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### **Commission Meeting Scheduled for July 27, 2017**

The next Commission Meeting is to be held at 1:00 P.M. at the Prospector Hotel and Casino, Ghost Train Room, 1501 E. Aultman, Ely, NV.

Join us in welcoming our newest employee Kayla Parsley! Kayla joined our Administrative Division in early June. She is going to be a great asset to our team!

### **POST Academy 2017-02**

The POST Basic Training Academy that begins 7/24/17 is based on submission of completed enrollment packets. POST no longer accepts names or reservations for spots in the Basic Academy so spots are chosen based on who submitted their enrollment packets to Amanda Socha on a first come first serve basis. Should the desired enrollment exceed our dorm/classroom capacity (32 cadets), the following priority will be implemented:

1. Any officer granted an extension by the Commission;
2. Rural agencies with cadets due to reach one year of employment prior to the start of the following academy;
3. State agencies with cadets due to reach one year of employment prior to the start of the following academy;
4. Rural agency cadets;
5. State agency cadets;
6. Tribal agency cadets

Should the desired enrollment exceed our capacity and the priority selection implemented, each agency will be limited to two cadet positions each (not counting alternate potential cadets).

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**Peace Officer Physical Readiness**

When you exercise regularly there are many more benefits other than just weight loss or staying in shape. Fitness helps improve all aspects of your life, including work productivity. Fitness affects your health, your ability to stay alert on duty, your production and can even make you more eligible for promotion. By not exercising regularly, you could be putting your health, your job and your partners at risk.

**Optimum Physical Health**

Being in your best Physical Health will improve your overall physical abilities. Not only can fitness reduce body weight and risk of certain medical conditions, but also can have improve cardiovascular health, which endows more stamina for any physical demands both on and off duty.

**Improves Mental Health**

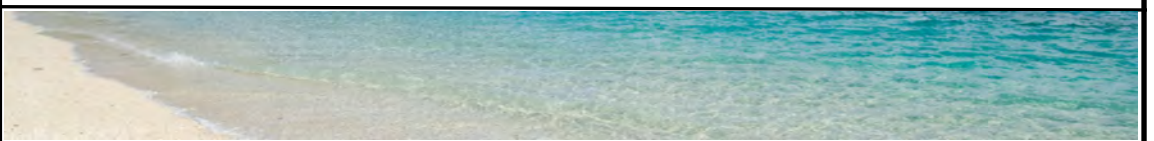
Regular exercise can help curb feelings of anxiety and depression. When you work out your brain releases serotonin which improves the state of mind, making the stressors of duty and life easier to handle. Stress dealt with constructively, can lead to improved relationships with co-workers, family members and allow for a more secure future in a taxing profession.

**Illness Prevention**

Fitness through power walking, running, weight lifting, swimming and martial arts can help reduce your risk of developing certain types of illness and disease. This means fewer sick days, improved immunity, reduced risks of developing type 2 diabetes, obesity, hypertension and heart disease – all which can interfere with work productivity and quality of life.

**Mandatory In-Service Law Enforcement Fitness**

In-Service Training of police officers has always been encouraged to enable an officer to perform more efficiently and safely. Some in-service training is mandatory by various federal or state statutes, codes or rules. Based on the limitless positive effects of fitness on officers many agencies have either offered or mandated on duty exercise. These agencies have seen fewer on duty injuries, sick days and higher production from their officers.



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## New Monitors Through DPS Grant

Nevada POST has acquired new classroom monitors through the award of a grant from the Department of Public Safety; Office of Criminal Justice Assistance. These new monitors allow instructors to use up-to-date technology to enhance the learning process for the new POST Academy Cadets as well as for Professional Development classes. These new monitors are located in our Kollar hall.



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**Shoot or Don't Shoot equipment through DPS Grant**

The case of Zuchel VS. City and County of Denver demonstrates the need for shoot and don't shoot judgement training. One of the greatest issues taken up during the case was the lack of appropriate training the Denver Police Department provided its officers.

“Scenario-based training with a judgement aspect is invaluable,” said Brian Mehrer, who serves as the Academy Commander for P.O.S.T. Cadets think they know what they are walking into when they enter a scenario but then it turns out to be something else and cadets have to adapt on the fly. Over the time span of the academy, cadets go through hours and hours of scenario training, such as “shoot and don't shoot” scenarios. “We want them to make the mistakes here, during the academy, and to have the opportunity for do-overs, because there are no do-overs in real life,” says Mehrer.

Obviously, the scenario training doesn't replace on-the-job training, however, they are a critical tool in ensuring that officers are ready to make the best decisions they can under the most difficult circumstances. The decision to shoot or not to shoot is often made in a matter of seconds, and only a thin line separates what could be a justifiable act – or a deadly mistake.

Through a grant from the Nevada Department of Public Safety, P.O.S.T. was able to purchase simunition safety equipment which is utilized in the “shoot or don't shoot” training scenarios.



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## Revised Basic Instructor Development Class Unveiled

In May of 2017 the Peace Officer Standards and Training Basic Instructor Development Class was rewritten. The rewrite has changed the course from 40 hours to 32 hours and includes the following topics of instruction: Instructional Basics, Adult Learning Concepts, Lesson Plans, Testing and Evaluation, Methods of Instruction, Effective Presentation Skills, Introduction to Instructional Media, Liability, and Student Teaching. Students must take the new B.I.D. course before they can instruct a P.O.S.T. B.I.D. class. The old B.I.D. will no longer be available to instruct after August 1, 2017.

