



DRAGNET RETURNS ON A COMMEMORATIVE STAMP

Have you ever wondered where the term Dragnet came from? "It's actually a fishing term," stated Chief Bratton. As they would say put out the dragnet, gather them all up, round up all the usual suspects. The phrase "*Just the facts ma'am,*" probably was the most famous line in police history. Sgt. Joe Friday, played by Jack Webb, made it the most popular saying from 1951-1970. So it's kind of hard to use one word without the other.

On August 11, 2009 at the Los Angeles Police Academy the United States Post Office and the Los Angeles Police Department came together to honor the first released Dragnet stamp. The legendary stamp was one of 20 collectable stamps that paid tribute to early television shows. Bus loads of stamp collectors along with personnel from the police department and

the post office came to participate in this special event.

The famous 714 badge worn by Sgt. Joe Friday was also made into a stamp, however it sold out within minutes. Actors Harry Morgan, Joe Friday's partner, and Kent McCord who starred in "Adam 12" were in attendance. Mr. McCord quoted from the complete directory to prime time television show, "Dragnet was probably the most successful police series in the history of television."

"By providing the prototype of the realistic action series, it marked a major turning point for a medium that had for its first few years been dominated by comedy and vaudeville. Dragnet's hallmark was its appearance of realism, from its documentary style narration by Joe Friday, to the cases drawn from the files of a real police department. Dragnet's legacy still resonates in departments throughout the world. Jack choose to make Joe Friday an ideal who's image set a high standard for those involved in Law Enforcement. "I know he would be very proud to have his image on a stamp commemorating Dragnet."

The stamp was a huge success and was offered for sale again a few days later at Parker Center.



Chief's Message... William J. Bratton, Chief of Police



Since it was first commissioned in 1940, the current Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) badge is arguably the most recognizable badge in policing. Officers in departments across the nation wear badges with distinct LAPD influence. The familiar LAPD badge has inspired authors, screenwriters, and thousands of young men and women in pursuit of a police career. The most significant change to the badge came about in 1973 when the designations of "Policeman" and "Policewoman" were retired. After 1973, all new badges below the rank of Detective and Sergeant read "Police Officer." On that special day in the Academy when the badge is pinned on for the first time, I encourage every recruit to wear it with pride and to never do anything to tarnish it.

One of the most accomplished men in Hollywood ever to wear the LAPD Badge was ironically never a police officer. He was

of course actor Jack Webb. For an eight-year run starting in 1951, Jack Webb played the role of Sergeant Joe Friday and then came back again in the 1960's for several years.

In August, the United States Postal Service will honor *Dragnet*, among other classic television shows, in their 20-stamp *Early TV Memories* collection. The stamp commemorating *Dragnet*, will depict Sergeant Joe Friday in his classic "just the facts, ma'am," stare. Department personnel, families and stamp collecting enthusiasts are encouraged to join us on August 11, 2009, for the *Dragnet* stamp dedication ceremony at the Elysian Park Police Academy. It promises to be quite a day.

One of the things Joe Friday understood is that public safety is a primary responsibility of government. In the City of Los Angeles, 27 cents of every budget dollar is invested in police services, more than double the next most expensive City service. Police are an investment. The return on the investment is record low crime rates, unprecedented community confidence and a stronger economy. But when a budget crisis comes to a country, a state and a city, it also comes to a police department. In every corner of

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the LAPD, people are talking about what the budget crisis will mean to them, but none more than in the civilian ranks of the LAPD.

I want to emphasize the fact that this Department would grind to a halt without our civilians. . . There are no unimportant civilian jobs in this Department. Without civilians: Calls don't get dispatched, cars don't run, evidence doesn't get analyzed, paychecks don't get deposited, and the list could go on and on.

I have been reluctant to talk about the crisis because the situation is still in flux, making today's fact, tomorrow's rumor. As I write this article, the Department is still in the hole \$153 million or about 14 percent of our overall budget. To close this gap, we have cut our salary account to the tune of about \$135 million from the sworn account and \$18 million from the civilian account.

At a certain point, a police department cannot "do more with less" and neither can a family or individual. We can tighten our belts, but eventually hard-won momentum is lost. Hopefully we will come to some definitive resolution on our budget in the not too distant future so that every Department member knows where they stand. I'm sorry that the process has been

so frustrating and has gone on for so long. Even in the midst of fiscal crisis and uncertainty you, the men and women of the Department, still continue to perform to the highest standards.

In the last few weeks, the world's eyes were on the City of Los Angeles. Whether we're talking about the Lakers championship parade or the Michael Jackson memorial services, you showed the world how major events should be policed. What would normally have taken weeks or months to plan and execute, you did in a matter of days.

We worked with our partners from allied agencies and public and private service providers, including the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, the Los Angeles Fire Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Metrolink, the California Highway Patrol, and Staples Center just to name a few.

In the days that followed the Michael Jackson memorial, the *Los Angeles Times* published an editorial that pointed out several things that I agree with whole heartedly: You handled the event "flawlessly" and you are indeed, "a terrific police depart-

ment." Who would have ever thought we would hear that well deserved and appropriate high praise from the LA Times. It's a new day and a new LAPD.

