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## WEST SEATTLE STUDENTS GIVE A BIG SHOUT-OUT TO ANTI-DRUG OFFICERS

*Students at Holy Rosary School in West Seattle were encouraged to shout their greetings to a motorcade carrying law enforcement agents arriving for an anti-drug program at their school Thursday as part of a nationwide drug-prevention outreach program called Red Ribbon week. The Drug Enforcement Administration, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the FBI were represented, and the pomp had purpose: to sensitize the students that when confronted with whether to take drugs, they can say no. **B4***

# Anti-drug rally gets enthusiastic response

## Federal, local officers provide thrill for students

BY PAUL SHUKOVSKY  
P-I reporter

Educators in West Seattle may have discovered a new way to control 484 wildly cheering children: a burly federal agent wearing camouflage and brandishing a bullhorn.

It was unclear who was having more fun, the kids or the cops, at the culmination Thursday of several days of drug prevention programs at the Holy Rosary School in West Seattle.

The three letter agencies were there: DEA, ICE, FBI. As children wearing red sweaters and blue pants or tartan skirts lined 42nd Avenue Southwest, agents in raid jackets, swat gear and even hazardous-material suits slapped palms with the pumped-up youngsters. Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent Jodie Underwood — dressed in black and packing her service revolver — looked armed and dangerous until she turned toward a bunch of 8-year-olds with a grin on her face and asked: "Are you guys having fun?"

"Yeaaaaahhh," they yelled with unbridled enthusiasm.

DEA agent Matt Duran, bullhorn in hand, prepped the kids for the cavalcade of cops to come. When Duran demanded quiet, you could've heard a pin drop. And when he asked for a cheer, he got a deafening scream.

But the cheers got even louder when a caravan, led by Seattle motorcycle officers and including a DEA Hummer and ominous black sport utility vehicles with flashing blue lights, rolled up and came to a stop in front of the school. Arnold Moorin, DEA special agent in charge, climbed out of one vehicle and was shaking hands with a bunch of second-graders when he said, "I'd like to do this once a week."

The pomp had purpose: to sensitize the students that when confronted with whether to take drugs, they can say no.

For several days, as part of a nationwide drug-prevention outreach program called Red Ribbon week, Holy Rosary children have been drawing posters and writing essays with drug-prevention themes, principal Kris Brown said.

The essays "talk about the importance of being drug-free," she said as her students headed toward the school parking lot to sit in the DEA helicopter and pet

Duke, the Seattle police drug dog. "They've been so excited to learn about the work that (federal agencies do) on the prevention of drugs."

Brown said her students also read the story of the 1985 kidnapping, torture and murder of DEA agent Enrique Camarena by drug traffickers in Mexico. Red Ribbon week was launched to memorialize Camarena by raising awareness for drug prevention and early intervention.

In a program in the school gymnasium, the children heard from Camarena's widow, Mika Camarena, who said: "You have to keep one thing in mind — choices are important. I am here to ask you to make the right choices."

The children heard from U.S. Attorney Jeff Sullivan, who told them that his job is to "ensure that the bad guys go to jail." Sullivan led the youngsters in an enthusiastic chant of "Just say no."

Asked why the DEA had organized the event, Moorin said: "We understand that you have to put prevention at the top of the list. Enforcement is a huge part of what we do at the DEA. But would we rather prevent it than enforce it? Absolutely."

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## REFUND: Total

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million in refunds, attorney fees and administrative costs.

Attorney fees were \$3.5 million. Administrative costs were \$750,000.

The total in the fire-hydrant case, which will include a small

## FUNERALS, DEATH

### David "Dave" BAROH

Born February 22nd, 1928 in Seattle, Washington, Dave Baroh passed away at Overlake Hospital the early morning of Wednesday, October 15th. He attended Garfield High School where he starred on the football team, and also earned his accounting degree from the University of Washington. Dave served in the Army, spending time overseas in Japan. He was active in the Sephardic Brotherhood, serving as their treasurer for a period of time. Dave enjoyed vacationing and spending time with his family, and looked forward to their annual trips to Maui and Penticton.

A loving husband, father and grandfather, Dave is survived by his wife of 50 years Janti, his daughter Toni and son-in-law Chris McLendon, two grandchildren (Joe and Ryan), Brother Louie (Leah), sister Clemence Varon, sister in law Bella Israel, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be on Friday, October 17th, at 10:00 a.m., and will take place at the Evergreen-Washelli Funeral Home in Seattle (11111 Aurora Avenue-North). Donations may be made in his name to the Seattle Sephardic Bikur Holim.

### Dorinda L. BENDER



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