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# My Sap

By Joseph Andalina

he cute fellow that is pictured here is a sap. My sap. This is my sap.

There are many others like it, but this one is mine. My sap is my best friend. It is my life. I must master it, as I must master my life. Without me, my sap is useless. Without my sap, I am useless. I must use my sap true.

I must hit everyone who is trying to hurt me. I must defend myself, colleagues, and be master of my enemy. So be it, unless there is no enemy, only peace.

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Okay, maybe I overdid it a little. Some of you will recognize the above dialogue from the Full Metal Jacket film from the 80s. It is tortuous to watch, but as entertaining as can be watching Lee Emery put "the boys" through the trials of Marine boot camp. He, in the original, is referring to his rifle and how the recruits better look after it. Their lives depend on it.

Well, getting back to "my sap," as a new recruit at my old barn, the sap was a department issue. The uniform pants had a little pocket just to hold this little treasure. And treasure it was. I named this little fellow Mr. Bill. Not at first, but after the SNL snippets on the indestructable Mr. Bill episodes. I renamed it Mr. Bill from his original name of Topo Gigio (of Ed Sullivan fame, and yes, I am that old).

You can see the photo of Mr. Bill on this page with his demented look of shock. And yes, that would be the last thing a very bad person gets to see if Mr. Bill came out of his little green pocket. I, on the other hand, would see the sleeping face side that would tell me that Mr. Bill was used correctly on the very bad person and was too, in fact, fast asleep on the pavement before me. You can see this picture too, on another page in this issue.

When I started my career, after we invaded the South during the Civil War, departments only supplied us Yankees with a nightstick and the wonderful sap.

We had to purchase our own firearms and for me, it was the .357 blue steel Highway Patrolman revolver Model 44.



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# **Chaplain's Column**

By: Thomas Ross

new year, a new era and a new Justice Dept. I am hopeful and hope you share the hope. Times have been very difficult for the cop on the beat and overall I see how well our law enforcement has handled this pressure and continued to do the good work you do every day. I think it has not been without bringing more pressure and stress to your jobs. The trials, sufferings, and challenges of our life come. What they look like may depend on the way we live our life, but to each person they do come. What we do with the stress that comes with it makes all the difference. When we learn to manage it, we start taking positive steps toward living that peace-filled life where we are effec-

Stress has been known to overcome us, if not managed. Stress shows up in our Emotions: Becoming easily agitated, frustrated, and moody — feeling overwhelmed. Having difficulty relaxing and quieting your mind. Feeling bad about yourself (low self-esteem), lonely, worthless, and depressed and avoiding others

It shows up in Physical Signs of Stress: Low energy-Headaches; upset stomach system; insomnia, and nervousness. And in the way we think. Constant worrying; racing thoughts, being pessimistic or seeing only the negative side

I found some thoughts on managing stress that I can see apply to each of us as we go about our lives.

- 1. Slow down, and take one thing at a time. Not everything has to be done today.
- 2. Don't sweat the small stuff, the sun will come up, the world will keep turning.

3. Ask instead of guessing – guessing what someone else is thinking just does not work



- 4. Balance work or family life with rest, no matter how much you think must get done
- 5. Be 10 minutes early wherever you
- 6. SMILE at yourself every single day. And then smile at someone who does not deserve it!
- 7. Read a book, reading books takes us to new experiences
- 8. Focus 10% on the problem and 90% on the solution. Problems remain problems until they are solved.
- 9. A recent study has confirmed again that exercise helps reduce the occurrence and severity of depression. So let's get up and get moving!
- 10. The study indicates people who exercise 3 to 4 times a week have 70% less occurrence and severity of depression! 70%!!! With exercise, the brain releases those chemicals in short supply when we fight depression.

So, why not consider some of these points? Stay safe, watch out for each other. Happy Easter to our Christian friends. ENJOY family and friends and look forward to spring.

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**Chief's Follies** 

By: Joseph Andalina

Since I was in Florida, let me start with a couple of gems in the Land of Sun, alligators, rattlers, and cockroaches.

### A cockroach? You be the judge

John Michael Fleig served time in prison in 1997, twenty years ago, for being an accessory to a murder in Maryland. Apparently, according to the Tampa Bay Tribune article, he supplied a gun used in the killing of a friend's uncle and was the driver for the shooter to and from the murder scene. He testified against the shooter and got five years.

