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Brent Clearman wanted to serve his country...

and he did, the best way he knew how.. He was a career Marine Corps Sniper. He fought for our country, our honor, our freedom. Then he met Cathy. As many love stories unfold, they fell in love, got married, and planned to raise a family. Then consistent deployment kept getting in the way of his new plans, so Brent found another way to serve...in the California Highway Patrol. Brent gave the ultimate sacrifice for us this year... and the love story ended tragically, not on a battlefield, or on a dirt road in Iraq, but on the side of the road on an Oakland highway.

Now is the time, 100 Club citizens, to step up. We, together as one... proudly stand behind the people that stand behind the badge.

100 Club 2007 Events

Wednesday, February 7, 2007 – See inside
Annual Meeting and Winter Dinner
Sunol Valley Golf Club

Monday, June 4, 2007
Annual Frank Ivaldi Golf Tournament
Sunol Valley Golf Club

Wednesday, August 1, 2007
Annual Summer BBQ
Alameda County Fairgrounds

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Holiday Season is upon us indicating that we have made it through one more year successfully but not without sadness. We lost valiant Highway Patrol Officer Clearman this year. Your Vice President Bob Byers and I were driven to Walnut Creek a couple of days after the tragic death by one of his fellow officers to meet his wife Cathy Jo and present her with the kind wishes and condolences of the 100 Club along with the beneficiary check of \$20,000.

Having performed this task on several occasions over the last ten years I must share with you the incredible mixed emotions it involves. But first I want to thank Bob Byers for accompanying me. He brought a great sense of calm and comfort.

Seldom in life does one experience the feeling that exudes from an individual in the midst of pain as great as that of the surviving spouse of a fallen officer. The tears and hugs are always present. But at the moment that the check is delivered in the eyes of the person receiving it is a flash of great relief. It is an indescribable event.

Just this past week I had occasion to meet with Sabrina Williams, the widow of Oakland Officer James Williams who was killed about eight years ago. I asked her about that moment which I tried to describe to you above. She remembered it vividly. And she remembered Ken Mercer as the big, tall man who came on behalf of the club. She said he was the only person she had seen in the hours following the tragedy who wanted nothing from her. No questions, no forms, no biographical information or photographs...Ken was just there giving her something solid to help her get through the difficult days ahead.

My holiday message to you is two fold. First it is one of gratitude. Thank you for making it possible for the Martin C. Kauffman One Hundred Club of Alameda County to enter the lives of people like Cathy Jo Clearman and Sabrina Williams when they need people like you to be there. And second it is a solemn prayer that we will always be ready and prepared to help in that way, but that our help might not be needed.

Happy Holidays and God Bless You.
Mary V. King

To make the Holiday Season just a Little Brighter...

Your Club not only passes along \$20,000 to the surviving spouse, and awards college monies to the children, BUT we also send out this time of year, \$1000 Government Bonds to each the surviving spouse, and the children to age 25 years.

This Holiday Season, we sent out 39 - \$1000.00 Government savings bonds, enclosed each in a family card, hand signed on your behalf and sent to our special group who now reside anywhere from Castro Valley, California to Orlando, Florida.

(Didn't that just tingle your spine a bit? ...me too)

Welcome New 2006 Members!

Constance Alexander	Mike Dispensa	Lucille K. Lorge	Shelley Sears
Helen C. Alfstrom	John D. Eggers	Nelson Machado	Bob Senna, Jr.
Anthony V. Altadonna	David Ernest	Lola Manzella	Thomas Seuis
Joe Angeleri	Bob Fahrbach	John B. McDonald	Stan Silva
Ed Arri	Richard C. Fernandez	Jeff McGary	Charles Sladek
Kathleen M. Banke	Hugh W. Galyean	Vince McNamara	Mary Ann Sleeman
Helen J. Battleson	Doug Garcia	Christina Meakim	Jeffrey Sloan
Bruce F. Bauer	Winifred A. Ghiglione	Roy Mejia	Dave Snyder
Sandra K. Bean	Janeith Glenn-Davis	Florence Montgomery	John Steiner
Mark Blanchard	Carol Jane Golden	Edie Montgomery	Nancy Strunk
Chuck Blanchard	Donald K. Graff	Kathy E. Mount	Robert Stuber
David Bonde	Jackie Green	Ronald E. Nelson	Abe Summers
Frank Borghi	Bill Groth	Mrs. Thomas J. Nixon	Kerry Sutton
Steve Boyd	Brian Grover	John A. Notch	Pat Sweeten
Jerry Brown	Mark Grover	Roger Nunez	Joel Tejada
Michael Brown	Gloria Halman	Elsa Ortiz	Linda Tejada
Steve Brozosky	Don C. Heisser	Robert Ostini	Kenneth Tennell
Jill Buck	Helene Hopson	Tom Padia	Sarah Tiedemann
Patty Burns	Thomas W. Johnson	Linda Palmer	Harvey Tulchinsky
Susan L. Casper	Karen S. Johnson	John Passama	Carlo E. Vecchiarelli
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Lavina Cunha	Ken Kramer	Stephen Ryken	Michael Willcoxon
Zia Dairkee	Joe Ledesma	John J. Sailors	Dennis Zankich
	David Liebowitz	Ken Salomon	Paul Zolfarelli

Join us for the 2007 Annual Meeting and Dinner

Wednesday, February 7, 2007

5:30 PM – Cocktails - 6:30 PM – Dinner

Sunol Valley Golf and Country Club

Annual Dinner Reservation Form – Please RSVP by January 27, 2007

YES! Count me in! Name _____

Email _____

Please make a reservation for my guest - (Enclosed is \$40 for my guest) *

Name of the Public Safety Employee _____

Department _____

Please make a reservation for my prospective member - (Application and dues to follow) *

Name _____

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