



FBINAA Chapter Chat

Chapter Chat is your monthly roundup of news and updates from across our chapters and membership!

Help us celebrate and stay connected by sharing what's happening in your chapter and among your Session mates. We welcome submissions including Chapter News, Retrainers, Promotions, Retirements, Awards, Passings, and other noteworthy updates.

August 2026 By Our FBINAA Members

Asia Pacific Chapter News



Our 2026 Asia Pacific Chapter in June was an outstanding success, thanks to our 2026 Chapter President, General Hin, and his team of graduates from Thailand. We celebrated our chapter's 40th anniversary. Our yellow brick adventure this year was Muay Thai - Thai boxing - and a run through Thailand's oldest park in Lumpini. The training sessions focused on scams, which are prolific in many parts of Asia. These scams affect people from all over the globe. Stay tuned for details on our May 2027 conference in the Philippines.



Commissioner Bob Atkinson AO APM and Asia Pacific Chapter Secretary Treasurer Des Lacy OAM at a recent Rotary International presentation in Australia

Where are they now? Des Lacy, Secretary Treasurer of the Asia Pacific Chapter, was pleased to meet up with Commissioner **Bob Atkinson** (retired), **NA Session 157**, at a recent Rotary International Meeting in Boonah. Bob is the co-chair of the Allison Bayden-Clay Foundation. A foundation set up to create an Australia free of Domestic and Family Violence.

Bob was a driving force in keeping the Asia Pacific Chapter alive during the late 1990's and early 2000s. He is the only International recipient of the Livio Beccaccio Award for his leadership in law enforcement.

California Chapter News



FBINAA Past President Bill Carbone, Livio A. Beccaccio Award Recipient Max Santiago, and FBINAA President Jim Gallagher

We are proud to announce that our current Chapter Secretary and Past President, **Max Santiago, NA Session 214**, was awarded the Livio A. Beccaccio Award at the FBINAA National Conference in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada. Congratulations Max!



Jim Peterson (right) with his son Carter

California Chapter member **James "Jim" Peterson, NA Session 189**, had the once-in-a-lifetime experience of working with the FIFA World Cup as a Base Camp Security Specialist for the Austrian National soccer team. Jim had the job of overseeing the contracted private security company responsible for protecting the Austrian delegation's players, coaching staff, equipment, and operational assets at the hotel in Santa Barbara. The job required daily coordination with venue security, team representatives, and hotel event organizers to ensure seamless transitions and controlled environments. The icing on the cake for Jim was attending the final match, Austria Vs Spain, with his son Carter Peterson.



Austrian Soccer Team

Retirements



Andrew Binder, NA Session 265

Congratulations go out to **Andrew Binder, NA Session 265**, who retired from Palo Alto PD as Chief of Police in April 2026. Andrew worked for San Jose PD for 18 years and for Palo Alto PD for 10 years, including the last three years as the Chief of Police.



Jarod Primicerio, NA Session 294

Congratulations to California Highway Patrol Captain **Jarod Primicerio, NA Session 294**, with the Los Angeles Division, who has announced his retirement after more than 28 years in law enforcement. We wish him all the best in his retirement.

Passings



John Welter, NA Session 177

We are sad to announce the passing of Retired Anaheim Police Chief **John Welter, NA Session 177**. Chief Welter had retired from the San Diego PD as their Assistant Chief before going to Anaheim as their Chief. Our condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew him.

Connecticut Chapter News

Promotions

Congratulations on the following promotions:

Jared D'Andrea, NA Session 293, was promoted from Lieutenant to Deputy Chief of Police for the Watertown Police Department.

Bryan Grogan, NA Session 294, was promoted from Deputy Chief to Chief of Police for the Derby Police Department. Chief Grogan has served the City of Derby with professionalism and integrity since 2006. In June 2025, he graduated from the FBI National Academy Session 294.



