



Montana Concerns of Police Survivors

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87th Congress of the United States of America **H.J.Res. 730 October 1, 1962 Public Law 87-726** ***Joint Resolution***

To authorize the President to proclaim May 15 of each year as **Peace Officers Memorial Day** and the calendar week of each year during which such **May 15** occurs as **Police Week**.

Whereas the police officers of America have worked devotedly and selflessly in behalf of the people of this Nation, regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves;

Whereas these officers have safeguarded the lives and property of their fellow Americans;

Whereas by the enforcement of our laws, these same officers have given our country internal freedom from fear of the violence and civil disorder that is presently affecting other nations;

Whereas these men and women by their patriotic service and their dedicated efforts have earned the gratitude of the Republic:

Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the President is authorized and requested to issue proclamations

- (1) designating **May 15** of each year as **Peace Officers Memorial Day** in honor of the Federal, State, and municipal officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty,
- (2) directing the officials of the Government to display at half-staff the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on such day, as provided by section 3(m) of the Act of June 22, 1942 (Chapter 435; 56 Stat. 377; 36 U.S.C. 175),
- (3) designating in each year the calendar week during which such **May 15** occurs as **Police Week**, in recognition of the service given by the men and women who, night and day, stand guard in our midst to protect us through enforcement of our laws, and
- (4) inviting the governments of the States and communities and the people of the United States to observe such day and week with appropriate ceremonies and activities, including the display at half-staff of the flag of the United States.

Approved October 1, 1962.



Remember Peace Officers Memorial Day May 15th:



Fly flag at half mast
Wear a blue ribbon
Light a blue light

**Montana Memorial
Hamilton
May 15th 10:00**

Board of Directors

Genny Graham, President, Widow of MHP Trooper David Graham, EOW 10/9/07
Joyce Kramer, President Elect, Mother of West Yellowstone PO Patrick Kramer, EOW 10/22/06
Nancy DeLaittre, Treasurer, Mother of MHP Trooper David DeLaittre, EOW 12/01/10
Becky Sturdevant, Secretary, Mother of MHP Trooper Evan Schneider, EOW 8/26/08
Jerril Ren, Past President, Son of MHP Patrolman Michael Ren, EOW 4/8/78

CISM Training

Three board members have been certified by the International Crisis Intervention and Stress Management Foundation to provide Individual Crisis Intervention and Peer Support. This two day training was facilitated by Concerns of Police Survivors.

Montana Concerns of Police Survivors can provide training for Law Enforcement employees, family members, and chaplains.

Training may cover topics such as:

- Myths vs. facts about coping with loss of an officer.
- Support issues for the surviving family, the agency, agency personnel and their families.
- Being prepared with a General Orders for line-of-duty death.
- Regular updating of family information and beneficiary cards.
- Discussion of state/local benefits.
- Organizing financial matters.
- Officer safety issues.
- Symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.
- Psychological/critical incident stress debriefing teams to address the needs of affected co-workers' families.
- Spouse seminars and employee assistance programs.
- The survivors' perspective.
- Death notification

Fundraising 2014



- 👍 July 12 Whitefish Mountain Resort Hike or Bike from the Base Lodge
- 👍 July 19 David DeLaitre Memorial Park Three Forks Hike or Bike

👍 September Billings Poker Run Motorcycles

**PLEASE
VOLUNTEER
TO HELP
WITH THESE
EVENTS!**

- Contact sponsors
- Hike or bike
- Encourage your friends
- Assist with set up

HELP WANTED:

Montana C.O.P.S. needs dedicated volunteers to:

- Create and/or send out newsletter.
- Maintain the website
- Develop social media presence

SAVE THE DATE:



Montana C.O.P.S.
Annual Meeting

September 27, 2014

REGISTER NOW!!

www.nationalcops.org

2014 Hands-On Program Dates & Locations

Adult Children's Retreat

Dates: June 20-23

Location: YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Kids Camp

Dates: July 28-August 3

Location: Salvation Army Lake Camp - East Troy, WI

Outward Bound® Adventure

Dates: July 27-August 3

Location: White Water Rafting in Canyonlands
National Park - Cataract Canyon, UT

Fiancés/Significant Others Retreat

Dates: August 15-18

Location: YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Siblings Retreat

Dates: September 5-8

Location: YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Spouses Retreat

Dates: September 19-22

Location: YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Co-Workers Retreat

Dates: October 3-6

Location: YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Extended Family Retreat

Dates: October 17-20

Location: YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Parents Retreat

Dates: October 24-27

Location: C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center
Little Rock, AR

Montana C.O.P.S. will support travel expenses for qualifying survivors. Register directly with national C.O.P.S. (no charge for the programs.) Submit a request for travel reimbursement to Montana C.O.P.S.