



## ***WSPAA QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER***

## EVENTS—Regularly Scheduled Gatherings;

- 1). 2nd Monday of the Month— Aurora Hospital Cafeteria, 2845 Greenbrier Rd., Green Bay, WI 9:00 am— Join us for coffee. All are welcome.
- 2). 1st Thurs. of the Month - Just show up around 9:00 am at the Green Lantern, McFarland, WI.
- 3). 1st Thurs. of the Month - 11:30 am. at Monona Garden Family Restaurant, 6501 Bridge Road, Monona.
- 4). Last Thursday of Even Numbered Months - WISDOT/DNR Retiree Breakfast at 9:30 am at "The Prime" in Trego, WI. Contact Connie Salquist ([ConnieSalquist@yahoo.com](mailto:ConnieSalquist@yahoo.com)).
- 5). Monthly — ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) - contact Dennis Schroeder ([denniss@charter.net](mailto:denniss@charter.net)) for date, time, and location. The location varies, but it is generally in the North Central portion of the State.
- 6)). 2nd Tuesday of each month — Breakfast 7:30 am at the Hwy 51 Truck Stop (I-39 & CTH Q) south of Merrill. Contact Bill Harvey at [lois3545@aol.com](mailto:lois3545@aol.com) if you are attending.
- 7). Every Thursday — Eau Claire Retired Law Enforcement Breakfast Group, at 8:00a.m., any retired law enforcement officer welcomed. Held at VFW Post 305, 1300 Starr Avenue, Eau Claire, WI.

If you know of additional events or gatherings of State Patrol alumni, please let us know so we can post it for all to see or attend. Send these items to [kimwspaa@tds.net](mailto:kimwspaa@tds.net). Thank you.

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## **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION or RENEWAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ **New member, please complete the entire form**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Membership Renewal:**

If there is no change in your address,  
telephone or email, please enter the  
year(s) you are renewing for in this  
box and fill in your name below.

Membership year runs from January 1, through December 31.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Current DSP Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_ Retired/Separated (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Rank/Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Recruit Class # \_\_\_\_\_ Badge# \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Member: \$15.00/year or \_\_\_\_\_ Associate Member: \$15.00/year

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Make your check payable to: WSPAA, Inc. and return this form along with your check to: Linda Woldt,  
3120 Breeze Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590.**

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## Political Endorsements

At a recent board meeting a board member brought up a member's concerns about the WSPAA and its political endorsements.

The following is excerpts in the board member's response to that concerned member; **As long as I have been a member of the WSPAA we have never participated in the endorsing of political candidates. It is prohibited in the By-Laws.** I wish you would have said something when you heard this. Below are excerpts of the "ABOUT the WSPAA" and "Article 6 of the By-Laws". You can also find this on the WSPAA Alumni Web page at the link I provided below.

<http://wspalumni.org/about.htm>

Comments later on during the board meeting on this topic; Both Mary and Scott said, "We are NOT endorsing anyone, anytime, anywhere!"

### ABOUT the WSPAA

Over the years, alumni of the Wisconsin State Patrol had individually and collectively expressed a need and an interest in developing and maintaining a linkage between the past and present in the State Patrol.

In response, the Wisconsin State Patrol Alumni Association, Inc. **(WSPAA), a non-political**; non-profit; non-union; non-stock corporation was created in 2011. The purpose of the association is to maintain the heritage and traditions of the Patrol, provide a mechanism for social and fraternal interaction, and communication between its retired and active employees.

In more contemporary terms, WSPAA, through liaison with State Headquarters and other State agencies, will periodically publish **newsletters** informing members of current or pending changes in personnel, departmental policy, organizational structure and technological advances in police sciences. We will monitor pending changes in the retirement system, health insurance and pending legislation. Members will be encouraged to contribute news articles of present day happenings and reminiscent anecdotes from the past.

WSPAA **membership** is available to all former and current Communications personnel, Troopers, Inspectors and non-sworn support staff.

### BY-LAWS of the WSPAA

#### ARTICLE 6 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The governance and direction of the WSPAA and the control of its assets shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of the WSPAA shall be comprised of the Officers of the WSPAA and Regional Representatives equal to the number of Regional/Districts areas of the Wisconsin State Patrol.

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#### Section 1 – General Limitations

1. (a) The Board of Directors shall be subject to the limitation of these By-Laws, and the laws of the State of Wisconsin as to actions to be authorized and approved by members.
2. **(b) The Board of Directors shall not authorize any member or other persons to lobby upon its behalf for any political person or organization.**

### **Speedometer Certification by Terry Stewart**

Supervisor of Automotive Services Section 1959 -1965 Enforcement Division Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Department (State Patrol)

In the late fifties and the sixties much of the speed enforcement done by the WSP was done by pacing, or “clocking”, a speeder. Basically, this meant one had to drive at the same speed as the suspected speeder and then “clock” his speed on your speedometer. To assist in this the Patrol at one time equipped all of its patrol cars with special Stewart Warner “Police” speedometers. These units had a unique feature in that one could push a button on the top and it would lock the speedometer needle at its current position. Obviously, it could be released, often after showing the violator how fast he had been going. A possible point of contention was if the officer “punched” the clock while still accelerating to catch up to the speeder.

In those days (50s & 60s) speedometers were mechanically driven off the output side of the transmission so that gear shifting would not affect them (unlike a tachometer which measured engine rpm). The speedometer head itself was based upon one magnetized partial piece of circular metal spinning within another non-magnetized full circular piece of metal while not touching one another. The standard was that 1,000-rpm input equaled 60 mph and all speedometer heads were calibrated to that standard. The drive cable coming from the transmission was usually connected to the magnetized piece while the non-magnetized piece had the needle pointer attached to it. These spinning pieces had a fairly close space tolerance. One inherent problem was that a sharp blow to the unit could upset this magnetic relationship and the speedometer head would have to be re-calibrated. Once a person handling stock for the districts dropped a box of a dozen or so recently re-calibrated speedometer heads and they all had to be re-calibrated again. The Patrol spent a lot of money having speedometer heads re-calibrated.

