



# GENDARME



St. Louis Police Officers Association

The Official Publication of the ST. LOUIS POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE - Lodge 68

Vol. 52 No. 4

Visit Us on the Web at [www.slpoa.org](http://www.slpoa.org) • (314) 353-3200

July 2022

## ST. LOUIS POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION MISSOURI FOP

### AUGUST 2, 2022 PRIMARY ELECTION ENDORSEMENTS



- US Senate - Eric Schmitt
- US Representative District 1 - Steve Roberts
- US Representative District 2 - Ann Wagner
- US Representative District 8 - Jason Smith
- State Auditor - David Gregory
- St. Louis County Executive - Jane Deuker



Eric Schmitt



David Gregory



Jane Deuker



Nick Schroer



Jeff Roorda

### SENATE

Senate District 2 – Nick Schroer  
 Senate District 4 – Karla May  
 Senate District 10 – Travis Fitzwater

Senate District 22 – Jeff Roorda  
 Senate District 14 – Brian Williams  
 Senate District 24 – Tracy McCreery

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House District 64 – Mike Swaringim  
 House District 65 – Wendy Hausman  
 House District 69 – Adam Schnelting  
 House District 89 – Dean Plocher  
 House District 92 – Bob Mahacek  
 House District 94 – Jim Murphy  
 House District 95 – Michael O'Donnell  
 House District 96 – Brad Christ  
 House District 98 – Ryan Higgins

House District 101 – John Brunner  
 House District 102 – Richard West  
 House District 103 – Dave Hinman  
 House District 104 – Phil Christofanelli  
 House District 105 – Adam Schwadron  
 House District 106 – Buddy Hardin  
 House District 109 – John Simmons  
 House District 110 – Bruce DeGroot  
 House District 114 – Ken Waller



# Your Vote Counts

Gendarme  
 Distributed by STL Police Officers' Assoc.  
 Fraternal Order of Police-Lodge 68  
 3710 Hampton Ave.  
 St. Louis, MO 63109

Dated Material Time Sensitive

NON-PROFIT ORG.  
 U.S. POSTAGE  
 PAID  
 ST. LOUIS, MO  
 PERMIT NO. 1664



“In memory of the Saint Louis Police Officers who have made the Ultimate Sacrifice”

**DURING THE MONTH OF JULY**



**JULIUS PETRING**  
1917



**WILLIAM SMITH**  
1919



**BERNARD COOK**  
1922



**HARRY LEMKEMEIER**  
1922



**BERNARD EARLY**  
1924



**PETER FINNERTY**  
1924



**JOHN GROGAN**  
1925



**WILLIAM COTTER**  
1934



**EDWARD FABICK**  
1948



**PAUL MCCULLOCH**  
1964



**HAROLD OEBELS**  
1966

**Be Careful Out There!**

**GENDARME**  
Printed Monthly

3710 Hampton Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63109  
314-353-3200

Guidelines for Letters to the Editor: All letters to the editor must be signed and verifiable by phone or personal contact. Freedom of expression is guaranteed within the bounds of good taste and the limits of available space. Upon request the author's name may be withheld from publication and confidentiality assured. The Gendarme takes no responsibility for the content of the letters in this section.

The Gendarme newspaper is the official publication of the St. Louis Police Officers' Association and is published in St. Louis. However, opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the SLPOA or the St. Louis Police Department.

Copyright Gendarme 2022

**GENDARME STAFF**

**Managing Editor**  
Adam Notch

**Editorial Board**  
Martin Garcia, Trevor Russell, Ryan Lynch

**Columnist**  
Jeff Roorda

**Advertising Manager**  
Jill McDonough

**Publisher**  
Ron Clark

**ST. LOUIS POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION**  
Executive Board Officers

**President**  
Jay Schroeder

**Vice President**  
Mike Kegel

**Recording Secretary**  
Dave Rudolph

**Treasurer**  
Tommy Mayer Sr.

**Financial Secretary**  
Jeff Long

**Sergeant-At-Arms**  
Michael Calcaterra

**Division Representatives**

**Division 1**  
Jeff Trares

**Division 2**  
Ryan Barone

**Division 3**  
Chris Narez

**District 4**  
Tim Bockskopf

**Division 5**  
Andy Kelley

**District 6**  
Karl Laschber

**Division 10**  
Michael Herzberg

**Division 11**  
Mike Reeves

**District 12**  
Trevor Russell

**Division 13**  
Charles Lowe

**SLPOA COMMITTEES**

**FOP Trustee**  
Mike Herzberg

**Civic I Social Committee**  
Jay Schroeder

**Black Maria Committee**  
Tommy Mayer Sr. - Chairman,  
Jay Schroeder, Tom Mayer, Kevin Newcombe, Jeff Trares, Mike Herzberg

**Emergency Relief**  
Jeff Long - Chairman

**Uniform, Safety & Equipment (USE) Committee**  
Ed Clark, Mike Kegel, Tom Walsh

**Labor Committee**  
Tom Mayer, Sr. - Chairman  
Tom Walsh, Ben Lacy, Kevin Newcombe

**Legal Committee**  
Jay Schroeder - ex-officio  
Martin Garcia - Chairman  
Mike Kegel, David Rudolph, Curtis Burgdorf, Alphonso Hogan, Craig Robertson, Tom Walsh  
Scott Ecker, Amy Funk, Brandon Baker, Trevor Russell, Wally Leopold, Ed Clark

**Legislative Committee**  
Dave Rudolph - Chairman  
Mike Bet, Curt Burgdorf, Ed Clark, Martin Garcia, Mike Herzberg,  
Mike Kegel, Joe Marcantano, Tom Walsh

**St. Louis Police Officers' Memorial Fund**  
Michael Kegel - Chairman, Curtis Burgdorf - Co-Chairman,  
Craig Robertson, Stephen J. Schroeder, Benjamin Lacy, Michael Biggs

*“The objective of the Saint Louis Police Officers Association shall be to advance the moral, social and material standing of the members of the Association by honorable and lawful means. As a labor organization the Association shall endeavor to achieve Collective Bargaining with Binding Arbitration.” (Preamble of the Association’s Constitution and By-Laws)*

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**  
July 27  
August 31  
6 p.m.