In his attempt to be mayor now in St. Petersburg, where he is a candidate, he states that he was not involved in the crime and was threatened if he did not keep quiet. So he concealed the crime from the police. And it came out in court that the shooter discussed with Fleig that he intended to kill the target by shooting him and cutting his head off with a shovel.

Fleig told him you can't do that to an old man, and you can at least have enough respect to (just) shoot him. What a guy, huh?

He showed the killer how to use the .380 and after the crime, threw the weapon over a highway overpass.

At the time while in Maryland, his charges were considered a misdemeanor. I know! That's what I thought, too! Now it would be a

felony.

He believes his past of 20 years ago should not impact his run for mayor. Well, why not I say? Plenty of a-hole mayors around —just look. And he apparently did talk the killer out of cutting off the victim's head with a shovel.

A good thing to have on one's resume.

### **More from St Pete's**

In the just dumb category, the current mayor of St Petersburg, Rick Kriseman, apparently does not like the Trumpster.

He earlier had tweeted this:

from entering St. Petersburg until we fully understand the dangerous threat posed by all Trumps."

It was a playful tweet according to the Tampa press, even though he went on MSNBC and appeared on Israeli radio discussing this tweet.

It was tongue-in-cheek, says the

Yep, you have to say something. The Donald does not appear to me to be a "tongue-in-cheek" kind of guy.

### Gee, tell us how you really feel?

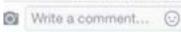
Here's another good one from an annoying alderman in Chicago.

### from the Oval Office.

"I am hereby barring Donald Trump

mayor now.

John Arena am not ready to cead this country to the racist. classist, knuckle-dragging and generally subhuman puddle of DNA that makes up the base of Trump supporters. We have made too much progress since scrubbing the Bush idiocy





And he doesn't see the hypocrisy of his Facebook post?

Alderman John Arena

· February 8 at 5:36pm

I am saddened to see such hateful imagery and language occur in one of Jefferson Park's former beloved Catholic schools and soon-to-be-home of a pre-k center. Now more than ever, we must open our hearts and minds to one another and be accepting of our differences. I hope we, as a community, can take a moment to reflect on this incident and look for ways to be more neighborly towards one another.

### More idiocy in Chicago

We all know the Rahm dude is a vexing personality. What, with the suppression of "that" video, his cops acting "fetal," his crocodile "tears" and

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# **Legislative News**

by: Joseph Andalina

### **Federal Level**

Well, on this level, the Trumpster is our new president. Congratulations on a grass roots, middle America triumph. It was interesting, even though the whole process was really gruesome.

Half the folks love him.

Half the folks despite him.

He looks and sounds grateful and I believe he will do a great job for those half who love him. But that's how it always goes. There is nothing new here.

If he makes America great again, that would be a good thing.

However, labor-wise, I'm not so sure. His conservative pick for the US Supreme Court will most likely not be labor friendly, and I'm pretty sure labor issues dealing with collective bargaining, dues, and right to work, to name three issues, will be in jeopardy.

#### State

Ahh, closer to home. Everyone is still fighting and resisting. Madigan will not agree to Rauner's turnaround agenda plan to get a balanced budget, or even a budget. But that's good for us — or those of us who collectively bargain or have a contract.

If the House or Senate cave, you will see a definite erosion of your wages, benefits, and pensions.

Rauner will not stop until he wins or fails in his re-election bid. He is determined to destroy your economic livelihood if you are in public service. And the press and the public, for the most part, are supporting him.

Let's hope Madigan holds his party together in an effort to save our contractual rights. Otherwise, there will be a whole lot of shaking going on, and it will be very painful to your career.

### **New Laws**

Over 200 new laws have been heralded in as of January 1st. Here are a few beauties:

- Any store selling synthetic drugs as "bath salts" will be in deep trouble. Fines up to \$150,000.
   Moral: don't bathe in anything that can make you high.
- Mary Jane: No more going to the pokey for 10 grams or less of holding onto that bombalatche.
   But more than that and you suddenly become a bad person.
- Hungry: If you are poor and you're in school, you will get fed by the school. Breakfast, that is — which I've been told is the most important meal of the day.
- Taps: Yes, those taps. If you are a student and want to go to a funeral and play taps, you must be excused from school. I hear registration to learn how to play a trumpet have risen 500 percent.
- Driver Education chaos: Students will be taught how to behave if the fuzz stops them. Videos will show what could happen if you swear at a cop, refuse to exit your vehicle,

