



The A. Points Bulletin

Metro Volunteer Program

October/November 2005

MVP Appreciation Luncheon

On Thursday, October 20th, our Department honored our Metro Volunteers at the Sixth Annual Appreciation Luncheon held at Palace Station. Two hundred people were in attendance. Over \$5000 in gifts were given with certificates of appreciation for hours volunteered or given as raffle prizes to the lucky winners. Sheriff Young acknowledged the difference our volunteers are making not only in our Department but throughout the community. Our volunteers have enabled us to strengthen our partnerships with the

community. He expressed his gratitude for the continued dedication and commitment of our volunteers.

Nathan Tannebaum, Channel 13's Chief Meteorologist, served as our Master of Ceremonies for the second year in a row. Nate's quick wit kept us on the edge of our seats during the raffle. Laughlin volunteers were the big raffle prize winners of the event. Camaraderie was the order of the day. Everyone had a grand time catching up on each other's latest adventures and creating new relationships.

Sheriff Young recognized the following volunteers for

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Laughlin's volunteers and staff enjoy themselves at the MVP Appreciation Luncheon.



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donating over 1000 hours to our Department:

- Robert Penton volunteers in Homicide and for the Fremont VIVA Patrol.
- John Phillips aides travelers at the airport in the McCarran VIVA Patrol and assists with community special events.
- Dorothy Sundquist is the front office aide at SEAC.
- Allen Tramont mans the Plaza Desk and also volunteers for VIVA at McCarran.
- Hal Tucker recently retired from the handicap parking site coordinator position at NWAC
- Irma Wenlock assists visitors while on her VIVA Patrol.
- Lisa Olquin researches possible unidentified body matches for the Missing Persons Section.

Sheriff Young also acknowledged the following MVPs for volunteering their 2000 hour contributions to our Department:

- Robert Bacon writes handicap parking citations at SWAC & directs traffic in REACT.
- Joseph Di Stefano is our Department's Chaplain Site Coordinator.
- John Martine volunteers in our Sexual Assault Detail.
- John Murphy assists visitors at the airport for the McCarran VIVA Patrol.
- Stanley Pekar supports our Volunteer Services Office.

Sheriff Young continued his praises of volunteers' accomplishments when he honored the following

volunteers for dedicating over 3000 hours to LVMPD:

- George Danko serves visitors at McCarran and also volunteers for community special events.
- John Moses dispatches for REACT.
- Judy Smith dispatches and is acting secretary for REACT.
- Murray Weinstein helps travelers at McCarran and assists with community special events.
- Dick Bennett assists detectives in Missing Persons and is a good will ambassador for the Strip VIVA Patrol.

Sheriff Young congratulated the following volunteers for committing over 4000 hours to our Metro family:

- Robert Hoban dispatches and coordinates REACT
- Marc Zuckerman serves as SWAC Handicap Parking Supervisor & is a REACT volunteer.

Sheriff Young recognized the following volunteers for their outstanding dedication to our Department:

- Rick Meade volunteered over 5000 hours at our range.
- Eber Priest committed over 6000 hours to our Homicide Detail.
- Barbara Hayward, the volunteer queen, devoted over 8000 hours to our Sexual Assault and Robbery Details.

Our Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon was a total success and gave us an opportunity to focus on our volunteers' accomplishments and thank them for all their hard work.



DOC Comes On Line

By David Berger

METRO Volunteers may be facing their most critical challenge to date. The Department is currently developing a "Deployment Operations Center" (DOC) intended to serve as an early warning communications center for all of Clark County. This center has the potential to serve as a clearinghouse for law enforcement information throughout Nevada and the United States. In the event of a disaster like the World Trade Center attack, this center will insure that information comes from authorities and not CNN, Fox News and other media sources.



Kurt Zimmer and David Berger

Sensitive electronic and communications systems are currently being installed at the DOC. METRO will initiate its own early warning system in phases as the DOC program is

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developed. This system will also enable law enforcement to focus on reducing violent crimes within our community. The center will be fully operational and staffed 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

Because of the large number of personnel required, the Department is seeking as many volunteers as possible for all days and shifts. These positions will require extensive training but should be extremely rewarding. This center will help

protect and serve our entire community during disasters or emergencies whether natural or man-made.

If you are interested in assisting at the DOC, please contact the Volunteer Services Office at 229-5609.