**E-BOARD MEETING**  
July 27  
August 31  
4:00 p.m.

**VETERAN’S MEETING**  
July 13  
August 10  
11:30 p.m.

**POLICE WIVES MEETING**  
July 13  
August 10  
7 p.m.

# We need to talk about Kim Gardner

Editorial Reprinted with permission from West Newsmagazine issue May 16, 2022

We generally stay away from discussing St. Louis City. Chesterfield, Ballwin and Wildwood are all a good way from downtown. That said, when we travel to Chicago, or Nashville, or Indianapolis, and people ask where we are from, we generally respond with "St. Louis."

St. Louis Circuit Attorney Kim Gardner is doing as much as anybody to make that answer embarrassing.

Gardner took office in January 2017. She campaigned on a progressive, reform-oriented platform. That is perfectly fine, the criminal justice system could benefit from some fresh ideas. Reform, however, is not enough for Kim Gardner. She joined four other female, Black prosecutors in penning a 2020 opinion piece for Politico. In the essay, Gardner and her colleagues stated, "Unless we stop trying to reform the system and instead work to transform it, we will never achieve the kind of change needed to upend a system rooted in slavery."

Gardner has indeed transformed her office. She has overseen a 100% staff turnover. Prior to Gardner, the circuit attorney's office included a staff of 60 attorneys with an average tenure of around eight years. Today, the office has just 30 attorneys with an average tenure of around four

years.

With fewer attorneys comes fewer cases. In 2019, Gardner's office prosecuted just 1,641 of the 7,045 felony charges sought by the St. Louis Police Department. Last summer, Gardner's office had to dismiss three murder cases in a single week due largely to unprepared prosecutors. That is not reformation or transformation; that is an abomination. These were murder cases, not parking tickets.

Gardner did find the time to sue the city of St. Louis, a.k.a. her employer, in federal court. In 2020, Gardner alleged a "racist conspiracy" among "entrenched interests" that was impeding her ability to reform her office. Her suit alleged violations of the Ku Klux Klan act of 1871. A federal judge quickly dismissed the case. U.S. District Judge John Ross described her suit as "a conglomeration of unrelated claims and conclusory statements supported by very few facts, which do not plead any recognizable cause of action."

Then, there is the recent reprimand that Gardner received for her office's handling of the Eric Greitens case. She admitted to withholding documents from the defense in the case. The public reprimand feels like a slap on the wrist. Seven members of a grand jury that indicted an

investigator from Gardner's office in relation to the Greitens case clearly hoped for stronger punishment. They sent the disciplinary panel looking into Gardner a letter that described her actions as "calculated deceit and/or outright incompetence; neither of which is acceptable behavior for a person holding this public office."

Kim Gardner is the city of St. Louis' first Black circuit attorney. She is an intelligent, ambitious woman with innovative ideas around criminal justice reform. She is also a terrible prosecutor, who has brought disgrace to the office.

Does this or should this matter to residents of Ellisville, Des Peres and Manchester? Yes, it should and yes, it does. We are all residents of the St. Louis metro area just as we are residents of the state of Missouri and the United States of America. A recent City Journal article listed Gardner as one of the five worst prosecutors in the country. Jeff Roorda, business manager from the St. Louis Police Officer's Association, described Gardner as "the worst prosecutor in the United States." That brings shame down on all of us.

The virtue of progress must be weighed against the costs, and Gardner's receipts are way too high.



**REMEMBER TO VOTE AUGUST 2ND**



## PENSION BOARD ELECTION

**The three-year terms of office of Active Trustee Michael J. Mueller and Retiree Trustee George P. Weindel will expire on September 30, 2022.**

**During the regular monthly meeting held on June 22, 2022, the Board approved the following dates for both elections:**

### Filing Dates:

**Starting - 8:00 A.M. - August 1, 2022**  
**Closing - 4:00 P.M. - August 5, 2022**

**Ballots to be mailed - September 2, 2022**  
**Results to be announced after 4:00 P.M. - September 16, 2022**  
**Elected Trustee to take Office - October 1, 2022**

**All Active and Retiree members will be notified and vote via U.S. mail. The System's auditor, Sikich LLP will handle the trustee election process.**

**ALL INTERESTED CANDIDATES MUST FILE FOR CANDIDACY IN WRITING IN THE PENSION OFFICE DURING THE FILING PERIOD NOTE ABOVE.**

**Please call the pension office at 314-241-0800 if you have any questions.**

# SLPOA ELECTION

Election Declaration of Candidacy are due in the office from August 1- August 5.

The hall will be open 8:30am to 5:00pm, August 1-5 for candidates file their declarations.

## POSITIONS UP FOR ELECTION:

- Vice President
- Recording Secretary
- Treasurer



Divisions 2, 4, 5, 6, 10 and 12

Please send us your picture and bio when you file to be included in the Gendarme.



Former SLMPD Officer  
SLPOA Co-General Counsel



12180 Old Big Bend Rd., Kirkwood, MO 63122

[bmillikan@millikanwright.com](mailto:bmillikan@millikanwright.com)



Brian P. Millikan

314-621-0622 Office

866-640-0289 Fax

Experienced St. Louis Trial Attorney

Criminal Defense • Personal Injury • Civil Litigation

### Specializing in Workers' Compensation

[www.millikanwright.com](http://www.millikanwright.com)



9222 CLAYTON RD LADUE, MO 63124  
314-432-8008

[www.lordosdiamonds.com](http://www.lordosdiamonds.com)