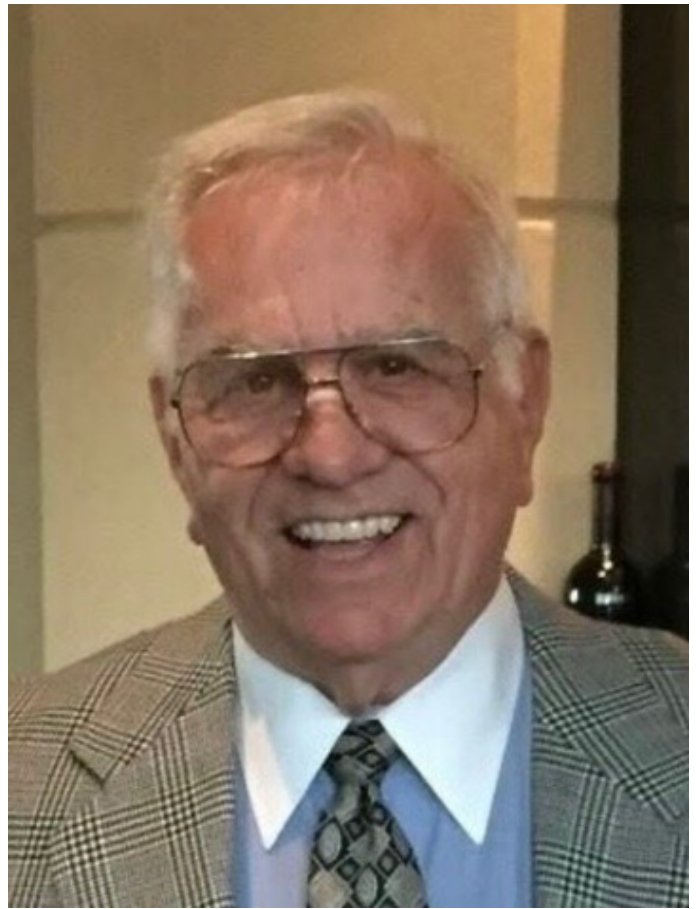
Nadine Amatruda, NA Session 291

Congratulations to Waterbury Police Lieutenant **Nadine Amatruda, NA Session 291**, on her promotion to Deputy Chief of Police. Deputy Chief Amatruda has been a member of the Waterbury Police Department since 2024 and is the first woman to achieve the rank of Deputy Chief.

Passings



Ronald T. Sullivan, NA Session 107



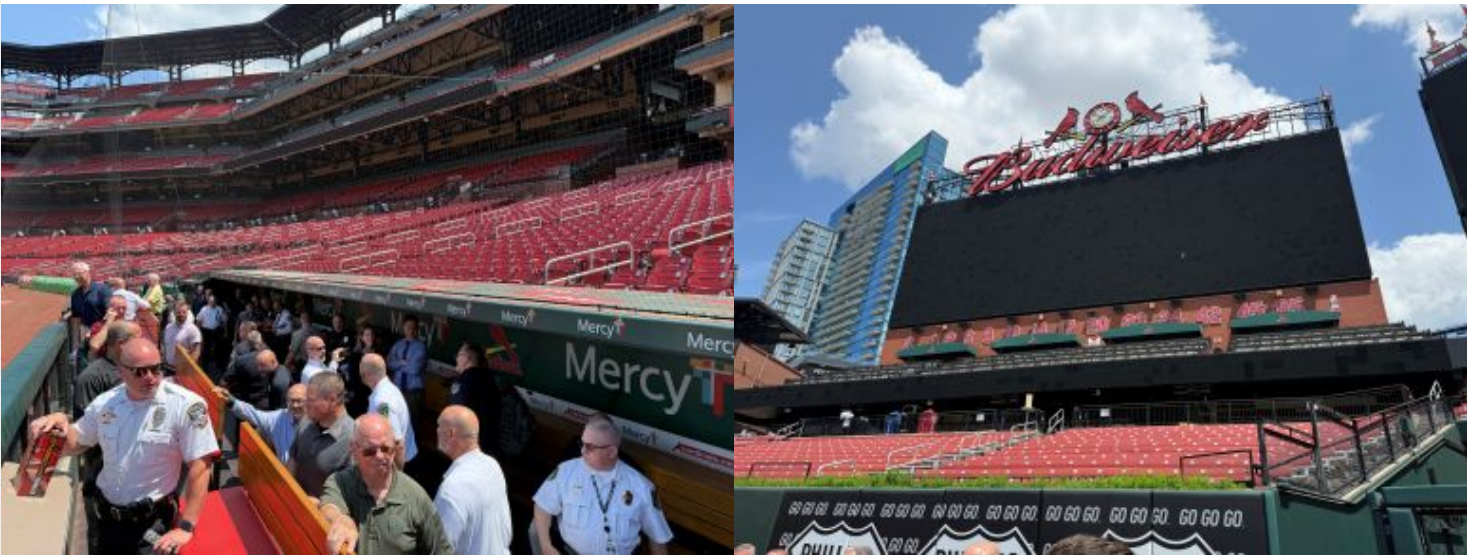
Angelo Toscano, NA Session 116

The Connecticut Chapter is saddened to announce the passing of two esteemed graduates.

Retired Fairfield Chief of Police **Ronald T. Sullivan, NA Session 107**, passed away on June 24, 2026. Chief Sullivan dedicated 36 years to the Town of Fairfield Police Department, including 6 years as Chief of Police.

