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## Relationships

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Unfortunately one of the major issues within the Sheriff's Office is a little known issue with the public. It is that of our relationship with the first responders, the Prosecuting Attorney's office, and the County Council. With the exception of 1 or 2, I have spoke at length with just every one of the department heads in this county. The one thing that is a recurring theme is that the relationship is not where they would be, the communication is nonexistent, and things are not going how they would like. Every one to a person has said they look forward working with someone who they can communicate with and someone with a solid plan and vision. I would encourage you to not take my word for it, but go and seek them out and have a private conversation with them. Ask them the questions that will give you the information to make an educated vote.

I have said before and I will say it again. My job is not to drive fast with lights and sirens going, not to write tickets and arrest people. That is PART of my job, but that is not why I was hired and it definitely is not why I do this job. I am a public servant. I am here to protect and serve the community. Without a good working relationship with you, the community, and with Fire, EMS, the Prosecutor, both Town and County Council, DVS, Compass Health, and a whole host of other public service agencies, we will not be able to function to the level that we are capable of. My number one goal, and an easy goal it is, is to reestablish the lines of communication and repair the relationships with the other agencies of this great county so that we, the Sheriff's Office, can get back to doing what it is that we used to do so well; Serve this great county a people who live here.

Vote Ron Krebs on November 4th.

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## Random Howse

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One of the best things about this entire process of campaigning is the people I have met. I have met some of the best, nicest, and most genuine people I have ever met in my life these last 6 months. The questions, comments, and even the friendly debates always leave me feeling very positive about this community. I met with people on Orcas Island at the Random Howse last night. (Thank you Clyde and A Duke) The band and organizer of the entire event, Triple Play, was outstanding. If you get a chance to see them, do so. Rob Eagle finished the night off to perfection, what a talent. Thank you all for everything you have done. It was truly a special evening.

For the people who came and met me for the first time and had questions for me, thank you for coming. For those of you who do not know me, please try to make it to one of the events. You bring the questions, I will bring the positive attitude, the personality, and the answers.

Together we can make a change for the better.

Ron

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## Orcas Issues release

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# Breaking News: Sheriff's Guild Issues Support for Sheriff Candidate Ron Krebs

Posted on [September 18, 2014](#)

– from San Juan County Deputy Sheriff's Guild –

On September 15, 2014, the San Juan County Deputy Sheriff's Guild, which represents all the sworn Deputies, Detectives, Sergeants & professional Dispatch and Corrections staff, hosted a question and answer session for both Sheriffs candidates, Rob Nou and Ron Krebs. Rob Nou is the current San Juan County Sheriff. Ron Krebs is an eight-year veteran with the San Juan County Sheriffs Office.

The questions from Guild members centered around: outdated policy and procedures, poor morale, multiple problems with the patrol bc dispatch safety and security concerns, communication issues, budget, weak relations within other County entities—fire and EMS providers and other resource and service providers—inactive reserve program and physical fitness for duty to name a few.

The Sheriff's Guild is made up of 26 total members. Of those, a small fraction elected to abstain. The remaining members voted to support Ron Krebs. We, the Guild, believe Ron Krebs will bring back community policing, citizen responsiveness, honesty and integrity, communication, and morale into the San Juan County Sheriffs Office.

*San Juan County Deputy Sheriff's Guild Board of Directors:*

*Steve Johns – President*

*Jeff Asher – Vice President*

*Herb Crowe – Secretary*

*Robin DeLazerda – Treasurer*

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## Journal of the San Juans release

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# Deputy's guild backs Krebs in sheriff's race

 Ron Krebs - Contributed photo

Ron Krebs

— *image credit: Contributed photo*

The rank and file of the [Sheriff's Department](#) have made their choice known.

The San Juan County Deputy Sheriffs Guild Wednesday endorsed deputy R Krebs and his candidacy for San Juan County sheriff.

An eight-year veteran of the local force and first-time sheriff's candidate, Krebs is challenging the incumbent, Sheriff Rob Nou, a former department deputy elected to a first term in office in 2010.

