

In 1973, a few men with a real vision met for the first time to establish an organization, which has evolved into a national voice for all constables and even marshals. Today, 35 years later, we, who are entrusted to this office, can appreciate that the National Constables Association has become protector of America's Oldest Law Enforcement office. Every state has a rich history in the constable system that should never be erased or forgotten. Yet we have some states that are ready to banish the office through abolishment. How could this be happening to an office with so much rich history in the foundation of this nation? Well not any more!

The National Constable Association is the real voice for all constables. NCA is charged with protecting this honorable office and helping establish and maintain a close and positive relationship with all other law enforcement agencies. An organization armed with a professional approach to all matters of concern. A strong and united organization seeking proper legislation to upgrade the office and to provide benefits such as health and accident, disability, life insurance and other benefits to the Constable and their families. Still, today too many constables have poor or no benefits, too little pay and far too many difficulties. Many Constables are trying to fight and survive all alone and not knowing help was available. You probably know just how difficult it can be for the small community or township constable to deal with the big guns on capital hill. The answer is really quite simple, but I will let you hear the rest of the story and then decide how you can become a step closer in taking a professional approach to making a real difference.

Past NCA President Robert Bobby 'G' Gronauer has it right when he said, "The NCA is here to help all Constables throughout the United States."

My friend, the National Constables Association gives all constables a chance to take care of each other. I know that with your help and dedication, together we can build the strongest Law Enforcement Organization in America. Being a part of NCA is not a cost but an investment in yourself and the constable system. For a mere investment of less than 17 cents a day, you become a part of the largest ongoing national movement for constables and marshals in this nation. Our President, Reginald R. Brown, announced his theme at the 2008 NCA Convention in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, "Through Unity We Prosper." If I have learned anything in my 25 years as a constable, it is having enough help to accomplish the task and sharing a good thing with all my friends. I welcome you to visit the national web site www.nationalconstablesassociation.com and check it out. I welcome you to start your investment and join fellow constables in support of NCA. Just look around the law enforcement community and you will find that police and sheriffs either belong to the Fraternal Order of Police or Sheriffs Associations in order to have a strong voice. Groups like these know exactly how important numbers work for them and their associations. There are approximately 12,666 Constables in the United States. Can you imagine the power of networking and sharing of support for one another if we were all together? In addition, this number does not include the constable's deputies, which in some states out number the constables. I would hope by now you were beginning to understand and see this as an opportunity to be a part of NCA for yourself and your office. I have one part of the story that I think will help you find the vision to do what is right for you.

Many years ago, just after I became a constable, I looked in the mirror and what I saw was just me, lonely, by myself, scared, uncertain and with a thousand questions. I truly did not like what I saw and was concerned that soon others would see the same thing. Here I am and I'm suppose to be the Constable, a person of statute, a leader and protector, and an individual entrusted with a huge amount of authority in my hands. What was I going to do? An old friend did for me the same thing I'm doing for you. I'm giving you an invitation to no longer be alone and uncertain. Today when I glance in the mirror, my vision is so much different. Why, I even look taller with a positive appearance and no indications of uncertainty. However, I also see all of my family in NCA, just in the background and there for me if I need them. Now, I work everyday with the knowledge, wisdom and understanding of what the National Constables Association does for all constables.

I only ask you to share my message with others so no constable at anytime or anywhere finds himself or herself alone without any help. God Bless and Protect each of you as you serve and protect.

In brotherhood,
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