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SC OFFICERS TO BE HONORED AT WASHINGTON DURING NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

SC fallen officers whose names will be placed on the National Law Enforcement Memorial Wall during the Candlelight Vigil on May 13, 2017 are:

- Greenville Police Department Officer III Allen Jacobs—EOW 3/18/2016
- Orangeburg Department of Public Safety Officer Howard Franklin, EOW 3/9/1917
- Orangeburg Department of Public Safety Officer Christian Wolfe, EOW 9/21/1897
- Berkeley County State Constable, Robert Hasell, EOW 2/04/1893

Officer Jacobs will also be honored during a ceremony at the United States Capitol on May 15, 2017.



CAROLINA C.O.P.S.—ANNUAL MEETING



SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017—12 Noon
 Va. Wingard Memorial United Methodist Church
 1500 Broad River Road
 Columbia, South Carolina

No officers are up for election or re-election. The only special item on the agenda is the appointment of Board members.

We will begin with a covered dish lunch. Carolina C.O.P.S. will supply fried chicken, drinks, and paper products. You are invited to bring your favorite veggie, salad, or dessert.

2017 NATIONAL POLICE WEEK WASHINGTON, DC

Thursday, May 11, 2017	Early Arrival Day
Friday, May 12, 2017	Arrival Day
Saturday, May 13, 2017	C.O.P.S. Registration Pickup Candlelight Vigil
Sunday, May 14, 2017	National Police Survivors' Conference held at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Kids/Teens Program Day 1 Daycare Day 1
Monday, May 15, 2017	National Peace Officers' Memorial Service held at U. S. Capitol.
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	National Police Survivors' Conference held at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Kids/Teens Program Day 2 Daycare Day 2
Wednesday, May 17, 2017	Official Departure Day



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From Lois

Dear Friends and Fellow Survivors,

Spring is close at hand and that means a time of renewal and rebirth for all. Spring also means many Memorial Services will soon be held around our great state. A schedule of these services will be posted on our Facebook page and on our website.

Also approaching is National Police Week, a tradition unmatched for all law enforcement. This is always an emotional and often overwhelming experience. The ceremonies at the Candlelight Vigil and at the U. S. Capitol are especially beautiful tributes to our fallen officers.

This year, Carolina C.O.P.S. will have the honor of sharing National Police Week with family members of Greenville Police Officer III Allen L. Jacobs and a contingency of Greenville PD officers.

Before National Police Week begins in May, a group of bicycle riders will set out from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Brunswick, Georgia for the 1,000 mile journey to Washington, DC. We are so honored that we get to visit with these "long riders" at a number of stops in South Carolina along the way to our nation's capital. These riders represent agencies from all around the country and ride in honor of fallen heroes.

Our summer activity for survivors is in the planning stages now. When this fun event is finalized, we will send information to our South Carolina survivors. This is one reason that we need email addresses. In the future we will send information via email to as many survivors as possible—this will help us to reduce our postage expense each year. We will send information in the mail to those without a computer, but please send me as many email addresses as possible!

Letters will soon be sent to all Police Chiefs and Sheriffs in South Carolina requesting them to work with their City and County Councils to have American flags on city, town, or county offices flown at half-staff on May 15, which is National Peace Officers' Memorial Day. You may wish to encourage your Chief or Sheriff to do this!

I hope that you will attend one of the Memorial Services around the state or our summer event when that is announced!

Please remember our survivors and the department as they experience National Police Week 2017.

Peace,

Lois

MISSION STATEMENT

Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc. provides resources to assist in the rebuilding of the lives of surviving families and affected co-workers of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty as determined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Public Safety Officers' Benefit (PSOB), National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial Fund (NLEOMF), or Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) criteria. Furthermore, C.O.P.S. provides training to law enforcement agencies on survivor victimization issues and educates the public of the need to support the law enforcement profession and its survivors.



