

Alumni Notes

70's

John Creighton (Retired) '72 Maryland, Deputy Director, United States Army Counterintelligence Center; MS ('75) American University & MS ('85) Nat'l Defense Intelligence College

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Chief Robert Cox '74 Clive, Ia Chief of Police, Clive Police Department

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Wendell Folks (Retired) '76 St. Louis Security Officer, Securitas Security

Wendell has served 27 1/2 years as a Corporal Police Officer with Federal Protective Service, Department of Homeland Security. He served 9/11, 2004 Democratic Convention, and Hurricane Rita relief. Wendell retired with 30 years of government service.

Conne Berlekamp-Burnham '76 Columbia, Mo Exercise & Evaluation Development Specialist, University of Missouri Fire & Rescue Training Institute

Dale Dortch '76 Troy, Il Outdoor Rehabilitation Counselor, State of Missouri

Colonel (Retired) Mark Reagan '76 Washington, D.C. Special Advisor, Directorate for Counterintelligence, Defense CI & HUMINT Center, Defense Intelligence Agency; Master of Strategic Studies ('02) US Army War College & MSSI ('88) Defense Intelligence College

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Terry Sandquist '79 Glencoe, Mn Career Corrections Agent (Probation Officer); MA ('80) Truman

Cindy Rudolph-Bochantin '79 St. Louis, Chief U.S. Pretrial Services Officer for the Eastern District of Missouri; MPA ('86) Southern Illinois University; graduate of Federal Judicial Center's Leadership Development Program

"No matter who I speak to, I always tell them how much I loved my time at Northeast/Truman. The foundation set there by actual practitioners as instructors (Mr. Duffy of the FBI, Mr. Doty of Juvenile, Mr. Foley of the Prosecutor's office and on and on) was invaluable. Each time we get an intern in our office, I do my best to inspire them as I was inspired." Cindy Rudolph-Bochantin

A Look at the Past In 1951, Olin (better known as “Swede”) Johnson graduated from Northeast Missouri State Teachers College (now Truman) with a Bachelors of Science in Education in Industrial Arts.



Shortly after finishing college Swede became a night sergeant for two years at the Kirksville Police Department, a municipal judge for two years, and then Sheriff at the Adair County Sheriff’s Department in 1957 when the jail was undergoing much scrutiny for lack of security and escaped prisoners. Sheriff Johnson said “the jail was so bad that tobacco cans were nailed over rat holes.” Sheriff Johnson did much to improve the condition of the jail by removing steel doors that would not close and by converting them into bunks he was able to increase the capacity of the jail. The Sheriff’s duties brought great stress to the entire family. They lived in the jail, the wife cooked everyone’s meals, and the Sheriff had to personally care for the prisoners at night.



In 1965 Swede became a patrolman for Northeast at the Division of Maintenance Services that included departments of engineering, custodial, gardening, landscape, and security patrol. Security Patrol consisted of a Chief with six patrol officers at which Swede served as one.

In the late 60’s and early 70’s great unrests and revolts to authority on college campuses were occurring nationwide. Due to threats to the president’s house Northeast established the Office of Safety and Security in 1970 where Olin became it’s first acting director. The security patrol consisted of five officers, commissioned by the Kirksville Police Department, and three non-commissioned night watchmen.

As the need for criminal justice education was on the rise Swede received his Bachelors of Science in Law Enforcement in 1975 when the program was averaging over 100 graduates a year in the mid to late 70’s. The program started offering courses in the fall of 1970 and now called Justice Systems averages 37 graduates a year.

Swede was sometimes called “Old Dad” on campus. He made the Office of Safety and Security department feel like a family and claimed the university’s students as his own kids. “If an individual ever found a slot in life, I did. I have been blessed with a whole group of young people,” he said.

Swede also served as Assistant Director and third Director for several years in the department before retiring in 1987. Swede believed in the golden rule: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. He stated, “If you practice that in everything you do, you’re going to be a good communication officer.”

