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Letter from the President

MNOA has continued to grow throughout the last few years. Our attendance at conferences is up and we have seen an increase in the quality of training brought to Montana. MNOA currently has Federal Agencies, State Agencies, Probation and Parole Officers, Attorneys and local officers as part of our membership. It is important to

know that MNOA is not just an organization for narcotic officers. MNOA provides training for street level enforcement as well as drug investigations. MNOA has tried to provide training to agencies in all aspects of law enforcement. We have regional directors that are there to set up any training that you or your department may need regardless of size. This training is put on with a minimal cost to those attending. If you do not know your regional director and would like to see some training please feel free to contact me at any time or locate your regional rep on the website.

MNOA updated the bylaws last year with some important changes. Please visit the website to find out more about the bylaws, upcoming training, board members, and what MNOA can do for you.

If anyone currently knows of any officer that you feel would be a good person for officer of the year please start submitting nominations now as the year is quickly coming to an end.

I would also like to encourage you to attend the conference it is a great way to obtain good training and continue to keep in touch with others within our state. The conference will be held during the legislative session so MNOA may help with support of certain proposed laws going before the legislatures.

Thank you for your hard work and devotion. Gary Seder, Agent, Division of Criminal Investigation.

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Narcotic Officer of the Year

Jeff Chartier with the Billings Police Department, Billings HIDTA was nominated and elected as the Narcotics Officer of the year at the 2006 Conference. Letters are currently being accepted for Narcotic Officer of the year for the 2007 conference. If you have someone you would like to nominate please contact Gary Seder. The nominations will be reviewed by the board during the 2007 conference and the elected person will be announced during the banquet on January 11, 2007.

2007 Annual Conference to be held in Helena, Montana

The 2007 annual MNOA conference will be held January 8-12, 2007 at the Colonial Motel in Helena, Montana. Everyone attending should plan on booking rooms early because there will be legislators in town and it is a busy time for everyone. Craig Campbell is working on putting the training schedule together for the conference. If you have any special training requests please contact Craig as soon as possible to see what can be done.

Mark your Calendars

Upcoming MNOA sponsored training.

9/6-8/06 Highway vehicle stops and Drug Traffickers
Helena, MT

9/13/06 MNOA Board meeting, Great Falls DCI Office

9/11-15/06 Clandestine Laboratory certification
Great Falls, MT

9/12/06 Clandestine Laboratory recertification
Great Falls, MT

9/27-29//06 Domestic Drug Interdiction
Great Falls, MT

For complete details go to website and check out training. Application forms are also available on the website

Congratulations

Montana Highway Patrol Troopers Tim Lytle and Troy Muri were recently recognized by the Drug Enforcement Administration for their outstanding contributions and invaluable assistance to the DEA Billings Resident Office. During 2005 Troopers Lytle and Muri went above and beyond their patrol duties and helped revitalize interdiction efforts in the State of Montana. During March and April 2005 Lytle and Muri were responsible for the seizure of over \$600,000 on three separate stops. The investigations further led to financial seizures in Oregon.

DEA also recognized MHP Trooper Michael Donnelly for his outstanding contributions and invaluable assistance to DEA. Between January 2006 and March 2006 Trooper Donnelly's interdiction efforts resulted in the seizure of 30 kg cocaine, 9,000 diazepam pills, 229 10ml vials of ketamine, 90 pounds of BC Bud, a half pound of methamphetamine and over \$20,000 in currency, and the arrest of numerous suspects on different vehicle contacts.