Retired Wilton Chief of Police **Angelo Toscano, NA Session 116**, passed away on June 30, 2026. Chief Toscano had 43 years in law enforcement, including 27 at the Darien Police Department before retiring as a Captain. He then served as Chief in Wilton for 17 years.

Eastern Missouri Chapter News



The Eastern Missouri Chapter held its monthly meeting on July 21, graciously hosted by the 11-time World Series Champion St. Louis Cardinals.

The meeting began with lunch provided by the Cardinals, followed by a brief business meeting. Members then received an informative presentation from the Cardinals' Security Department, which highlighted the planning, coordination, and responsibilities involved in ensuring the safety and security of Busch Stadium during games and other major events.

Following the presentation, attendees who wished to participate were given an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour of the security operations areas, providing a unique look at how the Cardinals' security team prepares for and manages events at one of Major League Baseball's premier venues.

Meetings like these continue to strengthen the relationships between our chapter, local law enforcement agencies, and our strategic partners throughout the region. We sincerely appreciate the St. Louis Cardinals for their hospitality and their willingness to share the outstanding work performed by their security team.



Retirements



Jeff Beaton, NA Session 239

Colonel **Jeffrey Beaton, NA Session 239**, retired on July 6, 2026. Chief Beaton was hired as the Chief of Police for the Glendale, Missouri Police Department on August 22, 2011. The City of Glendale is located in southwest St. Louis County and has a population of just over 6,000 residents. Chief Beaton was born and raised in the City of St. Louis, where he attended the St. Louis Public School System for elementary & middle school. He is a graduate of St. Mary's Catholic High School, which is also located in South St. Louis, Missouri. Chief Beaton is married and has two children with his wife, Kris. Chief Beaton has over 33 years of law enforcement experience. He served 18 ½ years with the Shrewsbury, Missouri Police Department, starting his career there in 1993 after graduating from the St. Louis County & Municipal Police Academy. He served as a patrolman, a detective, a sergeant, and a lieutenant (commanding the Bureau of Field Operations) during his tenure with the Shrewsbury Police Department. Chief Beaton has an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice – Law Enforcement from the St. Louis Community College, a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice, and a Master of Science Degree in Human Resource Management, both from Lindenwood University. He is also a graduate of the 239th Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. Chief Beaton is a member of the St. Louis Area Police Chiefs Association, the Missouri Police Chiefs Association, the National Association of Chiefs of Police, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He is also a member of the Law Enforcement Officials of Greater St. Louis, the Missouri Peace Officers Association, the FBI National Academy Associates, and the International Association of Property & Evidence. Chief Beaton is the Co-Director of the Missouri Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run Committee and is the Vice-President of the Do The Right Thing of Greater St. Louis Program. He is also on the Kirkwood School District's Safety & Security Committee.

Florida Chapter News



Recruiting the Next Generation

Held on July 15 at the Marion County Sheriff's Office, this session tackled the law enforcement workforce crisis by challenging conventional approaches to recruitment and retention. The presentation demonstrated that real solutions require strong leadership, modern systems, and treating talent management as a strategic enterprise function. Attendees walked away with actionable frameworks adapted from the private sector and military—focusing on data-driven recruiting, culture-building for Gen Z, root-cause retention strategies, and leadership standards designed to sustain high-performing agencies. The event was sponsored by Performance-Protocol.com



The FBINAA Florida chapter and FBIAA hosted the 8th Annual Charity Golf Tournament at the Coral Springs Country Club on April 27, 2026. Sponsored in part by Motorola, the event brought together over 130 golfers to raise proceeds for the FBINAA Snowden Scholarship, FBINAA Youth programs, and the FBIAA Memorial College Fund.

Hawaii Chapter News

Promotions



Thomas Chang, NA Session 295

On April 26, 2026, **Thomas Chang, NA Session 295**, was promoted to Major of the Honolulu Police Department's District 5 Patrol Division. District 5 serves Kalihi, Nuuanu, Iwilei, Moanalua, Salt Lake, Sand Island, and surrounding areas, and includes critical infrastructure such as Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (HNL), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-housing areas, Fort Shafter, the Port of Honolulu, Oahu Community Correctional Center, the Federal Detention Center, and Skyline transit areas. It is also home to the Kalihi Road Warriors. Before this assignment, he served as a Captain in the Criminal Investigation Division, Professional Standards Office, and Major Events Division. He is proud to represent FBI National Academy Session 295 in this new leadership role.