Jim Lordo



Mike Lordo



Lt. Mike Jarvis  
Retired SLMPD



Sgt. Jerome Klipfel  
Retired SLMPD

Lordo's Diamonds  
Jeweler to St. Louis area's finest for over 50 years

# IMPORTANT REMINDER....

Take the **RIGHT** Ballot

**Members & Retirees In  
Jefferson and St. Charles Counties:**

**You must ask for a Republican Ballot  
If you want to vote for our endorsed candidates for State Senate**

**Jeff Roorda & Nick Schroer**

*Don't forget to vote for our other  
endorsed candidates in those races too*



**FENTON & ST. PETERS**

**CHUCKSBOOTS.COM**

**CONTRACT CORNER**

**CIRCUIT COURT FINDS IN FAVOR OF S.L.P.O.A., ORDERS CITY TO ARBITRATION ON THREE CONTESTED GRIEVANCES**

*READ FIRST AND LAST PAGE OF JUDGE'S ORDER HERE, SEE FULL ORDER AT <https://www.courts.mo.gov/casenet>;*

**FILED**  
JUL -5 2022  
22<sup>ND</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
CIRCUIT CLERK'S OFFICE  
BY \_\_\_\_\_ DEPUTY

STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
  ) SS  
CITY OF ST. LOUIS     )

**MISSOURI CIRCUIT COURT  
TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
(City of St. Louis)**

ST. LOUIS POLICE OFFICERS     )  
ASSOCIATION,                     )  
  )  
                  Plaintiff,             )  
  )     No. 1922-CC00952  
                  v.                         )  
  )     Division No. 18  
CITY OF ST. LOUIS,             )  
  )  
                  Defendant.         )

**JUDGMENT**

On May 9, 2019, the St. Louis Police Officers Association (“Plaintiff”) filed a petition for declaratory judgment and to compel arbitration against the City of St. Louis (“Defendant”). Subsequently, Plaintiff filed a first amended petition. Defendant filed an answer. The parties filed a joint stipulation of facts. Then, on February 28, 2022, the parties submitted the cause of action for the Court to render a decision based upon the joint stipulation of facts and the respective briefs of the parties. The Court now rules as follows.

By way of background, prior to September 1, 2013, police officers and sergeants working in the City of St. Louis were employed by a state agency, the Board of Police Commissioners of the City of St. Louis (“the Board of Police Commissioners”). On May 31, 2011, the St. Louis Police Officers Association and the Board of Police Commissioners entered into a collective bargaining agreement defining the terms and conditions of employment for police officers for the period from May 31, 2011 to June 30, 2014.

**ENTERED**  
JUL -5 2022  
CC

# CIRCUIT COURT FINDS IN FAVOR OF S.L.P.O.A., ORDERS CITY TO ARBITRATION ON THREE CONTESTED GRIEVANCES

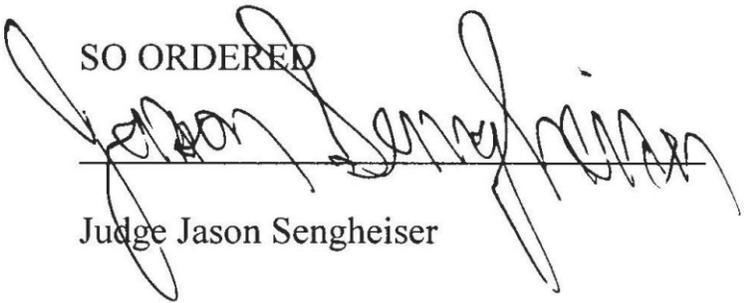
(Cont. from pg. 6)

Thus, in conclusion, the Court finds Defendant should be judicially estopped from asserting its current argument. Defendant was aware it had issues with arbitrating some disputes as a result of the Wendell Ishmon case and the Ben Lacy case. Even so it negotiated and entered into the Officer CBA and the Sergeant CBA, which had nearly identical arbitration provisions to those at issue in the Wendell Ishmon case and the Ben Lacy case. Defendant's current position leads to two possible conclusions: (1) Defendant negotiated in bad faith because its chief negotiator, the Director of Personnel agreed to negotiated provisions beyond his authority; or (2) Defendant negotiated in good faith but the Director of Personnel made a mistake as to the limits of his authority. Under either scenario, Plaintiff prevails. If Defendant negotiated in bad faith, justice requires the provisions of the agreement to be enforced against Defendant. If Defendant negotiated in good faith, but made a mistake as to the Director of Personnel's authority, justice also requires the provisions of the agreement to be enforced against Defendant because, as noted above, Defendant had ample notice of potential issues, but did not alter its course of conduct. Further, it failed to even describe with any particularity how the Director of Personnel allegedly exceeded the scope of his authority. Under these circumstances, the Court finds Defendant should be judicially estopped from claiming the arbitration provisions of the Officer CBA and the Sergeant CBA are unenforceable.

Therefore, the Court finds the arbitration provisions of the Officer CBA and the Sergeant CBA are valid and enforceable. Plaintiff's motion to compel arbitration is granted as to the police trainee grievance, the on-call grievance, and the Wesley discrimination grievance.

Date: 7/5/22

SO ORDERED

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Jason Sengheiser

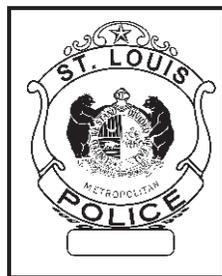
# GONE, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

We stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before us



## Officer Stephen E. Bushart SLMPD Retired

BIRTH: May 22, 1955  
DEATH: July 1, 2022 (aged 67)



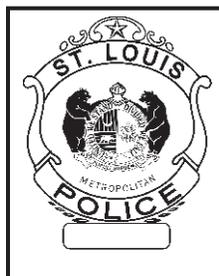
### FUNERAL SERVICE:

Thursday  
July 7, 2022  
1:00 PM  
John L. Ziegenhein & Sons South City  
7027 Gravois Ave.  
St. Louis, MO 63116

Memorial donations can be made to Backstoppers.