The Guild, which represents the department's deputies, detectives, sergeants, dispatch and corrections staff, 28 members in all, voted in overwhelming numbers to endorse Krebs, following a questions-and-answer forum with each candidate Monday, Sept. 15.

A "small fraction" of guild members chose to abstain from the vote, including Krebs, according to a Sept. 17 guild press release. The rest of the members voted in favor of Krebs.

"We, the Guild, believe Ron Krebs will bring back community policing, citizen responsiveness, honesty and integrity, communication and moral into the San Juan County Sheriff's Office," a Guild press release said.

According to the guild, questions fielded by the two candidates involved missing and outdated policy and procedures, poor morale, multiple problems with patrol boats, dispatch safety and security concerns, communication issues, budget, weak relations within other county fire and EMS providers, inactive reserve program and physical fitness for duty.



The Sheriff oversees a 35-person department and yearly budget of \$4.9 million, including \$2.7 million for department operations, \$1 million for dispatch, \$800,000 for Emergency Management and nearly \$400,000 for the jail. At full staffing, the department consists of 21 deputies, detectives and field corrections officers, nine dispatch employees, and four other employees.

Krebs moved to the San Juans and joined the department in 2006. A Marine Corps veteran, he is a past sheriff's guild president, department representative on the Washington County Board of Police and Sheriff's, and is a field training officer and boater safety instructor.

A former Oregon police chief who joined the department as a deputy in 2008, Krebs drew the [endorsement of eight](#) members of the guild in a five-candidate 2010 sheriff's race. He soared into the office on the heels of a [landslide victory in the general election](#), collecting 66 percent of the votes cast in that two-way finale.

In an elected, non-partisan position, the sheriff earns an annual salary of \$103,595.

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## From the San Juan Journal

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### Krebs for sheriff; leads by example

I am voting for Ron Krebs for San Juan County Sheriff.

I first came in contact with Ron as a Middle School Parent. I was drama instructor at Friday Harbor Middle & High School.

His concern, kindness and unconditional support for his kid made a huge impression on me. I knew him as a parent who wanted to connect with his kid.

Over the next several years, I observed significant and positive motivational changes in the student. Ron remains one of the most communicative parents I have met in my 27 years here.

I believe in his ability to “police” our community—to lead by example—to show compassion—understanding—restraint—and at the same time, be a tough cop.

We met for lunch several months ago at my request and had an excellent conversation about the role of a Sheriff in a small community have.

When we elect a Sheriff, we should make that decision not just to maintain a status quo level of comfort and security; we should elect a person who will embed deeply into our community; reach out to young folk; bring people and interest groups together; show a visibility as a cop, but a community volunteer (Ron is a volunteer EMT); and above all —motivate his department to work as a team to insure our communities’ safety and well-being.

Wearing that badge is not just about law and order, it’s about listening to a constituency.

When Ron is elected, I hope to work with the Sheriff’s Dept. to help communicate positively with teens and develop programs that involve in community support. I will happily commit to a renewed connection to the Sheriff’s Dept. in any way that helps our community come together.

When Ron is elected, I look forward to a feeling of happy confidence when I see a Sheriff’s vehicle, and I look forward to knowing that Fred Krebs will most likely show up as private citizen at many of the community events I and my family attend.

**Fred Yockers, San Juan Island**

[Click here for the article—> http://www.sanjuanjournal.com/opinion/letters/275478511.html](http://www.sanjuanjournal.com/opinion/letters/275478511.html)

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## Agency Accreditation

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Status Quo or the strive for excellence-

As your top elected official in law enforcement, it is my desire, my goal, and my passion for bringing the best to San Juan County. As an elected official of San Juan County, it is my job to bring the very best and to uphold it. Preserving the island’s way of life is an empty statement if you do not have a plan to actually follow through with it.