- tear up your ticket, kick the officer, have a weapon, or put your vehicle in reverse while driving to run over the nice policeman. And how to contact the Reverend Al.
- Employees on line: No longer can your boss demand a password or user name for social media. I bet it won't apply to cops. So beware.
- Catfish: ...makes my nature rise (Temptations tune). In this law, you can now use your pitchfork, spear gun or bow and arrow to catch dinner. (Probably the dumbest of dem dere new laws.
- Juvenile delinquent law: Raises the age from 13 to 15 for minors to have a lawyer for a murder interrogation, because of course all you detectives just want to frame and trick the little devils.
- It's official: The pirogue (canoe) is our new state artifact. At first I thought that was the Polish dumpling food, but "the blonde" straightened me out on that one.
- Cutting off your tootsies: Will only be defined as a amputation if it's limited to "10 centimeters proximal to the tibiotalar articulation." How long did it take our lawmakers to figure out what a "tibiotalar articulation" was?
- Doggies: SB3129 gives police officers first preference to adopt their police dogs. It's about time. Now the meanie chief can no longer prevent your loyal partner from being with their family once the

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### **Chief's Follies**

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a plethora of mistrust that surrounds him comes this goodie.

The city wants to "relax" hiring standards to pull in more blacks and Hispanic officers. I'll let their union handle this insanity, but I ask this question.

Doesn't this insult black and Latino men and women that their standards of hiring have to be "relaxed" or lowered than white or Asian candidates?

I would be royally pissed if they told me Italians have a lower standard to be a cop. It's demeaning.

But here's my advice to Rahm. In or-

der to maybe raise your IQ in all these issues, maybe you should just stand on a chair.

### Anybody need a tow?

Lake County Sheriff John Buncich and Portage Mayor James Snyder, and others were recently charged with Federal crimes of corruption.

An oldie but a goodie: routine towing and payoff deal which involves that time tested trick of soliciting and accepting money from tow truck companies. It's called bribery and wire fraud, folks. A common thing from the leaders of some of our communities.

The sheriff alone is said to have received \$25k in cash bribes and \$7k in checks.

I guess we could say – those of us who don't know history are doomed to repeat it.

Editor: Well, that's it for now. Join us next time in the Land of Oz, where Dorothy is an exotic dancer wearing only the ruby slippers and a well-positioned Toto the dog.

# **Chaplain's Column**

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\*PASTOR: "Will everyone please turn on their tablet, PC, iPod, smart phone, and Kindle Bibles to 1 Corinthians,13:13. And please switch on yourBluetooth to download the sermon."\*

P-a-u-s-e.....

"Now, Let us pray committing this week into God's hands. Open your Apps, BBM, Twitter and Facebook, and chat with God"

\*S-i-1-e-n-c-e\*

"As we take our Sunday tithes and offerings, please have your credit an debit cards ready."

"You can log on to the church Wi-Fi

using the password 'Lord 909887.'

The ushers will circulate mobile card swipe machines among the worshipers:

- Those who prefer to make electronic fund transfers are directed to computers and laptops at the rear of the church.
- Those who prefer to use iPads can open them.
- Those who prefer telephone banking, take out your cell phones to transfer your contributions to the church account.

The holy atmosphere of the Church becomes truly electrified as ALL the smart phones, iPads, PCs and laptops beep and flicker!

Final Blessing and Closing Announcements.

- This week's ministry cell meetings will be held on the various Facebookgroup pages where the usual group chatting takes place. Please log in and don't miss out.
- Thursday's Bible study will be held live on Skype at 1900hrs GMT.
   Please don't miss out.
- You can follow your Pastor on Twitter this weekend for counseling and prayers.

\*God bless and have a nice day. \*
And Jesus wept....

# **Garrity, Weingarten & UPODA**

By: Jerry Marzullo, MAP Staff Attorney

There are two seminal cases that every Metropolitan Alliance of Police member should be aware of. Those two cases are "Garrity" and "Weingarten." A short synopsis of the two cases is below:

### Garrity v. New Jersey (1967)

In June 1961, the New Jersey Supreme Court directed the state Attorney General to investigate reports of "ticket fixing" in the townships of Bellmawr and Barrington. During the investigation, six employees came under suspicion: three from Bellmawr, including a police officer, a court clerk, and Police Chief Edward Garrity; and three from Barrington, all police officers.

Before being questioned, each employee was advised that:

- 1. Anything s/he said might be used in a criminal proceeding;
- 2. S/he had the privilege to refuse to answer if the answer would tend to be self-incriminatory;
- 3. Refusal to answer would be cause for removal from office.

