

ing. Everything builds up to the ride, then the ride itself and (in the end) you feel like you're giving back to the people that gave to the community and so it's very fulfilling."

The 250-mile bike ride goes from Portsmouth, Va., to Washington, D.C., with some days nearing 100 miles ridden. The ride capped off weeks of training and fundraising, with residents such as Chip Carter of the Boyz Under the Hood Car Club helping to raise money to get the riders to their final destination.

For months before the trip, Bidou, Lt. Sid DeJesus, Cpl. Dustin Joseph, Cpl. Robert Herndon, Cpl. John Garcia, Ofr. Megan Hewitt, and retired Cpt. Jim O'Connell trained on the hills of Vacaville, Woodland and Davis to prepare for the tour.

When the group finally put their wheels to the road, Lt. Sid DeJesus said the experience of meeting people, being cheered on while riding through towns, was a humbling experience.

"When we got to (the first stop), we were riding through the town and people were lining the curbs, there were flags at the intersection and there were people there, old and young, just cheering us on," DeJesus recalled. "For me, that was just

Members of the Vallejo Police Department pause for a photo during the annual Unity Tour bike ride from New Jersey to Washington, D.C. From left, Police Chief Andrew Bidou, Cpl. Dustin Joseph, Ofr. Megan Hewitt, Cpl. Robert Herndon, Lt. Sid DeJesus and retired Cpt. Jim O'Connell.

a hugely humbling experience because it made me realize just how much people appreciate what we do as law enforcement officers."

"It just reinforced in my mind that there's so much honor in what it is that we do," DeJesus added. "You hear about all of the bad things that officers find themselves involved in, but this experience reminded me that I've spent the last 23 years of my life doing it for all of the right reasons. So that was a very humbling experience for me, and others as well.

The tour ended in Washington with all 1,800 riders — a group composed of mostly officers and families — riding into the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial at Judiciary Square on May 13. There, walls are inscribed with the names of officers who have died in the line of duty, including Vallejo's own officers. This year, the last name was added from Vallejo's list of fallen officers: Watchman Frank Toal, who died in 1896.

"When you think of all of the officers who've died, specifically, Jim Capoot, Jeff

Azuar, who I knew, you're DeJesus said. "(As you ride riding in honor of them," into the memorial), you



PUBLIC MEETING
MARE ISLAND NAVAL SHIPYARD
RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB)
May 2015 MEETING



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