

August 2013 Newsletter

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Is Your Contact Info Up to Date? Moved? Changed jobs? New e-mail? Don't forget to inform our membership committee at membership@fbicaf.org to ensure you're receiving all of our FBICAF updates!

August 21 at Nighttown: Tales of Crime and Intrigue at our Members-Only Speakeasy



The FBICAF heads back to the G-Man era as we go undercover with a "Speakeasy Social" event to hear former Cleveland Special Agent Bill Branon. He will share fascinating stories about notorious Cleveland crimes and the FBI teams that solved them. Held at Nighttown in Cleveland Heights, Wednesday August 21, from 5:30 to 7:30, appetizers and cash bar. Members may RSVP to programs@fbicaf.org.

Seeking Nominations, Sponsors for October 16 Heroes Event at Cleveland Museum of Art

On October 16th, 2013, the FBICAF, Cleveland Museum of Art and Garth Auctions will present a very special event that encompasses "Honoring Hometown Heroes" and a presentation from **Robert Wittman**, author of "Priceless, How I Went Undercover to Rescue the World's Stolen Treasures." FBICAF graduates recently received an e-mail with sponsorship and ticket information; we hope to see you at this exciting recognition and fundraising event that had over 200 attendees in its first year.

Wish to nominate a hero in the Safety Forces, Citizen or Unsung Hero category? Only days remain to submit your nomination (deadline extended to August 25th) to Richard Schwalberg at rschwalberg@menorahpark.org.

Interested in becoming a sponsor at the \$500, \$1000 or \$2500 level? Contact Paul Carleton at (216) 523-1962 or phc@carletonmckenna.com. Individual tickets will soon be available for \$30; details to follow.



Stephen Williger, Chair
(photo by Dan Mendlik)



Steve Anthony, SAC
(photo by Dan Mendlik)

Letter from FBICAF Chairman Stephen Williger:

Dear FBI Citizens Academy of Cleveland Members:

On October 16, the FBICAF will host its second annual Heroes Recognition event. Last year's event sold out, drawing over 200 people to meet our three heroes and hear our keynote speaker, Ali Soufan, the FBI special agent who helped thwart terrorist plots around the world.

This year, our Heroes event will be just as memorable - and will sell out quickly. Along with awarding three new local heroes, we will present as the keynote speaker Robert Wittman, the former FBI special agent that founded the FBI's Art Crime Team. Mr. Wittman went undercover to rescue stolen treasures from around the world; he will be signing his book, "Priceless," at our event. Be sure to watch for your email invitation and respond quickly to ensure you have a spot at this terrific event.

In May, we had the pleasure of partnering with Cleveland Indian Nick Swisher to expand our FBICAF child identification kit project. Mr. Swisher donated \$25,000 to help us acquire kits, many of which were handed out at a Tribe home game on May 30. Special Agent in Charge Steve Anthony, board member Kuan-Foung Fong and yours truly threw out the ceremonial first pitch and presented Mr. Swisher with a token of our Chapter's appreciation. I am happy to report that all three of us represented the FBICAF proudly by throwing our pitches over the plate! Photos of our physicality can be found in this newsletter.

Finally, we continue to grow as an organization and appreciate your membership. There are many ways for you to become involved, from attending events like the Heroes Recognition, to volunteering, to distributing child ID kits. Feel free to reach out to me personally to volunteer, discuss your ideas and interests, or share any suggestions to make our membership experience more fulfilling - contact me at Stephen.Williger@thompsonhine.com.

All the best,
Stephen Williger, Chair, FBI Citizens Academy Foundation of Cleveland

FBICAF Class of 2013 – Welcome Graduates!

Our FBICAF alumni group is bigger by 29 graduates, many of whom are shown here at this summer's Camp Perry shoot. We're delighted to have you a part of the FBICAF community!

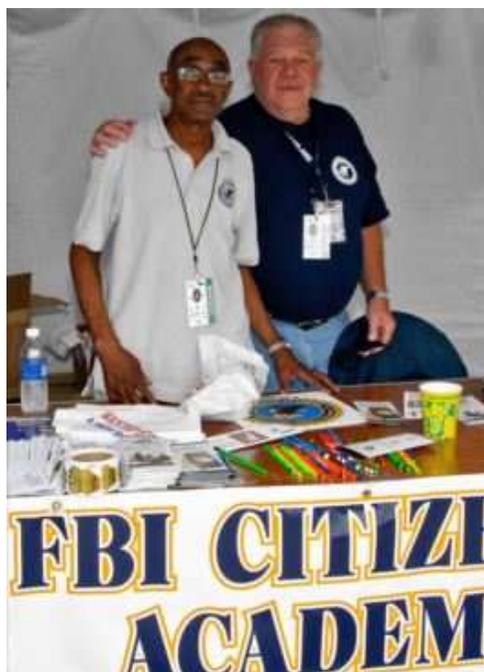


Save The Date!

The FBICAF's annual trip to Quantico and Washington DC is scheduled for November 19-21. Space is limited. Email programs@fbicaf.org if interested in details as they become available.

Volunteers Wanted – September 7 Health Expo

The FBICAF has an opportunity to volunteer at the WKYC Health & Wellness Expo on Saturday, September 7 from 10 to 6 at the brand-new Global Center for Health Innovation and Cleveland Convention Center. We will be distributing our Child Identification Kits. Open to all graduates; let us know if you would like to be a part of this inaugural event. To volunteer, please email programs@fbicaf.org. The Expo website is at: <http://www.wkyc.com/life/community/health/healthwellnessexpo/>



FBICAF Alumni LinkedIn Group

Have you joined our FBICAF Alumni LinkedIn Group? [Click Here](#) to be a part of this online community – open to all graduates of the Cleveland FBI Citizens Academy.

Your FBICAF in the Community

At left, Mahmud Jabbar and Bob Grace setting up the booth for the first day of the Tall Ships visit to The Port of Cleveland 2013, held this past July.

Below, another great photo (by Dan Mendlik) from our FBICAF Night with the Cleveland Indians and player Nick Swisher.

