



ARKANSAS STATE POLICE
FOUNDATION

Current Affairs

"The troopers have the public's back; we have the trooper's backs."

*Merry
Christmas*
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Message from the Chairman

I am writing to officially submit my resignation as ASPF Chairman, effective December 31. After careful consideration and reflection, I believe my primary focus should now be on my family. Serving as ASPF Chairman since 2017 has been a challenging yet fulfilling experience, marked by collaborative efforts with the Board of Directors to achieve our shared vision.

My dedication to the Arkansas State Police dates back to my tenure as ASP Commissioner from 1996-2003 and 2010-2017. Over the years, I developed a deep appreciation for the ASP and its troopers, recognizing the financial challenges not met by state and federal funding. One notable accomplishment was the establishment of the Precision Driving Training Complex in 2019, a project that addressed a critical need for the ASP.

The creation of the ASPF Spouses' Auxiliary in 2017 and the establishment of the Randy and Betty Hedge Spouses' Auxiliary Scholarship Fund have been highlights during my time as Chairman. I believe this scholarship will be a lasting legacy for the ASPF.

I am grateful for the Hearts for Heroes fund initiated in 2018, a crucial support system for troopers and their families during times of need. Additionally, the recent purchase of new badges for ASP reflects the generosity and dedication of our selfless Board of Directors.

Throughout my eight-year tenure as Chair, we successfully raised over \$20 million in donations to support the Foundation's work. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all individuals who contributed to these fundraising efforts.

As I step down, I am confident that the Foundation is in capable hands, and I anticipate continued success and progress in the future. I would like to leave you with two quotes that were shared with me when my second term as an ASP Commissioner concluded:

"A person who is worthy of being a leader wants power not for himself, but in order to be of service." Senator Sam J. Irving, Jr.

"Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for a while, leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never, ever the same." Flavia Weedn

Thank you for allowing me to serve you and for leaving your footprints in my heart. I wish you the very best.



Sincerely,

Frank Guinn

Chairman of the Board
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Since Chairman Guinn took his position in 2017, ASPF has made many accomplishments



The ASP Foundation Spouses' Auxiliary was founded in 2017 with the guidance of then Adjunct General Mark Berry, who served on Foundation Board. Board members Dr. Johnnie Roebuck and Patti Canon were the lead sponsors of the Auxiliary and worked closely with the Board of Directors to advance the Auxiliary work and create policies and operating procedures. In 2020, Randy and Betty Hedge made a contribution of \$50,000 to found the Spouses' Auxiliary Scholarship Fund. The ASPF Board of Directors later voted to rename the scholarship, the Randy and Betty Hedge Spouses' Auxiliary Scholarship Fund. Scholarships are awarded to dependents of ASP troopers and their spouses who are active members of the Auxiliary. The first scholarship was awarded the fall of 2021 and in the fall of 2022 seven scholarships were awarded. In fall of 2023, fifteen scholarships were awarded.

The Hearts for Heroes account was created in 2018 to assist troopers and their families in times of need and crises. This effort was founded by Board Member Joe Donaldson with his wife Lara and Board Member Don Houseworth with his wife, Robin. To date, dozens of Troopers and their families have been assisted by this confidential fund.



Golf tournaments have been a highly successful fund-raising activity for the Foundation Board. Beginning in 2017, with the first tournament in Paragould, hosted by First National Bank under the leadership of Board members Will Brewer and Neely Camp.



Other golf tournaments have followed in El Dorado sponsored by Farmers Bank and Trust with leadership from Board Members Elizabeth Anderson and Chris Gosnell and in Little Rock with sponsorship from Parker Lexus and Board Members Denny Ferra, Hank Kelley and Dave Parker.



One major goal of the ASP Foundation was to build an ASP Precision Driving Training facility. After years of discussion and planning, on November 17, 2022, the state-of-the-art facility was dedicated at Camp Robinson. In 2019, the Arkansas State Police Foundation worked with National Guard Adjutant General Mark Berry to secure 303 acres of land at Camp Robinson to build the precision driving training complex. At that time, Arkansas was one of only three states without such a facility. The ASP driving training was held at Stuttgart Airport. Various fundraising efforts by the ASPF Board of Directors and the ASPF Auxiliary, along with funding from State of Arkansas then Governor Asa Hutchinson and then Attorney General Leslie Rutledge, secured the funding for Phase I and Phase II of the complex. Phase I, the driving track, was completed in 2020 and released to the Arkansas State Police. Phase two, which includes the observation tower, garage and instructional (classroom) building was completed in November 2022. This portion of the complex was released to the ASP in March of 2023. Phase 3 will include a cafeteria and barracks. The complex is open for use by ALL Arkansas certified law enforcement agencies.