## Sergeant George Sylvester Anderson

BIRTH: February 7, 1943  
DEATH: June 25, 2022 (aged 79)



SLMPD-2022-31

Retired 07 March 1994 District 6 (30 years of service)

Visitation Thursday, June 30, 2022 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
Incarnate Word Catholic Church 13416 Olive Blvd.  
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Funeral Mass Thursday, June 30, 2022 12:30 PM  
Incarnate Word Catholic Church 13416 Olive Blvd.  
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Interment Thursday, June 30, 2022 2:00 PM

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery  
2900 Sheridan Rd.  
St. Louis, MO 63125

George was born to beautiful, loving parents, Willard and Marie, in Piedmont, Missouri. He grew up with their spirit believing in God, hard work and good home-cooked meals. They moved to St. Louis and settled in Baden. George's neighborhood friends were the best 'Happy Day' friends you could find. They were known as the Hutchie Gang and thrived on basketball, cool cars, milkshakes and fresh-baked bread from the corner bakery.

George was a teaser. He embarrassed his older sweet sister, Etta, so many times. He harassed his brother, Earl, about his inferior Ford-product car even when he was learning how to drive Earl's stick shift and drive it in second throughout.

Life forged on and he became a MP posted in Korea and Washington, D.C. These stories are historic! In 1964, he met Eileen on a blind date, drove up in a beautiful steel-blue 1963 Chevy and the rest is history. Prompted by his future best man, his little future sisters-in-law gave him the 'thumbs down'. In reality, it was a wonderful 'thumbs up' 56 year wonderful ride. George became Catholic, adjusted to a celebrate everything family and kept everyone laughing along the way.

We chose Glasgow Village to raise a family, little houses but great homes. It was a 'care about each other' fine place to live. Our St. Pius parish had an 'up and comer' assistant pastor, Fr. Robert Hermann. Were we blessed!

More blessings came in the form of four outstanding kids, George, Julie, John and 'Christmas baby' Mary. They were all full of adventure and 'know-how' beyond their parents. George tried his best to teach them how to fix cars. (He had a few tools in his most unorganized garage.)

George loved his ten grandkids, Robert, Sydney, Andrew, Kathleen, Elizabeth, Emma, Jack, Ella, Sarah and Emilie. At every birthday party George sang in an almost operatic tone his version of 'Happy Birthday'. It produced giggles and the best present ever. George loved his grandkids. They never disappointed him, they were the absolute joy of his life.

George's serious side was embodied in his vocation as a Good Samaritan and upholder of fair justice. He was an MP, Police Sergeant for St. Louis Metropolitan City, Security Supervisor at Laclede Groves and Security Officer for St. Luke's Hospital. He served throughout his life good people in need and he locked up bad guys. His courage was great, his attitude was humble. He didn't cuss, smoke or drink but he was a tough guy.

His courage was at his best in his struggle with lung cancer, first words of diagnosis came with a no cure prognosis. He accepted the harsh but hopeful treatments wanting to be with family as long as possible. Again, his choice was to be courageous, never ever bitter. Doctors and nurses did their best to treat and comfort. The constant prayer of others gave him strength and hope for heaven. His family's love was all he needed or wanted. We live in faith knowing that God is caring for this kind soldier.

## Sergeant Thomas Godfrey SLMPD Retired

BIRTH: November 8, 1944  
DEATH: July 3, 2022



Thomas Francis Godfrey, baptized into the hope of Christ's resurrection, passed away suddenly on Sunday, July 3, 2022 at the age of 77.

Tom was the loving father of Shannon (Scott) White; cherished grandfather of Lauren and Noah White; dear brother of Pat Pieri; dear former husband of Mary Ann Godfrey; uncle of Jan, Michael, and Timothy Pieri; treasured long-time companion of Mary C. Marshall; and a dear friend to so many in his lifetime.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Deputy Chief Thomas L. Godfrey (Ret.) of the STLFD and Margaret H. (nee Jauss) Godfrey.

Tom was extremely proud of his 41 years of service to the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. He retired at the rank of Sergeant in 2007. He's in heaven regaling the angels with his legendary stories.

A Celebration of Tom's Life is being planned. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the BackStoppers would be greatly appreciated by his family. Online giving is available via the link below.

SLPVA Elder Member

Retired 3/19/2007



5566 W Florissant Ave, Saint Louis, MO 63120

**314-383-4688**

[www.TomMurrayMonuments.com](http://www.TomMurrayMonuments.com)

- Grave Markers
- Porcelain Pictures
- Bronze Markers
- Cemetery Lettering
- Repair & Restoration

*Vietnam Veteran USMC*

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Sunday & Holidays Closed

Your loved ones  
deserve a testament  
of time.

*No imported grey from china, which has iron particles that will show rust in time.*

(Cont. on pg. 9)

**GONE, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN**

We stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before us



(Cont. from pg. 8)

**Officer Prince Timmons  
SLMPD Retired**

BIRTH: July 22, 1942  
DEATH: July 17, 2022

SLMPD-2022-38

Retired P.O. Prince Timmons  
Surviving Spouse: Yvonne Timmons  
Date of Employment: 11/18/1968  
Date of Retirement: 06/21/1996  
Assignment code: Prisoner Processing

Funeral arrangements are as follows:  
Funeral Arrangements are currently pending.  
BURIAL Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery  
Lemay, St. Louis County, Missouri

Officer Prince Timmons received his commission on November 18, 1968. Officer Timmons retired on June 21, 1996. Officer Timmons last assignment was in the Prisoner Processing Division.

Officer Timmons faithfully served for 27 years, 7 months, and 11 days of faithful and dedicated service to the department.



**AG SCHMITT IS SPECIAL GUEST AT CITY  
GOP MEETING AT POLICE HALL**

*CITY REPUBLICANS MEET AT HALL THE  
1ST AND 3RD THURSDAY EACH MONTH*



(photo by Jeff Roorda)

**Attorney General Eric Schmitt, the SLPOA endorsed candidate for US Senate, speaks at Police Hall on July 7th**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On Friday, July 15th, Board Bill 47 passed at the Saint Louis City Board of Aldermen. This bill is extremely flawed and has many violations of state law. We are prepared to fight this in every way possible to ensure that your due process rights are protected, and this awful progressive agenda is stopped.

