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President's Message...

By Lisa Ivaldi Granzella

Courage is the ability to do something that frightens you...and I believe we can all agree that our everyday heroes embody this courage.

Every May, National Police Week remembers the officers whose lives were lost in the line of duty. The commemoration is not only to honor what they gave to protect us all, but also to acknowledge the overwhelming strength the surviving family members have. Their strength in the face of pain is unfathomable, yet we have seen it time and time again.

One of the many commendable things the MCK 100 Club of Alameda County and its members can be proud of is our dedication to our family members. From the check personally delivered within 48 hours of a tragic loss, to the years of Christmas checks and scholarship money, we believe it is our most commendable asset. Money is just money until an unspeakable loss - when life as you know it changes forever. It is my hope that we can continue our exemplary reputation for support, both emotionally and financially.

Our commitment to the families on their worst day is only the beginning of our relationship. We continue to support, acknowledge, and unify our families. We form an unflinching bond - that includes our membership at functions such as our Annual Winter Dinner and Summer BBQ. As a member who has been in the Club for many years as well as the president of the 100 Club, I am extremely impressed at the friendships and bonds our family members have formed within the club.

Since 1974, the Alameda County 100 Club's mission is based on the idea Martin C. Kauffman founded so long ago; to take care of the fallen police officers or firefighters' immediate family the way they would have done. I believe he would be very proud to see the Club where it is at today.

Please continue to spread the word about our Club. We would love to increase our membership and have the support system for our family members grow. A perfect time to introduce someone to our Club is at our Annual Summer BBQ on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 5:30pm at the Alameda County Fairgrounds, Bernal Greens Picnic Area. Club members are encouraged to bring a guest (for \$25) to see what we are all about. Please check the website for more information.

We encourage all our members to please drop by the Family Members' Tables to say hello.

Our Club can exist only by the continued generosity of our close to 1,000 members. Thank you for all you do! Stay safe.

Winter Dinner Speakers

By Patty Goodman

The speakers at the 2019 Annual Winter Dinner, held February 6th at the Pleasanton Fairgrounds, were Family Members Tammy Monego and Nicole Romans Hall.



Tammy Monego, wife of Deputy Sheriff John Monego, ACSO (EOW 12/12/98) did an amazing job speaking of life since John's passing. It was the 20th anniversary of his death last December. Tammy and John's son, Dominic, also joined Tammy on stage and spoke about college life and what the Club has done for him. Dominic was only 18 months old when his father was tragically taken. Tammy spoke about the individuals who murdered John at the Outback Steak House in Dublin 20 years ago and the fact that 2 out of 3 have submitted applications to have their sentences commuted. She will keep us informed so that if necessary, we can write letters to the parole board to support Tammy and Dominic. Tammy has been very involved in COPS (Concerns of Police Survivors, Nor. Cal. Chapter) and the California Peace Officers Memorial Foundation.

Nicole Romans Hall spoke about her husband, Sgt. Ervin Romans, OPD (EOW 3/21/09) on the upcoming 10th Anniversary of the murder of her husband and 3 other OPD officers. Nicole described the 24 hours leading up to Ervin's death and the days following. How such a normal day for Ervin felt so completely different and how vivid her memories are during that last day with him. She gave a heart wrenching account of that fateful day. She spoke of our Club and what it meant to her and their children. Ervin had three children and Nicole had two. Since then, Nicole has found that her spirituality has helped her during her darkest days of grief from the loss of Ervin, and helped her move forward and allowed her to find love again. She met Tyler Hall (who is also a Family Member of a fallen officer from Florida, EOW 2/19/09) and they married on June 16, 2017.



The Annual OFD Stickball Tournament Needs Your Help!

By Patty Goodman

Our Family Member, OFD Lt. Neil Sanders, will once again be orchestrating the Annual OFD Stickball Tournament. The location has changed it will be on Sunday, August 11 at 369 15th Street, Oakland at 9AM. Neil needs raffle prizes for their drawing so please help if you can. Contact Patty Goodman at p.goodman@comcast.net or call 510-818-0337 and arrangements will be made to pick up your donation. We also accept checks to purchase gift cards. Remember that all proceeds go towards the 100 Club of Alameda County.