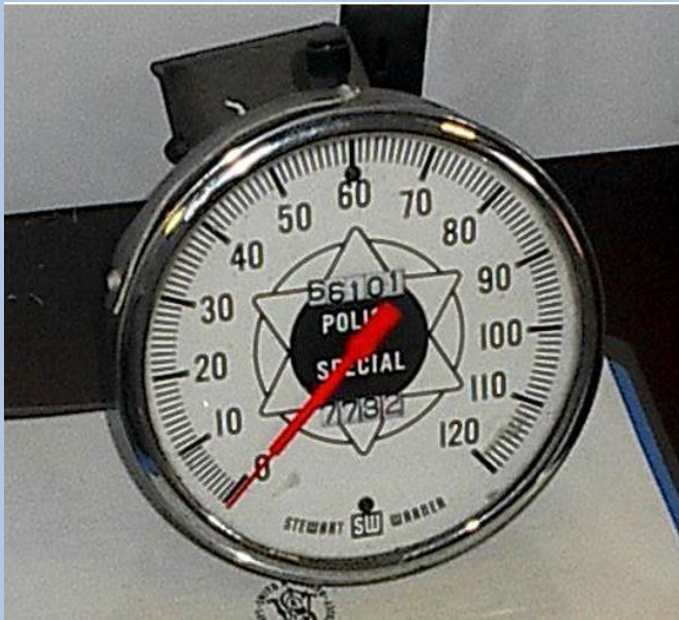
Typically, a nylon gear was used in the transmission to drive the flexible cable running to the speedometer head. These gears came in different “sizes” or numbers of gear teeth. In 1962 the Patrol purchased 105 Chevrolets. Our specifications called for the cars to be equipped with 15-inch wheels while the standard sedan used 14-inch wheels. Unfortunately, the folks on the assembly line sometimes did not recognize this and installed the wrong nylon drive gear (17 tooth versus 18 tooth) in almost all the vehicles delivered. Before issuing these cars to the patrolmen the gears had to be changed. It was very time consuming to drive the cars individually from the radio shop to the dealership, wait for it to be serviced and drive back. As a result, they gave us a box of correct nylon gears and I personally jacked up the cars and changed them on over 85 units. The nylon gear merely slipped onto the squared off end of the drive cable and one had to be very careful to not let it slip off and fall into the transmission housing.

There were a few problems that could develop with the cable routing and one was that at very high speeds (approx. 100 mph or less) the flexible cable would begin to “whip” causing the speedometer to become erratic and inaccurate. The speed at which this phenomenon would occur varied and usually was dependent upon how the cable had to be routed from the transmission through the dash board to the speedometer head. Tight or numerous bends were not good, nor were wide unsupported bends.

In about 1964 manufacturers began using “certified speedometers” in all cars sold especially those destined for law enforcement use. These speedometers were supposedly of higher quality but did not have the ability to “lock” or “freeze” the speedometer needle. The Patrol was spending a lot of money having the Stewart Warner speedometers re-calibrated and it was felt the locking needle was not that important. As a result, the Patrol dropped the use of the Stewart Warner units in 1965. In the early sixties we were issuing 125 new patrol cars each year at the rate of 10 each Friday. Officers would bring in their old unit and pick up their new one at the radio shop in Madison. Each of these cars had to have a speedometer certification card completed verifying the accuracy of the speedometer over a range of speeds as installed in the car. The certification was done using a Track Meter or “fifth wheel” device. This meant a trained uniformed officer had to be taken off the road to do the certifications each Friday. With a statutory limit of 250 sworn officers it was very important to not take one off patrol duty unless absolutely necessary. Someone suggested that I, although not a sworn officer, could be trained to perform this task. Special orders were cut for me to spend one day at the Patrol Academy for such training. As a result, I certified the speedometers in more than 400 patrol cars. In February of 1964 I got a call from Captain Litkey in District Two requesting that I appear in court the next day in Washington County. A truck driver was appealing his speeding conviction and I was the last person to certify the speedometer in the patrol car in question. The conviction was upheld.

The portable Track Meter used a bicycle type wheel with a direct drive generator attached to it. As the speed of the wheel increased, so did the output of the generator. The output was displayed on a fairly large and expensive Simpson meter whose face plate had been converted and calibrated to show MPH. The maximum speed this device could handle was 120 MPH. Exceeding this speed or connecting the meter backwards would (and did) burn out the meter.

In more modern times automobile manufacturers have gone to using a much more accurate magnetic pick up driven off of one wheel of the vehicle. The process is now electronic and most, if not all, of the problems inherent with the old mechanical units have been eliminated.





## **MEMORIAL FOR FALLEN WSP OFFICERS**

December 11, 2017

Phil Wenzel Retired Trooper

Vice-President Wisconsin State Patrol Alumni Association

TO: All active members of the WSPAA

REF: Information on Memorial for fallen Troopers

I have been ask to be part of a committee that has been formed to design and place a memorial dedicated to our Troopers that gave their life during the performance of their duties as a Wisconsin State Patrol Trooper. The committee consists of current command staff, a member from the WSP Academy, a current Trooper, and a represenitive from the WTA along with myself. We held a phone conference call on December 6, 2017. Here are some of the agenda items that were discussed. Size and type of the memorial, location of the memorial, contact with family members of the fallen Troopers to make them aware of the plans. Locations that were discussed were the WSPA, The State Office Building in Madison. There were two drawings submitted to date, one was a 3D type model with an eternal flame and the other a large rectangular granite plaque.

A very important issue is that there is no State funding for this project. The cost estimates could run between 30 and 50 thousand depending on the choices made. This means that all money to support this must come thru fund raising. The WTA offered to look into this and ways that it may be accomplished. **We as the WSPAA maybe ask to help and assist in the fund-raising projects.** Please keep in mind that this is all in the very infancy stage and nothing has been set or agreed upon. I am writing this to keep you as members and the board in touch with what the WSPAA is involved with. It is my pleasure to be a part of this very important committee so that the memory of those individuals will live on forever. I will keep you as the members updated as we move forward and would certainly entertain any ideas or assistant with this project when the time comes.

I would also at this time like to wish ALL our members a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. May the coming New Year bring you all the best.

Submitted with Respect;

Phil Wenzel



## **DEATH NOTICES**

### **ELIZABETH "LIZ" LOFGREN – JUNE 19, 2017**

Lofgren, Elizabeth "Liz" MADISON/MCFARLAND-Elizabeth "Liz" Lofgren, age 31, of Madison, passed away on Monday, June 19, 2017. She was born on Nov. 29, 1985, in Madison, the daughter of Karl Lofgren and Julie Meyer. Liz attended Sauk Prairie High School.