We did have friends on the Board of Aldermen that fought hard to make sure that this bill did not pass, but in the end, it was not enough.

The SLPOA will continue to fight for you until there is nothing left.

Fraternally yours,

Jay Schroeder

President SLPOA/FOP68

**WHAT IF ...  
THERE WAS PROTECTION  
FOR THOSE WHO  
PROTECT US?**

Hilb Group's Police Shield Program can give you the peace of mind that you are protected in the line of duty.

**DEFENSE OF COMMON ALLEGATIONS OF ERRORS RELATED TO:**

- Use of a taser, nightstick, or other equipment
- Discharge of a firearm
- Use of excessive or unnecessary force
- Search or seizure
- Arrest and/or imprisonment

Call 516.300.2028 or email [policeshield@hilbgroup.com](mailto:policeshield@hilbgroup.com) to learn more. Visit our website at [hilbpoliceshield.com](http://hilbpoliceshield.com).

**ABOUT HILB GROUP**

With service to all 50 states, Hilb Group is a leading property & casualty and employee benefits insurance brokerage and advisory firm with 100+ locations across the country.



# Dave Sinclair

**SPECIAL CASH INCENTIVE**  
*for all who Serve & Protect Our Community*

**PROUD SUPPORTERS OF THE BACKSTOPPERS SINCE INCEPTION!**

*Served for over 20 years!*



Dave Sinclair, Sr.  
1928 - 2009

James Sinclair



Dave Sinclair, Sr.



**Cindy Hutchcraft**

*Former Police Sergeant*

Sales & Leasing Associate

chutchcraft@davesinclairauto.com

**Dave Sinclair Ford & Lincoln**

7466 S. Lindbergh at Lemay Ferry  
St. Louis, MO 63125

**314-892-2600**

**www.DaveSinclair.com**

McCARTHY  LEONARD &  
KAEMMERER, L.C.

## ATTORNEYS AT LAW

- Approved legal counsel for St. Louis Police Officers' Association for Internal Affairs Investigations and Board Trials
- 25% Discount to SLPOA Members on Wills, Real Estate, and Contracts Cases
- Expertise in Personal Injury, Workers Compensation, and Criminal Law
- Free Initial Consultation on Divorce and Business Law

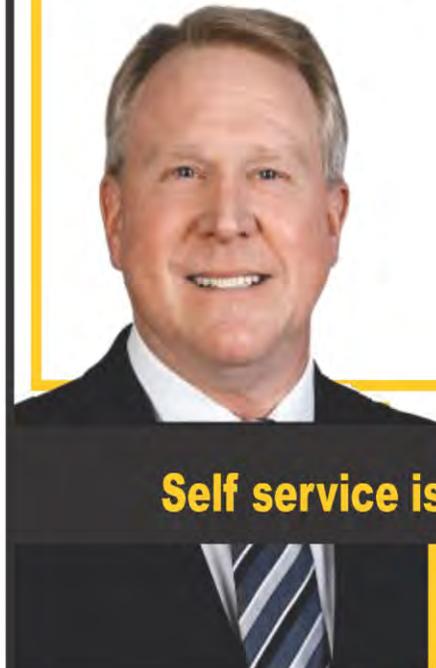
**825 Maryville Centre Drive  
Ste. 300**

**Town & Country, MO 63017**

**(314) 392-5200 • (314) 392-5221 (fax)**



**SICK OF LONG HOLD TIMES  
AND NOT KNOWING THE PERSON  
ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LINE?**



**Edward Jones®**

Member SIPC®

**Self service is no service... let's talk**

**Kelly McGinnis**  
AAMS Financial Advisor  
(636) 677-1951  
1 Dillon Plaza Drive, High Ridge, MO 63049

# Thank You Major Coonce

Dear Major Coonce,

Last night Zion, Davontay, Jaylen, and Montrell spent time getting their bikes in repair with a neighborhood friend. We are joining the Reading Riders today and 4 more Saturdays.

On our last night we will ride between Augusta and Defiance. We will spend the night in Klondike Park. The camping trip will be complete with

collecting driftwood, pitching tents, sawing the wood by hand, securing bikes, foil packing food, and late-night walking through the park as a group.

The children always have a great time riding through Klondike the next morning, but breakfast always includes boiling eggs in a paper cup (yes, a paper cup), eating cereal and convincing the children that their tent will go back in the covering it

explosion twice and kept both bikes! The caring adult is going to fix the two broken bikes so the additional two boys can go on Saturday, June 18, 2022. The boys had enough for themselves and plenty to share. God is so good to us and we appreciate you being a vessel willing to be used by God to bring life and love to a lost and dark community.

Thank you for leading the Dept. and the Foundation to do so many good things for the children. The bikes are going to give the boys 5 weeks of fun and great learning experiences.

We are headed to the trail adjacent to Grant's Memorial. Bike time is at 9 am. We are leaving the neighborhood at 8 am and will return by 4 pm. You had better believe the children will be worn out by the time we return.

We will watch the movie about President Grant's Life, tour the Farm and ride on the trail with a US Park Ranger. The organization we register with is providing food and journals. This is the 8th year we've taken some children with this group. This is the first year we have had our own bikes!



The Rec. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is quoted as having said, ' Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.'

Thank you for being vocal about violence prevention and helping children acquire age-appropriate skills so they can grow at age-appropriate rates, be free from violence and LIVE!

**In gratitude and appreciation,  
Velma Bailey, Founder/CEO  
Saint Louis Torchbearers2**

The pictures are of the boys and our friend who us one of the leaders of the bike group. We are repairing bikes in the 3800 block of Ashland.! The boys are so excited. Some of the neighbors wanted to know what the boys were doing. The project gave the boys a new way of being. Their conversation shared that the POLICE had given them bikes. Life came to that crime ridden BLOCK last night.



They even offered to share their broken bikes with two other boys on their block. The bikes will be repaired by our friend.



came out of .

There are two boys who want to go with us, but they do not have a bike. We cannot take them this week, but Zion and Davontay have two bikes because they have been to the bike give away



**Call or email me to buy or sell a property at the Lake of the Ozarks**

As a retired Police Officer, I will donate to Backstoppers for every active or retired First Responder that closes on a property with me.

