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Chief John George

A Criminal Justice "Think Tank" will be a great asset to our law enforcement community.

CHIEFS MEETING

BROWARD COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE "THINK TANK" PROPOSAL PRESENTED

The Broward County Crime Commission, at a May 25th 2005 luncheon meeting sponsored by Director James DePelisi, proposed to members of the Broward County Chiefs of Police Association, the creation of a **"Broward County Criminal Justice Think Tank"**. The proposal was enthusiastically accepted unanimously by all present.

Broward County Crime Commission officers present were Frank R. Pinter, Chairman; Peter L. Stevens, President; and Directors James DePelisi and Major James Jones. Also present were Chief John George of Davie Police Dept. and President of the Broward County Chiefs of Police Assn. With him were other members of the Chiefs Assn: Chief Dave Boytell, Sunrise; Chief Duncan Foster, Coral Springs; Chief Dan Giustino, Pembroke Pines; Chief Tom Magill, Hallandale; Chief Larry Massey, Plantation; and Chief Rick Wierzbicki, Wilton Manors.

On Thurs., June 2nd, 2005, Chief John George announced the proposal at the Broward County Chiefs of Police regular meeting.

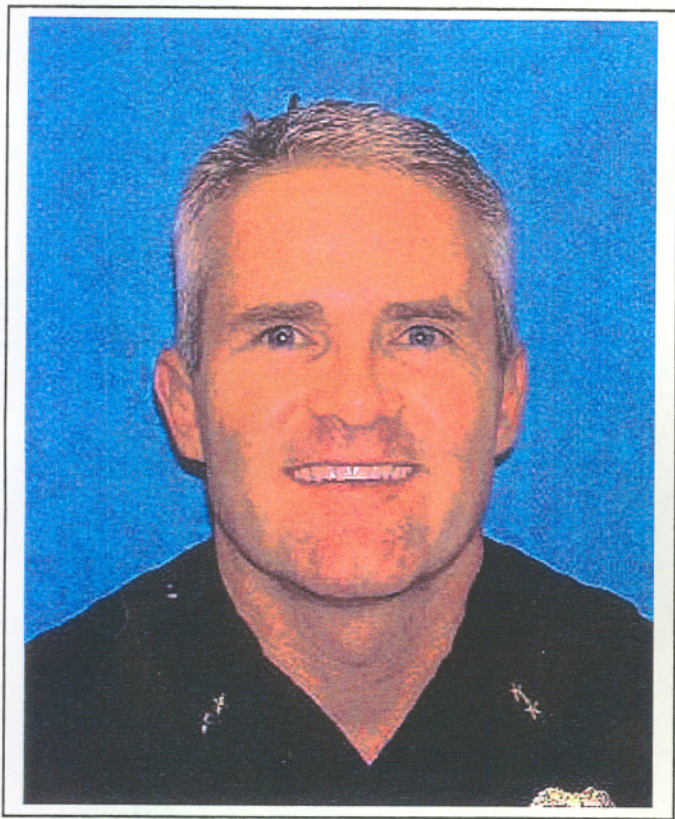
Topics of discussion at the "Think Tank" could include: budgets, training, recruitment, inter-agency cooperation, equipment, communications, shared intelligence, anti-crime strategies and all matters of concern to the criminal justice community.

Networking and familiarity of inter-agency personnel would also be a major goal.

Potential participants would be all Police Depts, BSO, Customs, FBI, FDLE, Fish & Wildlife, Highway Patrol, Immigration, State Attorney, and others, including community input.

The Broward County Crime Commission is willing to partnership with the Broward County Chiefs Of Police Assn. and would assist in the contact and mail-out to all agencies of interest and participate in "Think Tank" sessions.

An implementation planning meeting is scheduled on June 9th, 2005. More on this later.



Chief Duncan Foster Joins Advisory Board

Chief Foster has accepted our invitation to become a member of BCCC Advisory Board. We look forward to his advice and input to our Commission, and particularly his assistance in the formation of the "Broward County Criminal Justice Think Tank".

We also congratulate Chief Foster in his permanent appointment as Chief of Coral Springs Police Department. Welcome Aboard!

Broward County Crime Commission SPONSORS CLASSES

At the request of Chief John George, President of the Broward County Chiefs Association, the *Broward County Crime Commission* has committed to sponsoring Family Orientation Classes for new recruits graduating police academy classes, for the next eighteen months. The classes are to familiarize families on what to expect when their sons, daughters, and husbands, become police officers. Each class costs \$252.00. **Directors James DePelisi** is sponsoring three classes; **Mazen Sukkar**, three classes; and **Joe Setticas**, one class. There are about eight graduating classes a year. We need sponsors for nine more classes. **If you know of anyone who would be interested in sponsoring a class, please let us know.** All sponsors will be appropriately recognized.



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CRIME COMMISSIONS

Frank Pinter and wife, Grace, were invited to a conference of the NACC in Portland, Oregon beginning on May 15th thru 20th, 2005. Maggie Miller, Executive Director of the Portland Crime Commission, extended the invitation. The conference was sponsored by the Portland Police Department, with arrangements being made by the Portland Crime Commission. Hilton Hotel accommodations were compliments of the Portland Police Department, arranged by Sgt. Michael R. Barkley.

The Portland Police Department conducted a seminar on the battle against methamphetamine labs in their area. Also, Lt. Eric Hendricks of the Gang Enforcement Team of Portland Police Department spoke on the fight against Hispanic gang violence, particularly the infamous MM13 gang from Central America which is spreading quickly throughout USA. The other gangs, mostly emanating from Mexico and Los Angeles - the Bloods and the Crypts - also are of great concern to them. Also participating was the Multnomah Sheriff's Office. Info on these problems will be passed on to our local law enforcement agencies.

The NACC is comprised of Crime Commissions throughout the USA. Broward County Crime Commission has been invited to become a member.

NACC President, Brook Gwartney, Director of the Tulsa, Oklahoma Crime Commission conducted the business meetings. Much information from the various Crime Commissions present was obtained regarding staffing, projects, fund-raising and general operations.

More details of this trip later.

WELCOME NEW DIRECTORS

James DePelisi, President, Investors Business Hour radio program WSBR 740am.

Steven Grenier, owner-operator, Jack's Diner on US #1 in Hollywood, FL

Barry Harris, President, Harris Bros. Concrete Co., Davie, FL.

Nick Loeb, Loeb Investments. Boca Raton, FL.

Cynthia Arevelo, Attorney, Hollywood, FL.