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SUMMER 2025

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: Al Cox



What an incredible event! Thank you to everyone who came out to play in our annual golf outing at Mystic Creek Golf Course, in Milford. For the first time in years, we had a sell-out plus crowd. The weather was beautiful, the course was pristine, the food was delicious, and the fellowship was amazing. I would also like to thank all of our remarkable sponsors who donated a record amount of funds and prizes.

Their generosity helps fund our College Scholarship Program, our Youth Leadership Program, and the many other leadership and training programs we coordinate. Finally, I'd like to thank David Haynes and all of his partners on the Curriculum Committee for their planning and hard work behind the scenes to make the golf outing what it is. Without them, this event would not happen, and this year, they outdid themselves.

In addition to our golf outing, summer marks the season that we announce our College Scholarship Program winners. There will be more to say about this later in the newsletter, but I would like to congratulate the winners and all who applied. While our three winners will receive a four-year scholarship worth \$2,750, all of our applicants were outstanding and will go on to do great things. We are proud of all of them.

If you have not done so already, don't forget to register for our Fall Conference at The Grand Hotel on beautiful Mackinac Island from September 3-5. Rooms are going fast and we are only about three weeks out from our discounted Room Block closing. After August 3rd, remaining rooms in our Room Block will revert back to The Grand Hotel sales department at FULL PRICE with no exceptions. Please see our website for further information.

The Michigan Police Executive Development Seminar (MPEDS) is also right around the corner. This annual event is scheduled for September 21-26 at the beautiful Garland Lodge and Golf Resort in Lewiston. Thank you to everyone who registered. This is a very popular event each year and is currently sold out. We encourage those interested in attending in 2026 to watch our website beginning in January and register quickly.

As I wrap-up this message, I want to thank all of our members, associates, sponsors, and friends for your continued support of our Chapter and our many events. I'm looking forward to seeing you all on the Island in September. Have a great rest of your summer!

FBINAA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Your Charitable Foundation is a member benefit, providing financial assistance to our dues paying members. We provide assistance for disaster relief, family assistance. We currently are providing up to \$5,000 assistance where needed. We also provide college scholarships to High School graduates heading off to college.

We have Michigan members who have received financial assistance from the Charitable Foundation. In every case it was not the affected member that requested the assistance, it was another NA member making the request. Cops are that way, they are used to helping others, but are not good at asking for help for themselves. So please notify anyone on the Michigan Chapter Executive Board, if you know of another NA member that could use assistance. The process is quick, easy and generally have the check in hand in a few days of the request.

Bob Young
FBINAA Charitable Foundation



TREASURER'S MESSAGE

By: Dan Keller

This is a friendly reminder if you have not paid your 2025 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 "My Profile" on the left side. Then click "Renew Your Membership" in the top right corner 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.

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 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

As of this writing, there are 52 former Michigan members in 2024 who have not renewed yet in 2025. As I started calling them, I found that a number of them were unaware that they had not renewed in 2024. Either because their e-mail address had changed and they did not receive notification or their administrative assistant dropped the ball.

It is not too late to remedy the situation. Visit the **FBINAA.org** web site and pay your dues. If you are having a problem the National Membership Director Jennifer Watson and her staff are ready to help. She can be contacted at **703-632-2453**.

If you are a Working Sworn Member, you will be able to tap into the World's Strongest Law Enforcement Leadership Network. There are exclusive resources to help you further your career. There are several ways that you can take full advantage of your FBINAA Membership.

Professional Growth and Networking

- Access to the FBINAA Global Member Directory
- Discounts on training, conferences, and professional development resources
- Access education discounts and scholarships from FBINAA's Academic Alliances
- Invitations to exclusive member events (*IACP Reception, Member Appreciation Week*)
- Access to webinars, podcasts, and NA Family and Friends Tour
- Recognition through digital badges, conference ribbons, and memorials

News and Communications

- Subscription the Associate Magazine - Free Digital / \$25 Printed (\$50 value)
- Monthly emails of the Member Newsletter, Training Bulletin, and Chapter Chat

Tools and Resources

- Access to the FBINAA Connect (*mobile*) App
- Access to the FBINAA Store (*apparel, awards, keepsakes, etc.*)
- Digital and printed membership card and decal
- Financial support from the FBINAA Charitable Foundation in times of crisis
- Access to Justice Federal Credit Union benefits while also supporting the FBINAA

Exclusive Discounts

Health and Wellness: Save on gym memberships and access virtual classes nationwide with Active & Fit Direct

Entertainment and Travel: Get discounted tickets to theme parks, movies, and concerts, plus save on flights, car rentals, and vacation packages