**John Stransky**  
Realtor

618.334.3365  
johnsellsthelake@gmail.com  
ozarklakeproperty.com



**THE RANGE** 14803 Manchester Rd Ballwin, MO 63011 636-220-1300 Mon-Fri: 10a-8p Saturday: 9a-6p Sunday: 10a-6p

**therangestl.com**

**We are a Law Enforcement Friendly Training Facility**

- Special pricing on Memberships and Lane Fees for Both Individual Officers and entire Departments
- Sig Law Enforcement Distributor of Missouri
- Glock, Smith & Wesson, and many other LE focused programs.
- Providing World Class Service in a Fun Atmosphere

**VOTED THE BEST SHOOTING RANGE IN MISSOURI**

**STEPHEN W. THURMER**

**Attorney at Law**  
SLPOA Approved Legal Counsel

1900 Locust, Suite 302  
St. Louis, MO 63103

**(314) 421-3100 - Office**  
**(314) 607-1599 - Cell**

Email: thurmer@sbcglobal.net

**WILL MATCH ANY COMPETITOR'S MONITORING PRICES!**

**HOME AUTOMATION ACCESS CONTROL RING DOOR BELL WIRED OR CELLULAR MONITORING**

**Residential • Commercial Financing Available Free Estimates Licensed • Bonded • Insured**

**GATEWAY ALARM INC.** (314) 487-2224

40 Years in Business 2nd Generation Police Family 5923 Weber Rd. 314-487-2224

**Automotive Unlimited, Inc.**  
Lou Puricelli, Owner

Phone (314) 638-0402  
Cell (314) 791-0396 FAX (314) 638-1264  
210 E. Steins St. St. Louis, MO 63111

Police Officer for 35 years - Retired First District Officer

Having an ad in the

# GENDARME Newspaper

is like having a traveling billboard

**314-393-3030**

**Leshers Flowers**  
"They're Fresher from Leshers"  
4617 Hampton Ave. St. Louis, MO 63109  
**314-832-3500**  
"There is no substitute for Quality"

## GABRIEL, McCARTNEY & WAGNER P.C.

Workers Compensation • Personal Injury • Gen. Civil Litigation

1007 Olive St., 2nd floor  
St. Louis, MO 63101  
(314) 231-4630  
caw@gmwlawfirm.com

WILLIAM GABRIEL  
JAMES W. McCARTNEY  
CHRISTOPHER A. WAGNER  
MICHAEL A. CHEVAL

# Eden Lawn and Landscape

**314-914-2550**  
edenlawnandlandscape.com

**Lawn Mowing • Weed Eat • Clean Up**

- \* Fertilization
- \* Trimming & Removing
- \* Pest Control
- \* Aeration & Seeding
- \* Mulching
- \* Planting & Removing

Coupon

# 10 % Discount

Min. Apply

**Fertilization & Pest Control**

Mon.-Thurs.

**Eden Lawn and Landscape**  
314-914-2550

**Serving - St. Louis City, St. Louis County, Jefferson County, St. Charles and Lincoln**

# Michel Funeral Home

Your family owned neighborhood funeral home

**Calvin & Chrissy Whitaker**

**Cremations Starting at \$785.00**

**Funeral Service with 20 gauge non-protective casket starting at \$4000.00**

5930 Southwest Ave.  
St. Louis, MO 63139  
Phone: 314-645-4241

michelfuneralhome@gmail.com  
www.michelfh.com

## ACTIVE & RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS

You and a guest are invited to attend a complimentary Educational Session on A Closer Look at Your Social Security Benefits. Cocktails and Appetizers Will Be Served.

During our time together we will discuss important topics like these:

- Understanding the major challenges in Retirement
- Discover potential solutions that can help address these challenges
- Social Security Strategies and Healthcare Cost in Retirement
- 457(b) & DROP Account Options

**Next Session Date/Time:**  
May 12, 2022 @ 6:30 PM

Prudential Advisors is providing this workshop for informational or educational purposes only and does not provide investment advice or recommendations about managing or investing your retirement savings.

**Matthew McDonough**  
Financial Advisor, MA  
Prudential Advisors  
12312 Olive Blvd., Suite 300  
St. Louis, MO 63141  
(314) 548-4416  
matt.mcdonough@prudential.com

**MAGGIANO'S**  
LITTLE ITALY

Maggiانو's Little Italy  
2 The Boulevard  
(Hwy 40 & Brentwood Blvd)  
Richmond Heights, MO 63117

It's easy to register; call 314-548-4416; or email matt.mcdonough@prudential.com

Prudential Advisors is a brand name of The Prudential Insurance Company of America and its subsidiaries. Offering investment advisory services through Pruco Securities, LLC (Pruco), under the marketing name Prudential Financial Planning Services (PFPS), pursuant to separate client agreement. Offering insurance and securities products and services as a registered representative of Pruco, and an agent of issuing insurance companies. 1-800-778-2255. Life insurance and annuities are issued by The Prudential Insurance Company of America, Pruco Life Insurance Company (except in NY and/or NJ), and Pruco Life Insurance Company of New Jersey (in NY and/or NJ). All are Prudential Financial companies located in Newark, NJ and each is solely responsible for its own financial condition and contractual obligations.

Prudential Advisors is providing these materials for informational or educational purposes only. The information is not intended as investment advice and is not a recommendation about managing or investing your retirement savings. In providing these materials Prudential Advisors is not acting as your fiduciary as defined by the Department of Labor.