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For every purchase you make on AmazonSmile, The AmazonSmile Foundation will automatically donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the 100 Club. So far, the AmazonSmile Foundation has donated over \$560 to our Club!

Please help us help our 100 Club families by going on-line today and signing up with AmazonSmile and listing The Martin C. Kaufman 100 Club of Alameda County as your charity of choice.

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Shelly Despotakis in Memory of Ken Mercer ~ Richard and Carole Perry in Memory of Ronil Singh
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Sandra Klemmer in Memory of Richard Klemmer ~ Linda Hoig in Honor and Memory of David Hoig's birthday
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Donna & Steve Oldfield, and Mary Lue Wilson in Memory of Gail Shaheen*

100 Club Never Forgets – History Article

By Jim Knudsen, Board Member

I thought our members would like to hear about an early situation in our Club's history. Sadly, in 1981 a young Oakland Police Officer, Michael Faulkner, was killed in the line of duty. Officer Faulkner left a young wife Terry and three girls: Jennifer age 4; Tamara age 6; and Arlene age 12. The officer was investigating a domestic dispute when he was shot.

On June 12, 2019, Board Member Patty Goodman (Family Committee Chair) and I (Knudsen) met with Terry Faulkner Carges and her husband, Frank (married for 35years) for lunch in Fairfield. I showed Terry our old records that included many thank-you letters, graduation announcements and the like, that our Club has received from Terry and her daughters. This discussion of mementos from our Club's records brought tears and often laughter to all four of us as Terry sifted through the items and added context to what was going on with her family at the time these letters were sent to us. One example was a Christmas note she sent in 2013 that read, "To the members of the 100 Club, thank you for your loving kindness ... do you realize that you have been blessing our family with help for thirty-one years?...**Thank you for never forgetting Michael Faulkner!** ... Signed Terry Faulkner Carges."

Here's a brief outline of how our Club helped the Faulkner family:

Terry Faulkner (now Carges); Soon after hearing of her husband's tragic death in the line of duty (E.O.W. June 27, 1981) our Club reached out to her and provided a check to help with immediate expenses.

Arlene Faulkner, the oldest daughter, was 12 years old when her father was killed. When she was ready for college, we provide financial support. From 1988 through 1991, she attended U.C. Berkeley. Arleen received a degree in Marketing. Today Arlene is a mother herself and lives in Idaho. She has eight children.

Tamara Faulkner was 6 years old when her father was killed. When she was ready for college in 1993, our Club assisted. She attended Chemekela Community College, College of the Redwoods and, briefly, the University of Hawaii. She graduated with a degree in Marine Biology. Today, Tamara lives in Mendocino and is raising a little girl.

Jennifer Faulkner was 4 years old when her father was killed. When she was ready for college in 1995, our Club was there to help. She attended Biola University and, for a short time, Roehampton Institute in London, England, and Ratcliff College with financial help from our Club. Her degree is in Art Appreciation. She is an accomplished artist who often donates her paintings to fundraisers for charity. She has eight children (same number as sister Arleen!) and resides in Vacaville.

Terry and Frank are people of faith and they love to laugh. They wonder what Officer Faulkner would say if he knew he had 17 grandchildren! Note: between them, Terry and Frank have 26 grandkids and two great-grandchildren!



Pictured: Terry and Frank attending the annual visit by Oakland Officers to pay their respects and place a flag on Officer Faulkner's grave in Fairfield, California. This motorcade from Oakland is led by a group of OPD. Motorcycle Officers each year during Police Officers Memorial Week. This has been a tradition for the 38 years since these officers lost their brother officer in the line of duty.

Patty and I left our luncheon meeting with Terry and Frank feeling pretty good about the way our Club was able to help Officer Faulkner's family for over 38 years (and still going). We felt this feeling should be shared with our almost 1000 Club members!

Note: Special thanks to long time board member Frank Capilla for cataloging our old records, news clippings, thank-you letters and the like. This was critical to getting this story told. Thanks Frank!

Editor's note: Jim Knudsen is a board member and serves as chair for the membership committee. If members would like Jim to speak at their civic club or event contact him at: Jimknudsen26901@gmail.com or (510) 225-5960

Annual Summer Barbeque • Wednesday, August 7, 2019, 5:30 PM

Alameda County Fairgrounds • Bernal Greens Picnic Area

4501 Pleasanton Avenue • Pleasanton, CA 94566

See inside for details!