Liz is survived by her parents, Karl (Lori) and Julie; daughters, Chloe and Caydence; brother, Benjamin Lofgren; grandparents, Lois Schye, Howard and Beverly Meyer, and Dr. Gordon and Patricia Lofgren; aunts and uncles, Marna and Jack Creery, Sally and Jeff Toseff, Sue Meyer, Jennifer and Steven McGinnity, Joan and Rev. Mark Neumann, Amita Lofgren, Lt. Col. David and Giap Lofgren, Kathy and Mark Siegmann and Mark Lofgren; and many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Martin Schye; uncles, Mark Meyer and Daniel Lofgren; and cousin Andrew Neumann.

A Celebration of Life will be held at GUNDERSON EAST FUNERAL AND CREMATION CARE, 5203 Monona Dr., Madison, at 4 p.m. on Friday, June 23, 2017. Visitation will be held at the funeral home from 2 p.m. until the time of the service on Friday. Online condolences may be made at [www.gundersonfh.com](http://www.gundersonfh.com). Gunderson East Funeral & Cremation Care 5203 Monona Drive Madison WI 608-221-5420

### **NANCY MORIEARTY – JULY 1, 2017**

Wife of retired Sgt. John Moriearty. Retired approx. 1982

Nancy Moriearty (nee Evans), age 85, of Berlin, WI passed away on Saturday, July 1, 2017 due to complications from breast cancer. She was born September 12, 1931 on the family farm in Waushara County, the daughter of Alfred and Amy Priest Evans.

She is survived by her husband, John Moriearty; children, Ron (Mary) Moriearty, Loren (Laura) Moriearty, and Linda (Joe) Helmuth; thirteen grandchildren, Rachel Haase, Bradley (Lakeisha) Haase, Danielle Schroeder, Evan Schroeder, Sean (Erin) Moriearty, Patrick Moriearty, Erin Moriearty, Stephanie Moriearty, Ryan Moriearty, Nathaniel Helmuth, Andrew Helmuth, Mackenzie Helmuth and Brandon Helmuth; 6 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Beverly Evans, Eleanor Evans and Ann Evans; and brothers-in-law, Phil Moriearty and Denis (Bev) Moriearty. Nancy was preceded in death by her parents; three sisters, Gwen Brewer, Eleanor (Harold) Nipko and Leola Evans; three brothers, Warren Evans, Rollin Evans and Alfred "Leroy" Evans; two sisters-in-law, Ruth Moriearty (Gordon) Wilson, Rose Moriearty (Joe) Berken and Grace Moriearty; and her many schnauzers.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, July 8, 2017 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Barbola Funeral Chapel in Berlin. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral chapel. Interment will be in Welsh Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to ThedaCare-Berlin Helping Hands for Cancer. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [barbolafc@yahoo.com](mailto:barbolafc@yahoo.com)

*JEROME "JERRY" F. WITTSTOCK – JULY 20, 2017*

Jerome (Jerry) F. Wittstock of Amery, WI died peacefully at home with family members by his side, the morning of July 20th, 2017. Jerry was born January 26, 1938, the son of Fred and Hilda (Kuhn) Wittstock, the second of the couple's four children. He was born in his aunt's home where she served as midwife.

For a short period of time, Jerry lived in North St. Paul before moving to the Wagon Landing Area near Star Prairie. He attended grade school at Wagon Landing and then attended Amery High School where he played football and basketball, graduating with the class of 1956.

Following graduation, he attended River Falls State College for one year.

Jerry was baptized on July 3, 1938, into the Lutheran faith with Arthur and Clara Jabusch serving as his godparents. He was confirmed at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in Star Prairie on July 6, 1952.

On April 7, 1958, he married Edith M. Johnston at St. John's Lutheran Church in New Hampton, IA. He entered the United States Air Force on April 11, 1958 and trained at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, before serving in Korea for a year. Afterward, he was stationed at Pope Air Force Base in North Carolina, and was honorably discharged on June 1, 1962.

Jerry worked for the Amery Police Department for a short time before being accepted into the Wisconsin State Patrol Academy in September of 1963. He proudly worked for the Wisconsin State Patrol for 27 years until his retirement in 1990. After serving for a short time on the city council, he was elected Mayor of the City of Amery in 1990, and served as mayor until 1996. In 1998, he became the first Municipal Judge for the City of Amery and served in that capacity for 18 years. Overlapping his time as a public servant, he was a bus driver for the School District of Amery for 20 years.

During his lifetime, Jerry was a Little League Coach for several years, President of the Lion's Club, a lifetime member of the American Legion Post 169 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a longtime member of the Wisconsin State Patrol Alumni Association. Shortly after moving to Amery in 1968, he and his family joined Our Savior's Lutheran Church, where he was an active member and served as President of the council.

Some of Jerry's most cherish memories over the years included standing honor guard for President John F. Kennedy, cutting the ribbon with then Governor Tommy Thompson for the Amery Municipal Airport, and playing the Penny Game at Ellie's with the 7 a.m. coffee club.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Edith; son Jay (Linda) Wittstock, and daughters Carrie (Terry) Krieger and Theresa Fahie- Trusten (with special love for the Trusten family); seven

grandchildren: Zac (Katie) Wittstock, Alyssa (Rob) Gifford, Claire (Allen) Pikula, Leanne Fahie, Lucas Fahie, Joey Krieger and Daniel Krieger; seven great-grandchildren: Waylon, Wyatt, Mabel, Brantley, Adam, Anthony and Kaylynn; sister Jeneanne Moe of New Richmond, WI; brothers Don Wittstock of Minnetonka, MN, and Bob Wittstock of San Francisco, CA; nieces, nephews and many other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Hilda.

Please join the family in celebrating his life. Visitation will be held Sunday, July 23, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Williamson-White Funeral Home in Amery, and on Monday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the church prior to the service. The funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 24, 2017, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Amery with the Reverend Lori Peper officiating. The Wisconsin State Patrol Honor Guard will provide casket watch and the American Legion Honor Guard and VFW will provide special honors. A private burial will be at Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery near Spooner, WI.

*JAMES S. PETERSON – JULY 23, 2017*

Born: March 12, 1926 Place of Birth: Milwaukee, WI Death: July 23, 2017 Place of Death: Shawano, WI

James S. Peterson March 12, 1926 - July 23, 2017 James S. Peterson, age 91, of Shawano, passed away on Sunday, July 23, 2017 at his home. Born on March 12, 1926 in Milwaukee, he was the son of the late Levi and Laura (Anderson) Peterson.