Each employee then answered questions, and some of their answers were used over their objections in subsequent prosecutions, which resulted in their convictions for conspiracy to obstruct the administration of the traffic laws. The employees appealed their convictions, arguing that their statements were coerced and thus in violation of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments. Their convictions were upheld by the State Supreme Court, and they appealed their convictions to the United States Supreme Court.

### Issue

"... whether a State, contrary to the requirement of the Fourteenth Amendment, can use the threat of discharge to secure incriminatory evidence against an employee."

### Holding

The decision of the New Jersey Supreme Court was reversed. The employees' convictions were overturned.

### Reasoning

- "The threat of removal from public office... rendered the resulting statements involuntary and therefore inadmissible in the state criminal proceedings."
- "The choice given petitioners either to forfeit their jobs or to incriminate themselves constituted coercion."
- "The choice imposed on petitioners was one between self-incrimination or job forfeiture."
- "The option to lose their means of livelihood or to pay the penalty of self-incrimination is the antithesis of free choice to speak out or to remain silent."
- "Policemen, like teachers and lawyers, are not relegated to a watered-down version of constitutional rights."
- "We now hold that the protection of the individual under the Fourteenth Amendment against coerced statements prohibits use in subsequent criminal proceedings of statements obtained under threat of removal from office, and that it extends to all, whether they are policemen or other members of our body politic."

### **Commentary**

This case and its progeny have become a critical part of public sector labor relations, particularly in law enforcement. Garrity-related issues have also become increasingly common in publicly operated nursing home facilities, where allegations of resident abuse sometimes arise. All citizens have the constitutional right not to be compelled by the government to incriminate themselves. This does not change simply because one is employed by the government itself. If public employees did not have Garrity protection, they would have fewer rights than other citizens.

# National Labor Relations Board v. Weingarten (1975)

If you are a union member, you have a right to have union representation at any interview or meeting that could lead to disciplinary action against you. Weingarten established

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## My Sap

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A really nice weapon that I still possess and look at when I need to remember what rookie policing was like. I caress the banged up and notched wooden grip in memory of how many times it fell out of my holster while chasing a very bad guy.

My sap never fell out as I was always holding it while in pursuit. We carried no pepper spray or high powered firearms. Only .357s with .38 ball ammunition. That was our chief's version of being politically correct in those far off days.



There were no speed loads, just a pouch or pockets for ammo. No tazers or battery operated stunners. And no, we never had to get hit with a sap by our supervisor if we chose to carry one.

Unlike the poor saps — excuse the pun — who were forced to endure a stun gun or stick your head in a bucket of pepper spray, albeit to experience

what a very bad guy would feel if he got stunned or sprayed. Beyond stupid was that rule. Do they still make you do that?

They don't make you get shot, struck with a nightstick, or get tazed, bro, so why the other stuff? Well, because they needed guinea pigs to make sure it was non-lethal. And many cops got conned. Not me. Stick the pepper spray in your arse, Sarge. No offense to my sergeants. I don't need to get stunned to tell you that it f\*\*\*ing hurts. Just call my partner, he wants to be promoted. He will do it and take one for the team. But I digress.

Well, since I imagine my sap would hurt a very bad guy, the department cleared its use but eventually forbade the carry of my most beloved sap. But it was a joy to behold. I really liked Mr. Bill.

Here's the proper usage in case you are curious. You are chasing a very bad guy. You can't shoot him, so you catch him. He has no weapon but his huge "hillbilly clubs" (arms) and strikes you. You pick up your butt and jump into the fray, swinging Mr. Bill from east to west or west to east, depending on your perspective.

That little piece of lead encased in finely stitched black leather strikes the soft flesh of the very bad guy. You hear a screech as old Mr. Bill comes down on the sap's head. (See what I did there — the sap hits the sap.) The very bad guy fights no more.

He is arrested and booked and since we tended to know all the hill folk who fought with us every weekend, the next morning's conversation would go something like this:

Very Bad Man: Hi Officer Andalina. I'm sorry I punched you last night. I'm sorry.

**Me**: That's okay, Kevin. I'm sorry I hit you with my sap. I brought you some donuts. Are you making bond?

And then we would sit over \$.50 coffee from the gas station and talk about the Cubs, who were nowhere near winning anything and nobody cared.

When the very bad man bonded after we gave him medical treatment (which consisted of a couple of aspirin and free band aids), we waited until next week when it would happen all over again.

