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- Successful learning and safe learning environments
- Responding to the needs of the community
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## Behind the Badge

E-News from the Law Enforcement Foundation

*Dear LEF Supporter,*

The October issue of the LEF Newsletter focuses on recognition of long-time supporters **EMERSON NETWORK POWER** and **THE SISLER McFAWN FOUNDATION**, and coverage of the recently completed D.A.R.E. Officer Training. The LEF sincerely thanks each and every participant and donor to the LEF. **MANY THANKS!!!**

### **D.A.R.E. OFFICER TRAINING 2013**

It is hard to believe that just this month, the LEF completed its 65<sup>th</sup> D.A.R.E. Officer Training class! Since beginning the program in 1988, the Law Enforcement Foundation has graduated a total of 1,558 D.A.R.E. Officers. Currently there are 227 active D.A.R.E. Officers operating in 62 of Ohio's 88 counties.

On Thursday, October 3, the D.A.R.E. officers in training visited Robert Frost, Huber Ridge, and Hawthorne elementary schools in Westerville to conduct D.A.R.E. lessons and socialize with



students during lunch and recess. The officers engaged in role playing and shared information about alcohol and tobacco resistance and how to use effective communication tools to deal with peer pressure. The experience gave the D.A.R.E. officers in training needed practice interacting with children and responding to their questions.

The D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program is an internationally recognized, model program created in 1983 by the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles Unified School District providing students from kindergarten through high school with the skills necessary to recognize and resist pressures to experiment with drugs and to avoid gangs and violence.

The LEF would like to thank long-time supporter **EMERSON NETWORK POWER** for their recent gift of \$4,000. Since they began supporting the LEF in 1991, Emerson Network Power and its parent Company

Liebert Electric have donated a total of \$66,000! In the early years this company was a supporter of the D.A.R.E. program and now gives support to the LEF generally. Located right here in Columbus, you can see their building right off I-71, right next to the Worthington Industries complex. Through good economic times and bad, **Emerson Network Power** has steadfastly supported the betterment of Ohio law enforcement and the communities they serve. Emerson Network Power, a business of Emerson (NYSE:EMR), protects and optimizes critical infrastructure for data centers, communications networks, healthcare, and industrial facilities. The company delivers software, hardware, and services that maximize availability, capacity, and efficiency for your business. We are fortunate to have the expertise of this fine corporation here in Columbus.

A special thanks also goes out to **THE SISLER McFAWN FOUNDATION** who recently gave a gift of \$7,500. Founded in 1959 Sisler McFawn was established as a charitable trust by Mrs. Lois Sisler McFawn, daughter of Dr. Louis Sisler, co-founder of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company. The foundation was established in honor of her parents. Known as a very kind and generous woman during her lifetime and having no children, Mrs. Sisler-McFawn left her assets for the ongoing good of her community. The mission of the Foundation is “the advancement and dissemination of knowledge; the care and assistance of the sick, the aged, the needy, and disabled; the guidance and instruction of youth; and the improvement of public health and the alleviation of human suffering by means of research and otherwise.” The LEF deeply appreciates the regular contributions of The Sisler McFawn Foundation since 1998.

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