



FBINAA Chapter Chat

Chapter Chat is a monthly communication bringing you all updates submitted by members and chapters!

Please submit each month what's happening among your fellow Chapter and Session mates such as Chapter News, Retrainers, Promotions, Retirements, Awards, and Passings.

July 2025 By Our FBINAA Members

California Chapter News



L to R, Los Angeles Police Department Chief Jim McDonnell, California Highway Patrol Deputy Commissioner Ezery Beauchamp, NA Session 277 (Sacramento Division), and Los Angeles County Sheriff Robert Luna, NA Session 198 (Los Angeles Division)

In light of the unrest in Los Angeles, the LAPD Chief, Jim McDonnell, and two of our Chapter members, California Highway Patrol Deputy Commissioner **Ezery Beauchamp, NA Session 277** (Sacramento Division), and Los Angeles County Sheriff **Robert Luna, NA Session 198** (Los Angeles Division), announced preparations for the upcoming protests.



L to R: Guy Johnson, NA Session 208; Rick Martin, NA Session 229; Kevin Jensen, NA Session 222; Trish Seyler, NA Session 269; Ken Tanaka, NA Session 228; Wayne Ikeuchi, NA Session 182

Six of our California Chapter members attended the Asia-Pacific Conference in Maui.



Posing with a World War II Mitsubishi Japanese Zero fighter plane are Sylvia and Max. During World War II, Kanoa Air Base was one of the biggest bases for Tokkotai, the Special Attack Forces, commonly known as Kamikaze

Sylvia Trundle, NA Session 224, Ohio Chapter, and **Max Santiago, NA Session 214**, California Chapter, recently toured Japan with their spouses on a Stephen Ambrose Historical Tour focusing on the 80th Anniversary of the Battle of Okinawa and discovered that they were fellow National Academy colleagues. Sylvia and Max's father-in-laws served together in the US Marine Corps in the 22nd Marine Regiment, Sixth Marine Division, in World War II during the Battle of Okinawa. Posing with a World War II Mitsubishi Japanese Zero fighter plane are Sylvia and Max. During World War II, Kanoya Air Base was one of the biggest bases for Tokkotai, the Special Attack Forces, commonly known as Kamikaze.

Promotions



Christopher Williams, NA Session 273



Matthew Vander Horck, NA Session 276

Congratulations to our very own 3rd Vice President, **Christopher Williams, NA Session 273**, who has taken the position of Police Chief for the Santa Maria PD.

Congratulations to **Matthew Vander Horck, NA Session 276**, who retired from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department on January 11, 2025, to assume the Chief of Police position for the El Camino Police Department (Community College District) on January 13, 2025.



Ken Binder, NA Session 248

Congratulations to recently retired Under Sheriff, **Ken Binder, NA Session 248**, who it has been announced will be the Interim Chief of Police for Gilroy PD. Ken has nearly three decades of law enforcement experience, a majority of which were with the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office. He has worked in many divisions and has the knowledge and experience to successfully lead Gilroy PD until a permanent Chief is in place.

Retirements



Paul LeBaron, NA Session 261



Steve Laskowski, NA Session 284



Michael Matteucci, NA Session 235

Congratulations to Hermosa Beach PD Chief of Police, **Paul LeBaron, NA Session 261**, who retired on May 5th, 2025, after more than 32 years of service. He began his career with the Long Beach Police Department, serving for over 27 years and rising to the rank of Commander. He was hired by the Hermosa Beach Police Department in 2020 and served for over five years as the Chief of Police.

Congratulations to Police Chief **Michael Matteucci, NA Session 235**, who retired in December 2024 from Burlingame PD after 33 years.

Congratulations to FBI SAC **Steve Laskowski, NA Session 284**, who retired from the San Diego FBI Field Office on May 30th, 2025.

Passings



Salvatore DePaola, NA Session 94

The CHP Border Division was saddened to report the peaceful passing of retired Chief **Salvatore DePaola, NA Session 94**, ID 1928. Chief DePaola passed away in Escondido, CA, on April 15, 2025, at the age of 95.

Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter News



Past President John Potts during Chapter Retrainer featuring current President Tom Cuckovic

From June 1-3, 2025, we held our annual chapter re-trainer in Gettysburg, PA. It was another great event with excellent speakers and filled with camaraderie. Thank you to all who attended and we're already looking forward to next year. While at the re-trainer, our former president, John Potts, was presented with a chapter ring by current president, Tom Cuckovic, in recognition of his service to the chapter. Thanks for all that you've done.

