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**"ASIS Dynamics"**

**for council contact information.**

## LELC: OPENING REMARKS

*From the Desk of Richard E. Chase, CPP, Chairperson*

The LELC remains committed to promoting and enhancing partnerships within the public and private security communities. Part of this process requires that our members meet frequently with other security professionals both domestically and abroad to identify best practices and to mine for new collaborative opportunities. Common concerns that we often hear during these sessions are "In an ever-changing security environment, how can we work smarter? How can we increase the efficiency and effectiveness of our security services? And how can we accomplish this within our current staffing models?" In our council's role, we offer assistance to security managers in solving complex issues and emerging challenges through the forging of critical partnerships.

For some security organizations, joint collaboration represents an essential life line to future growth and success. As Doctor Grover shared in the October edition, our door is wide open to you. We encourage all security professionals to take the time to visit our website and get acquainted with our council's mission, related services, and most importantly, to share your successes. Together, we can find solutions!

"Be not afraid of growing slowly, be afraid only of standing still".

## "SAFETY ACT" Offers Limited Liability for Anti-Terror Technology

*From the Desk of Gail M. Simonton, J.D., Chairperson LELC Guidelines Committee*

**Did you have questions as you read the Safety Act article? Send you questions to the author Gail Simonton at [gsinonton@earthlink.net](mailto:gsinonton@earthlink.net).**

**This month's newsletter will be your last opportunity to send in your questions for us to answer and publish**

in a “*frequently asked questions*” format. We’re looking forward to your questions.

## **LELC NEWSLETTER ANNIVERSARY**

*Editor: Jim Fetzer, CPP*

We have been publishing the LELC Newsletter for one year. ☺

We hope you have enjoyed reading our publication as much as we have writing, editing, publishing, and sending it to you.

As with all things there is change. Beginning next month you will see changes to the newsletter.

First, let me welcome Oksana Farber, and Bob Lee to the team. Oksana and Bob are both LELC members and have contributed to the efforts of the LELC. You may recognize Bob as a past chairperson of the LELC.

We are now the LELC Publications Committee. As such, we will all be contributing to the efforts of the publication committee. The newsletter is just a part of our effort.

Among other responsibilities Oksana will be coordinating LELC membership articles and Bob will be supporting the LELC Power Point which is available to any local chapter for a monthly meeting program. It describes the LELC and its functions. Contact Bob for your chapter copy. ([lee\\_robert@cox.net](mailto:lee_robert@cox.net). If we have a LELC member close we’d like to coordinate with them to be there too.

I will continue as contributing editor of the newsletter and chair the LELC Publications Committee.

You can expect to see articles from us as well.

## **LELC SUPPORTS “OPERATION PARTNERSHIP”**

*Editor: Jim Fetzer, CPP*

“After two years of hard work, the research findings and analysis phases of Operation Partnership are nearly complete. The release of the results is expected within the next several months. In anticipation of that release LELC collected the names and addresses, at the LELC booth in Las Vegas, of those persons interested in having a copy sent to them.

**DON’T FORGET!!** You too can receive a copy of the Operation Partnership release.

Send your name, and mailing address to [Susan.F.Powers@usdoj.gov](mailto:Susan.F.Powers@usdoj.gov). When the Operation Partnership information is released it will be sent to you!

## **“The Integration of Virtual Public-Private Partnership’s into Local Law Enforcement to Achieve Enhanced Intelligence-Led Policing: Part 1**

*Masters Degree Thesis: Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA Center for Homeland Defense & Security. Inspector Matthew Simeone, Nassau County New York Police Department, LELC member*

For those members of the LELC and ASIS International that I haven’t yet had the pleasure to meet, let me introduce myself. I am Matt Simeone and I’m an Inspector with the Nassau County Police Department in New York. In June of 2004, with the help of many people, including fellow LELC member Oksana Farber and members of our local ASIS International Long Island Chapter, I initiated a public-private information sharing partnership with private security called the Security/Police Information Network, or SPIN.

My involvement with SPIN led me to an opportunity to attend the Master’s Program at the Center for Homeland Defense and Security at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. My thesis, which was completed in September 2007, is entitled “The Integration of Virtual Public-Private Partnerships into Local Law Enforcement to Achieve Enhanced Intelligence-Led Policing.” I have been fortunate in that

my paper was nominated for an Outstanding Thesis Award, and the Center for Homeland Defense and Security has showcased my work on its Publications and Theses page. A video interview can also be found on the site's home page at [www.chds.us](http://www.chds.us).

During the course of the next several issues, I will be excerpting from my thesis and sharing information on what I believe is an inevitable part of the future of law enforcement: internet-based, or virtual public-private partnerships. In building the case for VP3s, my research led me to study intelligence-led policing, virtual communities, social capital, as well as the interpersonal dynamics inherent in police-private sector partnerships. Please feel free to share any of the information as you'd like. The full thesis can be accessed at anytime at the CHDS link above, just look for the Publications and Theses page, hit the "Browse the 150+ theses" link and scroll down to the authors with last names beginning with "S."

Please feel free to reach out to me at anytime at [msimeone@pdcn.org](mailto:msimeone@pdcn.org) if you would like. I welcome feedback, both positive and negative, especially from learned experts such as you. In the meantime, I leave you with my thesis abstract:

In light of the recent emergence of fusion centers and centralized intelligence units, and the move to develop intelligence capacity within local law enforcement agencies in the United States, intelligence-led policing (ILP) is well-positioned to be on the nation's law enforcement agenda for the next decade. ILP relies on robust data collection from a wide range of sources to create intelligence products that can influence decision makers, and ultimately, impact the criminal environment.

Virtual public-private partnerships (VP3s) offer local law enforcement agencies an effective and efficient way to leverage a vast and resourceful private sector for the purpose of enhancing ILP. A VP3 can exponentially enhance data collection capacity, facilitate the utilization of the private sector as a force multiplier, and provide the means by which local policing agencies can begin to instill a culture of preparedness in the citizens they serve.

This thesis includes case studies of three VP3s – Citizen Observer, NYPD Shield, and the Nassau County Security/Police Information Network (SPIN). In addition, virtual communities and social capital are examined with an eye towards the potential impact on crime, homeland security, and ILP. The findings of this thesis form the framework for a VP3-enhanced model of intelligence-led policing.

#### **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:**

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