James served our country during WWII in the United States Airforce. On September 17, 1949, he was united in marriage to Rachel Rusch in Baraboo.

He worked for the State Patrol for 20 years and later for the Department of Motor Vehicles for 15 years before retiring and moving to Shawano. In his younger days, he enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was the past president of the Shawano AARP, past commander of the American Legion, 40 Et 8 and the flying club. James enjoyed the Badgers, Packers, Brewers, ham radio, woodworking, going to the casino and participated in the Old Glory Honor Flight to Washington D.C.

James is survived by: his wife of 67 years, Rachel; their four children, Mark (Mary) Peterson of OK, Anne (Terry) Tischauser of Appleton, Brian (Judy) Peterson of Madison and Matt (Sherri) Peterson of Greenwood; five grandchildren, Harold (Kelly) Peterson, PhD, Althea (Thomas) Norman; Keith (Monica) Peterson, Katrina Peterson and Nathan Peterson; three great-grandchildren, Jessica, Charlotte and Cheyenne. He is further survived by his brother Mark (Caroline) Mulvaney of Oconomowoc.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 am on Friday, July 28, 2017 at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano. Inurnment will be in the Zion Lutheran Cemetery in Caroline. Visitation will be

held at the funeral home from 10:00 am until the time of the service. Military honors will be conducted by the Shawano American Legion Post #117 at the funeral home following the service.

#### FREDERICK FRATER

Frederick F. Frater, age 89, of Wild Rose, passed into eternal peace on [September 10](#), 2017. He was born [June 24](#), 1928 in Waupaca, WI, to Fred C. and Hazel (Frost) Frater. Fred graduated from Wild Rose High School in 1946. He married the late Virginia Strom on [January 20](#), 1951, and together they had five beautiful children. They were married for 61 years, until her death in 2012.

Fred was a member of the United States Armed Forces, serving during both World War II and the Korean War for a total of 34 years. He retired as Command Sergeant Major of the Army. At the time of the events of [September 11th, 2001](#), he once again became an active member of the military, working out of Appleton, WI as a liaison between families in the US and their soldiers deployed overseas. He was an active and enthusiastic member of both the American Legion and the VFW. Fred also had a long career as a Sergeant in the Wisconsin State Patrol, which took him and his family all over Wisconsin. After retiring from the Wisconsin State Patrol, he spent many years wintering in Florida. While home in Wisconsin, he participated with the Wild Rose Historical Society, along with his activities in the American Legion and VFW.

Fred is survived by his children, Jack (Carole) Frater of Wild Rose, WI; Bobbi Brown of Madison, WI and Fritz Frater; his grandchildren: Raechel Pundsack, Gabriel (Jessica Benish) Johnson, Jamie (Stacey) Groshek, Nathan Frater, Abigail (David) Johnson, Mischel (Ted) Larson, Nissa Sandley, Stacey Frater, Christie Frater, Eric Frater, Ian, Spencer, Sydney and Izabella Stanosek-Rockwood; his brother Willard (Kathy) Frater of Wild Rose, WI and many great-grandchildren, beloved friends, and family.

He was preceded in death by his wife Virginia Frater; brothers, George and Jack; his son, David and his daughter, Ann.

A memorial service will be held on [Saturday October 28](#), 2017 at 11 A.M. at the Dopp Memorial Chapel. Rosemary Salzman will officiate. Burial of Cremains with Military Honors will be held after the service at the Greenvale Dopp Cemetery. A memorial gathering will be held on [Saturday](#) from 10 – 11 A.M. at the Dopp Memorial Chapel. The Holly Funeral Home of Wild Rose is assisting the family with arrangements.

#### MARK LEWIS

Mark E. Lewis, age 56, of Hortonville, passed away October 17, 2017. Mark was born February 21, 1961, the son of Robert and Marion (Tetzlaff) Lewis. Mark was a Master Trooper for the Wisconsin State Patrol where he had worked for 32 years. Mark is loved by his wife, Cristina; daughter, Jamie Wilkinson of Necedah, WI; grandchildren, MacKenzie Wilkinson, Daniel Wilkinson and Anthony Wilkinson; his father, Robert Lewis; brothers and sisters, Rocco

(Kathryn) Lewis of Omro, Ann (Bill) Jensen of Oshkosh, Joe (Julie) Lewis of Oshkosh and Amy (Larry) Rago of Omro. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and colleagues and close friends from the Wisconsin State Patrol. Mark's mother, Marion, preceded him in death. The family will greet relatives and friends on Saturday, October 21, 2017, at the Omro Funeral Home from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the Memorial Service at 11:00 a.m. with Chaplain John Putnam officiating. The Wisconsin State Patrol Honor Guard will be in attendance. Memorials in lieu of flowers would be appreciated.

### ROBERT JANOWSKI

Robert A. Janowski Sr., age 92, of Hayward, WI died Friday, October 20, 2017 at Country Terrace in Hayward.

Robert Arthur Janowski was born January 10, 1925 in Des Plaines, IL to Stanley and Alma (Prohl) Janowski, the third of four children. In 1937, the family moved to Loretta, WI and a new home on Blaisdell Lake. Bob finished his schooling at the Draper school, graduating from high school in 1942. After high school, Bob worked in Hartland and Oconomowoc. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1945 to 1946, and after his discharge moved to Milwaukee, WI where he found employment. He worked at American Motors, Milwaukee Gas Company and Continental Can Company. In 1951, he met Evelyn Spanbauer in Milwaukee and they were married in Rockford, IL on January 5, 1952. They resided in Milwaukee and Grafton, WI until 1961 when Bob joined the Wisconsin State Patrol. They relocated to Beloit, WI and lived there until their retirement in 1982. Bob and Evie then moved to Winter, WI and built a new home on Highway G. Bob was an avid photographer his entire life, as well as a craftsman, building wood furniture including a beautiful pool table for his son.

Bob is survived by his daughter, Karyn Janowski of Los Angeles, CA; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Evelyn, in 1995; a son, Robert Jr; his siblings, Hildegard (Jack) Lindquist, Stanley (Barbara) Janowski and William (Marion) Janowski

### CHARLES YEAGER

Charles "Charlie" Henry Yeager, whose knowledge, fun-loving and generous nature brought smiles and jokes to many faces, passed away Sunday, December 17, 2017.