My plan for excellence- Bring the agency up to nationally accepted standards. One of the ways I plan on doing this is through accreditation. The Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) and the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement (CALE) are the gold standard for accreditation programs. Cities like Anacortes, Arlington, Grays Harbor, Swinomish, and Port Angeles are all WASPC accredited. Last year our very own San Juan EMS and Island Air received accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Mass Transit Systems. (CAMTS)

Some of the benefits of accreditation include increased public confidence, intensifying administrative and operational effectiveness, as well as ensuring fair and equitable recruitment, selection, and promotion processes. It also improves department morale and pride, decreases susceptibility to litigation and civil settlements, and recognition of state and local competence. The bottom line is you, the public, know that we, the Sheriff’s Office, are doing things at an acceptable national standard. That is a win win for everybody.

The program is an 8 part process that covers everything from you setting your goals and objectives, use of force policy, your policy manual, fiscal management, training, code of conduct as well as internal affairs. In the process the agency is brought up to national standards and you, the people of our county, know that you have a good, effective, competent department in the community.

Community oriented policing by officers in an accredited agency....one way to truly preserve the islands way of life.

*For more information on the benefits of accreditation, go to [WWW.WASPC.ORG](http://WWW.WASPC.ORG) or [WWW.CALEA.ORG](http://WWW.CALEA.ORG)*

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## Meet and Greet!!!!!!!!!!

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Come and meet me at the Random Howse on Orcas Island. I will be there to answer any questions you may have.

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**RON  
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**WANTED FOR:  
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COMMUNITY  
ORIENTED POLICING.  
TOGETHER ALL OF US  
ARE STRONGER THAN  
ONE OF US.**

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## Just because I can, doesn't always mean I should

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Traffic infractions are a part of life. We have all got them at one point or another. If you haven't, then good for you and I hope you never today's day and age, that is an accomplishment to be proud of. The ONLY reason to give a traffic ticket is to gain compliance with the law. Now do I need to give you a ticket just to get you to follow the appropriate laws? No. Very few people I stop for one reason or another are purposely and maliciously breaking the law. Most infractions are a result of bad habits. I don't believe that I need to cost you \$124 minimum for the ticket, plus your insurance going up for 3-5 years, over your bad habit. So, how do we correct this? There are many ways but oftentimes a simple conversation explaining why the law is in place and what could happen as a result of your infraction solves the problem. It is rare that I pull the same person over 2-3 times for the same thing over and over again. I personally would rather solve the problem with conversation, than a ticket.

Traffic enforcement is important however, and it isn't going to go away. But will I have quotas? No. Will I have mandates for more traffic stops? No. Traffic safety is important, but there are other ways of achieving a safe traffic environment. Through strong community policing through effective communication with the public, cooperation with the driver's education school and with communications that are transparent so that everybody knows how our department does business. Cooperation with the driver's education program before they get their license. So will traffic tickets go away? No, but again, just because I can write you a ticket doesn't always mean that I should.

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## 2014 San Juan County Fair

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Well the 2014 San Juan County Fair has come and gone. This was the first fair that I have gone to that I was not in uniform on duty. I have said, as I have told a ton of people this weekend, the thing I love about our fair is that it is just like the small town fairs you see in the mountains. Everyone knows everybody and everybody has a great time. We are all truly blessed to be able to be a part of this life on the islands.

I want to thank EVERYONE who came out and supported my campaign. It could not have been better if I wanted it to. My "Concerns from the Community" box was a big hit and I received a lot of great and valid suggestions and concerns. I will keep each and every one of them and revisit them if and when I take office. Next year we will have a Sheriff's booth in the fair right next to San Juan Fire and San Juan EMS so your comments, suggestions and concerns can keep right on coming.

Thank you to all of those who came to my booth undecided and asked questions. Thank you for voicing your concerns and taking the time to educate yourself as to why we need a change.

I especially want to thank my fellow deputies and dispatchers at the Sheriff's Office. Thank you all for your support in this very important election.

A special thanks goes out to Scott Brennan, Steve Johns, Marla Johns, Brent Johnson and Herb Crowe who were all able to get the time from work to come out and stand with me at my booth for hours and hours.

Also a special thanks to my entire family who came and helped out also. TEAM KREBS!!!! Your help and support was invaluable. You all make me a better person.



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