Hotels: Special member pricing at the Rosen Shingle Creek Orlando and discounts at other major hotel chains through Member Deals

Shopping: Save on everything from laptops to tactical gear with 5.11 Tactical, First Tactical, and Member Deals

Insurance: Receive exclusive member pricing on protection plans through the U.S. Concealed Carry Association (USCCA)

Over half of our members are retired. Dues are half that of sworn or working members. As a Retired Member you still have full access to all of your FBINAA member benefits, but your needs shift as you settle into retirement. At this time, Life Members still pay National dues but not our state dues. Life membership for Michigan is 15 years and for the National it is 25 years. As a National Life Member you still have full access to all of your FBINAA member benefits. In addition, in appreciation for being a loyal member for 25 or more years, they now offer additional benefits exclusive to Life Members only.

Please pay dues directly to FBINAA national at, <http://www.fbinaa.org>, with credit card or mail a check to:

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

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Evan Kares

Evan Kares graduated from Gull Lake High School with the Class of 2025, ranking 12th out of 196 students with an impressive 4.141 GPA. A dedicated student-athlete, he played three years of varsity hockey for the Kalamazoo Eagles, serving as an assistant captain and earning recognition as Co-Defensive Player of the Year, Academic All-State, and a regional champion. Evan is also passionate about giving back to his community, regularly volunteering at the South Michigan Food Bank and other local organizations. In the fall of 2025, he will attend the University of Michigan, where he plans to pursue his interest in science through the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (LSA).

Lexie Rump

Lexie Rump is a graduate of Hemlock High School and will be attending Grand Valley State University in the fall to pursue a degree in nursing. During high school, she was a dedicated member of the Varsity Pom team for four years, earning three state runner-up titles and one state championship. Lexie also played soccer all four years, including three on the varsity team, where she helped lead her team to back-to-back district titles. Outside of school and sports, she enjoys spending time with friends and family, babysitting her nephews, and visiting her grandma—where they enjoy cleaning together and catching up over long conversations.



Caitlin Baldwin

Caitlin Baldwin graduated in May from Genesee Christian High School and will attend Olivet Nazarene University in the fall to study elementary education. During high school, she embraced a variety of opportunities that helped shape her character and leadership skills. Caitlin served as Vice President of the Student Council, was a member of the Honor Society, contributed to the school Publications team, and volunteered for the school play.

In her junior year, Caitlin traveled to the Dominican Republic on a mission trip with her Spanish class, an experience that deepened her commitment to service. For the past three years, she has sung in her church's youth band and praise team, and has volunteered at the Eastside Mission. This summer, she will continue her passion for service by traveling to Panama on a mission trip, where she will help lead a Vacation Bible School and assist with construction projects for future churches.

Caitlin is deeply grateful to be selected as a scholarship recipient, which will help support her journey toward becoming a teacher.

2025 FBINAA MICHIGAN CHAPTER ANNUAL GOLF OUTING – A RECORD-BREAKING SUCCESS

The 2025 FBINAA Michigan Chapter Annual Golf Outing was a tremendous success, exceeding all expectations and setting new records across the board. This year's outing featured the highest number of sponsors, participating golfers, and total funds raised in the event's history—an achievement made possible by the tireless efforts and unwavering commitment of our dedicated volunteers, committee members, and supporters.

The event took place under ideal conditions, with clear skies and a perfect 77-degree morning that welcomed golfers to the prestigious **Mystic Creek Golf Course**. Known for its championship-level layout and meticulously maintained greens, the course was in exceptional shape and primed for competitive play.

A team of 15 dedicated volunteers arrived on-site at 7:00 a.m., working efficiently and cohesively to ensure the venue was fully prepared for check-in, breakfast, warm-ups, and pre-round prize profit of \$18,000, doubling the revenue of last year's event. Their hard work and professionalism allowed for a smooth, welcoming experience as 150 golfers checked in for what would become a sold-out, high-energy day of camaraderie, competition, and connection.

Highlights of the event included:

- A **\$5,000 Putting Contest** sponsored by Blauer, where one skilled participant came within inches of sinking the winning putt.
- The exclusive **Ultimate Rocket Classic Package**, donated by the PGA Rocket Classic in Detroit, awarded to one lucky participant. The package featured autographed pin flags by Cam Davis and Tony Finau, four Heritage Club tickets (with date of choice), VIP parking, and more, a once-in-a-lifetime golf experience.
- Skill contests including Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, and over 40 premium raffle prizes.

The competition was fierce, with the first-place trophy claimed by the team of **David Haynes, Jason Newcomb, Mike Hawkins, and Chris Moore**, who finished with an impressive **13-under-par (-13)**, earning victory by a two-stroke margin. Congratulations to this outstanding foursome for their performance.