He was born May 27, 1928, in West Allis, WI to Charles and Florence (Henry) Yeager.

Charlie never let the grass grow under his feet and was never afraid to work hard. One of his first jobs was delivering newspapers. At age 15 he developed his early culinary skills in a small bakery during the summer and part time while in school. He worked at the Milwaukee Rail Road in the machine shop, delivering coal and at Ozzie's Specialized Automotive

Service. Charlie graduated from West Allis Nathan Hale High School in 1946. After graduation Charlie continued his career at Swendson's Ford in the engine rebuilding shop after that he then drove truck for Bagley Produce which was a poultry dealer. There he learned how to grade, pack and deliver dressed and live poultry.

Charlie was drafted by the U.S. Army in November of 1950, processed at Fort Sheridan and assigned to the 343<sup>rd</sup> Transportation Truck Co at Camp Atterbury (Indiana). He was assigned to the motor pool and drivers training. He was soon promoted to Private First Class and then Corporal in charge of the second shift motor pool. Later promoted to Staff Sgt., receiving his orders to deploy to Korea. He shipped out of Washington and took the Northern route to Japan, spending 20 days on the ship, General Brewster, which was a WWII troop ship carrying 3200 troops on board. They landed at Yokohama Japan and went by rail to Camp Drake. He went to the 36<sup>th</sup> Engineer Group, with no openings for Motor Sgt., he then was assigned to the 194th Combat Engineers Company B in the Iron Triangle.

Charlie was Honorably Discharged, April 10, 1957. During his time serving our country, Charlie received the Korean Service Medal W/1 Bronze Combat Star, United Nations Service Medal and the 1 o/s Service Bar.

Upon his return from service back to West Allis, he continued his love for the trucking industry by hauling gravel and poultry, but then quickly realized there was a better way to make a living. He had seen a job posting for Wisconsin State Patrol as a Trooper and applied for the job along with 2300 others. He took the test and was hired.

Charlie graduated from the Wisconsin State Patrol Academy in March of 1957 and was assigned as a Trooper 1 at District 2, in New Berlin. Over his 33 years of state service with the Division of State Patrol, he served as Trooper 1, Trooper 2, Motor Vehicle Inspector 2, Motor Vehicle Inspector 3 and Inspector Supervisor. During his career, Charlie was integral with many investigations, had several accomplishments and commendations. He developed a School Bus Inspection Program for the complete inspection of a vehicle chassis and body. He trained the school bus inspection teams, wrote new regulations, inspection procedures and forms. He worked in conjunction with the School Bus Association to enforce the regulations. Charlie also was an Instructor at the WSP Academy for Cadet Training, Trooper and Inspector In-Service teaching Size and Weight, Registration, and Inspection along with Investigations for Inspector 2's. Charlie was also an instructor at Chippewa Valley Technical College teaching in the Basic Law Enforcement 320 Hour courses, In-Service courses for local Officers, School Bus Driver Training and Stolen Vehicle Identification. Charlie retired June 3, 1989.

Charlie is survived by his wife, Diane; two step-children, Raana (Steve) Gatza of Shiocton, WI, Sandy (Mark) Porter of Eau Claire; three grandchildren, Collin, Brennan and Ryan Porter; mother-in-law, Lorraine Miller of Eau Claire; and by many other relatives and friends.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, December 22, 2017, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1804 Highland Ave., Eau Claire, with Pastor Christine Emerson officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to services at church. Burial will immediately follow the service



at Forest Hill Cemetery in Eau Claire, with Military Honors rendered by American Legion Post 53.

Chippewa Valley Cremation Services in Altoona is serving the family.

WILLIAM BERG

William Keith Berg of Chippewa Falls, WI passed away peacefully on September 11, 2017, at the Chippewa Manor with his loving wife of 64 years at his side.

Bill was born on June 2, 1926 in Eleva, WI to William and Faye (Davis). He graduated from Chippewa Falls Senior High School and served in the US Marine Corp. on the transport ship USS Pope. He attended the University of Mexico City after serving. Bill married Roberta Jean Englesby on August 29, 1953 in Eleva, WI.

Bill was employed by the State of Wisconsin as a State Patrolman and State Tax Collector before moving to Eau Claire and working at Uniroyal from 1965 until retiring in 1989.

Bill was a member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church and actively involved with the Chippewa Falls Masonic Lodge #176 F&AM and the Shrine Club serving in many capacities including a member of the Animal Unit (Deer) while visiting many parades and festivals. He was also a member of the Eleva American Legion and the Chippewa Falls VFW Post 1038.

Bill was preceded in death by his infant twins, Barbara and Barry and by his parents, William and Faye Berg.

He is survived by his wife, Bobbie; siblings, Anita Neuheisel of Eau Claire and Marylyn Holte of Chippewa Falls; two sons, William (Julie) of Chippewa Falls and Daniel (Nancy) of South Haven, MN; grandchildren, Tina (Ryan) Parker and their children Madisyn, Easton and Addalyn of Eau Claire, WI, Tyler of Chippewa Falls, WI, Adam (Laura) and their child Everett of Zimmerman, MN and Kelly of South Haven, MN. Bill will be missed by many.

A funeral service will be held at 3 p.m., Saturday, September 16 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Chippewa Falls with Rev. Barry Boyer officiating. Burial will be in the Eleva Lutheran Cemetery. Military Honors will be provided by the Chippewa Falls Patriotic Council.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, September 15 at Pederson-Volker Funeral Chapel, Chippewa Falls with a masonic service at 7 p.m. Visitation will also be one hour prior to the service at church on Saturday.

Pederson-Volker Funeral Chapel & Cremation Services, Chippewa Falls is serving the family. Visit [pedersonvolker.com](http://pedersonvolker.com) to express online condolences.



### DON ENGEL

Donald R Engel, age 78 a longtime resident of Minocqua, WI died on December 21st at Alpha Senior Concepts in Green Bay, WI. Don was born on July 11, 1939 at home in the Town of Little Black, near Medford, Wisconsin the son of Wallace and Luella (nee Heuer) Engel. He grew up on a dairy farm in Medford where he worked hard milking cows every day.

Don graduated from Medford High School in 1957 and married Barbara Plyer on June 10, 1961 and later divorced in 1990. He proudly served in the Army National Guard from October 1961 to May of 1965.

