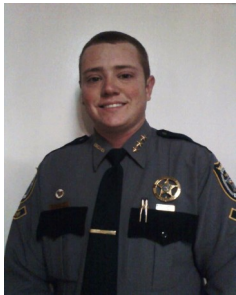




Message from the Youth President



I hope everyone had a great holiday season and a happy new year!

The January Delegates Meeting is fast approaching and the training that has been scheduled is sure to be a great learning experience and a great time for all!

With less than six months until the 2012 State Competition, we are going to begin planning the fun events that will be held each night. Please think of some activities that you would like to have take place each night as we will be discussing this at the delegates meeting at the January Delegates. The position of Secretary is also available. If you are interested in this position, please email me. I will be

appointed someone to the Secretary position to finish out the rest of this term.

I hope all of the posts that are planning on competing in the 2012 State Competition are beginning to train for the competition. This year's competition plans to be more competitive and challenging than ever before.

I hope everyone continues to make their department and the F.A.P.E. proud by continuing on with the hard work and dedication that you all put forth on a daily basis within your communities. Keep up the great work and I look forward to seeing you all in January at the Delegates Meeting in Crystal River!

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Message from the Vice President



Hello explorers,

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday season. I can't wait to see everyone at the end of the month for sims training. State competition is approaching extremely fast so I hope you are ready. Its a new year so lets make it a good one. If anyone ever needs anything or has any ideas feel free to email me or text me. Laurensanders319@aim.com, 386-

383-5869.

Lauren Sanders

2012 Youth Board Elections

Elections for the 2012 Youth Board will take place at the 2012 State Competition in Crystal River.

The following positions are available to run for:

Youth President

Vice President

North Representative

Central East Representative

Central West Representative

Southeast Representative

Southwest Representative

Youth Chaplain

The following positions will be appointed by the newly elected Youth President:

Historian

Sergeant at Arms

Secretary

Nomination forms for elected positions are due to the Executive Director, Jay Smith, no later than APRIL 30, 2012. Nomination forms can be found on the F.A.P.E. website under the State Competition tab. Elections will take place for elected positions at the 2012 State Competition and the newly elected and appointed Youth Board will be sworn in at the end of the competition during the closing ceremonies. For further information on elected and appointed youth board positions, please email Youth President Jonathan Hall at jhall517@gmail.com.

Message from the

Central West Representative

It is customary for my article to be about activities in my region or updates for the delegates meeting. This time, I believe that all that information is in the other representative's articles. Instead, I will tell you of my adventure at the International SWAT Round Up. My father recently left his job with Blackhawk! Products Group to pursue a career with Florida Bullet. As his daughter, I have become accustomed to helping him at various law enforcement conferences by setting up the displays and now the retail store. However, this was my first trip to the SWAT Round-Up. I also got to use my dynamic selling skills, which were perfected by my other job at a Publix bakery, and sell gear to all the officers and visitors. This time was unique because I got the opportunity to network with officers from around the world while cheering on my department's SWAT team. We worked straight through lunch every day but we ate dinner at the most spectacular restaurants with some inspiring officers and vendors. I was able to introduce international officers to different American law enforcement supply lines. I spent twenty minutes finding the perfect pair of BDUs for an English guy. He did not want a tie at the bottom and they had to be short enough to show his ankles. Apparently, Englishmen like to show some skin. I hung out with other vendors that go to all the shows with us. I used my charm to get free stuff like a Streamlight flashlight, a Blackhawk knife, and I got fitted for a new bullet resistant vest that arrived last week (with a note from the manufacturer, apparently it was the smallest vest they have ever made). Basically, I enjoyed Christmas a month early. My favorite moment at this year's Round-Up did not include the free gear or great food. I was giving Mike Alstott, former Buccaneers fullback, a tour of the Round-Up and introducing him to some of St. Pete's SWAT team members. A man approached us and said he was with a group of injured veteran's and one of them was Mike's biggest fan. The veteran was 24 year's old and was recovering from an explosion while serving in Iraq. He walked with a limp and his head was bandaged. Despite the pain, he was ecstatic when he met Mike and immediately posed for pictures.



Message from the

North Representative

Hello Explorers. I hope you guys have been having a wonderful year. Practicing a lot for state. Some Of have lost some officers in the line of duty this year. If you ever need someone I'm here. My number got change it is [863-844-2158](tel:863-844-2158) now. I hope i get to see everyone this summer at the competition. Sorry i wont be making it to the January delegates but i will be for the next one. You guys have fun and Stay safe.

-Exp. Lally #602



Message from the

Sergeant At Arms

My name is Alex Boseke and I'm 18 years old just graduated from Winter Haven High School and fixing to go to college for Criminal Justice. I have been with the Winter Haven Police Explorers for 4 years now and I started when I was invited to one of the meetings and I liked it so much that I have joined and now I'm Sergeant of the Police Explorers. After college I'm planning on going into the Police Academy to become an Officer. The reason I got picked for Sergeant Of Arms for the Association of Explorers is because I know that I will do my duties as to make sure there is order in the meetings and nobody gets out of line when speaking.



