



## Behind the Badge

# E-News from the Law Enforcement Foundation

Dear LEF Supporter,

February marks the close of CLEE XVII, and the commencement of CLEE XVIII. The Law Enforcement Foundation (LEF) congratulates the class of CLEE XVII, and wishes the class of CLEE XVIII the best as they begin their journey. Read further to learn how CLEE helped an experienced law enforcement executive “recharge” his batteries.

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### **The CLEE Experience: A Terrific Re-energizer**

**By Chief Daniel L. McCollum, CLEE, LaGrange Park, Illinois**

I was both delighted and privileged to be accepted for admission to CLEE XVII. With 2012 marking my 40<sup>th</sup> year in law enforcement, I didn't think of the experience as a last hurrah, but more as a new coat of wax on a vehicle that still runs fairly well. Now that all of the course work and classroom attendance is over, I felt compelled to comment on the program's nature and what it holds for those who might consider taking the journey.



As a visitor from Illinois, I was impressed by the warmth and congeniality of my colleagues from Ohio. The CLEE staff was top notch, beginning with Dr. Miller and Renea Collins and extending through the instructors, mentors and support personnel. All of them were extremely accommodating. The courses are both topical and demanding. A student's ability to organize their time and commit the effort to meeting deadlines truly mirrors what can be expected of most employers today.

Prior to attending CLEE, I was fortunate to attend the FBI National Academy in 1982 and also conduct courses throughout the United States for over 10 years in Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command. Both of those programs are renowned for their academic content, along with all-important networking taking place outside of the formal class sessions. CLEE is right up there with the majors, and the product being delivered is one that the Ohio Law Enforcement Foundation and Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police should be proud of.

I fully intend to spread the word and encourage others to accept the CLEE challenge. The program is a benefit to anyone seeking to improve their administrative skills or recharge their batteries.

### **Congratulations to the CLEE XVII Graduating Class**

A total of 29 police executives graduated from CLEE XVII, which is the largest CLEE class to date!

The CLEE XVII graduating class is as follows (listed in alphabetical order): Chief Gary Baldauf; Capt. William Balling; Capt. Steven Baum; Lt. Christopher Brewer; Lt. Andrew Booher; Sgt. Eric Burris; Major Matt Carper; Cmdr. Matt Delp; Chief Chad DePew; Lt. Roger Erwin; Lt. Jeffrey Film; Chief J. Douglas Francis; Sgt. Robert Gillespie; Chief Lee Harmon;

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