In his early years, Don worked at Hurd Millwork in Medford and was an officer with the Medford Police Department. He went on to graduate as President of the 15th Wisconsin State Patrol Academy Class in 1966. Then moved to Minocqua in 1968 where he was a Wisconsin State Patrol officer until 1993 when he was forced to retire early due to an injury.

He was a founding member of the Wisconsin Bear Hunters Association, volunteered his time for the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and served on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress board. He was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church from 1968 until his death.

Don loved Hunting and Fishing, he was a Master Story Teller, enjoyed visits from his family, taking care of his horses and property. He enjoyed shooting and received numerous awards for marksmanship in the military and state patrol. He was on the Wisconsin State Pistol Team for many years.

Don is survived by 2 Daughters; Jodi (Bernie) Nowak of Philipsburg, Montana and Becky (Chad) Saari of Abrams, WI and his Grandchildren: Amanda (Adam) Bode of Appleton, Jennifer Polzin of Wauwatosa, Jacob, Joshua, Josie & Jady Saari of Abrams and by Great-Grandchildren: Aurora, Asher, Asa & August Bode of Appleton and by his brother: Wayne (Carol) Engel of Medford, WI and sister-in-law; Rose Engel of Medford, WI and nieces and nephews. Don was preceded in death by: his parents Wallace and Luella (Heuer) Engel and 2 brothers Monion and Russell.

Memorial Service for Don will be held on Saturday, December 30th at 12:00 Noon at Nimsgern Funeral Home Chapel in Woodruff, WI with a visitation from 10:00 AM till time of service.

### ROBERT SCHUMATE

Robert Payton Shumate, Jr. Charleston - Robert Payton Shumate, Jr. died at home of lymphoma on November 20, 2017. He was born in Portsmouth NH on April 30, 1926. His family moved to Nottingham, NH when Bob was 4. He attended grammar school there and later, Middle School and High School in Portsmouth.. In 1944 he enlisted in the [Army](#) Air Corps and after training served in the 5th Air Force in the Asian Pacific Theater. After discharge from the Air Corps he worked for New England Tel and Tel until he joined the Maine State Police in 1949. Bob began his Public Safety career as a trooper with the Maine State Police in 1949 and in 1953 received a Kemper Fellowship for a year's study at the Traffic Institute at [Northwestern](#)

[University](#). He subsequently joined the faculty of the Traffic Institute in 1956. During his tenure at the Traffic Institute he headed a project in which the Traffic Institute was retained by the State of Wisconsin to set up the Wisconsin State Patrol and he served as Director of Training of the Wisconsin State Patrol Academy for the first two years of its existence. Subsequently Bob served as Associate Director Research and Development for the Traffic Institute at Northwestern University. In 1959 he became Assistant Director of Research & Development for the International Association of Chiefs of Police. In 1961 Bob joined the faculty of [Indiana University](#) Department of Police Administration and also served as a member the Indiana University Computer Center's Executive Committee. It was while at Indiana University that Bob lead a team that implemented the first police computer system that provided on line data storage and retrieval as well as a store and forward message switching system. He was the founder and CEO of Systems Science Corporation, a pioneer in the development of Public Safety information systems, which was later, acquired by Planning Research Corporation a NYSE company .Bob remained at PRC for 10 years and served as Executive Vice President of PRC International, a wholly owned subsidiary of PRC for nine years. He has served on numerous corporate boards including Tiburon Inc., Logica Inc., and served as non-executive Board Chairman of Finalco Inc. an equipment leasing company, which he founded in 1967, and of Dialcom Inc. a provider of online computer services. He was also the founder of Transaction Verification Systems Inc. a manufacturer of security equipment and served as its CEO from 1980 until 2000. Bob also served as both a board member and CFO of URL Integration a computer technology company from 2005 until 2012. In 2001, Bob was one of the original incorporators of the Integrated Justice Information Systems Institute, a not for profit organization designed to provide a bridge between industry and government in pursuing the goals of information sharing and interoperability in the Public Safety and Justice community. He served as the Institute's first President and as a member of the Institute's Board of Directors. After completing two terms as President of the Institute, he served as Chairperson of the Industry Working Group, an effort sponsored by the US Department of Justice and presided over its integration into the IJIS Institute. Later, he chaired the IJIS Institute committee on Procurement Innovation and Interoperability Standards. In 2006 the IJIS Institute established the Robert P. Shumate National Public Safety and Justice Contributor to Excellence Award. The award is presented annually by the IJIS Institute to the person, either from industry or the public sector, that has made the most valuable contribution to justice and public safety information sharing and interoperability. For most of the period 1976-2000, Bob and his wife, Sara, lived in the Washington, DC area. In 2000 Bob had his 1st retirement and he and Sara moved full time to their vacation home in Rockbridge Baths, VA. Bob is survived by Sara Hargrove Robertson, his wife of 41 years. They became part time residents of Charleston in 2001 and, upon Bob's 2nd retirement, moved here full time in 2014. He continued to write computer programs for his own amusement while continuing an active dialogue with his many friends and acquaintances in the computer and particularly the public safety and justice field. He is also survived by his daughters, Sheri Lee Miller (John) and Vicki Jo Burnett (David) and his son, Robert P. Shumate, III (Debbie). There are 6 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. His younger brothers Richard and Jack predeceased him. Bob's favorite sister-in-law, Dolly Shumate also survives him. In case you're wondering, Bob's photo was taken in 1978 when he and Sara were vacationing on Bali Island, Indonesia. He was a youngster of 52 at the time. He lived a fabulous, very long life and enjoyed it all. There

will be a memorial service and farewell celebration in early 2018 on a date still to be determined. Arrangements by J. HENRY STUHR, INC., DOWNTOWN CHAPEL. A memorial message may be sent to the family by visiting our website at [www.jhenrystuhr.com](http://www.jhenrystuhr.com). Visit our guestbook at [www.legacy.com/obituaries/](http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/) charleston

*Douglas E. Augustine – April 8, 1943 – September 11, 2017*

Douglas E. Augustine, age 74, of Green Bay, passed away on Monday, September 11, 2017, at Woodside Manor. He was born on April 8, 1943, in Oconto, to the late Everett and Betty (Elizabeth Epariver) Augustine.