Latin America/Caribbean Chapter News



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Nebraska Chapter News



Jeremy Christensen, NA Session 298



Nicholas Greiner, NA Session 298

The Nebraska Chapter FBI NAA would like to congratulate Deputy Chief **Jeremy Christensen** of the Omaha Police Department and Lt. **Nick Greiner** of the Bellevue Police Department on their recent graduation from Session 298.

Deputy Chief Jeremy Christensen began his law enforcement career with the Omaha Police Department in 2000 and is currently serving as the Criminal Investigations Bureau Deputy Chief. Deputy Chief Christensen's investigative background includes assignments to the Homicide Unit, Gang Unit, Narcotics Unit, and Assault Unit, as well as the Uniform Patrol Bureau.

Jeremy Christensen has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminology from the University of Northern Iowa, a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice, and is a certified law enforcement instructor in the State of Nebraska, holding numerous instructor certifications in investigations, firearms and tactics, use of force, arrest and control tactics, courtroom preparation and testimony, clandestine laboratory investigations, and chemical munitions. Deputy Chief Christensen has served as an adjunct instructor for the Omaha Police Department Training Academy and the University of Nebraska Omaha, and has conducted presentations and training seminars for professional organizations and colleges throughout the United States.

Deputy Chief Christensen serves on the Board of Directors for the International Homicide Investigators Association and is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, American Society of Evidence-Based Policing, Nebraska Chapter International Association for Identification, and the Fraternal Order of Police.

Lt. Nick Greiner was raised in Bellevue, NE, and attended both the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and Bellevue University. He has dedicated 16 years to law enforcement, beginning his career with the Cass County Sheriff's Office in 2010, where he was later promoted to Corporal. In 2013, he joined the Bellevue Police Department, where he has continued to serve the community in a variety of leadership and investigative roles.

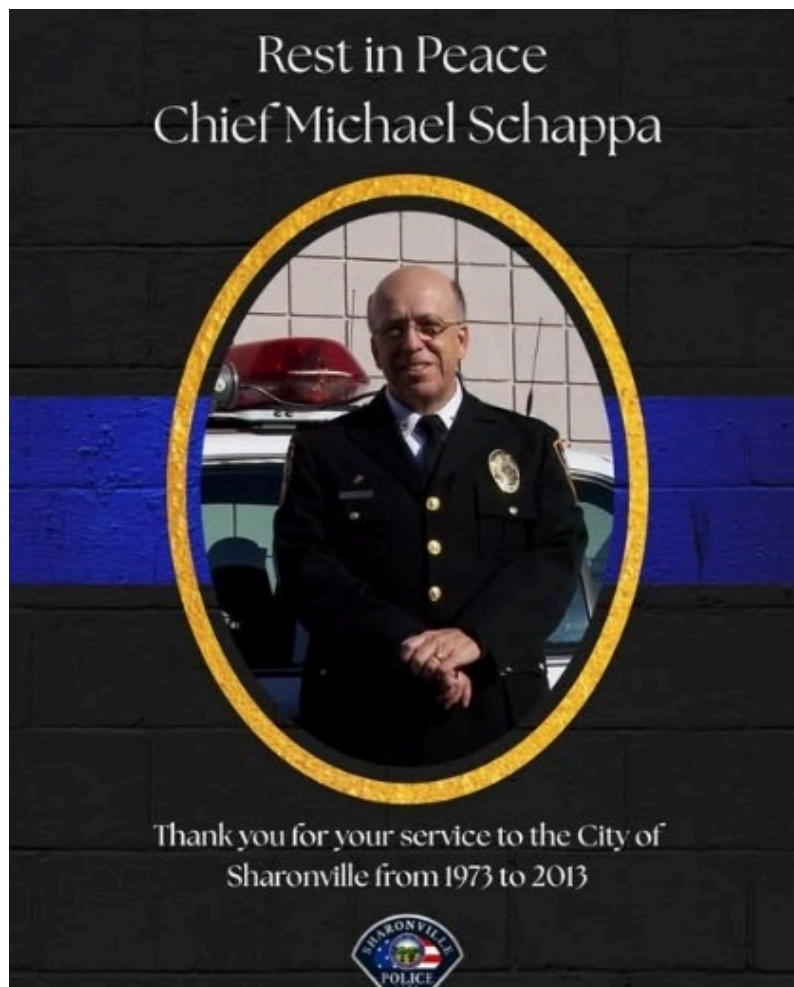
Throughout his career with the Bellevue Police Department, Lt. Greiner has served in the Operations Division, the Special Victims Unit, and as Supervisor of the Special Investigations Unit. He was promoted to Sergeant in 2021 and Lieutenant in 2025. He currently serves as the Commander of the Special Operations Team. In addition to his primary assignments, Lt. Greiner serves as an Emergency Vehicle Operations Instructor and as an instructor at the Sarpy Douglas Law Enforcement Academy, helping train the next generation of law enforcement professionals. Reflecting on his recent graduation from the 298th Session of the FBI National Academy, Lt. Greiner stated:

"I am very honored to have been a member of the 298th Session of the FBI National Academy. I am excited to take the perspectives and experiences I gained from my classmates back to Bellevue, where I can put them to good use serving the members of our community and those entrusted to me."

