

# WISCONSIN CHAPTER FBINA NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Greetings from your President:

Here's an update on what's been happening with the Association and your Board:

### Winter Outing

From all appearances this year's Winter Outing event at Geneva Ridge was a tremendous success. The unsolicited positive feedback from this year's participants reflected their pleasure with the accommodations, local winter events, activities, member camaraderie, food quality and great door prizes (flat screen, mp3s and gift cards). Although I would love to take credit for your good time, the credit goes to your Board, especially Bob Douglas and Kurt Picknell. Their ownership and desire to treat you and your family right was evident throughout the weekend.

As many of you know, venue identification and selection for this event has been openly debated over the past few years. I've heard many spirited, courteous discussions that reflect the passion of our members. As with the decision to host the event at in Lake Geneva in 2010, the Board is open to all suggestions for future locations.

### Spring Shoot

Please schedule yourself to attend the Spring Shoot (unfortunately I'm in training that week) to catch up with new and veteran grads. Members of the FBI will be coordinating range activities and classroom presentation.

### Strategic Planning

During my tenure as president one of my primary objectives is to orchestrate the accomplishment of as many of our Association's identified Strategic Planning goals as possible. Over the past few months your Board has held themselves accountable by moving forward on many of these goals including:

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## Bylaws

Association Bylaws were last updated in 1993. The Board and Past-Presidents have thoroughly reviewed and modified Association Bylaws to better reflect current and future operating procedures. You have, or will receive a copy of the proposed updated bylaws for your review. There are a couple of key changes that you should be aware of; Board terms to run from June to June and the appointment of an historian. Again, we believe these enhancements will create a more responsive and effective organization. We are seeking your positive vote during the business meeting.

## Incorporation

With member's approval of revised bylaws we can move forward with application for incorporation. Incorporation in conjunction with our 501 (c)(3) status provides us additional protections and benefits as an association.

## Insurance Coverage

As you may recall, National's insurance carrier stopped coverage last year which had an immediate affect (cost) on all chapters. The Wisconsin Chapter quickly analyzed event needs, compared costs and acquired a local carrier to cover us. Fortunately National recently contracted with a new carrier that again allows us to shelter under National's umbrella for most events.

## Past-Presidents Committee

In June the PPC will celebrate one year of formal evolution. Congratulations to all our active Past-Presidents for continuing to offer their leadership and support to this organization. This committee has, in their short existence, offered a number of benefits to the Association including most recently when they provided experience and ideas for revision of the bylaws. This Committee is committed to enhancing value for all our members.

## Sponsors

Over the past couple of years we have had the financial support of our good partner Verizon Wireless as a sponsor of our Annual Re-trainer. Although we have not actively solicited for additional sponsors/partners, there are opportunities that could be cultivated. In addition to Verizon, we hope to develop relationships with American Military University, Upper Iowa and 5.11.

## Training Committee

Your newly formed Training Committee has been hard at work lining up instructors and presenters for upcoming Chapter events including the Summer Re-trainer. One of this committee's goals was to stabilize the training process for our Association and to prepare for events months in advance. I think you'll like their choices regarding current topic offerings.

## Website

National recently transitioned website hosting and maintenance to a new vendor that should make our posting and retrieval of information more efficient (yes, the Wisconsin information needs updating). There is a learning curve for our Chapter to understand all the bells and whistles that this new site offers, and I have asked Kurt Picknell to coordinate the website updates to ensure timely and accurate information appears. We recently met with ETGI (builders/host of the WCPA website) to determine the need and costs for a public front-page site that could allow sons and daughters access to YLP and scholarship information and applications.

Again, thank you to the Board, Past-Presidents and the Milwaukee FBI office for your continued support.

Jeff

## CHAPTER CHAT



Chapter President Jeff Frenette and Secretary/Treasurer Dennis Fortunato are having dinner with two of most recent graduates of the 240th National Academy Darren Pautsch and Steve Britt. Jeff and Dennis were attending the annual Presidents/Treasurer meeting at Quantico, VA in February 2010.

Kurt Heuer (NA 205<sup>th</sup>), chief of police for the city of Wisconsin Rapids acknowledges Jeff Frenette (NA 168<sup>th</sup>), commander of the State Patrol's Northwest and North Central Regions, for his contributions and services as president of the North Central Chiefs of Police Association.

Heuer, who is the incoming NCCPA president, is also the current president of the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association and past president of the Badger Sheriffs' Association.



## NEW FBINA GRADUATES!

### 240th Session

#### **Captain Darren K. Pautsch**

North Fond du Lac Police Dept.

#### **Lieutenant Thomas P. Barbuch**

Port Washington Police Dept.

#### **Sergeant Steven J. Britt**

Middleton Police Department

#### **Sergeant Gregory L. Bean**

Marathon County Sheriff's Office

## RETIREMENTS

#### **Jeffrey Schmidt #208**

City of Oconomowoc Police Dept.

01/01/2010

#### **Wayne Dussault #146**

Waukesha Police Department

03/12/2010

## YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

2010 Youth Leadership Selection Committee of Chief Jim Wallis, Capt. Mike Bagin and Capt. Pat McKeough interviewed 6 applicants for the YLP and the committee selected Rebekka Keller as this year's candidate. Rebekka is the daughter of Mike Keller from Port Washington PD.

We will be sending out her information to the National Office today, as we have a deadline of April 15, 2010. This years group of kids was outstanding and very competitive. Each and every one would have represented our chapter well. Rebekka was the highest point earner and very excited about the opportunity.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

FBINAA Wisconsin Chapter Scholarship - Extended Deadline to May 1, 2010

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Shoot

May 6, 2010

Waukesha Range

Waukesha, Wisconsin

Annual Re-Trainer

June 2-4, 2010

The Pointe of Minocqua

Minocqua, Wisconsin

Chapter Golf Outing

August 6, 2010

Evergreen Golf Course

Elkhorn, Wisconsin