C.O.P.S. FAMILY NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS TO:



To Amanda and Robert "Paul" Perry III on the birth of their son, Robert Paul Perry IV, on July 26, 2016. Paul is the surviving son of SChP Patrolman Robert Perry, EOW 4/15/1987.

To Austin Haynes who signed a contract for a football scholarship at Newberry College on February 1, 2017, which was the anniversary day of his father's death. Austin is the surviving son of SC Highway Patrol Trooper James "Rock" Haynes, who died in the line of duty on February 1, 2008.

To Tyler and Sarah Coates on the birth of their daughter, Teale McClaire, on November 3, 2016.



To Brandon and Jessie Coates on the birth of their son, Ridgely Robert, on November 26, 2016.



To Katie and Anthony Indoveno on the birth of their son, Aiden James, on December 25, 2016.



Tyler and Brandon are the surviving sons and Katie is the surviving niece of SChP (ACE Team) Trooper Mark Coates, EOW 11/20/1992.

In the last issue of the Carolina C.O.P.S. newsletter, Kevin Smalls-Buckner was congratulated for his graduation from Claflin College, and Kevin and his wife, Vvette, were congratulated on the birth of their daughter, Kennedy Marie. Kevin is the surviving son of SC Highway Patrol Trooper Bruce Smalls. Unfortunately, in the process of reformatting this page, the EOW date for Trooper Smalls was accidentally cut. Trooper Smalls was killed in the line of duty 9/27/1985.

ROAD DEDICATIONS



Photo courtesy of SC Dept. of Public Safety

Pictured l. to r.: SC Highway Patrol Colonel Mike Oliver, SC Dept. of Public Safety Director Leroy Smith, Ms. Robin Smith Sloan, niece of Patrolman Smith, and SC Representative Richard L. Yow.

On September 23, 2016, a ceremony was held at Providence Baptist Church in Pageland, SC, to name a highway in memory of Patrolman Harlan M. Smith, exactly 76 years after his death in the line of duty on September 23, 1940. The portion of SC Highway 9 in Chesterfield County from its intersection with East Ca-to Street to Airport Road was named "SChP Patrolman H. M. Smith Memorial Highway."



Photo courtesy of SC Department of Public Safety

Members of Patrolman Arnold Carter's family are joined by SC Highway Patrol Colonel Mike Oliver, SC Dept. of Public Safety Director Leroy Smith, and SC Senator Ronnie Sabb.

On January 29, 2016, a ceremony was held at the J. J. Mitchum Center, Hemingway, SC, to dedicate a highway in memory of Patrolman Arnold Carter, EOW June 18, 1956. Douglas Highway in Williamsburg County was named "SChP Patrolman Arnold Reo 'Buck' Carter Highway."

THEY GAVE

February—April

Aiken County Sheriff's Office

Charles Freeman 3-6-1990
Henry H. Howard 4-25-1925

Aiken Police Department

Rufus H. Rodgers 4-22-1950

Anderson County Sheriff's Office

J. Alex Burdette 3-12-2005
James R. Wilson 4-11-1926
James E. Tillotson 4-29-1957

Anderson Police Department

Willis E. Sanders 4-15-1947
Charles Sheppard 4-20-1975

Bamberg Police Department

John B. King 2-4-1903

Beaufort Co. Sheriff's Office

Russell R. Bell 4-17-1990

Bonneau Police Department

John F. Dennis 2-3-1957

Cayce Dept. of Public Safety

W. J. Illingworth 2-28-1991

Charleston County Police Dept.