In 2023, ASPF Board of Directors purchased new badges for ASP. This badge is a replica of the original 13 Arkansas Rangers badges when ASP was formed by Governor Futrell.





Mike A. Hagar
Secretary

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"SERVING WITH PRIDE AND DISTINCTION SINCE 1955"

December 08,

Mr. Frank Guinn
Post Office Box 281
Paragould, AR 72451

Dear Mr. Guinn:

Your dedication and support throughout the years to the Arkansas State Police (ASP) and your service as Chairman of the (ASPF) Arkansas State Police Foundation over the past 6 years has been truly selfless and greatly appreciated. ASP is truly blessed to have your dedicated support from the countless hours you have given over the years beginning when you were an ASP Commissioner to your days as Chairman of the ASP Foundation.

The Arkansas State Police Foundation is an outstanding organization that supports the men and women of the Arkansas State Police and was created because of the desire of yourself and others to provide training and equipment for the men and women who place their lives on the line every day to keep their communities safe.

Some of the amazing contributions and accomplishments made by yourself and the ASP Foundation include the ASP Driving Track and classroom which helps train law enforcement and saves lives through better driver training. Also, the contributions to Troopers and their families who are in need of assistance because of health issues, death, or loss of residence, and the scholarships for Troopers and their children to assist with college tuition are all appreciated more than you know.

I want to thank you for your total dedication and selfless sacrifices which helped make this Foundation a true success. It has been an honor to get to work with you on different events and your dedication to law enforcement and the rule of law is most appreciated.

On behalf of the men and women of the Arkansas State Police, and as Director of the Arkansas State Police, I want to personally thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Sincerely,

Mike A. Hagar
Colonel





STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

December 11, 2023

Dear Chairman Guinn,

As Governor, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to you for your service as Chairman of the Arkansas State Police Foundation. Your dedication and support have greatly benefitted the Arkansas State Police Foundation and Arkansas State Police for the better, helping make our state safer and stronger.

As you know, police officers are that thin blue line, and now more than ever, they need our support. Your commitment and leadership of this foundation, as well as your own remarkable contributions to public safety will not soon be forgotten.

On behalf of all Arkansans, thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Sanders".

Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas



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ARKANSAS STATE POLICE RETIREES ASSOCIATION

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It is my honor to write this letter of thanks and commendation, recognizing the invaluable contributions of Mr. Frank Guinn to the Arkansas State Police.

I first met Commissioner Guinn after his appointment in 1996. From the moment I met him it was obvious that ASP blue flowed in his veins. His love for the men and women of the ASP was always in our conversations and his determination was seeking to make things better for the ASP. He would go on to serve our Department for 14 years as a Commissioner.

In 2002, with his guidance, the Arkansas State Police Foundation was formed and is where he currently serves as Chairman. Through his leadership, the Foundation has taken the forefront in supporting the men and women of the ASP.

While he has a love for those who serve, he also has a deep love and appreciation for those who have retired from service. After being selected as President of the ASP Retirees Association, Frank reached out to me. He wanted to know what he and the Foundation could do to be sure the retirees know that our past service continues to be appreciated.

With his and the Foundation's support, we now give away monetary prizes at each of our quarterly meetings as a way to say, "thank you" and "you are not forgotten." This past April, the Foundation provided lunch for retirees at the new driving track and training center. Frank wants this to become an annual event.

He loves to tell the story of being in a restaurant and meeting a retired Trooper. The retired Trooper expressed a degree of sadness that he had served our citizens, but as a retiree felt he had been forgotten. As Frank has done so many times before, he thanked the Trooper for his service and bought the family's meal. He also made a pledge to himself. He was going to do everything possible to make sure that Retirees of the Arkansas State Police are never forgotten.

We are not forgotten, and the Arkansas State Police is better off because of Frank Guinn.

Mr. Guinn, on behalf of all the retirees of the Arkansas State Police, we salute you!

Dale

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read "Dale Saffold", written over a white background.