80's

David Bentler '81 Phoenix,Az
APS Statewide Economic Development Manager

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Self-employed Attorney; 17 1/2 yrs Patrol Officer (Sgt-Investigations & Lt with special crime services);MPA ('93)Texas State and JD('06) Texas Tech

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Part-time Sales, Lowe's Companies

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Protective Services Specialist, Associated Electric Cooperative. Wife's name is Tracy and daughter Laney.

Jim Risner '83 Culpeper,Va
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Field Service Rep, Convergent Media Systems

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Claims Manager, West Bend Mutual Insurance Company

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Safety, Security, & Environmental Manager, Kraft Foods Global Inc

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****CHIEFS OF POLICE****

-THOSE WE KNOW THAT HAVE BECOME CHIEF OF POLICE WITHIN
THE LAST FEW YEARS-

Timothy Fitch, '89 St. Louis County, Mo Fitch joined the police force in 1983. He was born in St. Louis, grew up in Cahokia and lives near Fenton. He is married and has two children. He has a MS in Management from Fontbonne University.

Fitch, 47, rose from street patrol to supervisor to homicide detective to one of the top contenders for the chief's spot in 2004. He is well-respected and viewed by many in the department as smart and innovative. Sgt. Bob Frohne, president of the St. Louis County Police Association, said the department is in good hands. Fitch was selected over two other majors and seven captains.

At 750 officers, the department is the region's second-largest. It also has about 250 civilian employees. The force covers unincorporated areas and some municipalities under contract, and provides investigative and crime scene assistance for many communities.

Contributors: St. Louis Today

Thomas Becker, '82 Frontenac, St. Louis County, Mo

Chief Becker served as a Metropolitan Police Cadet and a Florissant Missouri Police Explorer before attending Northeast. While attending college Becker served as a St. Louis County Police Officer and worked patrol, community relations, and Tactical Operations / SWAT. After over ten years with the department he was appointed as a Special Agent with the FBI. He served in many capacities in North Carolina, Washington, D.C., and the St. Louis Field Office. Chief Becker states, "As great as the FBI is, it still takes many months or years to complete a case. Police work often allows for quicker results to community problems." When Becker became eligible to retire from the FBI he began looking for a small to medium sized police department that wanted to hire a police chief. He came upon the City





of Frontenac, a small upscale town outside of St. Louis. Chief Becker now has 21 commissioned police officers, 1 Communications Supervisor, and 5 Telecommunicators under his care. When asked why he wanted to become chief he answers, “To be able to mold a professional agency and work with its members to ensure the best quality of life possible for our residents is extremely rewarding. It is true that being a police chief is more a way of life than a job...and I love being more closely involved with the community, and appreciate having another opportunity to make a positive difference in the world.”

Dennis Cupp, '77 Moberly, Mo

Chief Cupp started with the Moberly Police Department in January 1977 doing a ten- week internship from Northeast and than was offered a job on the last day of his internship. He has served as Patrol Officer, Detective, Sergeant, Captain, Major, and Lt. Colonel and after thirty years he has been Chief for the last two years. He also serves as Regional Vice-President for Missouri Police Chiefs Association and a member of the International Chiefs of Police. Chief Cupp traces his interest in law enforcement back to high school when he was involved in a Law Enforcement Explorer Group and asked to write a paper on career goals.

Dan Taylor, '88 Canton, Il

Chief Taylor came up through the ranks and was appointed the Chief of Police a year ago. He states, “I absolutely loved my college days in Kirksville. Two of my most memorable instructors were Dr. Eichor and Dr. Frost. I feel like NMSU (Truman State) truly prepared me to be a police officer and now Police Chief.

