

NAME: Keith Van Nus
PARTY: Republican
SEEKING: Gwinnett County Sheriff

Why am I seeking office:

After much prayer I know that Gwinnett needs a return to Honor, Integrity and Respect for not only the Deputies and staff but for the public we serve. We need positive change. Open and transparent communications with all. Crisis and mental health training. Mentorship for the Deputies and the inmates.

I am doing this because the Deputies have asked me to run because they know I care about them and have the skills and their silent support. They can't openly support me because of retribution like occurred 4 years ago.

What do you expect to accomplish if elected:

I expect to set a new standard of Respect for the Deputies, staff, inmates and their families. I will work to rebuild trust with the staff and the public. I won't lie to you or for you. I will look at all non mandated programs to see if they benefit the staff and public, if they are cost effective and best use of staff. I will open investigations on areas of misconduct that have been ignored for years. I will put my skills from my time at the Atlanta FBI Public Corruption Unit to work. We will be good (100)...

What distinguishes your candidacy:

I not only have 30+ years of Law Enforcement experience, I have large facility management experience. I have worked in Finance, The Arts, Military and Construction. Together they make me a complete candidate.

Peace Officer State Certifications; Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Supervisory, Management, Jailer, Instructor and Field Training. Lou Solis only has a Basic certification and no Jailer certification or Field Training. I have 24+ years invested in Gwinnett County. I have the silent support of the Deputies, Staff and the Officers at GCPD. I have earned their trust.

Pick an issue:

While there are many listed at www.vannusforsheriff.com I would say the **Lack of Trust** in the current leadership not only by the Deputies, Staff and Inmates but by the Public. Look at the number of lawsuits and named complainants that are in the courts. The misuse of special teams to apply "control" of the inmates even though leadership has been told for years it was too much and out of control.

Petty politics in transfers/assignments, lack of respect, lies.

Lead by example, involve the staff for ideas/issues, train up your successor.

Suggest ways to jump-start the economy:

Do not watch or listen to CNN or MSNBC on the state of doom and gloom. If you are in reasonable health and not compromised visit/shop local small business', support them with your dollars and words of encouragement. Buy American where you can. Remember we have been through a lot worse and we have always come back bigger and stronger, Support your local/church food bank. Take a walk in your neighborhood and tell people hello and ask if there is anything they could use a hand with. Practice Optimism.

100 Word Summary

Faithfully married to Eileen for 47 years, 7 Children (All married and living/working in Gwinnett) 12 grandchildren. Currently the Director of Operations and Security for Hebron Church in Dacula. 21+years LE In Gwinnett, 1 ½ years as Reserve (No Pay) Deputy serving as a SWAT Negotiator. 3 years as A Task Force Officer assigned to the Atlanta FBI Public Corruption Unit. 8 years USAF, Law Enforcement. 20+ years part time with Primerica Financial Services, licensed Life/ Annuity, Securities Series 6 and 63, mentor and trainer. Operations and Technical Director for the Naples Dinner Theatre. Home builder and remodeler.

Love to... (100)