After graduating in the Class of 1961 from Oconto High School, he went on to serve four years in the Air Force. Following his military service, he joined the Wisconsin State Patrol as a Motor Vehicle Inspector and then became a Consumer Protection Investigator until his retirement. Retirement brought on new changes and challenges as he traveled the United States, site-seeing and volunteering for disaster relief for Habitat for Humanity and Haiti Relief through the Air Mobile Ministries until becoming ill.

Doug is survived by his children and their spouses, Jeffrey (Lynn Heupel) Augustine, RPh and Jennifer (Chuck Carabelli) Augustine, MD; grandson, Joshua Carabelli; brothers and sisters, Janet Hyland, Philip (Cathy) Augustine, Deborah (Dick) Viestenz, Lois (Mike) Wyent, Chris Augustine, and Sara (Joe) Loberger; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Doug is preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Dalton Hyland. Family and friends may visit Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church, 2270 S. Oneida St., on Thursday, September 14, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. until the time of Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Mike Ingold will be officiating. Burial will be in Oconto Catholic Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy, memories, and photos may be shared with Doug's family on his tribute page.

Doug's family requests no flowers and any gifts to be given in Doug's name to "Reach Out to Haiti" Orphanage located in Haiti.

*June A. McNally – June 20, 1926 – September 12, 2017*

She was the wife of Communications Tech Mac McNally

MADISON-June A. McNally, age 91, passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017, at her residence. She was born on June 20, 1926, in Buckner, Mo., the daughter of Ora Edgar and Stella (Gilbert) Hamilton. She married F.E. "Mac" McNally on Jan. 15, 1949, in Kansas City, Mo. They raised their family in Baraboo and Madison. After retirement, they resided in Joplin, Mo., before returning to Madison. June worked for the Dane County Register of Deeds in Madison for 24

years before retiring in 1986. She enjoyed spending time with family and traveling with Mac in their motorhome after retirement. June is survived by two children, Ed (Pam) McNally and Kathlyn (Michael) Steele; five grandchildren, Sara (Jason) Mooney, Megan (Richard) Anderson, Kate (Mitch) Louthier, Garrett (Jamie Nelson) McNally and Beth (Erek) Kucher; six great-grandchildren, Riley, Brady, Liam, Ella, Finn, Macey and two on the way; brother, Frank Hamilton; and other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; and siblings, John (Jessie) Hamilton, Mary Hamilton, Margaret (Earl) Hill and Edna (Harvey) Clouse. Funeral services will be held at GUNDERSON EAST FUNERAL AND CREMATION CARE, 5203 Monona Dr., Madison.

*MALCOLM RAYMOND KAUTZ – OCTOBER 23, 1945 – FEBRUARY 22, 2017*

WSP #798, 25<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class. The Good Lord embraced into His arms Malcolm “Mal” Raymond Kautz on Wednesday, February 22, 2017, at Touchstone Living Center. He was born to Raymond Sr. and Lillian (James) Kautz on October 23, 1945, in Hanley, England, in the local pub. He came to the U.S. on the Queen Mary, held by actress Rosalind Russell during his journey. Mal grew up in Clintonville. He graduated from Clintonville High School in 1963. He married his soul mate, Linda Auchue, on February 15, 1994. He proudly served in the Navy, on the U.S.S. Allen M. Sumner Crew, with the ETR3 Division, as an electronics technician and served 25 years in the Naval Reserves. He worked as an electrician at Giddings and Lewis for eight years. He graduated from the State Patrol Academy in 1977, and worked as a Wisconsin State Patrolman until his retirement in 2001. He was involved in Wiley Coyote seatbelt safety and was a Judo (verbal and self-defense) instructor, always offering to teach us his moves. Mal was a gentle soul and wonderful husband, father, brother, grandfather, and friend. He was an avid camper and loved to tell “spooky” campfire stories. He liked to stay fit, right up to his admittance to Touchstone Living Center, with hiking, biking and walking. Mal was a family man and loved being around his kids and grandchildren. He will be remembered for his silly bad jokes, popcorn and ice cream addiction, love for old western movies, and his “collection” of pigs. He is survived by many who adored him, included are: his wife and best friend Linda “LouLou Bell”, and loving children: Raymond Jr. (Rachel) Kautz, Angela (Shane) Dvorjac, Tammy (Mike) Chapin, Melissa (Kevin) Keepers, Jessica Pickett, and Jennifer (Travis) Giese. He is further survived by special grandchildren: Keegan and Ray Kautz, Kaitie and Aubree Florand, Alex Gray, Stephanie Fife, Autumn and Hunter Ogie, Nathan, Sara and Kailee Chapin, Jordan and Kody Keepers, Chance and Cooper Pickett, and sweet Charlee Rose Giese, and her brother/sister on the way; sisters: Jenny (Mark) McConnely, Linda (Mark) Hodges, Barbi (Dan) Christopherson, and Brenda (Duane) Schertz; a special aunt and uncle, Barry and Brenda Saunders; a brother-in-law, James Auchue; and many nieces, nephews, and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Raymond Sr. and Lillian; an uncle, Roland; Auntie Tory; a brother David; a brother-in-law, Richard Auchue; his mother and father-in-law, Red and Rose Auchue; and a

granddaughter, Anna. Special thanks to the late Nancy Steinke for her kindness to us. Also, special thanks to Matthew Steinke and the staff at Touchstone Living Center, and the hospice nurses and aides. We are grateful for your kind words and care of our wonderful dad/husband. In lieu of flowers, the family requests and would appreciate donations to any dementia or Alzheimer's associations or to Agnesian Hospice. "There is one thing Dementia cannot take away, and that is love. Love is not a memory – it's a feeling that resides in your heart and soul."

VISITATION: The visitation will be from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 26, 2017, at Kurki-Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 East Division Street, Fond du Lac. SERVICE: The funeral service will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday at Kurki-Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory with Pastor Steve Huff officiating.

Cremation will follow traditional services.

**Wisconsin State Patrol Alumni Association Annual Meeting September 8, 2017**



**WSPAA Board**



**Non-Sworn Personnel**



**Recruit Classes 1 through 20**



**Recruit Classes 21 through current**



## **11-9-17 BOARD MEETING MINUTES TOMAH POST CONFERENCE ROOM**

Meeting called to order by President Lindemann at 10:06 AM

### **AGENDA -**

Motion by Kim to approve the Agenda, second by Phil, approved.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT –**

Gary passed around the minutes from the August meeting plus a short synopsis of the annual meeting for everyone to review. No changes or corrections, motion by Phil to approve, second by Linda, approved.

