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**58 POLICEMEN RECEIVE DEGREES AT SALVE REGINA
LAW ENFORCEMENT GRADUATION CEREMONIES**

Herbert F. De Simone, assistant secretary of the U. S. Department of Transportation for Environment and Urban Systems and former R. I. attorney general, will address 58 policemen, at ceremonies Thursday (September 9) at Salve Regina College, Newport.

Unanimously selected as graduation speaker by the Law Enforcement class, Mr. De Simone will emphasize the theme of "Justice For All" in his commencement address.

The exercises, scheduled for 2 p.m. on Ochre Court Terrace, overlooking the Atlantic Ocean (in case of inclement weather at the O'Hare Academic Center, also on campus) is the second class of male students to be graduated from Salve Regina. Thirteen Rhode Island policemen received degrees last September, at similar ceremonies.

Of this year's 58 graduates, 12 will receive bachelor of science degrees in Law Enforcement and the other 46 graduates, associate in science degrees, also in Law Enforcement.

A native of Providence, R. I., Mr. De Simone is a 1951 graduate of Brown University. He was graduated from the Columbia University School of Law in 1954 and was admitted to the Rhode Island Bar in the same year. He is also admitted to practice before the Federal Courts and the U. S. Supreme Court.

First elected attorney general in 1966, he has distinguished himself in the fight against organized crime. He was founder and first chairman of the New England Compact of Attorneys General, which was formed to combat organized crime on a regional level.

While attorney general, Mr. De Simone authored and had passed the most comprehensive package of anti-crime legislation in the history of Rhode Island. He also developed legislation formulating an environmental master plan for his home state.

Inspector John G. Glendinning, Jr., Warwick, class orator, will address the student gathering. The inspector will receive his bachelor of science degree, summa

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cum laude. Captain Ernest E. Widergren, Warwick, will also be graduated summa cum laude, with a bachelor of science degree in Law Enforcement.

Lieutenant Edward J. Ryan and sergeant Paul Saccoccia, both of Cranston, will be graduated, magna cum laude, with bachelor of science degrees. Patrolman Gene H. Johnson of Newport will be graduated cum laude, also with a bachelor of science degree.

Lieutenant Antonio DiFolco, Jr., of Warwick will receive his associate in science degree, in Law Enforcement, summa cum laude.

Six policemen will receive associate in science, Law Enforcement degrees, magna cum laude. They are deputy chief Richard J. Johanson, Lincoln; patrolman Thomas Lanzi, Cranston; lieutenant Albert W. LeBeau, Warwick; captain Anthony Moretti, Cranston; commander Alvin E. Nordquist, Warwick; and commander William E. Radican, Warwick.

Sixteen of those receiving an associate in science, Law Enforcement degree will graduate cum laude. They are deputy chief Madison A. Bailey, Portsmouth; sergeant George B. Boulds, Jr., Warwick; patrolman William J. Coyne, Warren; patrolman Kenneth Gilkenson, Cranston; Mr. Christopher S. Gontarz, Barrington; patrolman Rolland R. Grant, East Providence; patrolman Nicholas A. Gualtieri, Cranston; detective William F. Hobson, Cumberland; patrolman William S. Holihen, Cranston; detective sergeant George F. Holt, Cranston;

Patrolman Edward W. Hutton, Sr., Pawtucket; sergeant Frank L. Lupo, Warwick; sergeant (unit commander) Patrick F. McHugh, Cranston; patrolman Richard E. McInnis, Barrington; captain Edward F. Nawrocki, Cumberland; and detective Kenneth F. Ryan, Pawtucket.

Salve Regina president Sister Mary Christopher, R.S.M., will preside at the ceremony and confer both the baccalaureate and associate degrees. The invocation and benediction will be given by the Reverend Raymond P. Luft, chaplain of the Warwick Police Department.

The awarding of degrees will follow an academic procession led by the College's marshal, Robert J. McKenna, a member of the political science department and a Rhode Island Representative (D-Newport). The line of march, accompanied by a drummer from

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the Newport Artillery Company and a color guard from the Middletown Police Department, will proceed from the O'Hare Academic Center down Ochre Point Avenue, through the main gates at Ochre Court, around the main administration building, to the terrace.

Attending the exercises will be many of the 500 Rhode Island police officers and correctional personnel now enrolled in one or more of the College's law enforcement and general education courses. Many of the State's judiciary, police chiefs and fire chiefs are also expected to attend.

Salve Regina's Law Enforcement Degree Program is an adult-oriented endeavor, closely allied with the needs and objectives of Rhode Island's law enforcement agencies. On the baccalaureate degree level, there are subspecialties in such areas as youth services, delinquency, police administration and community relations.

Classes, workshops and seminars take place on the Newport campus as well as at other branch campus locations in Cranston, Cumberland, East Providence, Pawtucket and Warwick. Class schedules accommodate the varied work schedules of participants during the morning, afternoon and evening, throughout the academic year.

Among the graduates who will receive bachelor of science degrees are patrolman Arthur R. Bell, Newport; Mr. Donald T. M. Cooper, Newport; patrolman Kenneth R. David, Warwick; lieutenant William F. Gamer, Newport; Mr. Christopher P. Lavin, East Greenbush, N. Y.; patrolman Norman S. Mather, Newport; sergeant John J. McKenna, Newport.

Additional candidates for associate in science degrees are patrolman Aldo A. Aiudi, Woonsocket; patrolman Richard H. Bowen, Warwick; patrolman Philip F. Caliri, Cranston; patrolman Robert J. Carroll, Cranston; patrolman Robert A. Casale,

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Barrington; patrolman Albert A. Conti, Newport; patrolman Kenneth Cooper, Cumberland; lieutenant Robert A. Gibson, Middletown; patrolman Ronald M. Guilmette, Cranston; chief John P. Hussey, Willimantic, Conn.; patrolman Robert E. Larence, Cumberland; patrolman Henry A. Luther, Jr., Cranston; patrolman William Morgan, III, Warwick; patrolman Leonard J. Morry, Jr., Warwick; patrolman Paul F. Murgo, Jr., Barrington; patrolman Roger Francis Passano, Cumberland; detective inspector Doukas Pasyanos, Middletown; detective sergeant Frank A. Ricci, Warwick; patrolman James R. Rimoshytus, Warren; patrolman George J. Seyez, Jr., Bristol; sergeant Richard F. Sieben, Portsmouth; patrolman Wayne D. Taft, Warwick; and detective John M. Taylor, Newport.

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