Retirements



Don Bender, NA Session 260

Lt. **Don Bender, NA Session 260**, Quakertown Borough PD, retired after 37 years. He is flanked by his session mates, Chief Derrick Wood, University of PA PD, and Chief Dan Friel, Warrington PD. Don was presented with a plaque for his constant support of the Eastern PA Chapter. Congrats and good luck!

Inspector **Verdell Johnson, NA Session 246**, retired from Philly PD after 37 years. He is pictured with his session mate, Chief Mike Carroll, West Goshen PD. The Eastern PA chapter presented him with a plaque for recognition of his continued support of the chapter, and we wish him the best of luck!



Verdell Johnson, NA Session 246

Passings



William E. Hanna, Sr., NA Session 106

William E. Hanna, Sr., NA Session 106, (Bill), age 93, passed away on May 22, 2025. Born and raised in Philadelphia, Bill graduated from Overbrook High School and the FBI National Academy. He was a United States Marine Corps veteran serving in Korea. Bill started his career in 1954 as a patrolman for the Borough of Sharon Hill and steadily rose through the ranks. In 1973, he became Police Chief of the Borough of Sharon Hill, retiring in 1993. He then went on to serve a six-year term as District Justice for the Boroughs of Sharon Hill and Colwyn. He was a member of the FBI National Academy Association, National Fraternal Order of Police, Delaware County Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 27 and Delaware County Police Chiefs Association.

Florida Chapter News



On Monday, April 28, the FBI National Academy Associates (FBINAA) and the FBI Agents Association (FBIAA) proudly hosted their 8th Annual Charity Golf Tournament at the prestigious Coral Springs Country Club. This year's event drew an impressive crowd, with over 130 golfers participating to support a worthy cause.

A highlight of the day was a remarkable achievement by Colonel Steven Robson of the Broward Sheriff's Office, a graduate of the FBI National Academy's Session 284. Colonel Robson demonstrated not only his exceptional skills in the law enforcement field but also his prowess on the golf course by sinking a rare hole-in-one. This extraordinary feat earned him a luxurious \$78,000 SUV, generously provided by one of the tournament's main sponsors, Pines Lincoln/Ford. The memorable day was a resounding success, combining camaraderie with significant charitable contributions.



Kennedy Space Center Visit

On May 23rd, members, along with their family and friends, enjoyed a fantastic behind-the-scenes tour of Kennedy Space Center. We were granted access to several restricted areas, including a walking tour of the Vehicle Assembly Building. We even went up to the 16th floor for an exclusive view of the Artemis rocket.

The tour offered amazing views, photo opportunities, visits to restricted areas, and fascinating information about NASA, SpaceX, and Blue Origin. It was a four-hour immersive experience, delving into the history of the space program and discussing future space exploration. To top it all off, everyone received free admission to the Visitor Center as the bus returned us to our vehicles!

Our heartfelt thanks go out to all the Kennedy Space Center employees who made this incredible event possible.



Columbia Restaurant, Ybor City – Tampa, FL

On April 11, 2024, the Florida Chapter of the FBI National Academy Associates (FBINAA) hosted a successful regional luncheon at Tampa's historic Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City. The event, led by Area Representative Chief Todd Garrison and co-hosted by Tampa PD Major Eric DeFelice, brought together current and former law enforcement leaders. Attendees enjoyed an afternoon of networking, shared stories, and strengthened professional bonds in a setting that highlighted the history of Ybor City.

Promotions



Matthew Campion, NA Session 293

Matthew Campion, NA Session 293, has been promoted to the Deputy Chief of Operations of the Cape Coral Police Department, overseeing the Patrol, Investigative Services, and Special Operations Bureaus. Deputy Chief Campion began his distinguished career with the Cape Coral Police Department in 2006 and continues to serve with excellence.



John Graczyk, NA Session 292

Chief of Police **John Graczyk, NA Session 292**, has been officially appointed as the Chief of Police for the City of Clermont. Graczyk previously served as Interim Police Chief, where he demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication to the community's safety.

Hawaii Chapter News



Chapter President Thomas Shopay III, NA Session 257, Captain Thomas Chang, 1st VP Bradon Ogata, NA Session 269, and Training and Civics Liaison Specialist Innah Hernandez.

The Hawaii Chapter held a Meet and Greet event to congratulate Captain Thomas Chang of the Honolulu Police Department as he prepares to attend the 295th session of the FBI National Academy. The event was held at the Old Spaghetti Factory in downtown Honolulu and was well attended.