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LAPD ROLLS OUT THE BLUE CARPET

In Hollywood movie stars stroll the red carpet but on August 6, 2009 we witnessed 40 Los Angeles Police Officers standing proud on the blue carpet. Chief Bratton with the Mayor, elected officials and business owners announced the deployment of additional officers and resources to the Department's Hollywood Area.

In the early 2000s, the Hollywood community and the area surrounding Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue invested \$2 billion to restore and revitalize this business area. To reflect the revitalization of Hollywood and ensure public safety, a strategy was implemented to deploy additional police officers within the boundaries of Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue also known as the Hollywood Entertainment District. Police Officers have begun patrolling on foot, bicycles and on T3s, electrically powered personal mobility vehicles that enhance

patrol efficiency by allowing officers to cover large areas in a short amount of time.

Since the strategy's implementation, the entire LAPD Hollywood Area has seen remarkable reductions in significant crimes known as Part I Crimes. From May 24, 2009, thru July 18, 2009, Part I Crimes for the entire Hollywood Area have decreased 10.5 percent as compared to the same time period a year ago. "With these additional officers and resources, the Department will continue to reduce crime and improve the overall quality of life for those who work, live and visit the entertainment capital of the world," said Captain Beatrice Girmala, Commanding Officer of the Hollywood Area Community Police Station.

With 80 nightclubs, 465 businesses with liquor licenses, Metrorail stations and dozens of well advertised points of interest, it is estimated that 30,000 people are drawn to Hollywood every Friday and Saturday evening. Councilmember Tom LaBonge stated, "It's our Time Square."



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2009

As part of a national campaign, the Los Angeles Police Department fully participated in this year's National Night Out. With communities across the country holding events to raise awareness, the LAPD held nothing back as the Department partnered with various organizations in bringing a night of family fun to the people of Los Angeles.

The Central Area event was held at the historic Olvera Street in Downtown Los Angeles. Festivities included food booths with various ethnic cuisines, vendors selling t-shirts, jewelry, and other cultural items. There were trained masseuses giving free massages and a live band which entertained the crowd.

Other organizations such as the Department of Animal Services were on hand giving out information on the services they provide. Central Area's Explorer Post was out there as well assisting with the event.

Northeast Area held three smaller events at locations throughout their area. One, which was held in the parking lot of a Target store, featured face painting for kids, free giveaways which were donated by Target and free pizza. The event also included a walk with police officers and community members through the streets of the neighborhood.

These were just two of approximately 50 city-wide events held as part of the National Night Out campaign. In its 26th year, the National Night Out campaign is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support and participation in local anticrime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnerships, and to send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Thank you to everyone for all their hard work and planning

in making National Night Out 2009 a huge success.



In Memoriam (reported deaths)

AUGUST 2009

Robert Sluder
Lieutenant
Retired
Serial No. 17401
EOW 8/26/09

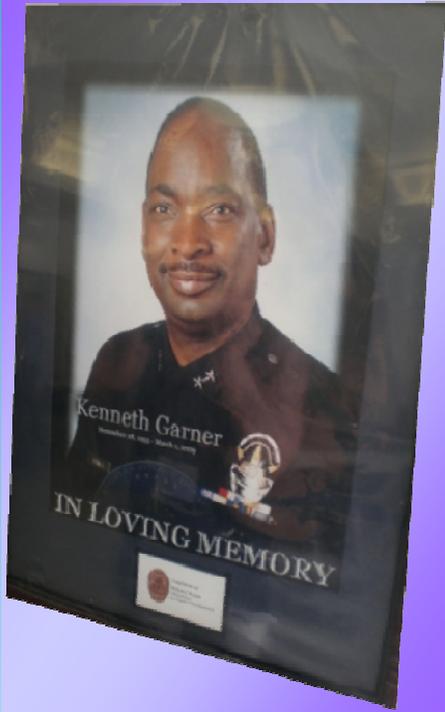
Richard Marra
Detective III
Retired
Serial No. 6253
EOW 8/7/09

Edward E. Goddard
Sergeant
Retired
Serial No. 3090
EOW 8/16/09

Maria Victoria Castro
Management Analyst II
Serial No. V9589
EOW 8/13/09

REMEMBERING A HERO

A DAY OF DEDICATION



Deputy Chief Kenneth O. Garner was one of the Los Angeles Police Department's finest who provided quality service to the citizens of Los Angeles from June 6, 1977 until his passing March 1, 2009. On August 15, 2009 members of our Department, as well as the community paid tribute to his legacy, commitment to leadership, and dedicated services.



77th Area dedicated their community room in honor to Chief Garner and presented his family with a shadow box . He was once someone's partner, someone's friend and now he's someone's angel. We will never forget.



