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The deadline to register for the **53rd Annual Education & Training Conference** is approaching fast. **Reserve your room by July 14, 2025.** Don't miss out on the opportunity to join law enforcement professionals across the country for an impactful week of growth, networking, and "Excellence in All We Do!" Visit www.nationalbpa.org to register now!



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Member Highlight

Bryan Pendleton - Region 1 Delegate



Q: Tell us your name, your NBPA Chapter & Region, and what is your current role?

A: My name is Bryan Pendleton and I am a former member of the San Diego Black Police Officers Association and I currently sit on the National Board as a Region One Delegate.

Q: The Region 1 Conference is now over, how did it go?

A: I have to say that everything exceeded my expectations. Originally, I was really stressed about trying to sell 300 seats for the Prayer Breakfast, even though I fell short of that goal, the event and the workshops were all amazing!

Q: Share a memorable conference experience and what made it special?

A: There have been plenty of memorable experiences but I would have to say that what I cherish the most are the lifelong friendships I've made. I've met some amazing people who are doing great things in their cities and I consider them to be my brothers and sisters.

Q: Any advice for those who are on the fence about whether or not to attend NBPA conferences?

A: My advice to anyone considering attending an NBPA conference is to simply try it! You won't regret it and you will make friendships that will last a lifetime. The NBPA is full of smart people with a heart for providing service to their communities and if that is your mindset, you will only be enriched by the experience.

Q: How do you plan to unwind post Region 1 Conference?

A: I will unwind by playing a lot of golf and spending a lot of time with my grandkids!



Congrats to Region 1 on a Successful Conference!



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REGION 2



Officer Takeisha Gilbert of NBPA Little Rock was honored with the Visionary Voice Award by the Arkansas Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ACASA) during this year's National Crime Victims' Rights Week. She was recognized for her outstanding dedication to advocacy and her unwavering compassion for victims.



Officer Tawny Weaver of NBPA Minnesota was a silver pin recipient for the Mother's Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Law Enforcement Recognition ceremony for her efforts as Traffic Safety Officer for the Maplewood Police Department. She made 89 total DUI arrest ranking her 16th in the state for DWI/DUI Enforcement. She was also the 2025 recipient of the Sergeant Joe Bergeron Community Service Award.

REGION 3



Officer Jackie Little of the NBPA - Greater Philadelphia has been honored as the **2025 LEW KLEIN PAL Officer of the Year**. Officer Little is a 36-year veteran of the Philadelphia Police Department, with 21 of those years proudly advocating for youth across Philadelphia with PAL. Keep up the amazing work Officer Jackie!



Reggie Miller of NBPA Nashville, Chapter President and Region 3 Delegate attended the 2nd Annual Black Diamond Ball hosted by the National Action Network. Reverend Al Sharpton was present as the guest speaker. Distinguished attendees were families of social justice, to include Tyree Nichols parents, Breonna Mitchell's mother, Eric Gardner's mother, Stephon Clark's grandmother, Amad Aubrey's mother, and George Floyd's brother. An open session was also held to meet the families.

PROMOTIONS



Congratulations to **Rich Walker** of the **NBPA Minnesota** for the well deserved promotion to Lieutenant with the Minneapolis Police Department. Lt. Walker has dedicated nearly 20 years to the residents of Minneapolis and is now joined by his son RJ who recently hired as a Community Service Officer. Way to go Lt. Walker!



Congratulations to **Keiara Ward-Whitely** of **NBPA Nashville** on her recent promotion to Lieutenant with the Metro Nashville Police Department. Keiara ranked **#1** on the promotion list with over 80 candidates! In her new role, she will be leading the East Precinct's day detail. Way to go Lt. Ward-Whitely!

CONFERENCE REMINDERS:

Reserve your hotel room no later than **JULY 14TH** to receive the discounted NBPA rate.

Registration fee includes the Scholarship Event, Awards Banquet, Prayer Breakfast, and Hospitality Room. (Additional single tickets may be purchased)

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TEXAS DEPUTY SAVED BY BULLET RESISTANT GLASS

A Leon County Deputy is safe following an ambush after responding to a 911 call for help. Upon the suspect immediately began firing at the squad with 8 rounds hitting the driver side windshield directly. Due to bullet resistant glass, the deputy was unharmed and the suspect was later apprehended without incident. The Leon County Sheriff credits the city and Operation Safe Shield for allowing the agency to equip some vehicles with bullet resistant shields.