Congratulations and welcome home. The Nebraska Chapter looks forward to getting to know you both.

Ohio Chapter News

Passings



Michael Schappa, NA Session 170

Chief **Michael Schappa, NA Session 170**, of the Sharonville, Ohio Police Dept, passed away after a brief battle with cancer on June 24th, 2026.

Chief Schappa graduated from Princeton High School, located in Sharonville, Ohio, in 1969, received his Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice in 1973, and his Master of Education in 1977 from the University of Cincinnati. Mike was hired by the Sharonville Police Department in 1973; he was promoted to Sergeant as well as Lieutenant in 1983 and then earned the promotion to Chief of Police in 1990. Chief Schappa retired in January 2013.

As police chief, he facilitated the department's first DARE program and school SRO's, as well as departmental participation in the DEA Task Force, Drug Abuse Reduction Task Force, the Hamilton Co. OVI Task Force, and the FBI Task Force. He had been President of the Hamilton County Association of Chiefs of Police, attended the National

Crime Prevention Institute, the 4th session of the Police Executive Leadership College, and the 170th session of the FBI National Academy.

Oregon Chapter News

We are pleased to announce that Portland Police Bureau Lieutenant Ty Engstrom, Redmond Police Department Lieutenant Eric Beckwith, and Gearhart Police Department Chief Joshua Gregory will be attending the 300th Session of the National Academy in September 2026.

2026 Fall Conference will be held again at the Running Y Ranch in Klamath Falls, Oregon, September 8-11, 2026. One feature presentation is the 2022 Case Study of the University of Idaho Murders, presented by the Idaho State Police.

Please visit the [Oregon Chapter website](#) for up-to-date information on our chapter!



Central Oregon Regional Lunch

Oregon Chapter President and Redmond Police Department Captain **Jesse Petersen, NA Session 279**, along with Redmond Police Department Captain **Stephen Lopez, NA Session 280**, hosted the Central Oregon Regional Luncheon on Thursday, July 16, 2026, at Bend's Park & Float. The event started with a BBQ and concluded with a two-hour float along the Deschutes River. In addition to Captain Petersen and Captain Lopez, the event was attended by retired Marion County Undersheriff and Oregon Secretary/Treasurer **Greg Olson, NA Session 174**, retired OSP Deputy Superintendent **Dennis O'Donnell, NA Session 174**, OSP Captain **Evan Sether, NA Session 298**, recently retired Tigard Police Chief **Jamey McDonald, NA Session 266**, retired Woodburn Police Department Chief **Jimmy Ferraris, NA Session 201**, retired Kezer Police Department **Jeff Kuhns, NA Session 220**, Redmond Lieutenant Eric Beckwith who is slated to attend the 300th session of the National Academy, interested applicant to the National Academy Redmond Lieutenant April Hey, and NA Supporter Redmond Police Chief Devin Lewis.



Sebastian Fernandez-Ho

Representing the Oregon Chapter at the 27th session of the Youth Leadership Program (YLP) is Southridge High School Student Sebastian Fernandez-Ho. On July 17, 2026, he graduated along with 57 other students. We are very excited about seeing his presentation on his experience at YLP at our fall conference!



Oregon Delegates to the 299th Session

Session 299 Oregon Chapter delegates during their first week at the National Academy: Lebanon Police Department Lieutenant Tyan Padua, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Rob Stewart, and Washington County Sheriff's Office Interim Chief Deputy Jim Wheaton.



Jimmy Ferraris, NA Session 201

Where are they now...This month's feature is on retired Woodburn Police Chief **James "Jimmy" Ferraris, NA Session 201**. Chief Ferraris was born in Yakima, Washington, after his father was transferred for work from Portland, Oregon. The family went from Yakima to Denver, Colorado, before settling back in Portland. Chief Ferraris graduated from Central Catholic High School in 1975. Before graduation, Chief Ferraris worked for Albertson's Grocery Stores. He worked his way up to being a checker by the time he graduated high school. After high school, Chief Ferraris attended Portland State University and was hired by Freightliner and worked in the engineering department.

