

Dear Editor,

I was AMAYESD, and utterly dismayed, at the unprofessional way in which Chief Finn characterized his subordinates in his column in the December 1st issue of *The Review*. According to Finn, our self-described scourge of intoxicated drivers, he has officers “who wouldn’t be able to recognize a drunk driver if he ran into him.” According to his brief biography on the city’s website Finn is only four months away from his sixth anniversary with the city. Assuming that there is any merit to Finn’s comment it is too late to blame this state of affairs on his predecessor and too self-serving to blame the city employees who must rely upon his leadership and direction for their professional development.

Considering the exploits of our city attorney, a former councilperson, and the former city code enforcement officer/constable, anyone who reads the papers in Boulder City has a keen awareness of drunk drivers. Drunk drivers are easy enough to recognize. Just look for someone passed out in their car, the person who drives onto the sidewalk and into a streetlight, or the hapless soul who blacks out the downtown when their vehicle collides with a utility pole.

Those sworn to uphold the law should not require a contest to motivate them to put forth their best efforts. To be fair, however, I will propose a like contest for Chief Finn. If, between now and the sixth anniversary of his appointment, the Chief can refrain from once again shooting himself in the foot, I will forfeit personal funds sufficient to buy him a six pack.

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