This year's outing drew an unprecedented **27 sponsors** across multiple sponsorship tiers, reflecting the strong community and business support behind our mission. The successful execution of the event, combined with increased participation and expanded raffle and contest offerings, resulted in a **record setting profit of \$18,000**, doubling the revenue of last year's event.



First Place Team 2025 FBINAA Michigan Chapter Golf Outing

Beyond the numbers, the golf outing served as a meaningful opportunity to build deeper professional and personal relationships. The spirit of fellowship, sportsmanship, and shared purpose was evident throughout the day as members and guests connected in an atmosphere of fun and mutual respect.

We extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to making this event such a remarkable achievement, from sponsors and players to volunteers and organizers. The collective effort, attention to detail, and drive to create a memorable experience are what made this outing a truly standout success.

Well done to all involved. We look forward to an even greater event next year, so mark your calendars for Friday, **June 5, 2026!**

2025 FBINAA MICHIGAN CHAPTER ANNUAL GOLF OUTING





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FBI National Academy Associates, Inc.

2025 Fall Training Conference
Sep 3rd - 5th
Grand Hotel - Mackinac Island



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Early Bird Before Jul 18th - \$340

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

- \$375 After Jul 18th
- \$75 Spouse/Guest

Register at:
www.FBINAAMichigan.org



HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel Nightly Rate

Room block available until Aug 3rd

- \$249 Single Occupancy
- \$358 Double Occupancy

6% room sales tax, resort fee, 3% Mackinac Island Assessment fee and baggage fees not included



NETWORKING

Pre-Conference Golf Outing
Wednesday, Sep 3rd @ 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 3rd.

The FBINAA Michigan Chapter is pleased to welcome the following 2025 guest speakers:



THE
WOUNDED BLUE

Never Forgotten. Never Alone.

Thursday, 9/4 8:30AM-12:00PM

Registration Opens Jun 9th!
www.FBINAAMichigan.org



Randy Sutton - Founder and National Director, The Wounded Blue
Retired Las Vegas Metropolitan Police

Randy was one of the most featured officers on the TV series COPS, appearing in three seasons and later cast in CASINO with Robert DeNiro and Sharon Stone. His film and TV credits include FOOLS RUSH IN, MISS CONGENIALITY II, THE ROAD HOME, CLOVERS MOVIE, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED, and a co-starring role in LAS VEGAS with James Caan. Born and raised in Princeton, NJ, he joined the Princeton Borough Police after high school, then served nearly 24 years with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, retiring as a Lieutenant. One of the most decorated officers in LVMPD history, Randy has received awards for valor, community service, and lifesaving. He's trained thousands in "Policing with Honor" and earned the Points of Light award from the U.S. President. He is the author of True Blue, A Cop's Life, True Blue: To Serve and Protect, and The Power of Legacy.



Sgt. Robert E. Bemis - Director of Training, The Wounded Blue
Retired Pennsylvania State Police

Sergeant Robert "Bob" Bemis retired in 2017 from the Pennsylvania State Police Academy, where he served as a Supervisor in the Operational Training Division. With over 30 years in law enforcement, he specialized in officer safety, self-defense, and civil disorder tactics. He previously worked as a Patrol Trooper, Supervisor, and Forensic Services investigator. In 2015, Sgt. Bemis was critically injured aiding a disabled motorist. After a long recovery, he returned to teaching before retiring. His book, Forged in Scars & Stripes, tells the story of his final 22 months in law enforcement. Currently, he trains officers and advocates for emergency responder safety. He is Director of Training and Peer Advocate for The Wounded Blue. A U.S. Marine Corps veteran, he served in elite security roles with "Marine One" and the Pentagon's National Military Command Center.

Thursday, 9/4

1PM - 2:00PM
United States Border and Customs Protection

How Customs Can Assist Local LE

2:15PM - 3:15PM
OIC Cyber Crime Division - Detroit

SS/A Andrew Sczgoielski
How AI Affects LE and How to Utilize for Assistance

3:30PM - 4:30PM
Guns and Hoses

Matthew Tettor & Dawn Patton
Social Security Changes and How it May Affect Retirement

Friday, 9/5

8:30AM - 11:30AM
Wakesha, WI Police Department

Asst. Chief Wagner & Capt. Baumann
Christmas Parade Terror Attack - Lessons Learned



JOIN THE FUN in the FUN RUN

Sep 4th 6:30AM

1 mile and 3 mile fun runs scheduled on Thursday, Sep 4th. Open to all conference attendees.

Early bird registration before Jul 18th
Early birds get the conference gift!

Visit our website for registration
www.FBINAAMichigan.org