ROLL CALL OF EVENTS

38th Annual Celebrity Golf Tournament

August 1, 2009
 0800 Hours
 Trump National Golf Club
 One Ocean Trails Drive
 Rancho Palos Verdes, California 90275

10th Annual LEAPS Conference

August 7, 2009
 0530 Hours
 Wilshire Grand Hotel
 930 Wilshire Boulevard
 Los Angeles, California 90017

Pacific Area Community Police Station Open House and Blood Drive

August 8, 2009
 1000 Hours
 Pacific Station
 12312 Culver Boulevard
 Los Angeles, Ca 90066

2009 LAWPOA Board of Directors Installation Ceremony

August 13, 2009
 0730 Hours
 Stevens Steak and Seafood House
 5332 East Stevens Place
 Commerce, California 90040

CRIME WATCH CITYWIDE (YEAR TO DATE—8/29/09)

Homicide	-15.1%	Burglary	-6.5%
Rape	-7.2%	BTFV	-4.8%
Robbery	-5.5%	Personal/ other theft	-2.9%
Aggravated assault	-9.5%	Auto Theft	-17.2%
Total Violent Crimes	-7.5%	Total Property Crimes	-7.4%
		Total Part I Crimes	-7.4%

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL WERE COMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY

AUGUST

PUBLIC INFORMATION DIRECTOR

Mary Grady

CAPTAIN III

Eric Davis
 William Murphy

CAPTAIN I

Jon Peters
 Byford Whittingham

LIEUTENANT II

Leonard Cross
 Alan Hamilton
 Natalie Williams

LIEUTENANT I

Rick Banks
 Andrea Grossman

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John Hernandez
 Ronald Ito
 Brenda Pauly
 Michael Whelan

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 George Diaz
 Robert Dinlocker
 Steven Eguchi
 Grace Garcia
 Thomas Mathew
 Christopher McKinney
 Dean Vinluan

DETECTIVE I

Eugene Arreola

Sharon Brady
 Vance Deruise
 Susan Gonzales
 Barrett Halcromb
 Sherry Le
 Carlos Monterroso
 David Siurek

SERGEANT II

Kelly Arnett
 Vance Bjorklund
 David Carter
 David Mascarenas
 Frank Preciado
 Daniel Robbins
 Danny Roman

SERGEANT I

Teresa Akune
 Michael Daly
 Alfredo Flores
 Mark Griego
 Jason Liguori
 Michael Menegio
 Glenn McNeil
 Steve Richards
 Divyesh Shah
 Michael Steward
 Thomas Tavares
 Christopher Wilbourn

POLICE OFFICER III

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 Paul Bernal
 Paul Bowser
 Marco Briones
 Maurice Brunel
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 Michael Chang
 Estrella Chica
 Gina Chovan

Lenning Davis
 Kimberly Dedmon
 Magdalena Dillard
 Betty Dove
 Jennifer Duvally
 Tracy Fischer
 Carla Ford
 Harvey Freeman
 Matthew Fryer
 Michael Goldberg
 Traci Grundland
 Annissa Harsma
 Robert Hill
 Gregg Jacobus
 James Jester
 Charles Joh
 Richardson Keith
 Rick Madrigal
 Fortunato Mariscal
 Scott Moffitt
 Fernando Ochoa
 Craig Orange
 Alex Padron
 Saul Paredes
 Rosa Parra
 John Pedroza
 Victor Perez
 Albert Polehonki
 Ondina (Nina) Preciado
 John Ray
 Cesar Rivera
 Philip Ruiz
 Ralph Sanchez
 Daryl Scoggins
 Pablo Soto

POLICE OFFICER II

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 Mark Blizzard
 Jake Brodsky
 Alan Cieto
 Ricardo Dominguez
 Roy Hill

Olga Lowe
 Robert Peters
 James Stout
 James Stover
 John Talbot
 Andrew Vergara
 Justin Wolfchief

POLICE OFFICER I

Kevin Bayona
 Kenneth Franco
 Michael Keith

POLICE SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE II

Iris Dawson

RESERVE POLICE OFFICER

Robert Eisman

CLERK TYPIST

Brenda Benton

RECENT ACTIONS BY THE POLICE

- August 5 Chief William Bratton announced that he would be ending his service at the Los Angeles Police Department on October 31st. The Commissioners commended Chief Bratton on the outstanding job he has done in crime reduction in Los Angeles and turning the LAPD into a premiere law enforcement agency with a greatly enhanced relationship with the community.
- August 12 Commissioner John Mack was elected President of the Police Commission and Commissioner Andrea Sheridan Ordin was elected to the Vice President post. Both commented that it was honor to hold these positions and work with their fellow Commissioners. President Mack commented that his highest priority will be working on the selection process for a new Chief of Police, noting that the first meeting with the Personnel Department would be occurring following the meeting.
- Received presentation and update from Pacific Area Captain Joseph Hiltner and Community Police Advisory Board (C-PAB) representative Ms. Pat Karasick regarding community initiated problem solving, crime strategies, and other programs and goals within the Pacific Area. Ms Karasick added they have partnerships with organizations such as Loyola University to address quality of life issues. The Pacific C-PAB participated in the National Night Out event and held an open house over the weekend where they passed out information on the C-PAB for recruitment.
- August 26 Received and update from North Hollywood Area Captain Buck and CPAB, the C-PAB has a new co-chair and six new members. Three areas of focus are partnering with the community, prevention and problem solving. Four current challenges that the area faces are, quality of life issues, transients, and pedestrian/ vehicle traffic.



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