William P. Messer 3-12-1976
Leon W. Gooding 3-27-1948

Charleston Police Department

Henry Wm. Buck 2-26-1921
Charles A. Snider 3-2-1979
Roger Myers 4-5-2004
John J. Bean, Jr. 4-20-1899

Chester Police Department

James Marshall 2-7-1898

Clarendon Co. Sheriff's Office

Walter Floyd 3-1-2002
Jesse L. Mallett 4-28-1979

Clio Police Department

Julian Branch 4-26-1976

Cottageville Police Department

Jerry W. Shelton 3-25-1989

Dorchester Co. Sheriff's Office

Gary D. Blackwood 2-7-1988
Philip Michael Deese 3-9-2007
K-9 Sonja 3-9-2007

Dillon Co. Sheriff's Office

John Williamson 4-11-1986
Carroll Taylor 4-11-1986

Easley Police Department

Wesley C. Holcombe 3-7-1921

Florence Co. Sheriff's Office

Joseph C. Rodgers 4-9-1997

Forest Acres Police Department

Richey O. Finch 2-21-1974

Georgetown Police Department

Spencer Guerry 3-9-1994

Greenville County Sheriff's Office

Rufus L. Looper III 2-1-1975
Antonio J. Sapinosa 4-2-2003
Eli Pittman 4-30-1906

Greenville Police Department

Oliver S. Gunnels 2-17-1911
William F. Chasteen 2-21-1971
Arthur F. Lackey 3-4-1925
James P. Tucker 4-13-1904

Greenwood County Sheriff's Office

Otis Grier 4-2-1987

Greenwood Police Department

Alvis B. Phillips 3-18-1956

Hardeeville Police Department

Mark Jones 2-27-2005

Hartville Police Department

Olysses Dobson 4-20-1953

Kershaw County Sheriff's Office

Ernest C. Potter 2-21-1974
Theodore Turner 4-29-1971

Laurens County Sheriff's Office

Willie J. Blakely 3-30-1980

Leesville Police Department

Jessie W. Lundy 2-16-1988

Lexington Co. Magistrate's Office

James Earle Price 2-7-1925

McColl Police Department

David H. Hyatt 3-23-1931

Moncks Corner Police Department

Lonnie M. Wells 3-25-2007
Marcus D. Stiles 3-26-2007

Myrtle Beach Police Department

Henry H. Scarborough 3-7-1949

North Charleston Police Department

Robert W. Way 2-18-1985

Oconee Co. Sheriff's Office

William F. Schuck III 2-7-2010

Olanta Police Department

Robert F. Sexton 4-27-1976

Orangeburg Co. Sheriff's Office

Thomas Prezzy 4-12-1999

Pickens County Sheriff's Office

Buddy Duncan 2-2-1983

Richland County Sheriff's Dept.

John M. Dial 4-17-1992

SC ABC Commission

Garnett E. Dabney 3-31-1968

SC Dept. of Natural Resources

(SC Wildlife Department)

G. Don Peeler 2-26-1989

SC Dept. of Corrections

(SC State Penitentiary)

Joe Byrd 3-12-1936
John C. Robbins 4-10-1915
Archie M. Sox 4-22-1920

SC Highway Patrol

James D. Haynes II 2-1-2008
Walter T. Bell 2-4-1939
Jacob Ham, Jr. 2-8-1998
Hansford M. Reeves 2-15-1934
Hardy Merl Godbold 2-28-1992
Fulton H. Anthony 3-10-1973
Kevin Cusack 3-27-2010
David T. Bailey 4-5-2000
Robert P. Perry, Jr. 4-15-1987
Michael A. Chappell 4-17-1995
Randall L. Hester 4-20-1994

SC State Constable

James P. Farmer 2-22-1908
Robert Hayne Pepper 3-30-1894
James R. Cooler 3-30-1913

Spartanburg Co. Magistrate's Office

Melton J. Shields 2-18-1930

Spartanburg Co. Sheriff's Office

Kevin Carper 2-27-2007

St. Matthews Police Department

Capers Wannamaker 3-19-2011

THEIR ALL

February—April

Sumter County Sheriff's Office

Charles B. Kubala 2-26-1996
William M. Strange 4-6-1937

Timmonsville Police Department

Lucius Jennerette 4-25-1954

U.S. Marshall's Office

Van Buren Hendrix 2-12-1877
John Kirby 3-5-1896
Christopher Corbin 3-8-1909
William Corbin 3-8-1909
Rufus Springs 4-19-1878

West Columbia Police Department

Daniel Cogburn 4-12-1983

Williamsburg County Sheriff's Office

Henry Gamble 2-22-1929

Officers killed out of State but
whose survivors live in South Carolina

Buncombe Co. (NC) Sheriff's Office

Jeffrey Todd Hewitt 4-4-2004

Charlotte—Mechlenburg Police Dept.

