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 3/16/2016
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
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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MISSION STATEMENT

Concerned 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 (PSCB), 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.

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
CONGRATULATIONS TO:


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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.

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

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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.

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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, Vytel, 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 8/27/1985.

ROAD DEDICATIONS

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 Cato Street to Airport Road was named "SCHP Patrolman H. M. Smith Memorial Highway."

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. Sapinoso 4-2-2003
Eli Pittman 4-30-1906

Greenville Police Department
Oliver S. Gunnels 2-17-1911
William F. Chastain 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

Hartsville Police Department
Ulysses 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 3-30-1960

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

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. 2-3-1998
Hansford M. Reeves 2-15-1934
Hardy Meri Godbold 2-26-1892
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. Matthew’s Police Department
Capers Wannamaker 3-19-2011
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.
SPOUSES RETREAT


PARENTS RETREAT


SIBLINGS RETREAT

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 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  
Jeremiah 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
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.