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### **CRUISE MEETING**

Reservations for the December cruise meeting have not been at the level anticipated. Although the January 15 date for guaranteed reservations has expired, cabins are available on space-available basis. It is suggested that interested persons reserve immediately – and invite your colleagues – while space is available. Reservation form is enclosed. Only a \$200.00 deposit is required.

### **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

Pace executive director was again invited to testify by the Pittsburgh Police Citizen Advisory Board, on proposed community policing plans, based on prior testimony of the relationship of college degreed officers and community policing. The testimony was well received. An on-going relationship has been established.

Telephone conversations and documents have assisted the following agencies in developing college degree requirements:

- North Carolina Criminal Justice Standards Division
- St. Cloud, MN Police Department
- Jackson, MS Police Department
- Archdale, NC Police Department
- Orange County, CA Sheriff's Department
- Philadelphia, PA Police Department
- Newark, NJ Police Department

### **LIAISON**

- International Association of Chiefs of Police; Meeting with Chief Mary Anne Viverette of Gaithersburg, MD who is 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of IACP. The meeting was arranged by Don Hopkins who is the PACE-IADLEST liaison. Chief Viverette is interested in promoting a large-scale study based on the preliminary findings of Dr. Scott Cunningham, Deputy Chief at Tampa, Florida and chairman of the

IACP Administration Committee, of the high relationship of college degreed officers and low founded violations of police powers. (Discussed in last Newsletter). She will also recommend a panel on college education for officers at the next IACP Conference at Philadelphia, October 2003. (PACE will have an exhibit booth at that Conference.) Her support for these issues is particularly important as she will be president of IACP in three years. She agreed to participate with PACE to the degree her very busy schedule will permit. The editor of Police Chief magazine will run a notice of the PACE cruise meeting at no cost.

- Police Futures International; Outline of remarks by PACE for PFI/World Futures Conference in July 2003 was submitted. The final decision will be made by World Futures Society which controls the program agenda. The PACE Executive Director is now a member of the PFI Net which has lively discussions of a wide range of police topics. By participating in these discussions in general and particularly whenever a topic related to officer college education appears, credibility and visibility of PACE is increased. Invitation for PFI members to join in the December PACE cruise meeting was made. PACE executive director has been appointed to the PFI education committee.
- FBI Academy. Dissertation assistance was provided to a staff member with submission of PACE documents and offer to speak to National Academy and Executive Development students. Cruise meeting documents were supplied for the students and faculty.
- The Honorable Laurie Robinson, formerly Assistant Attorney General for U.S. Justice Department Office of Justice Programs contacted PACE executive director concerning her appointment as president of CSR, Inc. She has several roles which may be opportunities for PACE to make presentations.

- American Society for Law Enforcement Training. PACE/cruise literature was shipped for distribution at ASLET annual conference. ASLET waived the normal exhibit fees for PACE.
- Police Executive Research Forum. PACE information and cruise meeting literature will be distributed at the PERF annual conference in April in Washington, DC. Similar documents were shipped to the PERF/POP meeting in San Diego.
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. PACE literature will be distributed at the Police Sections meetings at the ACJS Conference in Boston in March.
- Excelsior College. PACE executive director will attend another meeting of the advisory board on college standards for accreditation of police academy courses.
- Several attempts to arrange a follow-up meeting with the Community Policing Institute at Johns Hopkins University have been unsuccessful, as has request for a meeting at Johns Hopkins based executive office of the Major Chiefs' Association. Efforts will be continued.
- Several efforts to arrange a meeting at ICMA have been unsuccessful. Efforts will be continued.
- Efforts are continuing to get PACE information in the Fraternal Order of Police publications.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

The new list of members is enclosed. This reflects an increase of members from 316 to 369 in the last year; many of the new members are officers in Charleston, SC. Chief Greenberg continues his high support of PACE by enrolling his eligible officer's en-masse with City funds paying the dues.

PACE has its first foreign member who was first a member of Police Futures International. He Amando Stavole, retired colonel from the Italian Air Force.

## **NEW DEPARTMENTS**

Regretfully, the new chief at St. Cloud, MN has abolished the BA degree requirement. The requirement had been established with substantial assistance from Professor Robert Prout of St. Cloud University, who has requested PACE assistance to reinstate the requirement. Unfortunately, a press conference was not held at St. Cloud last year, which might have forestalled the abolishment. (See Technical Assistance above).

## **PRESS INQUIRIES**

Telephone interviews and documents were provided to the following press inquiries.

- Jackson, MS Clarion Ledger
- Ft. Worth, TX, Star Telegram
- Philadelphia, PA, Inquirer
- Baltimore, MD, Associated Press
- Law and Order magazine was sent information on PACE and the cruise meeting for publication.

## **WEB STATISTICS**

The PACE web site continues to have high visibility. Statistics for the last three months include:

- Total successful requests 18,073 (971)
- Average successful requests per day 184 (138)
- Number of distinct hosts served 1,863 (190)
- Number of new hosts served in last 7 days (106)

(Figures in parenthesis refer to last 7 days)

## **LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT – UNIVERSITY**

PACE member, Sgt. Dennis Porter of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has provided information on the Department's "University". It is a consortium of several colleges and universities who conduct classes at the Department leading to both Bachelors and Masters degrees. Plans are developing to add a Ph.D. program. The goal is to raise the educational level of the Department's personnel.

## **PRESS CONFERENCES**

Press conferences were discontinued because of lack of funds. With New Year's funds they will be continued. Hopefully they will be completed for all departments requiring bachelor's degrees by the end of the year.

## **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next PACE board meeting will be April 12<sup>th</sup> at the usual location, Fairfield Inn at Baltimore-Washington International Airport. A major agenda item will be a presentation by PACE member Michael Kimble who has an organization devoted to raising contributions from major national foundations, etc. for non-profit organizations. The PACE Board will consider his presentation and proposal. Any suggestions for Board consideration should be sent to PACE executive director.

## **RECRUITMENT PUBLICATION**

Only a few of the departments requiring BA degrees have submitted their recruitment plans. These will be combined with other relevant articles to publish the booklet on "Successful Recruiting of College Degreed Officers".

## **ARTICLES**

Members are requested to submit articles they deem to be of interest to PACE members for publication in the Newsletter.

## **DUES**

2003 dues of \$25.00 are now due. Please submit the below coupon to assure proper credit to you.