Chief Ferraris started his law enforcement career as an explorer with the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office. He became a reserve deputy for Multnomah County and started attending the MCSO reserve academy. In 1978, while attending the academy, he applied to the Beaverton Police Department. They did not have a full-time position open at the time but recruited Chief Ferraris to their reserve program. He served as a Beaverton Reserve Officer from October 1978 through June 1979. He was hired as a Beaverton Police Officer on July 1, 1979, and served with the Beaverton Police Department as a patrol officer and detective until he resigned in December 1983 to take a police officer position with the Portland Police Bureau. He began his career with the Portland Police Bureau on December 29, 1983, as a police officer. After approximately 20 months, he moved to the Street Crimes Unit and on to the Drug and Vice (DVD) Division. In September 1992, Chief Ferraris started promoting through the ranks. As a Sergeant, he worked patrol and in Detectives as a supervisor in Sex Crimes, Robbery and Homicide, and was a team leader on the Hostage Negotiations Team. He rose from sergeant to lieutenant, to captain, and was assigned as one of three Assistant Chiefs under Chief Derrick Foxworth. During a regime change, he was reclassified as a commander of North Precinct in July 2006. Chief Ferraris was tasked with combining the North and Northeast Precincts into one and closing the SE Precinct to save \$3.5 million yearly out of the Portland Police Bureau's budget. Chief Ferraris also served as a Critical Incident Commander for about 5 years, overseeing all tactical operations (SERT, HNT, Bomb Squad) citywide during two-week rotations. Chief Ferraris retired as a commander with the Portland Police Bureau in May 2011. Three days after retiring from PPB, he was hired as a deputy chief with the Salem Police Department (Oregon). Chief Ferraris was the first person hired outside the Salem Police Department for a deputy chief position within the Salem Police Department. He was assigned to oversee the investigative branch of the Salem Police Department. He moved over to the deputy chief position overseeing patrol in 2014. While employed by the Salem Police Department, Chief Ferraris completed his Bachelor of Arts degree in Management and Administration at George Fox University in 2013. In December 2015, he resigned from the Salem Police Department and was hired as Chief of Police with the Woodburn Police Department. After 43 years of being a sworn police officer in the state of Oregon, Chief Ferraris retired from the Woodburn Police Department on March 1, 2021.

Chief Ferraris attended the 201st session of the National Academy as a captain with the Portland Police Bureau. He has been an active member with the Oregon Chapter for the last 26 years. He also attended and successfully graduated from the Naval Postgraduate School, Executive Leaders Program, Cohort 15-02 in Monterey, California, in 2016.

In addition to his long law enforcement career, Chief Ferraris has been very involved in Oregon Law Enforcement Organizations. He has been a member of the Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) for 27 years and has achieved a lifetime membership. He served on the OACP Executive Board from 2018 to 2022. He was OACP President in 2020/2021. He was the recipient of the 2023 OACP Karlyn Campbell Award, which is awarded to members who have distinguished themselves as a mentor to others in OACP. Chief Ferraris continues to serve on the OACP Legislative Committee. He is also a lifetime member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He

served as an instructor at the Oregon Police Academy (DPSST) from April 2019 to June 2023. He instructed in several leadership topics and on internal investigations.

After retiring from the Woodburn Police Department, Chief Ferraris was hired by the Oregon State Sheriff's Association (OSSA) as its Training Director. He worked with several different councils within OSSA, assisting with and developing training programs. In 2019, he started and currently operates a consulting and investigations company catering to several governmental and non-governmental agencies in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. In addition to providing in-depth internal investigation services, he provides leadership and management consulting services. He also provides expert witness testimony on contemporary policing issues and officer-involved shootings.

Chief Ferraris has been married to Lisa for 18 years, and they have three grown sons together. Chief Ferraris' oldest son followed in his father's footsteps and became a Washington County Deputy for 6 years. He is now a city manager in an Oregon Municipality. Another son retired as a Navy SEAL, and their third son is in the private sector. They also enjoy 3 granddaughters ranging in age from 13 to 1 year old. Chief Ferraris and Lisa, who retired in 2022, built a beautiful home in Powell Butte, Oregon (Central Oregon). Chief Ferraris and Lisa enjoy traveling, whether it is the Oregon Coast, areas of the United States, or Europe, and have plans to travel more, although he has no plans to retire in the immediate future. Chief Ferraris has a niece who is a detective and a nephew who is an officer with the Hillsboro (Oregon) Police Department. He also has a cousin who is with the Oregon State Police and another cousin who is with the Oregon City Police Department.