1006560-00002-00

**CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

# Emotions

By Chaplain John Fava

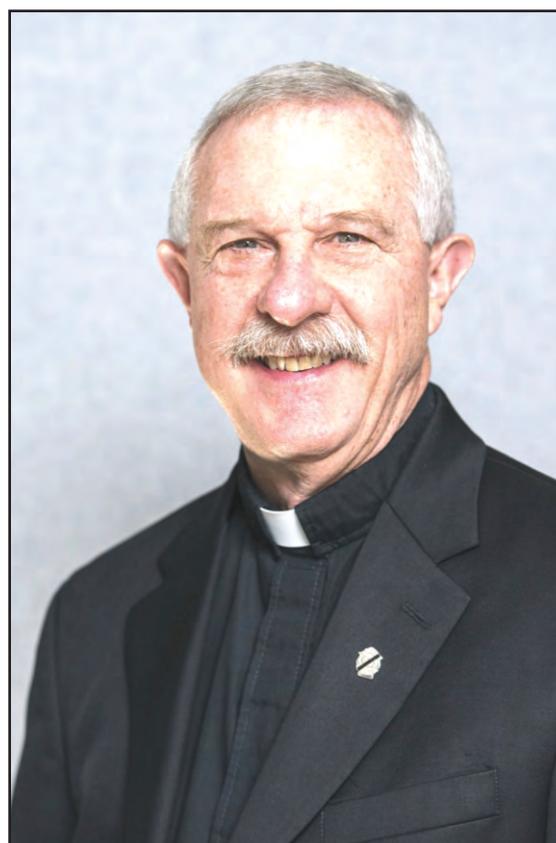
As many of you know, I try to do ride-alongs and work the various event and parade details as often as I can. It has always been an interesting experience when I spend time with you officers, and I have seen many commonplace calls and also some very unique situations. Like you, I never know what is going to happen when you get a call. No calls are routine, but oftentimes the calls are easy to handle: Code G, Code U, or Code N. Some of the calls that you get such as a burglary, a non-injury accident, or an assault do require a report; but the report can be written without a lot of difficulty and in a reasonable amount of time. Some of the calls, however, are more involved and require more time to complete such as a shooting, a homicide, or a fatal accident.

What kinds of calls have I been on, or what kinds of things have I seen on my ride-alongs? I have been to homicides, fatal car accidents, assaults, robberies, burglaries, shots fired, domestic disputes, etc. I have seen overdoses and people revived from near fatal OD's by receiving Narcan. I have seen some unusual things such as a boat completely blocking an alley; a woman walking down the street with a boa constrictor around her neck; a man, while he was driving, watching a movie on a DVD player that was mounted on his dashboard. Thankfully, I have never seen an officer fire his/her weapon while on duty.

So what about me? What am I doing while you are handling your calls? I am standing there with you observing, listening, and learning. How do I feel while you are handling your calls? My emotions, like yours, are varied. I have been glad, sad, and

mad. I have laughed until it hurts, been bewildered by the actions and comments of some suspects, and felt sorry for some of the victims. I have seen some horrible things (fatalities) and experienced some wonderful events (the Cardinals World Series and the Blues Stanley Cup victory parades). I have been mad when I observed the results of some of the idiotic and dangerous behaviors of some people.

So what about your emotions? Have you ever been joyful, unhappy, or angry? It is normal to feel these ways at one time or another. It is also very healthy to share these emotions with others which you have done on countless occasions. The stories of the hilarious actions of people on the streets are constant. The hopelessness and sympathy that you feel for some victims is unending. Your anger at the senseless violence that you frequently observe is understandable. When you settle down and are trying to relax and unwind after a particularly dangerous situation, that is when you realize that the call you just



handled was scary and both emotionally and physically draining, but you know that you handled the call properly and you learned from the experience. It is important to release the tension and the stress that you have undergone. As I have said, expressing your emotions is a necessary part of a healthy lifestyle.

There are a lot of unpleasant issues, circumstances, and obstacles going on in St. Louis at this particular time, many of which are beyond your control but do cause a lot of stress. But you still come to work and do your job. You face these difficult challenges professionally and do not hesitate to perform your duties. You are to be commended for that. Keep up the good work!

*I want you to know that I appreciate the job that do. A chaplain can be reached 24/7 by contacting the Real Time Crime Center. Please know that you officers and your families are in my prayers every day. May God always bless you.*

**The St. Louis Hills DENTAL GROUP**

Watson) 6979 Chippewa Jamieson Ted Drewes

**644-0440**

John Andreas, D.D.S.  
Daniel B. Livingston, D.D.S.

PRECISION CARE WITH UNCOMMON GENTLENESS

**Conveniently located just 2 blocks west of Ted Drewes Frozen Custard**

**St. Louis Policemen's Credit Union**  
**Call 444-5392**

**PRE-APPROVAL FOR A VEHICLE LOAN**

One of the best ways to buy a new or used vehicle is to arrive at the dealership knowing what you can comfortably afford to spend. We offer new and used auto loans with terms up to seven years for qualifying vehicles. In addition, we offer GAP insurance and extended warranties. Getting pre-approved for a vehicle loan is quick and easy at your Credit Union. Application forms are available on the [STLpolicecu.com](http://STLpolicecu.com) website and pre-approval usually takes no more than one day. Our rates are very competitive and can go out the door on used vehicles for as low as 2.99% Consider refinancing if you have three or more years remaining on a vehicle loan or if we can reduce your monthly payment with lower interest.

The Credit Union is here to benefit the member when borrowing money and we will always be fair and work with your interest in mind. Compare us to banks or other financial institutions that make their money on fees and you will discover that this Credit Union is still doing business without the use of add on fees. Frequently monitor your account and always be alert to unfamiliar charges. Keep your address, email and phone number current with us so we can reach you when necessary. Has your beneficiary changed???

Come see Elda or JoAnn to get started on that loan.

