President's Message

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Summer is practically over this year. I hope it was everything you wanted it to be. We sponsored a very successful picnic this year at Clement Park. It was enjoyable seeing everyone in attendance and a good time was had by all in attendance. Thank you to the Museum for the homemade ice cream and to everyone in attendance for the good company.

There is not much to report on this time. For once there are no glaring problems with anything that affects our retirees. We are always in touch with the Department and the groups that have anything to do with our benefits. We continue to go to any meeting that interest us. It is important that we are not overlooked or forgotten by any group that can affect us. Judging from the number of questions we answer and the number of requests for us to appear at some meetings we have made our presence known.

There are still some issues with CCW policies at some facilities around the city. The Department does not make policy for the various venues in the City. The DCPA, Denver Broncos and Colorado Rockies all make their own policies regarding concealed weapons. They all employ off duty officers and those officers should know about the policy and they should be contacted when you arrive if you are armed. We are sure that arrangements have been made to accommodate properly credentialed CCW carriers. For every complaint we have had there are that many more that have no problems at all. Just remember to have all the necessary credentials if you are armed at these venues and ask for the off duty officer when you arrive. We don't know of anyone being denied entry but that possibility does exist.

We have some upcoming events that might be of interest to our membership. The September dinner is at Piccolo's at Hampden and Monaco. In October the annual Laughlin reunion is held in Laughlin, Nevada. This is an opportunity to meet with old friends and partners who are now living in Arizona and Nevada. This may be a good time for golf or visiting with old friends at a very reasonable price.

October and November are the months for nomination and voting for the Board of the DPRA. This year the dinner where the election results will be announced will be held at Brooklyn's on W Colfax Ave. You will be made aware of the nomination and election process toward the end of September.

The Christmas Party will be returning to the PPA building in December. Planning is underway and there will be a few changes to make this a very good and enjoyable experience.

Keep checking the web site to stay informed and make your reservations for any event that interests you.