After a while, Mr. Bill (Topo) became a legend in this time in middle earth. Stories abounded as to whether Mr. Bill was a real person — like Popeye Doyle of the French Connection. After a few hits, nobody who was a very bad guy wanted to meet Mr. Bill.

And after providing peace and tranquility in the Land That Time Forgot, where did Mr. Bill eventually go when he was finally shelved?

Well, actually he went on my shelf where I look at him once in a while. But he is hoping to rise again and fight crime against a very bad guy.

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If that happens, he will be my gift to a new starry-eyed rookie when once more he can fight evil everywhere and save us or the department from a very bad guy. Oooh noooo Mr. Bill.

The End

Vita é bella

Editor's note: In an effort to provide the best in literary excellence and critical thinking, we ask you to rate this article by completing the survey in Bits n Pieces. Thank you.



# **Legislative News**

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dog retired. In the world of stupid, it's a good thing, as some brass were known to be hard asses over the adoptions.

### Now for some oldies but goodies

To illustrate how dumb lawmakers have been in the past, they once forbade us to:

- Drink whiskey out of a bucket while sitting on a curb in Chicago
- Eating in a restaurant if it's on fire
- Take your French Poodle to the opera

- Go out in public if you're diseased, maimed, mutilated or otherwise a "disgusting" looking object
- Wear shorts while riding a horse if you are over 200 pounds and a woman

And my all-time favorite:

 You cannot go fishing if you are sitting on the neck of your giraffe.

Yes, this is why we have lawmakers and go crazy over political elections.

Later.

### **Bits n Pieces**

By: Joseph Andalina

### **Thoughts and Prayers**

Our deepest and heartfelt condolences to the family of **Bloomingdale Officer Raymond Murrell**.

He was taken from us all too soon when he was killed in an auto accident while responding to a call in his town.

Our thoughts and prayers are with him.

### Officer of the Year

Officer Bartek Giera has been named Mount Prospect Police Department's officer of the year. He was honored at a recent village board meeting, along with three runners-up.

He serves as a foreign language translator, speaking Polish, and also works as a breath test operator. But it was his ability to capitalize on seemingly routine traffic stops that lifted him to the top among his peers in 2016.

Also nominated were Officer
Maureen Kerrigan, Officer Nick
Mavraganis, and Investigator Alison
Teevan. Congratulations!

### Rate My Sap.

The survey should not take you more than 1½ hours. That's from like 1300 to 1430 or something. Chiefs will be granted an extra ½ hour if they can't find their crayons.

- Press down firmly and use a No. 1500 pencil, except for chiefs who can substitute colored pencils for crayons.
- Rate this article from 1 to 350. One being a one digit number, and 350 being a three digit number.

Joe, you are:

- So funny
- LMAO
- You are kidding, right?
- Who approved this crap?
- LMFAO
- I'm dying here
- No, literally, dying
- It gave me gas
- You are making America great again
- I'm in that basket of deplorables and can't get out
- You stink
- You're a dork
- You're cute for an old guy
- Did you dye your hair?
- I stopped reading after My...
- I can't read. When does the audio book come out?
- Why were you born?
- No wonder chiefs hate you
- I will follow you anywhere (this one was signed by Scarlett Johansson)
- Please stop
- Please don't stop
- You're a vermicious knid
- Try again next issue

### Major News of Believe it or Not

A prison inmate revolt led to four

hostages being taken at the James T. Vaughn Correction Center in Delaware. One hostage had died before officers took control.

One inmate said that the reason for the takeover included "Donald Trump — everything he did and everything he is doing."

I guess there is a first time for everything.

# Are you dying for more Death Penalty News?

I thought so. Every time I figure to delete this stuff, as it is most demoralizing, I read about the depraved crimes of the monsters among us and the nose bleeds who cook up ideas to make us feel sorry for them and save their lives.

Christopher Wilkins recently met his maker in Virginia after many appeals based on what, you may guess? Yes! If you guessed that his attorney did a bad job, you get a free ticket to Disney World.

He killed three people in 2005 because they dissed him or some other terrible act that equaled being shot. Bye-bye, Mr. Wilkins. Have a nice trip.

Richie Gray also in Virginia found the lethal injection last January, too. He slaughtered a family of four, including 9-year old and 4-year old girls. He didn't just end their lives — he beat them all, stabbed them, and cut their throats. Then he stole a computer, wedding ring, and some cookies. Yes, cookies.