Chief Ferraris has had a long and remarkable career. He said the greatest achievement was being able to help and mentor law enforcement professionals as they advanced into leadership roles. He specifically said he focused on people who wanted to become police chiefs and stated that several have become chiefs in the State of Oregon!

The Oregon Chapter is very happy that Chief Ferraris and Lisa are doing well in retirement!

Promotions



Andron Shadrin, NA Session 282

Congratulations to Woodburn Police Department Deputy Chief **Andron "Andy" Shadrin, NA Session 282**, on being selected as the recipient of the Mary Tennant Excellence in Public Service Award! This prestigious award recognizes individuals whose dedication, leadership, and commitment to serving others go above and beyond expectations. It honors employees who demonstrate excellence in their work, a passion for making a difference, and an unwavering commitment to strengthening the community they serve. Deputy Chief Shadrin exemplifies these qualities every day through his leadership, professionalism, and dedication to public service. His commitment to our community and to those he serves has made a lasting impact on the City of Woodburn.

Retirements

*John Schmerber, NA Session 223*

We are happy to announce the retirement of Gladstone Police Chief **John Schmerber, NA Session 223**. Chief Schmerber began his law enforcement career when he was attending Western Oregon State College and worked as a paid summer cadet for the Seaside Police Department starting in 1986. He was hired as a Reserve Officer for Seaside PD in July of 1988 and was hired as a full-time officer with the Seaside Police Department on September 1, 1988. On November 21, 1989, Chief Schmerber was hired by the Hillsboro Police Department. At the Hillsboro Police Department, he rose through the ranks from Officer to Corporal to Sergeant, to Lieutenant, and onto Commander. He retired as a commander on April 30, 2019. He was hired by the Gladstone Police Department on May 20, 2019, as the Chief of Police. He is retiring from the Gladstone Police Department on September 1, 2026. Chief Schmerber was born in Los Angeles, California, moving to Eugene, Oregon, where he started at Willamette High School. He graduated from Willamette High School in 1984. After high school, Chief Schmerber went to Western Oregon State College (GO Wolves!) to play football and receive his college education. At the time, the school was a state college and did not offer scholarships. Chief Schmerber earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration in July 1989. He also played for the football team as a defensive back all 4 years. Chief Schmerber earned a master's degree in public administration at Portland State University (Go Vikes!) in 2009.

Chief Schmerber attended the 223rd session of the National Academy as a lieutenant with the Hillsboro Police Department and graduated in December 2005. He has been an active member in the Oregon Chapter and served as

our president in 2010.

In addition to his commitment to the Oregon Chapter of the National Academy, Chief Schmerber was also active in the Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP). He served on the board as a district representative. He also participated in the Agency Review Committee and the Linebacker Program. Chief Schmerber was recently awarded the OACP 2025 Max Paterson Award. The Max Patterson Award is given to OACP members for outstanding contributions to OACP or the community in presenting programs of outstanding benefit to young people of all ages in their community. His nomination stated that he had been a football coach in the Beaverton School District at Westview High School for 15 years. Chief Schmerber is an active board member of the Gladstone Education Foundation. This is an organization that seeks to support activities, innovations, and improvements that enhance and enrich the educational services and programs for youth in the area served by the Gladstone School District. He joined the Board of First Tee of Oregon, an organization that is designed as a youth development organization that enables kids to build the strength and character that empowers them through a lifetime of new challenges. One of Chief Schmerber's greatest achievements at the Gladstone Police Department was starting the first-ever Cadet Program. While at the Hillsboro Police Department, Chief Schmerber served on the State of Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office's Incident Management Team for 5 years.

Chief Schmerber has been married to Tracy since 1991. They have two adult sons who own a business together in the private sector. He also has a brother who is a homicide detective with the Portland Police Bureau. Chief Schmerber and Tracy will continue to live in their home in unincorporated Washington County. He does not have any plans to go back in the workforce at this time and plans on playing golf as much as he can. He and Tracy plan to do some traveling, and they just recently went to Scotland, and of course Chief Schmerber played some golf!

Chief Schmerber stated he was proud of his whole career and said being part of the Gang team and Street Crimes in Hillsboro were two of his highlights. He said another highlight was attending the National Academy and being part of a strong and professional organization. He said he enjoyed his career and would do it over again!

We wish Chief Schmerber and Tracy a happy and well-deserved retirement!



Steven Corder, NA Session 213

The Oregon Chapter would also like to congratulate Albany Police Department Sergeant **Steven Corder, NA Session 213**, who retired on July 15, 2026. Sergeant Corder was a United States Military Police Officer from 1982 to 1984. He started his law enforcement career with Linn County as a marine deputy in 1986. He was hired by the Albany Police Department in 1993 as a police officer. He retired as a sergeant. We wish Sergeant Corder well in his much-earned retirement!