ASP Retirees Association 5702 Dreher Lane, Suite 3 Little R





LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
LESLIE RUTLEDGE

December 11, 2023

Chairman Frank Guinn
Arkansas State Police Foundation
5702 Dreher Lane, Ste 3
Little Rock, AR 72209

Chairman Guinn,

I would like to congratulate you on your well-deserved retirement as Chairman from the Arkansas State Police Foundation! I know there is no better friend and advocate for the Arkansas State Police than you. Your dedication and investment in our Troopers and their families will have an incredible impact for generations.

During my tenure as the Attorney General, I was fortunate to direct over \$27 million to various law enforcement projects, with most of that funding going directly to the State Police. I was always appreciative of you making me aware of the training, equipment, and infrastructure needs of the State Police.

I wish you all the best, my friend, and thank you for your years of selfless service to our great State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leslie Rutledge".

Leslie Rutledge
Lieutenant Governor





TIM GRIFFIN
ATTORNEY GENERAL

December 4, 2023

Chairman Frank Guinn
Arkansas State Police Foundation
5702 Dreher Lane
Little Rock, Arkansas 72209

Dear Chairman Guinn,

As you step down as Chairman of the Arkansas State Police Foundation, I write to thank you for your seventeen years of service. You truly exemplify all of the core values of the Arkansas State Police – honor, respect, trust, integrity, duty and excellence.

Under your stewardship, the foundation has greatly expanded the scope of the services they provide to our state's law enforcement and their families. From the inception of the Spouses' Auxiliary in 2017 and the Heart for Heroes account in 2018, to the annual golf tournaments and the myriad of other successful programs and events, the Foundation has thrived under your leadership.

Most notably, the ASP Precision Driving Training facility could not have come to fruition without your tireless planning and fundraising. This track is a huge asset to Arkansas law enforcement and a testament to your hard work and dedication.

I commend you on the work that you have done, and I am certain that the Foundation will benefit for many years to come. Of course, I doubt this will be the end of your service to ASP, and I look forward to seeing all you do in this next chapter. Thank you again for your steadfast and diligent service to those who protect and serve.

If I can ever be of service, please do not hesitate to contact me at (501) 837-5190.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Griffin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line above it.

Tim Griffin
Attorney General



Mike A. Hagar
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To the Arkansas State Police Foundation:

I am writing this letter of recognition of Frank Guinn on behalf of the Arkansas State Police Commission. Frank served two terms as an Arkansas State Police Commissioner. He first served from 1996-2003 and later from 2010-2017. He has been an important part of the Arkansas State Police for many years.

Frank was integral in starting the Arkansas State Police Foundation. This foundation has been invaluable to the members of the Arkansas State Police. He has been the chairman of the foundation for many years and most of its projects would not have been possible without his urging and commitment.

Frank's biggest accomplishment has been leading the charge to develop the ASP Precision Driving Training facility. After many years of hard work this facility is open and available to all law enforcement agencies in the state. It is dedicated to the quality and safety of the Arkansas State Police troopers. It allows troopers to be trained in safe driving techniques as well as precision apprehension maneuvers. This driving track is a model for many states to follow and Arkansas is fortunate to have it.

The ASP Foundation Spouses' Auxiliary was founded under his watch. This has developed into a very important part of the foundation. In addition to its other projects, the Auxiliary awards scholarships to dependents of ASP troopers and their spouses who are active members of the Auxiliary. In the fall of 2023 fifteen scholarships were awarded to qualified students. This is a huge help to the troopers' families.

In addition to the projects named above Chairman Guinn has overseen numerous fundraising golf tournaments as well as Hearts for Heroes which assists troopers and their families in times of need and crisis.

The Arkansas State Police Commission commends and thanks Chairman Guinn for his hard work and dedication.

Sincerely,

Steve Edwards
Chairman





Fallen Hero Christmas Trees



Arkansas State Police Trooper Tom Craig was killed in the line of duty in December of 2000. In an effort to honor her husband and all fallen Arkansas State troopers, Linda Craig began the ASP Troop Memorial Tree Project. In 2019, the ASPF Spouses' Auxiliary along with ASPF Board Member, Patti Cannon joined in her mission. Now, each year during the Christmas season, ASPF Spouses' Auxiliary members place and decorate the memorial trees at all ASP Troops to honor those ASP officers who have died in the line of duty. (Pictured Troop L Auxiliary, Linda Craig and Patti Cannon-2023)

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TROOP A



TROOP B



TROOP C



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Upcoming Events

JANUARY 18, 2024 FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW YEAR

- Held in person
- 10 a.m.-12p.m.
- ASP Headquarters in Little Rock
- ASP Commissioners New Board Room
- Elections will be Held



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