Fremont VIVA Visits the Wall

By Bill Gow

Las Vegas experienced a special treat over the Veteran's day weekend as the traveling "Vietnam Memorial Wall" was brought to our community. It was displayed in the parking lot next to the Plaza Hotel from Friday, November 11th through Sunday, November 13th. Visitors from around the country visited the memorial. For many with a personal attachment, it was a very emotional experience. As people approached the monument, there were a lot of tears, prayers and remembering.



Bob Penton, Anne Loskot and Mike Ward at the wall

The first name on the wall was of an Army advisor killed in 1959 and the last name was of a man killed in 1973. Many people are not aware the war lasted for nearly 24 years. Most people also erroneously think that the war started in 1964 but this was the "Gulf of Tonkin" incident which caused the United States to commit fully to the

Vietnam War. Another thing many people don't know is that if a person was wounded and transported to another country where he later died, then his name does not appear on the wall. For some reason, the powers that be have decided that if you did not die in Vietnam, you were not a Vietnam casualty. The traveling wall is mostly supported by volunteers with little or no government subsidy, and is dependent upon donations. If you have never seen the wall and it returns to Las Vegas, be sure to make it a "must" or see the original in Washington D.C..



L to R: Ramon Riveras, Bob Penton, Bill Gow, Sharon Harding, Mike Ward, Ann Loskot,



From L to R: Dean Sanner, Joe Di Stefano, Bonnie Polley, Randy Greer, David Brown, Doug Gilbert and Mendy Harlig.

Volunteer Police Chaplain Program

LVMPD is proud to announce a new program to help the men and women of Metro stay mentally and emotionally fit in the stress-filled world of law enforcement, the LVMPD Volunteer Police Chaplain Program. Following a yearlong search, the program will be initially staffed by a group of five motivated and diverse clergy members from within the Las Vegas community. Each chaplain will be assigned to individual patrol area commands as their "home base" and will volunteer at least twenty hours per month. Although their main focus will be the officers and employees of their substations, their services are available to all Metro employees.

Duties will include: regular ride-a-longs with patrol officers, providing spiritual guidance, support, and counsel when requested, visiting sick or injured employees, serving as liaison with other clergy in the community, offering prayers at special occasions, providing support to victims in the community when appropriate, and responding at any time when requested for any employee in crisis.

The five volunteer chaplains and their assigned substations are: Pastor Dean Sanner from NEAC, Pastor Randy Greer from DTAC, Pastor Doug Gilbert from Bolden Area Command, Pastor David Brown from SEAC, and Rabbi Mendy Harlig from SCAC. These five talented men have completed a specialized 30-hour training program and are

eager to get involved in helping the entire LVMPD family. Deacon Bonnie Polley, our CCDCC Chaplain, has also completed the training and will continue to play a vital role in this program. The program is assigned to Sgt. Tom Harmon of the Police Employee Assistance Program. Metro volunteer Father Joe Di Stefano, chaplain from Laughlin, will serve as Chaplain Services Coordinator and will be responsible for the daily administration and supervision of the program.

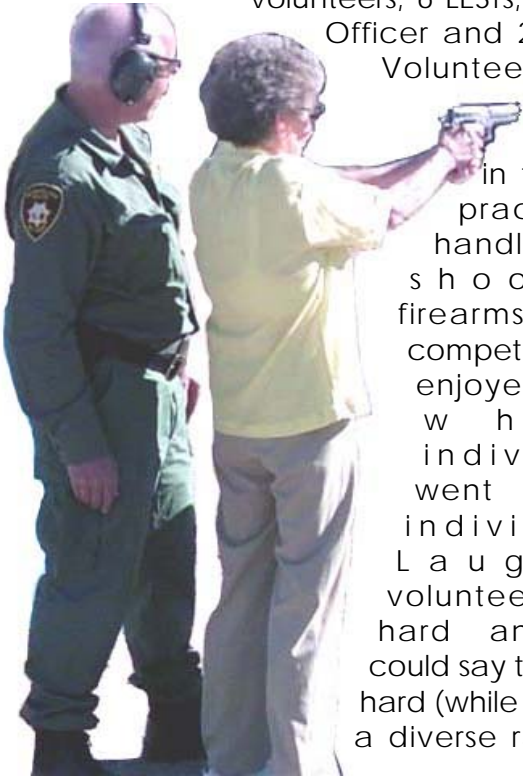
And the search continues! We are looking for additional volunteer chaplains as this program grows into the next year. Any interested clergy, willing to volunteer in support of "their" police department are encouraged to contact Metro Volunteer Coordinator Sharon Harding.