Nebraska Chapter News

Promotions



Jeremy Kinsey, NA Session 274



Swearing-In Ceremony

Please join the Nebraska Chapter in congratulating Chief **Jeremy Kinsey, NA Session 274**, on his promotion to Chief of Police for the City of Blair, Nebraska.

Chief Kinsey brings a total of 35 years of dedicated law enforcement service, following 4 years of honorable service in the United States Air Force with the Security Police. Throughout his 31-year career with the La Vista Police Department, he served with distinction in nearly every role spanning patrol, specialized assignments, and key administrative leadership positions.

On May 13th, Chief Kinsey was officially sworn in as the Chief of Police for the City of Blair, where he now leads the department with a continued commitment to public safety and community engagement. A proud graduate of the prestigious FBI National Academy (Session #274), Chief Kinsey credits much of his professional success to professional relationships & development, accountability, and respect as well as core values emphasized during the National Academy, such as knowledge, courage, and integrity, which have guided him through his storied career in public service.



Colonel Bryan Waugh, NA Session 263, with Governor Jim Pillen



Bryan Waugh, NA Session 263

Please join the Nebraska Chapter in congratulating Colonel **Bryan Waugh, NA Session 263**, on his promotion to the position of the 19th Superintendent / Colonel of the Nebraska State Patrol.

Colonel Waugh's distinguished law enforcement career spans nearly 32 years, including service with the United States Air Force Security Police, the La Vista Police Department, and the Kearney Police Department. On June 2nd, he was officially sworn in as Superintendent / Colonel of the Nebraska State Patrol.

A proven servant leader, Colonel Waugh reflected on his new role, saying, "I am honored, committed, and prepared for this opportunity." He attributes much of his success to the foundation built at the prestigious FBI National Academy NA Session 263, where he established enduring professional relationships that continue to shape his leadership. Colonel Waugh remains committed to building strong partnerships and advancing the mission of public safety across Nebraska and beyond.

New Jersey Chapter News

Promotions



Thomas Reinholt, NA Session 281

Chief **Thomas Reinholt, NA Session 281**, was sworn in as Chief of the Evesham Police Department on June 2nd, 2025.

Oregon Chapter News

Representing Oregon for NA Session 295 are Sandy Police Chief **Patrick Huskey** and Albany Police Lieutenant **David Vaughn**.

The Oregon Chapter's next hosted event will be our Annual "Pig Out"- Thursday, August 7th in Wilsonville Memorial Park – River Shelter at 8300 Memorial Drive.

2025 Fall Re-Trainer - September 16th – 19th at the Running Y Ranch Resort in Klamath Falls (5500 Running Y Rd, Klamath Falls, OR 97601).

We are excited to announce that all presenters for our upcoming fall conference have been confirmed. This year's program offers an engaging mix of topics, including financial wellness, leadership, organizational change, and resiliency. Additionally, a representative from the FBI will present a compelling case study (Negasi Zuberi – cinder block cell case). Our featured speakers include:

- Retired Lieutenant Travis George
- Dr. Michael Whittington, NA Session 285
- Lieutenant George Crolly, NA Session 281

- Retired Chief Jason Armstrong
- FBI SA Christopher Giovanetty

With such diverse presentations, we look forward to another outstanding event.



Winston "Ris" Bradshaw, NA Session 116

Where are they now... This month's feature is on retired Clackamas County Sheriff **Winston "Ris" Bradshaw, NA Session 116**. Sheriff Bradshaw started his career as a deputy when he was 21 years old at the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office on July 1, 1966. He rose through the ranks serving as a detective, sergeant, detective sergeant, lieutenant, detective lieutenant, and then captain. He attended the FBI National Academy's 116th session, graduating in March 1979. He was appointed Chief Deputy by Sheriff Bill Brooks and held that position until he was elected the Clackamas County Sheriff in 1992. Sheriff Bradshaw retired on December 31, 2000. He said his favorite time at the sheriff's office was serving as the Chief Deputy and working with Sheriff Brooks.

Sheriff Bradshaw said he consulted for a very short while and decided he just enjoyed retirement. An avid fisherman, he spends his free time on several waterways in Oregon. He and his wife, Janet, live on the Clackamas River in unincorporated Clackamas County. He has two daughters who are successful in the business world and an adopted son who is in the United States Marines.

Sheriff Bradshaw has been an active member of the Oregon Chapter even after he retired in 2000.

We wish Sheriff Bradshaw well as he continues to enjoy his retirement!