Jeffrey Ryan Shelton 4-12-2007

Johnson City (NY) Police Dept.

David Smith 3-31-2014

Johnston (NC) Co. Sheriff's Office

Michael Ray Jackson 2-9-1995

Leflore Co. (MS) Sheriff's Office

Melvin P. Brown, Jr. 4-18-1994

Long Beach (CA) Police Dept.

Edward Ray Davenport 2-4-2003

Metro Dade (FL) Police Dept.

Richard Wentlandt 3-15-1007

New York Police Department

Rodney Andrews 3-10-2003

South Bend (IN) Police Dept.

Nick Samuel Polizzotto 4-24-2007

Vance Co. (NC) Sheriff's Office

Brandon Coker 4-25-2009

Washington (DC) Metropolitan Police Dept.

Brian Gibson 2-5-1997

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON THANKS!

Thanks to the following for their assistance with the Christmas Luncheon:

Director Swindler and the SC Criminal Justice Academy
Lexington County Sgt. Jeff Flanders and Miss Gertrude
Carlisle Harmon
Dean Adams—special visitor!!
Walmart, Galleria Mall, Rock Hill, SC (Mgr. Chris Tipton)
that donated 25 poinsettias for the luncheon.

We also want to thank officers from the following law enforcement agencies/organizations who attended the Luncheon:

- Beaufort Police Department
- Columbia Police Department
- Clarendon County Sheriff's Office
- Greenville Police Department
- Lexington County Sheriff's Office
- Manning Police Department
- Palmetto Patriots
- SC Dept. of Public Safety
- SC Highway Patrol

SYMPATHY



To the family of Mr. M. C. Nettles who died June 5, 2016. Mr. Nettles was the surviving brother of SC Highway Patrolman Norris Nettles EOW 1/4/1942.

To the family of Mrs. Doris Lynn who died September 21, 2016. Mrs. Lynn was the sister of SC Highway Patrolman Albert Sealy EOW 10/5/1950.

To the family of Mr. Ferris E. "Butch" Catoe, Jr., who died October 20, 2016. Mr. Catoe was the surviving father of Camden Police Officer Ferris Catoe, EOW 7/10/2000.

THANK YOU!



To all who participated in L.E.A.D. (Law Enforcement Appreciation Day) in various ways such as writing notes of appreciation, baking cookies for law enforcement offices, and telling officers how much we value their efforts to keep our communities and State safe places to live and work.

NATIONAL C.O.P.S. SUMMER HANDS-ON PROGRAMS

SPOUSES RETREAT



L. to r.: Tonia Smith, surviving wife of Clarendon Co. Sheriff's Office Investigator Holmes Smith, EOW 11/5/2014; Lin Pope, surviving wife of Cincinnati (OH) Police Officer Daniel Pope, EOW 12/5/1997; Misty Nicholson, surviving wife of SC Highway Patrol Trooper Eric Nicholson, EOW 12/6/2000; Nicole Burdette, surviving wife of Anderson Co. Sheriff's Deputy Alex Burdette, EOW 3/12/2005.

PARENTS RETREAT



Alexis and Richard Alia



Frances Smith

L. to r: Mike and Melita Whitfield, surviving parents of Greenville Co. Sheriff's Deputy Marcus Whitfield, EOW 8/13/1999; Frances Smith, surviving mother of Clarendon Co. Sheriff's Office Investigator Holmes Smith, EOW 11/5/2014; Alexis and Richard Alia, surviving parents of Forest Acres Police Officer Greg Alia, EOW 9/30/2015; Beverly Coates, surviving mother of SC Highway Patrol (ACE Team) Trooper Mark Coates, EOW 11/20/1992; Lois and Sal Rao, surviving parents of SC Highway Patrol (ACE Team) Sr. Trooper Mike Rao, EOW 6/12/2002.