News From Laughlin

by Art Kolb

On Wednesday October 26, 2005, 13 Metro volunteers, 6 LESTs, 1 Metro Officer and 2 Range Volunteers spent the morning in the safe practice of handling and shooting firearms. Some competition was enjoyed by all when individuals went against individuals. Laughlin volunteers work hard and you could say they play hard (while enjoying a diverse range of



Michael Scott and Sally Irwin.

events, classes and daily jobs; such as, Handicap Parking Enforcement, Daily Station Aide.) Laughlin Volunteers also control traffic and help officers perform DUI checkpoints, traffic stops and child safety stops. Laughlin Volunteers work in areas where law enforcement is not required but additional visibility and police presence is beneficial.



Job Well Done

By NEAC Capt. Candy Byrd

I would like to take this opportunity to thank C.T. Seidl for his leadership and organizational skills in producing the new Northeast Area Command spread sheet and data base for apartments and mobile home parks.

This project lasted for several months. C.T. designed an Excel spreadsheet to display property information that included name, address, gate codes, phone/fax numbers, manager name/e-mail, and participation in the Metro Identify, Detect, Locate (IDL) and Trespass programs. Additionally, he coordinated with other MVP participants (Geneva Student, Ed Glunz, Cindy Raft, Jeanie Burress, Estelle Immerblum and Barbara Silver) to contact the properties to obtain their progress and projected completion date. Officers and supervisors will benefit from this spreadsheet information in their daily duties. Your "can do" attitude, expertise, and dedication is greatly appreciated. My sincere thanks to all the Metro volunteers who participated for a job well done.



CT Seidl and Capt. Candy Byrd



L to R: Shelly Brown, Herman and Beverly Miller

MVPs Assist at the MS150 Gamblers' Bike Tour by Susan Westbrook, National Multiple Sclerosis Society

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society held the MS150 Gamblers' Classic Bike Tour on November 5-6, 2005. Over 200 cyclists registered for this event and almost 200 volunteers supported the ride! Cyclists rode their bikes from the Las Vegas Motor Speedway, through Valley of Fire, Overton and back on the I-15 to Mesquite. After dinner and festivities, cyclists rode back down I-15 and back to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway completing 150 miles of pedaling! Last year this event raised over \$130,000 and this year's results are looking very

promising!

As always, volunteers are the backbone of any successful fund-raiser. Shelly Brown, Beverly and Herman Miller arrived at the Speedway at 5:00 a.m. Saturday morning ready to help organize cyclists and have them register for the ride. Without even being asked, Herman jumped in and helped direct people to appropriate parking areas which was a huge help! It was a very busy morning and we couldn't have done it without them!



Special Events

Volunteers are needed to address holiday cards for the Public Education Foundation (3360 W. Sahara Suite 160) on Thursday, December 1st, and Friday, December 2nd, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The City of Las Vegas is holding a neighborhood clean up and pick up on December 6th in a senior mobile home park located at 3901 East Stewart Avenue. Volunteers are needed on December 3rd to help seniors get their items to the curb for pick up. We will meet at 9:00 am at the clubhouse and we will provide the dollies for large items, gloves etc. Approximately 6 to 8 volunteers should be enough.

Volunteers are needed at the **LV Marathon** on Sunday December 4th, 5 a.m. to 10 a.m., to maintain the integrity of a closed street, driveway, or alley along our route. You can view the route on our web site at LasVegasMarathon.com.

Volunteers are needed to assist the Salvation Army to unload, organize and distribute **Angel Tree** gifts at Cashman Field on Tuesday, December 20th. On December 21st and 22nd, we need help distributing the toys to over 16,000 children.

Training Classes

NCIC Certification class at the Cheyenne Training Campus (9880 W Cheyenne Ave) on Friday, December 2nd, from 8

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a.m. to 4 p.m.

Child Abuse & Neglect/ Abuse of the Elderly at the Mojave Training Center (861 N. Mojave) on Thursday, December 8th, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Community Emergency Response Team (**CERT**) Training at the LV Fire Training Center (831 N. Mojave) starts Tuesday, January 10th, at 6 p.m. for 6 weeks. Another class starts on Thursday, January 12, at 6 p.m. and a third class starts Monday, January 23, at 6 p.m.

Call 229-5609 to register for any of these training classes.



