

Over 900 Cop Books

Police-Writers.com, a website dedicated to listing state and local police officers who have authored books, surpassed a listing of 900 books written by police officers. According to the website's editor, Lieutenant Raymond E. Foster, LAPD (ret.), MPA, "It's quite a milestone, but there are over 250 police officers whose works are yet to be included!"

March 28, 2007 (FPRC) -- The 901st listed book was written by Robert R. Surgenor, a retired detective from the Berea Police Department (Ohio). In 1987, he was one of the first police officers to mount a video camera in his police vehicle; and, in 1988 that camera captured one of the world's first police chases. In 1995, Robert Surgenor was assigned to the detective bureau and was placed in charge of the juvenile crime unit. His extensive studies on juvenile crime, gangs, parental authority and discipline led to the writing of his book *No Fear: A Police Officer's Perspective*.

He has made numerous television appearances supporting his position that "spanking is a necessary part of child rearing." As an example, he has appeared on MS-NBC, Fox News and other talk shows. According to his website, "he continues to educate parents, police officers, prosecutors, and judges, about Ohio's Child Abuse laws and parental rights in raising children."

Ovid John McLaughlin, known as O.J., is a 34 year veteran of the Toledo Police Department (Ohio). O.J. attended the now closed DeVilbiss High School in Toledo where he was All-City in both Football and Wrestling.

He attended the University of Toledo, where he played football for one year before playing two years of semi-professional football in Toledo. He joined the Toledo Police Department and during his career has worked in Communications, Traffic Section, Records Section and Street Patrol; and, had a number of commendations during his career

His book, *Tales from the Bat Cave*, is a look at policing during the 1960s and 1970s. According to the book description, "The "kick ass and take names" days are gone. Police work nowadays is more the "touchy-feely" way. During this era of police work the Officers carried .38 revolvers, did not have portable radios, copy machines, computers and bulletproof vests were the exception rather than the norm. The vests that were worn by officers in this era were the old-fashioned flak vests that weighed about thirty-five pounds."

Joseph Niehaus is a lieutenant with the Kettering Police Department (Ohio). He has authored five books. Two of Lieutenant Joseph Niehaus' books concern hypnosis; and, one, *Investigative Forensic Hypnosis*, looks at the use of hypnosis in law enforcement. He is also the author two novels, *Beware the Whale's Wake* and *Fade Out*.

Police-Writers.com now hosts 423 police officers (representing 185 police departments) and their 901 books in six categories, there are also listings of United States federal law enforcement employees turned authors, international police officers who have written books and civilian police personnel who have written books.

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