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**Message from the
Central East Representative**

Hey guys it's Anthony Polidora, your central east representative, hope everyone is doing well! I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the January delegates meeting and at state competition. I hope everyone is training hard for states and is learning a few new things. Also if you or your post is interested in attending the Central Florida Law Enforcement Academy let me know and I can get the information for you guys. I was glad to see members of my region attend last year and I hope more of you guys look into it! I hope everyone had a great holiday and look forward to seeing you soon! If you guys have questions or suggestions feel free to contact me via facebook or my email. (on the right hand side of the newsletter) I am looking forward to seeing you guys at the January delegates meeting in a few weeks!



Do you want to have the drill competition brought back to the 2012 State Competition?

If so, email jhall517@gmail.com expressing your posts commitment to compete in the drill competition.

We need 11 posts to commit in order to have a drill team competition this year.

**2012 F.A.P.E.
STATE
COMPETITION**

SCENARIOS

1. ACTIVE SHOOTER
2. CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION
3. TRAFFIC CRASH INVESTIGATION
4. TRAFFIC STOPS
5. IN PROGRESS
6. CRISIS INTERVENTION
7. SEARCH AND ARREST
8. TIE BREAKER
9. EVOC
10. BIKE COURSE
11. COLOR GUARD

**Message from the
South West Representative**

Hey guys I would like to learn more about the posts in the Southwest region that I am representing. If you could please email me information about your post, trainings, details etc, that would be great. Thanks.

Master Sergeant Robert Pierce
Explorer Post 411



Message from the

Chaplain

Courageous:

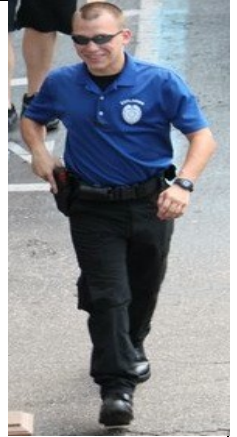
For many of us we participate in ride a longs, we have observed some things that have changed our perspective of life at such a young age. We have seen officers who have defused hasty situations and helped save lives or simply just turn a bad situation into a good one. One day, these officers will possibly us and if it isn't us, then you'll be out in society in some other career. In whatever position you are in, you will somehow be affecting someone else's life. We will need to possess courage in everything we do and represent our morals and codes.

Which now brings me to the title, "courageous"; courageous is defined as "possessing or displaying courage". In other words, it's the action of having courage. It is time we show this courage in certain areas of our lives. What areas? I am glad you were thinking about asking me that! Let's use **1st Timothy 4:12** which read, "**Let no man despise your youth, but be an example to them that believe, in word, in manner of life, in love, faith, and in purity**". Time out, hold, stop, it reads, "**Be an Example**". It's time we become an example in these areas. Men like the one I encountered are in our schools, our work places, and our society. They need people who are courageous enough to step up and be the example in some the areas I am about to discuss with you.

First, **in the word and speech**; how are you talking to people? Condescending or are you encouraging people? Reason I am asking is it is important to monitor how you talk to people. Words have the ability to create or destroy some ones day. Second, **in the manner you live** your life. Are you being a hypocrite? Practice what you preach. One of the things I first learned is someone is always watching you. Third, **in love**, people need to be loved and it is basic nature to need it. This doesn't require you being all clingy but you need to show people empathy. It is important to show people you care. In the end of the day, you won't be judged for how many people you've arrested but how many lives you helped. Fourth, **in faith**, faith is the evidence of the things unseen. I encourage everyone reading this article, when things get hard, that is your faith being tested and do not let go of it. Last, **in purity**, purity is by far the hardest thing in my opinion that everyone struggles with. I am not going to have the "birds and bees" talk. That isn't where I am going with this point, what I am saying, is we need to keep pure thoughts, pure actions, and a pure heart. Thoughts meaning we shouldn't become negative and we shouldn't judge those who are less fortunate. My advisor told me on my first ride along that "**it is choices that put us in the front and them in the back**". Actions in that we aren't pushing our own agendas what we are purely helping those who need it. Last, a pure heart, keep your intentions true and be true to yourself. Be constantly renewing yourself and your faith.

In our society we need people to step up and be **courageous**. We can be the generation that finally breaks the chains and changes society. But if we want to truly change this world for the better we need to be **courageous** in the areas we discussed today!

I look forward to seeing everyone in Crystal River this January! I would appreciate if you sent me some feedback on this article. God Bless!



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2011 January Delegates Meeting and Pistol Competition

Crystal River, FL

January Delegates Meeting

Plantation on Crystal River
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Crystal River, Fl. 34429

\$82.00 Per Night (maximum occupancy 4 per room)

Contact Starla Hayes for all Reservations

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Registration Deadline Monday January 9, 2012

Agenda

Friday January 20, 2012

1600-2100hrs Hotel registration
1930-2100hrs Adult/Youth Board Meeting
2230-0600hrs Curfew

Saturday January 21, 2012

0800-1200hrs Simunitions Training - Location TBA
1200-1300hrs Lunch
1300-1530hrs Simunitions Training
1600-1700hrs Delegates Meeting - Location TBA
1700-1900hrs Dinner
1900-2230hrs Dance - Plantation Inn
2230-0600hrs Curfew

Sunday January 22, 2012

0800-1200hrs Firearms Competition (Citrus County Gun Range)