# I STAND FOR THE ANTHEM



# AND KNEEL FOR THE CROSS

## St. Louis Knightstik, Inc.

**ORDER ONLINE**

[www.etsy.com/shop/SaintLouisKnightstik](http://www.etsy.com/shop/SaintLouisKnightstik)

**FREE SHIPPING**  
anywhere within mainland US

*in gold & sterling silver*

*Police Wife Pendant*



Sterling with chain / oring  
69.00



Sterling with bail  
85.00



14K Gold with oring  
249.00

*St. Michael Medals*



**Retired P.O. Don Pipes**  
**314-330-3200**  
**pipe7557@gmail.com**

# RENT THE HALL

Open for Special Occasions



To rent the SLPOA Hall  
Call 314-353-3200

**MEETINGS  
BIRTHDAY PARTIES  
FUNDRAISERS**

**Great Rates • Convenient Hours  
Call to Reserve  
Cash or Checks accepted**

## Saint Louis Police Officers Association

3710 Hampton Ave.

Saint Louis, MO 63109

314-353-3200 Phone

314-353-4767 Fax



**Come Discover St. Louis' Place for Pasta and Much, Much More**



5453 Magnolia (at Southwest)

LUNCH: Mon.-Fri. 11:00-2:00

DINNER: Mon.-Thurs. 5:00-10:30

Fri.-Sat. 5:00-11:30

**781-1135**

Gourmet Italian Food, at Reasonable Prices  
33 PASTAS • STEAKS • VEAL • CHICKEN • SEAFOOD

## DANIEL K. GERRY ATTORNEY AT LAW SLPOA APPROVED LEGAL COUNSEL

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION • PROBATE  
TRUST & ESTATE PLANNING • TAX  
BUSINESS LAW • REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS**



**THE LAW FIRM OF DANIEL K. GERRY, LLC**  
1010 MARKET ST., STE 1605 • ST. LOUIS, MO 63101  
(314) 680-5305 • [DGERRYLAWFIRM@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DGERRYLAWFIRM@GMAIL.COM)

## FIELDER ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC.

Residential • Commercial • Industrial • Institutional



- REHAB • REMODELING • REWIRING
- EXISTING STRUCTURE & REMODELING SPECIALIST
- LANDSCAPE LIGHTING • SERVICES UPGRADE
- CONCEALED WIRING SPECIALIST • BUCKET TRUCK SERVICES
- FHA & VA UPGRADES • FREE ESTIMATES
- LICENSED, BONDED & INSURED FOR YOUR PROTECTION

*We Can Work At Your Convenience*

1827 S. Kingshighway  
St. Louis, MO 63110

**966-3388 • 773-4955**

2022 GENDARME SUBSCRIPTION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I AM A:

- Member
- Non-Member or Retiree
- Elected Official/Advertiser

I WANT TO:

- Continue to Receive the Gendarme by Mail
- Read the Gendarme On-Line

If you are a non-member and want to continue to receive the Gendarme, return this subscription with a check for \$5.00 to the address below or visit [www.slpoa.org](http://www.slpoa.org) and subscribe to the Gendarme using PayPal...

St. Louis Police Officers Association  
Attention: Gendarme Subscriptions  
3710 Hampton Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63109



**Timothy J. McCann, M.D.**

**Internal Medicine • Hospitalist**

Office Hours By Appointment

1717 Biddle, St. Louis, MO 63106

Office # **314-814-8618** / Cell # **314-313-4638**

Fax # 314-814-8636

Blue Cross/Blue Shield accepted.

Patients preferences for hospitals and specialists remain the same.

**WATCH YOUR 6 !**



**GERALD V. TANNER, JR.**  
Attorney at Law

720 Olive Street, Suite 1600

St. Louis, MO 63101

314-241-1956

314-436-2002 - Fax

[gvtanner@aol.com](mailto:gvtanner@aol.com)

[www.tannerlaw.net](http://www.tannerlaw.net)



- In Practice Since 1982
- Former Assistant Circuit Attorney
- Experienced Trial Lawyer

Areas of Practice: Workers' Compensation and Personal Injury (reduced fee for City Police Officers)



Proudly Serving Those Who Serve Us  
"Bumper to Bumper & Head to Toe!"

Save 10% On All Flashlights

Use Code: **10OFFLIGHTS**

**POLICE - FIRE - SHERIFF - EMS - SECURITY**

2550 W. St. Louis Ave.

800.392.8210

St. Louis, MO 63106

Fax: 314.533.3830

[sales@edroehrsafety.com](mailto:sales@edroehrsafety.com)

[www.edroehrsafety.com](http://www.edroehrsafety.com)

Limit one code per customer, not valid on department orders.



**WE BET A TANK OF GAS THAT**

**WE'LL BEAT ANY DEAL ON A BRAND NEW CHEVY!**



**Weber Chevrolet supports Backstoppers !**

Purchase a new or pre-owned vehicle from us and we will make a



**\$100 donation**



Call Jonathan Hegger

314-363-2487

[jhegger@geoweber.com](mailto:jhegger@geoweber.com)

to Backstoppers in your name.

**701 Old State Route 3 - Columbia, IL**



# GENDARME

St. Louis Police Officers Association



The Official Publication of the ST. LOUIS POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE - Lodge 68

## JULY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4 <b>HAPPY independence Day</b>	5	6 CPD 7 PM	7	8 <b>PAYDAY</b>	9
10	11	12	13 VETERANS MTG 11:30 AM POLICE WIVES 7 PM	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 <b>PAYDAY</b>	23
24	25	26	27 E-BOARD MTG 4:30 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG 7 PM	28	29	30
31						

## AUGUST 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 <b>SLPOA ELECTION FILINGS OPEN</b>	2 <b>PRIMARY ELECTION</b>	3 CPD 7 PM	4	5 <b>SLPOA ELECTION FILINGS CLOSE</b> <b>PAYDAY</b>	6
7	8	9	10 VETERANS MTG 11:30 AM POLICE WIVES 7 PM	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	<b>PAYDAY</b>	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 E-BOARD MTG 4:30 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG 7 PM			

## SEPTEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 <b>SLPOA BALLOTS MAILED</b>	2 <b>PAYDAY</b>	3
4	5 <b>LABOR DAY</b>	6	7 CPD 7 PM	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 VETERANS MTG 11:30 AM POLICE WIVES 7 PM	15 <b>SLPOA BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED</b>	16 <b>PAYDAY</b>	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 E-BOARD MTG 4:30 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG 7 PM	29	30 <b>PAYDAY</b>	