

MN Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors

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**Winter Newsletter
February 2012**

REMEMBERING OUR 2011 FALLEN OFFICERS

WE WILL NEVER FORGET

**OFFICER MIKE POLLITZ
E.O.W. November 30, 2011
St. Louis Park Police Dept..
OFFICER SHAWN SCHNEIDER
E.O.W. December 30, 2011
Lake City Police Dept.**

Hello Everyone,

The National C.O.P.S. invitations have been mailed out to survivors for attendance at the May 2012 Police Week. We would like to know if you are making plans to attend this year. An information meeting will be held on Sunday, February 26th for survivors who plan to request help with air fare. Call me to schedule. The first year survivors will be leaving on May 12th and a special Color Guard send off is planned.

Our big aquatic event, March 24th is for everyone. Grab your suit and join us at Maplewood Community Center. See you there.

The Annual Meeting of the Chapter will be April 22, 2012 at the St. Paul Police Department. Election of new officers for the Chapter will be held.

Bonnie Silvera, President - 763-427-0920

A Directory for MN C.O.P.S.

MN C.O.P.S Board has decided that a directory for our chapter would be a good thing. The directory would help the chapter in a number of ways.

First and foremost, it would strengthen our ability to communicate **within** the chapter. Communication by e-mail would be especially helpful. Second, it would allow saving on postage which is always important for our Chapter to meet its goal of serving our survivors.

The Board has researched the matter of how the information in the directory is used. Concern about confidentiality is very real for the Board as well as for you . The enclosed information sheet covers that concern very well according to our national office of C.O.P.S. Please read the full information sheet and if you have questions call Jack or Ruth Friedli at 507-288-1471. Then fill out the information requested, sign the form at the bottom and send the completed form to the address at the bottom of the page.

A MN C.O.P.S. Family Event

During the winter it is harder to get outside with the family. Therefore, MN C.O.P.S. is going to offer an indoor experience. It will be an opportunity to have fun and share with each other.

It has been arranged to have a swimming pool with all the slides and other fun water things. We will also have a gym for our use, and a room for our social events.

It has been noted that survivors getting together around their common experience of grief is meaningful and helpful towards healing. Not only will we have fun together but their will also be a presentation and group sharing that you will find helpful.

The enclosed information sheet has all the pertinent information. We ask that you read it over, decide to take part, and then register all of your family members who can attend. Note that the event is from 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM. We will have snacks but no meals.

Also be aware that each family will be responsible for the members of their family. Life guards will be on duty but parents will still be responsible.

Please get your registration in as soon as possible, but no later than March 10th. Register by e-mail or telephone.

Minnesota C.O.P.S. Directory Information Sheet

MN C.O.P.S. would like to produce a Survivor Directory
for this Chapter

Purpose of the Directory: To assist survivors of our Chapter to stay in touch with each other.

Maintenance of the Directory: MNC.O.P.S. Board will put together and maintain the directory.

Confidential Information: The confidentiality of this directory applies to all MNC.O.P.S. officers, board members, survivors, and all other individuals who agree to and sign below. The directory will be given only to those Chapter members who sign the confidential pledge below.

Use of Directory: All information in the directory that is of confidential nature shall, by agreement, not be distributed or used except in accordance with or for the benefit of MNC.O.P.S.. It is the intention of MNC.O.P.S. to keep this directory restricted in its use or distribution solely for the benefit of MNC.O.P.S.. The Board will not sell or authorize the use of this information by anyone other than Chapter members who submit this information and sign below.

Please give:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Name of your officer who died in the line of duty: _____

I agree that the above information can be shared with other MNC.O.P.S. Chapter members who have pledged to confidentiality:

Signed _____

Please return this form to:

Minnesota Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors (MNC.O.P.S.)
P.O. BOX 222
ANOKA, MINNESOTA 55303

This is for you.....

And your family

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MN C.O.P.s has arranged for a great opportunity for all survivors:

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- A large swimming pool with slides and all
- A gym with equipment
- A room for us to hang out with snacks, etc
- A presentation with time for group fellowship
- Four hours of fun and sharing

Purpose: To come together as survivors to support and encourage each other while having fun and sharing.

Where: Maplewood Community Center(2100 White Bear Ave.)

When: March: Saturday, 24th 2012

Time: 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Your expense: None (except extras you may want)

To register in advance: Must register by March 10th

Either by:

- E-mail ----- jfriedli08@charter.net
- Or Telephone-----507-288-1471 (If necessary leave a message)

With a yes you will attend

With the number of adults and number of children

MN C.O.P.S. CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, April 22, 2012

1:00 p.m. – open social time

1:30 p.m. - meeting

Election of officers

St. Paul Police Department

367 Grove Street

St. Paul, MN

Check the mncops.com website for further information on the Annual Meeting.

**C.O.P.S. FAMILY EVENT - March 24, 2012, Maplewood Community Center
See further information inside this newsletter.**

MN C.O.P.S. Directory – see inside newsletter for further information

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**VERY IMPORTANT
INFORMATION
ENCLOSED.**