If your agency does not have any new B.I.D. instructors and wishes to host a B.I.D. class, you may do so by contacting Academy Commander Brian Mehrer at 775-687-3359 or by email at [bmehrer@post.state.nv.us](mailto:bmehrer@post.state.nv.us). Commander Mehrer will make arrangements to instruct the class or will arrange for a B.I.D. instructor who has taken the new class to instruct. A minimum of 10 students are needed to hold a class.



The next P.O.S.T. hosted B.I.D. class will be December 4-5, and 13-14. Currently this class is full, but names are being taken for a waiting list.

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**POST Professional Certificates Awarded**

POST is proud to list the following officers that have been awarded Professional Certificates during the month of May.

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Kincaid, Dana R.; Intermediate

**Cason City SO**

Apple, Joseph T.; Intermediate

Bindley, Cody D.; Intermediate

Burnham, Terence O.; Advanced

Gibson, Michael D.; Intermediate

Loyola-Gonzalez, Israel S.; Intermediate

**Clark CO Dept. of Juvenile Justice SVCS**

Ali, Asad; Advanced and Intermediate

Knepp, Jacob G.; Advanced and Intermediate

**Clark CO School District PD**

Gilman, Steven K.; Advanced

**Douglas CO DA**

Marty, Michael F.; Intermediate

**Elko CO SO**

Bribiesca, Ana L.; Supervisor

Carroll, Aspyr L.; Supervisor

Gaylor, John D.; Supervisor

Hood, Billy V.; Supervisor

Huddleston, Richard A.; Supervisor

Moore, Michael A.; Supervisor

Myers, Charles R.; Supervisor

Oldham, Joshua N.; Supervisor

Sherwood, Shawn R.; Supervisor

Steinfeld, Vallerie; Supervisor

**Henderson PD**

Alward, Scott D.; Intermediate

Benjamins, Felicia M.; Supervisor

Mangan, Ashley L.; Advanced

**LV Metro Detention Center**

Rexroad, Derek F.; Advanced and Intermediate

Ulep, Nelita L.; Advanced

**LV Metro PD**

Arciniega, David A.; Advanced and Intermediate

Boddie, Christopher M.; Advanced and Intermediate

Boffelli, Peter A.; Intermediate

Cannon, Christopher L.; Intermediate

Colacurci, Christopher D.; Advanced and Intermediate

Dunn, Michael J.; Advanced and Intermediate

Fairweather, Michael G.; Advanced and Intermediate

Findley, Garth L.; Supervisor

Fulton, Scot A.; Advanced and Intermediate

Grivas, Chris M.; Advanced and Intermediate

Gurney, Jeffrey W.; Advanced and Intermediate

Haskins, Roger C.; Advanced and Intermediate

Hebb, Tyler J.; Advanced and Intermediate

Hendricks, Jeremy C.; Advanced and Intermediate

Johnson, Michael D.; Advanced and Intermediate

Kelly, David B.; Advanced and Intermediate

Kroening, Brian M.; Advanced and Intermediate

Larochelle, James R.; Supervisor

Leachy, Brian M.; Advanced and Intermediate

Lemire, Kevin L.; Advanced

Leon, John A.; Advanced and Intermediate

Lloyd, Erik L.; Supervisor

Longwell, Jacob D.; Advanced and Intermediate

Loucks, Christopher V.; Advanced and Intermediate

Martinez, Joshua J.; Advanced and Intermediate

McCarthy, Jason T.; Advanced

McMeans, Tyler H.; Advanced and Intermediate

Novotni, Joseph T.; Advanced and Intermediate

Oaks, James D.; Advanced and Intermediate

Pagnotta, Michael J.; Advanced and Intermediate

Peacock, Ammon D.; Intermediate

Pickens, Benjamin R.; Advanced and Intermediate

Plummer, Robert J.; Supervisor

Porter, Harrison H.; Supervisor

Pretti, Mark W.; Advanced and Intermediate

Reyes, Landon M.; Supervisor

Richard, Eric W.; Advanced and Intermediate

Rivera Jr., Manuel; Advanced and Intermediate

Roberts, Thomas A.; Management

Rundell, Richard D.; Intermediate

Santarossa, Brian; Advanced

Sarpong, Joseph; Intermediate

Schaefer, Theodore W.; Advanced and Intermediate

Thweatt, David M.; Advanced and Intermediate

Torrey, Erland J.; Advanced and Intermediate

Tucker, Christophe T.; Advanced and Intermediate

Velicescu, James J.; Advanced and Intermediate

Walt, Millard R.; Advanced and Intermediate

**Mineral CO SO**

Andrada, Gabriel J.; Supervisor

Charlie, Bret A.; Supervisor

**NV Dept. of Corrections**

Thompson, Vangela L.; Advanced

**NV Dept. of Public Safety**

Devitte, Michael J.; Advanced

Pierrott, Jorge M.; Management

Taylor, Brian E.; Intermediate

Teixeria Jr., Joseph A.; Intermediate

Triplett, Mallory F.; Advanced and Intermediate

Walden, Chase E.; Advanced

When, Matthew E.; Intermediate

**NV. Supreme Court Marshal**

Hughes, Travis W.; Intermediate

**Nye CO SO**

Cobb, Charles R.; Intermediate

**Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal PD**

Mokeski, Michael P.; Intermediate

**Reno PD**

Frank, Brock E.; Intermediate

Pleich, Keith A.; Advanced and Intermediate

**Sparks PD**

Maile, Eli E.; Advanced and Intermediate

Orr, Bryan P.; Intermediate

**Washoe CO SO**

Durham, Matthew J.; Intermediate

Nauman, Greg D.; Advanced

**Washoe CO School District**

Hartman, Matthew W.; Intermediate

**Washoe Tribal PD**

Blackeye, David W.; Supervisor

Ryan, Casey P.; Supervisor

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