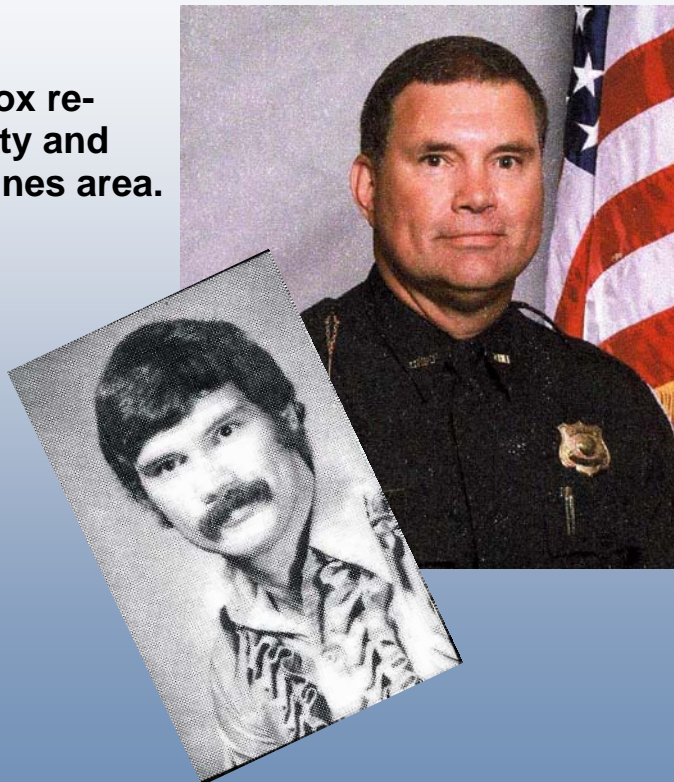
Taylor spent a great deal of his career in Special Operations working in narcotics and investigations. The Canton Police Department has 24 sworn Officers, 7 Telecommunicators, 1 Code Enforcement/Animal Control officer, 2-secretaries, and 12 Auxiliary Officers. The Canton Police Department operates on a \$2.6 million dollar budget.





Robert Cox, '74 Clive, Ia

The Clive Police Department prides itself on community policing where Chief Cox resides in the small town, but fast growing city and one of the best places to live in the Des Moines area. The department consists of 24 police officers in a community of 15,000 residents. Cox states, "In over 35 years of police work, I have never forgotten the importance of a college degree and the impact it had on my career path...In the early 1970's, those first classes served as the foundation for many aspiring police officers, juvenile officers, correctional officers, and lawyers."



After earning his degree Cox landed with the Urbandale, Iowa Police Department for a 25 year career journey. He gained a wide variety of experiences including field training, detective, Police Information Officer, Patrol Sergeant, Patrol Lieutenant, Division Commander of Criminal Investigations, Administrative Services, and Uniform Patrol.

Cox took advantage of advanced training such as the FBI National Academy and graduate courses at Drake and the University of Virginia. He is affiliated with the International Association Chiefs of Police (IACP) and the FBI National Academy Associates.

Dennis Veach, '74 Sachse, Texas

A little over a year now, Veach holds the office of Chief of Police in Sachse, a city of more than 18,000. He previously served 23 years with Columbia Missouri Police Department from officer to Deputy Chief and 9 years with Carthage Missouri Police Department as Chief. During that time he helped solve major cases including a triple-murder robbery (Columbia) and a double-murder (Carthage). He obtained his master's in Criminal Justice at Central Missouri State University as well as attending the Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar and FBI National Academy. Chief Veach states, "Too many officers get addicted to the job and let the family take a very distant second place in their life," Veach said "[Keeping family first] really is my most important accomplishment in law enforcement."

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Ashley is very involved in public policy initiatives in the Boise Valley and plans to run for Boise City Council in the near future. She sits on many land use policy/planning committees & on the Executive Committee for both Urban Land Institute Idaho District Council and the Urban Land Institute Young Leaders Board. In the last 12-months Ashley received the Idaho Business Review's "Accomplished under Forty" Award and one of the fifty "Idaho Women of the Year" Award.

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