how smooth the Michigan chapter handles the transition. The new officers are not NEW; they have been involved with this chapter for many years and have given of their time to make this Chapter one of the best.

Membership in the FBI NAA is limited only to those law enforcement leaders who have completed the FBI's National Academy Program. You should encourage everyone to participate, remain active, and take full advantage of the services that our organization provides. If you know someone who went through the NA but allowed their membership in the FBINAA to expire, send me their E-Mail or phone number and I will personally contact them to explain the reasons they should get back involved. I can be reached at jcourie@schoolcraft.edu.



Boardroom

IT IS A CHANCE TO RE-
NEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS
AND MAKE NEW ONES

Michigan Police Executive Development Seminar

We just completed the 15th annual Michigan Police Executive Development Seminar at Garland Resort. We have over 600 MPEDS graduates! This program is conducted by the FBI and FBINAA Michigan Chapter and is designed to provide law enforcement executives opportunity for advanced leadership training. This program is designed with small department executives in mind, providing access to information, programs, and instructors previously only available to larger departments.

As a participant in the Seminar, you independently and in cooperation with others, experience a program that forces you to think about your role as a law enforcement executive. During the Seminar, you examine issues of importance to people in this role, experience life-like examination of organizational behavior through media, leadership and legal training, share experiences and problems experienced by others in small departments, and develop solutions that make you a better executive. This program is sanctioned by the Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (LEEDA) and graduates are invited to join their organization.

This Seminar is limited to 40 individuals and applicants are registered on a "first come, first served" basis, and seats fill quickly. We already have 4 paid registrations for next year's program scheduled September 17 – 22, 2017. Total cost for the seminar is \$995 per person and includes all lodging, meals, and training materials. Those interested can find more information and registration at www.fbinaamichigan.org.