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### **Contract Corner**

### **Steve Calcaterra**

#### Westchester

Wages retro full retro: 2014, 2.5%; 2015, 2.25%; 2016, 2.25%

Uniform allowance increased: 2014, \$875; 2015, \$875; 2016,\$900

Election of grievance arbitration for discipline established. Establishment of rights regarding medical and psychological examinations

Early Retirement Incentive created, up to \$20,000.

Established Critical Incident Investigation protocol. Established guidelines and restrictions on review of squad car audio/video cameras. Established an academy reimbursement obligation for new hires.

Increased vacation time by an additional 5-12.5 hrs per year depending on seniority. Beneficial clarification to disability policy.

Improved shift bidding rules. Clarified Officer In Charge procedure. Clarified Overtime Procedure. Improved bulletin board rules. Clarified educational incentive.

Modified drug and alcohol testing rules with restrictions on discipline for initial violation

### **Jerry Marzullo**

### **Hoffman Estates Sergeants**

Three-year agreement. 2% wage increase per year.

Newly promoted sergeant to receive initial \$1,000 uniform allowance in addition to \$750 yearly.

Insurance premium went from 11% to 12% eff. 1/1/18.

\$250 Increases to each longevity step (15 years, 20 years, 25 years).

Tier two Sergeants wage scale eliminate Step 1 of pay scale so only four years to top step instead of five years to top step.

### **Keith Karlson**

#### **Clarendon Hills**

Retro to 5/1/2016: 1.5%. 2017, 2.25%; 2018,2.5%

The departmental work schedule and overtime pay language was clarified.

The language on grievances was modified to allow for "class action

grievances," a step was removed from the procedure, and selection of arbitrators was changed to follow MAP guidelines.

Vacation time was changed to hours from working days.

Sick leave was modified to allow for time off for childbirth and to cover illness or injury of family members.

The clothing allowance was increased.

### **Glenwood**

Wages: Retroactive to 1/1/2015, 2.25% Retroactive to 1/1/2016, 2.5%. 1/1/2017, 2.5% with \$1,000 added to base. 1/1/2018 - 2.5%

Clarification to shift bidding. Clarification to seniority for scheduling of overtime.

New purge of personnel records language where reprimands over 18 months old are not considered toward other discipline.

Educational incentive sunsets on 1/1/2017 as \$1,000 is added to the base pay on that date.

# Quote:

The smallest evil, if neglected, will reach the greatest porportions.

-Pliny the Younger Lawyer, author, and Magistrate 61-113 AD



# **Garrity, Weingarten & UPODA**

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this basic entitlement and the procedures for when and how union reps may participate in interviews. Collectively, these rules are referred to as "Weingarten rights."

The actual lawsuit that led to the establishment of Weingarten rights involved an employee at a lunch counter. Laura Collins was accused of stealing and interviewed by the store manager and a loss prevention specialist. The company believed Collins had taken a large box of chicken but paid only for a small box. Collins said she took only four pieces of chicken - the amount customers receive in a small box - but had to put it in a large box because the store was out of small boxes. Her story checked out, and Collins was cleared.

During the interview, Collins asked several times for her union rep or shop steward, but the company wouldn't grant her request. Although management asked Collins to keep the interview to herself, Collins told her shop steward about it and the union filed an unfair labor practice charge against the company. Ultimately, the Supreme Court decided that an employee is entitled to union representation for investigatory interviews.

### When Weingarten Applies

An employee who reasonably believes that an investigatory interview could lead to discipline is entitled to ask for union representation. An investigatory interview is a meeting with management at which the employee will be questioned or asked to explain his or her conduct, and which could lead to disciplinary action against the em-

ployee. The employer is not obligated to inform employees of their Weingarten rights or to ask whether an employee would like a union rep at a meeting or interview. The employee must affirmatively request union representation.

Once an employee requests representation, the employer may not proceed with the interview without the union representative. The employer may interview the employee with the union rep present, or refuse to allow the union rep and discontinue the interview, carrying on its investigation by other means.

# The Role of the Union Representative during a Weingarten interview

The employer is under no duty to bargain with the union representative at the investigatory interview. The rep is present only to assist the employee. For example, the rep can clarify the facts, provide additional information, or suggest possible witnesses. The employer is free to insist that the employee provide his or her own version of the events under investigation.

sion of the events under investigation. Although some employers believe they are required only to allow a union rep to observe the interview without participating, Weingarten clearly gives employees the right to assistance from the rep. At the same time, however, a rep who consistently interrupts the proceedings or instructs an employee not to answer questions has likely overstepped his or her authority. Only employees who are in a union have Weingarten rights.