SIBLINGS RETREAT



Rhonda Smith Abrams and friends. Rhonda is the surviving sister of Clarendon County Sheriff's Office Investigator, Holmes Smith, EOW 11/5/2014.

F.O.P. MEMORIAL SERVICE
November 11, 2016
State House Grounds



At the annual F.O.P. Memorial Service, the following 18 names of fallen officers were added to the memorial panels at the Law Enforcement Memorial on the State House Grounds:

- Henry Cornelius Hardee**, Horry County Magistrate's Office, EOW 6/23/1891
 - Robert Hayne Pepper**, State Dispensary, EOW 3/30/1894
 - Robert A. Pettigrew**, State Dispensary, EOW 7/13/1895
 - Jonathan J. Moseley**, State Dispensary, EOW 10/13/1895
 - John Goss**, New Brookland Police Department, EOW 9/18/1897
 - John B. King**, Bamberg Police Department, EOW 2/04/1903
 - R. G. Johnston**, Rock Hill Police Department, EOW 1/18/1906
 - James P. Farmer**, State Dispensary, EOW 2/22/1908
 - James M. King**, Chesterfield County Magistrate, EOW 9/28/1913
 - William Frey**, Spartanburg Police Department, EOW 6/20/1942
 - William L. Laval, Jr.**, SLED, EOW 1/12/1955
 - Frank Knapp**, Walterboro Police Department, EOW 11/16/1968
 - Alfredo Deon Williams**, Federal Corrections, EOW 7/30/1996
 - James Edward Myers**, Orangeburg Public Safety, EOW 7/18/2004
 - Delton Daniels**, Marlboro County Sheriff's Office, EOW 8/1/2015
 - Gregory Thomas Alia**, Forest Acres Police Department, EOW 9/30/2015
 - Stacy Lynn Case**, Columbia Police Department, EOW 11/07/2015
- To be added next year:
Allen Lee Jacobs, Greenville Police Department, EOW 3/18/2016

2016 OFFICER FATALITIES

The 135 officer fatalities in 2016 is a 10 percent increase over the 123 who died in the line of duty last year and is the highest total since 2011 when 177 officers made the ultimate sacrifice. Firearms-related incidents were the number one cause of death in 2016 with 64 officers shot and killed across the country. This represents a significant spike—56 percent—over the 41 officers killed in gunfire in 2015.

Among the states, Texas had the highest number of officer fatalities with 17, followed by California with ten, Louisiana with nine, Georgia with eight, and Michigan with six.

- National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Foundation

Thank You

Thanks to the following who made donations to Carolina C.O.P.S. since our last newsletter:

Palmetto Patriots
Peter Surette, Jr.
Dorothy Ray

Donnie Ng
Jeremial Motz
Carolyn & Walter Bell

In memory of Greenville Police Officer III Allen L. Jacobs, EOW 3/18/2016

Sharon Farrar
Doris M. Wayne
Laura Farrar

In memory of Clarendon County Sheriff's Office Investigator Holmes Smith, EOW 11/5/2014

Tonia Smith
Veronica Mallett

Payroll Dedication

Beaufort Police Department
Lancaster Co. Sheriff's Office
Lancaster Police Department
Manning Police Department

Through United Way

Greenville Police Department
UPS of Charleston



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
December 3, 2016



During the Christmas Luncheon, Lois Rao, Carolina C.O.P.S. President, presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Palmetto Patriots for their outstanding support. Accepting for the Palmetto Patriots was Lt. Mark Danback, Manning Police Department. During the past several years, Palmetto Patriots has donated \$49,500 to Carolina C.O.P.S.

A Certificate of Appreciation was also presented to Hampton Inn of Manning.