Promotions



Andron Shadrin, NA Session 282

Please join the Oregon Chapter in congratulating Woodburn Lieutenant **Andron Shadrin, NA Session 282**, as he has been promoted to Deputy Chief on June 9, 2025. Deputy Chief Andy Shadrin has been a member of the Woodburn Police Department since November 2006, bringing more than 18 years of dedicated service to the community. Before joining the department, he served as a corrections deputy with the Washington County Sheriff's Office from 2004 to 2006.

Over the course of his career, Deputy Chief Shadrin has held a variety of assignments and leadership roles. He has served as a lieutenant overseeing both the Community Response Division and the Operations Division. His diverse experience also includes time as a member of the Woodburn Tactical Service Unit, firearms instructor, emergency vehicle operations course (EVOC) instructor, field training officer, detective supervisor, and supervisor of both the Field Training Evaluation Program and the Canine Program.

Deputy Chief Shadrin holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Phoenix. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy Session 282, PERF's Senior Management in Policing (Session 90), and the International Public Safety Leadership and Ethics Institute, highlighting his commitment to professional development and ethical leadership in law enforcement.

A lifelong Oregon resident, Deputy Chief Shadrin has lived most of his life in north Marion County. He has strong personal and professional ties to the City of Woodburn and surrounding communities, which continue to drive his dedication to public service and community engagement.

Congratulations, Deputy Chief Shadrin, on your well-deserved promotion!

Retirements



Cliff Harrold, NA Session 267

The Oregon Chapter is happy to announce that Lane County Sheriff **Cliff Harrold, NA Session 267**, retired on May 16, 2025. Sheriff Harrold has served in the Lane County Sheriff's Office for 35 years and was appointed sheriff in 2019 before being elected in 2020 and re-elected in 2024.

Sheriff Harrold began his career in law enforcement as a cadet in the Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 35 years ago and briefly served as a dispatcher for the Cottage Grove Police Department. He was hired as a full-time deputy in 1995. During his career, Harrold served in nearly every assignment available at the Sheriff's Office, including the Corrections Division, Court Transport, Traffic Safety Team, Patrol, Field Training Officer, SWAT operator, Marine Patrol, and so many more.

Sheriff Harrold wrote to the Lane County Community announcing his retirement, stating, "The decision to retire was not easy. I have been eligible to retire since 2023, but it has been hard to imagine not doing this meaningful work each day. Public service is at the heart of what my wife, Becky, and I believe we are on this Earth to do. After my retirement, I will join the PeaceHealth Oregon Network as its manager of Security and Public Safety. It will be a new challenge that allows me to continue in community service while spending more time with my loved ones."

We all wish Sheriff Harrold a happy and well-deserved retirement!



Joe Hogue, NA Session 266

The Oregon Chapter is also happy to announce that St. Helens Interim Chief **Joe Hogue, NA Session 266**, retired on June 6, 2025. Chief Hogue started his career with the St. Helens Police Department as a Reserve Officer in December 1996. He was hired as a full-time officer on July 1, 1998. He was assigned to detectives in 2004. Chief Hogue was promoted to Sergeant in January 2007 and promoted to Lieutenant in January 2017. He was appointed interim chief in October 2024 and served in that capacity until his retirement. He attended National Academy Session 266, graduating in December 2016. During the calendar year of 2024, Chief Hogue served as the Oregon Chapter's President. He stated that one of his proudest accomplishments was being recognized by the FBI-Portland Office when he received the FBI National Academy Associates-Oregon Chapter Leadership Award in 2023.

Chief Hogue does not have any immediate plans when he retires. He looks forward to spending more time with his wife Cheri and their 4 children. He will continue to reside in Scappoose, Oregon. He does have an interest in conducting background investigations for law enforcement agencies after the summer.

Congratulations on your much-earned retirement, Chief Hogue!

Rocky Mountain Chapter News



Justin Smith, NA Session 223

Congratulations, **Justin Smith, NA Session 223**! The National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) is excited to announce the appointment of former sheriff Justin Smith as its new Executive Director and CEO. Smith will take over for Jonathan Thompson, who will be retiring at the end of 2025 after serving in the role for 11 years.

Justin Smith brings an impressive 36 years of combined law enforcement and public safety experience to the table. After serving in the office for over 20 years, Justin was elected as Larimer County's 27th sheriff and took office in 2011. He served a total of three terms (12 years) as sheriff until he was term-limited in 2023.

"Having served both as an elected sheriff and as an NSA leader over the years, Justin brings the perfect combination of experience to the important role, says NSA President Sheriff Kieran Donahue. "America's Sheriffs' interests in Washington and across the country are in good hands."

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