In addition to Garrity and Weingarten, sworn Metropolitan Alliance of Police Officers also fall under the protection of the Illinois Uniform Police Officer Disciplinary Act ("UPODA"), 50 ILCS 725/1 et. seq.

Whenever an officer is the subject of a formal interrogation the employer is required to provide the following rights pursuant to UPODA:

- 1. The officer shall be informed in writing of the nature of the investigation. This information should be sufficient to reasonably apprise the officer of the allegations that are being investigated.
- 2. The interrogation should be at a reasonable time, of a reasonable duration and shall not subject the officer to professional or personal abuse, or offensive language.
- 3. A complete record of any interrogation is required to be made and made available to the officer under investigation without charge and without any undue delay.

  The record can be electronically recorded.
- 4. The officer has a right to legal counsel and may request counsel at any time before or during the interrogation. Once requested the employer must provide reasonable time and opportunity for the officer to obtain counsel.
- 5. No officer is required to take a polygraph test or any other test questioning by means of a chemical substance.
- 6. UPODA does not apply to officers

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**Hanover Park** Cindi Leon

Homewood

Thomas Heyne

Lake in the Hills Doug Schenk

Metra

Nancy Wheeler Morris

Eric Washburn

Mount Prospect

Joe Ziolkowski

NIU

Karen Clifton

**Northlake** Jennifer Tucker

Prospect Hts
James Deutschman
Charles Willey

**River Valley Detention** 

Lisa Carey

**Romeoville**Michael Kramer

Schaumburg Cmd Donald Muth

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Louis Argyrakis
Waukegan Sgts

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**Villa Park** Kevin Connor

West Dundee Steve Fletter

Western Springs
James Ashmore

**Wheaton Sgts** Brian Schwarting

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**Winfield** Richard Malina Congratulations to all of the officers who have been recently elected to their local boards.

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### **Bits n Pieces**

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Monster? Well, yes.

And did I mention that just days later, he slaughtered another family? He did. Both entries were through an unlocked or open front door.

He said he panicked after beating them because they kept getting back up and they scared him. His excuse? PCP. Put him on the Board — he's gone.

Ron Smith of Alabama also met his fate and more in November 2016 for the 1994 killing of a convenience store clerk.

His attorneys said this was an "avoidable disaster" since Smith, during his meeting with the reaper, gasped and coughed for about 13 minutes before croaking.

That's all? Thirteen minutes?

Finally, look up a Florida case, Hurst vs Florida in which the US Supreme Court ruled that constitutional rights of defendants were violated because their juries had too little say in recommending a sentence of death.

Too little? Too late?

I thought we were making America — Great!

### **Reptile Lives Matter**

Okay, admit it. Y'all been waiting on some slithery serpent stuff

### Python caught in Miami-Dade County.

A Florida man captured and killed an 18-foot 8-inch long Burmese Python. Holy don't constrict me, Batman!

Note the size of the fellow.



# Opening a can of beans can give you more than just gas

A Utah woman was surprised when taking out her beans from a slow cooker. Thinking it contained a burnt bean, it turned out to be the cutie in the picture attached.

No snakes on a plane here – just a snake in a can.

### How lucky can one guy be?

This 4-foot black racer was just under my condo on the beach. As Dean Martin might croon: "Ain't that a kick in the head." Much better than cockroaches!

I call this fella RED, because if he bites you, you will bleed a lot.



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# **Garrity, Weingarten & UPODA**

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charged with a criminal offense.

7. Anyone filing a complaint against a sworn peace officer must have the complaint supported by a sworn affidavit.

Remember, UPODA differentiates between "Informal Inquiry" and a "Formal Investigation." The definitions and differences are as follows:

(a) "Informal inquiry" means a meeting by supervisory or command personnel with an officer upon whom an allegation of misconduct has come to the attention of such supervisory or command personnel, the purpose of which meeting is to mediate a citizen complaint or discuss the facts to determine whether a formal investigation should be commenced.

(b) "Formal investigation" means the process of investigation ordered by a commanding officer during which the questioning of an officer is intended to gather evidence of misconduct which may be the basis for filing charges seeking his or her removal, discharge or suspension in excess of three days.

