Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation Fiscal Year Update 10/1/13 thru 9/30/14

Since 1982, the Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation (WSPMF) has provided \$1,739,897 in financial assistance to Washington State Patrol employees and their families. This year marks the 23rd year of the scholarship program. The WSPMF provided 10 new scholarships and 16 renewable scholarships in the last fiscal year, totaling \$26,000 to families of the Washington State Patrol.

In addition to scholarships, the WSPMF provided \$100,234 in assistance to WSP families in need this year. While much of the assistance provided by the WSPMF is confidential in nature, the WSPMF is proud to disclose its involvement in the following activities:

- The WSPMF provided financial assistance to build the Memorial for Trooper Sean O'Connell which is located at the Marysville District Office. On May 30, 2014, a dedication ceremony of the memorial to honor and remember Trooper Sean O'Connell was held at the Marysville District Office.
- The WSPMF Dinner, held in Marysville on May 3, 2014, raised \$36,930.56 for our Fallen Officers' Spouse and Children College Fund. Family members of Troopers Sean O'Connell, James Saunders, Steven Frink, Ray Hawn, Cliff Hansell, Thomas Hendrickson, Frank Noble and Officer Joseph Modlin attended the Memorial Dinner as our guests. Core Values award recipients, Trooper Aaron Norton and Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer Drew Jones, read the names of our fallen officers and were our guests for the evening.
- The WSPMF sent members of the O'Connell family and Trooper O'Connell's detachment to the National Law Enforcement Week in Washington D.C. the week of May 12, 2013. Trooper Sean O'Connell's name was formally dedicated at the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington D.C. during the Annual Candlelight Vigil on May 13, 2014. Approximately 20,000 people attend this event. A Memorial ceremony was held on May 15, 2014, where Vice President Biden spoke and met with family members.

The WSPMF currently has 1,176 contributing members (984 active and 192 retired employees). To be a voting member of the WSPMF, you must contribute \$5 per month or \$2.50 a pay period. This minimal deduction goes a long way toward helping WSP families in times of need. If you would like to be a contributing member of the WSPMF, please request the form through Sharon Phillips at sharon@wspmf.org or (360) 597-4411.

The 33rd Annual Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2015, at the Hilton Hotel in Vancouver, WA. Please join us to remember those officers who lost their lives in the line of duty. Remember – all proceeds from the dinner are placed into our Fallen Officers' Spouse and Children College Fund. Please contact the WSPMF website at the following link for Hotel reservations: http://www.wspmf.org/news.htm

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