Thank you to our current 100 Angel contributors for 2019

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Alameda County Fairgrounds
4501 Pleasanton Avenue
Pleasanton, CA 94566
Bernal Greens Picnic Area
Gate 8 off of Valley Avenue
****Note new picnic location******

ALL Members and any of your prospective members or Public Safety Guests Are Welcome!

Advance reservations are required!
Make your reservation online!
www.100clubalamedacounty.org

No charge for members. Guest price for Public Safety Officers and prospective members is \$25.

YES! Count me/us in for the BBQ!

Member Name(s):

Please make a reservation for my guest(s) - (I am sending \$25 each today or paying online)

Name & Department of Public Safety Guest(s):

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Guest Name(s):

***Guest fee applied to membership when joining at the BBQ.**

*** Make checks payable to “100 Club of Alameda County” and send to:
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To make a reservation:

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By Phone: 510.818.0337

By Fax: 925.566.8590

Reservations needed by Noon on July 31, 2019

If you do not receive a confirmation within 48 hours, please call the club office at 510.818.0337

How Would You Like to be an Angel?

By Craig Bueno, 100 Angel Coordinator

Summer is here and our annual BBQ is just around the corner. Everyone is excited about the new location at the Alameda County Fairgrounds, and we hope to see each and every member in August! As we prepare behind the scenes for the event, one question remains - will you be coming as one of our 100 Angels?"

On behalf of the Martin C. Kauffman 100 Club of Alameda County, I would like to extend the opportunity of "earning your wings" to each of our members. This philanthropic opportunity is open to all members, including our life-members. In addition to your annual membership:

- Donate \$250 dollars or more to the 100 Club of Alameda County, **100 Angels** Program. It's a terrific way to help directly, or honor a loved one, friend or colleague – all for the benefit of our Surviving Families.
- Consider donating partial proceeds of your next event on behalf of your organization or in honor of someone special.
- Make an equivalent donation of needed supplies or services through the Club (Coordinate through our "Angel Maker" Christine Maderos, MK100Club@astound.net)
- This philanthropic gesture enables the Club to cover all costs (fees, materials, food, etc.) thus allowing all of our members' dues to go directly towards the benefit of our Families.



In this edition, we'd like to spotlight Alpha Omega Printing as one of our returning 100 Angels. Founded in 1985 by Wayne and Pam Yeaw, Alpha Omega has remained family-owned and in Pleasanton for 34 years. Originating in Rhode Island and Indiana, Wayne and his wife Pam have called the Bay Area home since he was honorably discharged from the Army in 1968. Both worked several years at Sears, until they sought a career and lifestyle change in the mid-eighties. Over the past 3 decades, their mid-sized company has found great satisfaction in donating services to many charitable organizations in the east bay (Tri-Valley Humane Society, Granada Boosters, and Open-Heart Kitchen to name a few). I asked Wayne how he came to be familiar with the Martin C. Kauffman 100 Club when he joined in 1997. He stated, "I knew several people that were involved, when Frank Capilla asked me to join." He added, "My wife and I try to do our part by contributing to several local organizations, and consider the 100Club one of the best organizations out there. We consider the Club part of our business and only wish we'd have joined sooner." Thank you, Wayne and Pam, for the many years of support – We're honored to have Alpha Omega Printing as a 100 Angel 2019 Golden Wing sponsor!

The mission of our "**100 Angels**" is simple – to ensure 100% of dues collected go directly towards supporting our Families. So, if you'd like to make a big impact to the mission, keep the Angels in mind. When you, your organization, event or business makes this philanthropic gesture, you will ensure that we're doing everything possible to help our Families. Every Angel will be recognized at our annual Dinner, the BBQ, on our website and in The Informer.

Please consider earning your wings for 2019, be safe this summer and we'll see you in August.

2019 Angel Donation

Yes, I would like to be a 100 Angel for 2019!

Member Name: _____

Address: _____

Donation Amount: _____

*Please return this slip with your donation to: 100 Club, 767 Brannan Place, Concord, CA 94518
or go online to: www.100clubalamedacounty.org to donate by credit card.

All 100 Angels donating \$250 or more, in addition to their annual dues, will be thanked and recognized at Club events and in the Informer.