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FOBP to hold 2008 National Conference in Houston Area

Congressman Poe to be awarded Border Defender of the Year, Also, DEA, ICE, & Customs (Retired) Supervisory Agents among confirmed guest speakers

Chino, CA – Friends of the Border Patrol is holding their second annual National Conference at the Humble Civic Center in Humble, TX on June 8, 2008 from 9am to approximately 2:30pm. The conference is dedicated to Sheriff Leo Samaniego (El Paso), who passed away in office last year after 50 years of service to our nation.

FOBP is also announcing that Judge Ted Poe, Member of Congress is the recipient of the FOBP Border Defender of the Year Award. This award is presented to a leader who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to make a difference in the fight to secure America's borders and ports of entry.

“Judge Poe continues to lead the fight to secure America's borders and ports of entry, by exposing policies that lead to security compromises, and introducing bills that assists line officers by addressing absurd policies, provides needed funds, and holds DHS accountable. It is our experience that far too many CBP managers rely on reports by subordinates. DHS may fool some with their dog & pony shows, but not Judge Poe. He does not settle for reading field reports by agencies, and instead personally visits the line and ports of entry, leading by example,” stated Andy Ramirez, FOBP Chairman.

“Additionally, many border law enforcement officers I speak with asks, ‘Can Judge Poe help me (us)? We just want to do our job without headquarters obstruction.’ He has defended law enforcement officers under siege for doing their job in what we call ‘The War on Law Enforcement’. No greater recognition of his work can be stated better, for that is the ultimate in respect and trust from those who should matter the most. Mr. Poe has the trust from the agents protecting our nation. We recognize this fact in presenting Judge Poe our highest award, which is dedicated to those agents defending America here at home.” concluded Ramirez.

Our confirmed speakers include Special Agent in Charge Sandalio Gonzalez, DEA – Retired; ASAC Ruben Gonzalez, ICE – Retired; reps from local Congressional offices, and attorneys who are representing the very law enforcement officers under siege.

Our conference speakers are addressing critical topics, such as ICE & Interior Enforcement, America's Ports of Entry, War on Law Enforcement, Congress & Border Security, War on Drugs, and the Infamous Juarez House of Death. This is top material from leaders who don't work the speaking circuit.

Unlike our 2007 conference in San Diego, CA, which was primarily for law enforcement and elected officials, our 2008 conference is open to the public. Tickets are a modest \$25 donation. Visit FOBP.us for more info.

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