Rocky Mountain Chapter News



Abygale Lyons, Scholarship Winner

2026 Bill Stanford Memorial Scholarship Winners!

Abygale Lyons is the daughter of **Brian Lyons, NA Session 287**. She is a graduate of Pueblo West High School and will attend Wichita State University in the fall.

Brenten Stephens is the son of **Doug Stephens, NA Session 231**. He is a graduate of Green Mountain High School and will be attending the University of Colorado in the fall.



Brenten Stephens, Scholarship Winner



Pictured from L-R: Zach Ballas, Pueblo Police Department, Betsy Westbrook-Brighton Police Department, Matt Patella-Greeley Police Department, Cory Temps-Grand Junction Police Department.

Welcome aboard Rocky Mountain Chapter attendees, to Session 299! We are excited to have you become members of our chapter.

Promotions



Gene Enley, NA Session 264

Littleton City Manager Jim Becklenberg has appointed **Gene Enley, NA Session 264**, as chief of the Littleton Police Department. Enley brings more than 31 years of law enforcement experience, including 28 years serving the Littleton community. Throughout his career with the Littleton Police Department, he has risen through the ranks as an officer, sergeant, lieutenant, commander, division chief, and now chief.

Tennessee Chapter News

Retirements



Don W. White, NA Session 260

Lenoir City Police Department-Today, we had the privilege of taking part in honoring Director **Don W. White, NA Session 260**, as he approaches his retirement, with his last official day being August 7th. A retirement celebration was held in his honor and attended by members of the Lenoir City Police Department, surrounding agencies, government officials, along with family and friends from across the region.

Director White began his career in 1988 at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), where he served on the Special Response Team. While at the DOE, he also served as a part-time deputy at the Loudon County Sheriff's Office for almost three years. He was then hired by LCPD, where he served four years as a police officer before transferring to the 9th Judicial Drug Task Force (JDTF) as a narcotics agent. In 1999, after serving with the JDTF, Director White was assigned to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) as a Task Force Officer. After six years in this role, he was appointed Chief of Police, serving for nearly twenty years, with fourteen years in a dual role as the Public Safety Director. In July 2025, he transitioned solely to the role of Public Safety Director.

Director White has spent his entire career protecting the citizens of Lenoir City, the State of Tennessee, and the United States. His dedication to public safety cannot be replicated. He has not only devoted his life to serving the community but also to supporting those who have served under his leadership. With more than thirty-three years at the Lenoir City Police Department, he has spent countless hours ensuring the department upholds its values and that its officers have the training and equipment they need to serve our community. Recently, Director White completed his term as the President of the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police, where he led legislative efforts and built a stronger coalition of chiefs to support joint initiatives and implement best practices throughout the state.

Thank you, Director White, for your nearly four decades of dedicated service and unwavering commitment to public safety. We wish you all the best in this next chapter of life. Enjoy your retirement!

Washington Chapter News

Retirements



Brad Moericke, NA Session 248

Sumner Police Department Chief **Brad Moericke, NA Session 248**, retired in May 2026 following 35+ years of dedicated service to the community of Sumner, WA. Brad began his law enforcement career in 1991 and has served as Chief since 2012.

Through his leadership, Brad has guided the department through many challenges while maintaining the highest standards of integrity, partnerships, accountability, and service. The community of Sumner and area law enforcement agencies extend their gratitude for his many years of faithful service.



James Mjor, NA Session 281

Assistant Chief **James Mjor, NA Session 281**, retired after 27 years of distinguished and dedicated service with the Washington State Patrol.

James began his career in 1999, serving the community and working the roadways as a Trooper, Collision Reconstructionist, and Detective. He also served nine years on WSP's SWAT Team as part of his collateral duties. James was promoted to Sergeant, where he led a drug enforcement task force and served as Assistant SWAT Commander before advancing to Lieutenant.

As a Lieutenant, James commanded WSP's ICAC Unit, SWAT, and spent additional time overseeing operations of the Narcotics Section. James was appointed to Captain and assigned to command District 8 covering seven counties across Western Washington. During this assignment, he attended the FBI National Academy. Following graduation, James was promoted to Assistant Chief of the Field Operations Bureau, where he provided oversight and strategic leadership of statewide operations.

James will remain in the local area, transitioning his extensive experience to the private sector. He looks forward to enjoying the outdoors, hunting, and welcoming a new grandbaby into the family. He extends his sincere gratitude to the entire law enforcement profession, one of the most noble and honorable callings dedicated to safeguarding our communities and preserving order.

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