2015 GUEST SPEAKER

CAM COPPESS

Captain, West Des Moines PD (retired)



After nearly 30 years of service to the City of West Des Moines, Captain Cam Coppess retired on October 3, 2014. Cam was hired as a police officer on January 2, 1985. He was promoted to Sergeant on May 19, 1997, to Lieutenant on July 9, 2001, then to the rank of Captain on April 21, 2014. During his distinguished career he received many well deserved department awards.

Cam attended the 216th Session at the FBI National Academy from January 11, 2004 to March 19, 2004. On October 12, 1996, he received a special recognition plaque at the Annual Elks Police Recognition Banquet, and was also elected as President of the Iowa State Police Association in 1996. Captain Coppess was awarded the Optimist International Law Enforcement Award on June 14, 2011. Cam's leadership and dedication will be missed at the West Des Moines Police Department.

2015 SEMINAR INSTRUCTOR

LT ERIC DICKINSON

Vinton, Iowa Police Department



Eric Dickinson is a Lieutenant with the Vinton Police Department and a Advanced EMT. He was the recipient of the 2014 Trainer of the Year award from Law Officer magazine and the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association (ILEETA). He is a nationwide instructor/trainer and the region representative for "Below 100", a nationwide officer survival training initiative seeking to eliminate preventable law enforcement line-of-duty deaths.

He is a lead tactical medical instructor for SAFETAC, he serves on the Board of Directors for North Benton EMS, and he is an adjunct instructor at Kirkwood Community College. Eric has been a frequent guest instructor at the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy and previously for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center's (FLETC) Rural Policing Institute. He has presented courses for law enforcement and EMS throughout the United States.