Gary briefed us on the mailing list of USPS mailings (those that do not have email). We are down to 19 from 20 mailings due to the recent passing of Fred Frater.

There were two earlier emails regarding potential Regional Reps. Kim said she heard from Ray Sondelski for District 4 and he withdrew his name. Nothing further on Lyle Sconzert for being our Northeast Rep. Since this meeting I heard from Lyle and he has declined the representative position.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT –**

Treasurer Woldt reported that there is \$13,730.70 in checking, we just spent \$900.00 for the annual meeting luncheon which included both Chaplains. We started the year with around \$14,000. Our year runs from January to December. Gary suggested we do not let the treasury go below \$10,000.00, to which we all agreed.

Keith asked if there had been any feedback from anyone. Scott said he did hear from some members at the meeting who said it was a great idea, but nothing since. Phil said everything was positive that day, people were happy and no complaints from anyone.

Motion to approve by Gary, second by Mary, approved.

### **REGIONAL REPS -**

Keith said we only have two and it is all quiet on the northern front.

There was a brief discussion on the various breakfast and luncheon meetings around the state.

This brought up the subject of STOC (Statewide Traffic Operations Center). They operate the message boards and cameras on the highways around the state. We discussed the cameras, where many of them are, how helpful they are during and/or after an accident. If the cameras were pointed in the right direction they are extremely helpful in reconstruction, etc.



Mary and Keith said they probably all came about because of the accidents and pile ups during the fog and huge snowstorm in the Madison area several years ago. STOC also has access to entire State map (MACH) showing where every DSP cruiser is at, along with the many other departments that had signed onto our MACH program. This can also show crashes, construction zones and many other types of calls and resources. WSP dispatch centers call STOC whenever there is an accident with lane blockage or partial blockage and then call them again when everything is clear. Be sure to check out the 511 website (511WI.gov) for traffic information by phone or computer. Keith said you can look at the cameras on the website. Gary said Michigan also has the same info.

Kim explained the Wisconsin Troopers Association raffle calendars which are available for \$25.00 each with the proceeds going to their benevolent fund with a raffle every day and a larger one every month.

We had a discussion on the problems of our officers requesting a “retired” ID card going through the various paperwork and decisions and denials by upper management. No one understands the reasoning why some members are denied their ID cards even in the case of those who were forced to take a medical retirement. Scott and Linda showed their ID cards which shows “retired” on it.

### **Discussion – 2017 Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting was reviewed comparing it to 2016 and looking forward to 2018. Everyone agrees that we should continue in 2018 with the same program & agenda as we did this year, and all felt it was a success, especially paying for the current attendee member’s lunch. Guests and wives had a minimal cost of \$10.00 each.

Scott said for the 2018 annual meeting the WSPAA will again plan on financing our member’s lunch, and our members only. If a member wants to bring their spouse or another person with them they will have to pay the separate fee. Scott will write up a short memo on it for Kim to include in the newsletters.

It was felt it was also a success when delinquent members attended and brought their membership up to date on the spot. Linda said we took in \$1,380.00 for membership renewals, and just received another \$255.00, getting some multiple year renewals. The WSPAA window decals were also very successful and very well received, many members asking for additional decals at \$5.00 each.

Mary commented to Linda that the way we handled registration etc. for the annual meeting really went quite well to which everyone agreed. Many members said they were glad to see the Board right there at the front door.

Gary congratulated Mary and Linda for a job exceptionally well done and carrying the load!!

Keith said the kitchen & caterer did not care about the tickets we handed out, so no point in doing that again. It was suggested that we consider using the same two-part tickets as a raffle at the annual meeting, we could get hats, shirts or gas cards as prizes, something to be discussed next year.

The Academy used to do all the registration and everything in the past, but this year all they had to do was provide tables and chairs.

The date for next annual meeting is Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Scott will take care of notifying the Academy.

Linda asked if it might be a good idea to compose a letter of appreciation and send it to management at the Academy. Everyone agreed, and Scott asked Linda if she would compose a letter, send it to Scott for his review at which time he will send it to all of us to look over before it is mailed.

Gary asked about photographs from the annual meeting and Keith said he sent them to Kim to be included in our newsletters.

#### **NEW BUSINESS –**

##### **2018 - Police Unity Tour – Discussion**

Mike Jennings explained how Kevin Lynch is riding his bicycle to raise \$ for the National Law Enforcement Memorial in 2018, do we want to donate to him? After explaining why Kevin is doing the ride and his goals, motion by Gary to donate \$100.00 directly to Kevin at the address on his form; second by Linda. Discussion followed determining it is a good cause, motion approved.

##### **Committee Reports**

Mary said we have 273 members and only had a question on a few members' addresses which Gary gave to her from our USPS mailing list. A few members were asking about our window decals and we explained we were giving them one with their renewal and additional decals are \$5.00 each.

Phil said there is nothing new on the WSP memorial – basically nothing has been done due to this being new. The big question is where to put it where everyone could see it. The Academy is on a military base with limited access, so very few people would see it. Hill Farms had some support at the new building. We have our different Post locations, but how many people stop at the WSP Posts. Keith said except for Eau Claire, the info is engraved right into the wall. The State Office Building – WSSOB in downtown Madison is the logical place for it, but everyone has their own opinion and when they notify me of the next meeting he will let us know.

Linda said one more thing, she did send a check to the Superintendent for Trooper Borostowski and Lyle Bliss and we have received thank you notes for those donations.

**WSPA NEWS & MAILINGS -**

Scott said there have been no complaints so far from anyone. And Kim is doing an excellent job. Kim said she thinks the only occasional snag that comes up is one we have already talked about and corrected some of the problem emails – members who complained they are not receiving any emails from us and in the past we have found out it has been a simple fix by adding our WSPAA group mailing address into their computer address book.

Kim said any time you see, hear or have anything for our newsletter be sure and let her know. Things are constantly evolving out there. We also have a lot of breakfast or lunch gatherings and it would be nice if more people sent in occasional photographs and the good ones we can use on the calendar again. Bob Young was retired command staff, his help was very successful in all his connections with Hill Farms, etc.

Our next board meeting is the end of March at 10:00 at Chula Vista, Phil will check into room availability and let us know. Our last meeting there was enjoyable. Time will be 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m.. Chula Vista will donate the room, but not the lunch.

Gary made a motion to adjourn, second by Linda, we adjourned at 12:20 PM.