UPODA, then, applies to the Formal Investigation and not an Informal Inquiry. Basically, the Statute allows for a meeting by supervisory or command personnel with an officer in order for command to determine whether or not a formal investigation should be commenced. Once a formal investigation is commenced the above requirements of UPODA must be followed.

Remember these key takeaways:

1. You have no right to remain silent

during an employment interrogation; which is why those statements cannot be used against you in a criminal proceeding.

- 2. You have the right to Union representation during any type of questioning that may lead to disciplinary action. However, you must exercise that right; it cannot be exercised for you.
- 3. If your Department compels you to participate in a "Formal Interrogation" they must apply the above UPODA requirements.

These are key rights and responsibilities and they must be known, and exercised, by each and every MAP member! Stay safe.

# **MAP Golf Outing**



**When:** Monday, June 19, 2017 12 O'clock Noon *Shotgun Start* 

Check in begins at 11:00 AM

**Where**: The Links at Carillon 21200 S. Carillon Dr. Plainfield, IL 60544

Friendly reminder! We are no longer at Carriage Greens

**Cost**: \$110 per person for greens fees, golf cart, lunch, buffet dinner, three hour open bar, with a raffle to follow.

\$40 dinner only.

Payment by: June 1, 2017

Space is limited. FIRST PAID, FIRST RESERVED

# **Collective Bargaining Chapters**

23rd Judicial Circuit Court Clerks Addison Algonquin

Algonquin CSOs/Disp

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**Arlington Heights Barrington Hills** 

Bartlett Bensenville Bolingbrook

**Bolingbrook Civilians** Bolingbrook Sqts/Lts

Bridgeview **Buffalo Grove** Burr Ridge Sqts/Cpls Carpentersville Civilians Carpentersville Police Carpentersville Sqts CenCom E-9-1-1 Channahon

Chicago State **University Police** Chicago State

**University Sqts** Clarendon Hills

Coal City

Cook County Dispatch and Vehicle Services Cook Co DCSI Deputy

Chiefs

Cook Co Dispatch Supvs

Cook Co Social Caseworkers I and II

Cortland Crest Hill Crest Hill Sqts

Crete

Crystal Lake

Darien Police and Sqts **Darien Police Civilians** 

Des Plaines

Des Plaines Sqts/Lts **DeKalb County** 

DuPage Co Patrol/Court

DuPage Co Coroner **DuPage County** Forest Preserve

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College Elwood

Elk Grove Village Fox River Grove

Genoa Gilbert Glenwood

**Grundy County Civilians** 

Hanover Park

Hanover Park Civilians Hanover Park Sqts

Harvey Patrol Harvey Sqts Hawthorn Woods

Hazel Crest **Hickory Hills** Hoffman Estates **Hoffman Estates Sqts** 

Homewood Huntley

**IL DOC Investigators** Indian Head Park

**ISTHA** 

**ISTHA Call-takers** John Stroger Hospital

Police Sqts Johnsburg Justice Justice Sgts Lake Forest

Lake in the Hills Police

Lake in the Hills Dispatch/CSO's Lakemoor LaSalle County

LaSalle Co Correctional

Officers Lemont Lemont Sqts

Lisle Lockport Matteson Matteson Sqts Maywood Sqts

McCook

McHenry Co Crt Clerks

Mokena Momence Minooka Montgomery

Moraine Valley College

Morris Mt Prospect Mt Prospect Sqts Mundelein

Naperville Civilians Naperville Civilians

Unit 2

Naperville Sqts New Lenox Sats

Norridge Northlake Northlake Sqts North Aurora Northeastern II Campus Police Northern Illinois

University Northern Illinois **University Sergeants** Northern Illinois **Telecommunicators** Northern IL University

Security Officers Northwest Central Dispatch Oak Forest

Oak Lawn Oak Lawn Detention

Officers

Olympia Fields **Orland Park** Oswego Palos Hills Palos Park Park City Park Forest Peru T/Cs Plainfield

**Prospect Heights Prospect Heights Sqts**  Quadcom Dispatch

Riverwoods

River Valley Detention

Center Supvs Romeoville Romeoville Sqts

Roselle Round Lake Round Lake Supvs Round Lake Park

St Charles St Charles Sqts Schaumburg

Schaumburg Command

**SFFCOM** Seneca Southcom

South Barrington South Elgin South Holland

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Streamwood

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Wheaton

Wheaton Sqts/Lts Will Co Mamt Assoc Willow Springs Wilmington Winfield Winfield Sats Winnetka Woodridge

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