L to R: Administrative Assistant Julie Bauers, Captain James Dillon, and ISD Site Coordinator Jane Murphy

Volunteer Opportunities:

South Central Area Command is seeking a volunteer to assist at the front counter Monday afternoons greeting citizens and answering phones. SCAC is located at Russell Road and the Las Vegas Strip.

Fleet Services is requesting a volunteer with computer skills and filing expertise anytime Monday thru Friday between 7 am and 4 pm. Fleet Services is located at 4480 W. Oquendo Road (W. Russell & Cameron).

Investigative Services Division (ISD) reception desk (Oakey & Decatur) Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Intergovernmental Services is requesting a volunteer to assist with data entry and phones on Monday and Wednesday between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.



Volunteers to Man Investigative Services Division Front Desk

Captain Dillon has invited Metro volunteers to man the reception desk at the Investigative Services Division (ISD) Building. All the different investigative bureaus of our Department including Crimes Against Youth and Family Bureau, Robbery/Homicide Bureau, and Financial/Property Crimes Bureau, will be relocating to the old Internal Revenue Building located at Oakey and Decatur. This is a great opportunity for volunteers to get in on the ground floor of an exciting, new adventure. The duties will be varied and interesting. We will be greeting, registering and badging all visitors to ISD. There will be a high volume of visitors including members of the media, employees of all criminal justice and law enforcement agencies, private citizens, adult and

juvenile victims of crimes and suspects who are not yet in custody. Volunteers will notify ISD staff by telephone when their appointments arrive in the lobby, provide information to citizens who have general questions, run warrant checks on visitors and direct citizens to the proper LVMPD locations for filing reports and obtaining copies of documents.

The best volunteers for this position will have excellent verbal and interpersonal skills and moderate telephone experience. They will need knowledge of, or the ability to learn, the elements of crimes and how the specific crimes will be assigned for investigation within our Department. They need to be flexible and be able to adjust to changing circumstances. If that's you, please contact our Volunteer Services Office at 229-5609.



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Player's Club

What a great job our volunteers are continuing to do. Their dedication to service is obvious by the increase in their volunteer hours. In October of 2004 our volunteers contributed 4,271 hours to our Department and community for a cost saving of \$68,733. In October of 2005 our volunteers contributed 4,734 hours for a value of \$76,837.

Silver Club (25+ Hours)

- Michaels Kebles ----- 40
- Bruce Bacon ----- 43
- Larry Madoff ----- 32
- Joyce Hammond ----- 31
- Ron Moushey ----- 28
- Mike Bercseny ----- 37
- Sharon Fields ----- 27
- Art Adams ----- 33
- Wayne Carnes ----- 25
- Sandy Marks ----- 27
- John Murphy ----- 26
- Daniel Pelaez ----- 33
- Ed Skorynko ----- 48
- Carol Kolson ----- 49
- Herman Miller ----- 42
- Earl Beach ----- 39
- Alice Coulson ----- 28
- Allen Tramont ----- 28
- Wally Cox ----- 25
- Lisa Olquin ----- 28
- Linda Fitzgerald ----- 44
- Anne Loskot ----- 37
- Ben Bacchi ----- 30

Ed Cooper ----- 28

- Ray Hahn ----- 32
- Donna Huggins ----- 31
- Arnold Wetzstein ----- 32
- Rena Keenoy ----- 44
- Gene Fabac ----- 28
- Akida Nakai ----- 34
- Albert Hoss ----- 25

Gold Club (50+ Hours)

- David Friedman ----- 58
- Lonnie Groenke ----- 59
- Robert Herrell ----- 53
- John Martine ----- 60
- Jerry Phillips ----- 65
- Bruno Villa ----- 53
- Edna Ruggiero ----- 58
- Beverly Bowman ----- 62
- Dorothy Sundquist --- 67
- Dan D'Elia ----- 61
- Joseph Di Stefano ---- 51
- John Grieco ----- 52
- Dorothy Lewis ----- 51
- Jesse Lewis ----- 51
- Barry Mainardi ----- 51

Diamond Club (75+ Hrs)

- Sal Tallarico ----- 84
- George Danko ----- 94
- Murray Weinstein ---- 80
- Harold Mann ----- 77
- Dick Bennett ----- 86
- Robert Hoban ----- 80
- John Moses ----- 80
- Judy Smith ----- 80
- Joe Langenberger ---- 77

Centurions (100+ Hrs)

- Stanley Pekar ----- 172
- Marc Zuckerman --- 121
- Eber Priest ----- 106
- Barbara Hayward --- 103
- Rick Meade ----- 125
- Art Kolb ----- 165

