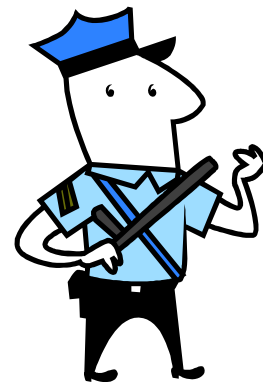


## “Publican”

The title of this “Biological” writing is a bit misleading: my use of “publican” is for any public servant (and, as illustrated, for the common police and fireman as representations); but the usual or defined meaning of this word, “publican”, dates back in antiquity to a tax collector or something like them.

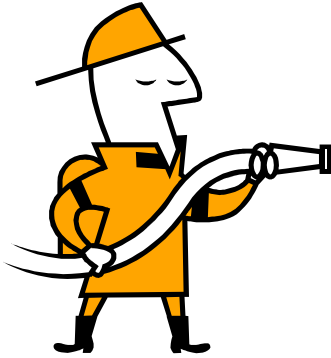
How important are the many “publicans” – or individuals that work as public servants? If you need them, then they are very important but, as for the police, if they need you, then they may be important...in a different way. As far as the fireman, paramedic, or similar “type”, my impulse is say that they are OK anytime...



Any publican that has children is a Biological Father; indeed, any man that has children is also one too. Publicans are tasked with protecting the public citizenry – as well as their children; but the rest of us are suppose to protect our children and leave the rest to publicans, soldiers and other professionals that protect. By virtue of professional training, the publican offers many skills and services to protect (and defend) the citizens and their properties. Sometimes the other Biological Fathers need publicans to help them; but other times, they do not...

In the 911 tragedy – and often in other crisis – the fireman standout in their duty to the public; they put their lives *on the line* (or at great risks) to save others...and their property when possible. I happen to know a few fireman

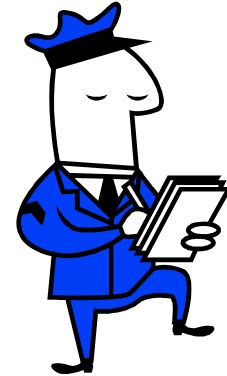
who are also Biological Fathers; some are paid...but others volunteer for this duty. Movies have been made about their



perilous purpose to go where they are called – obviously, at face pace or in a moment's notice. What is certain is these folks do not always know what to expect; hence, they take many risks...sometimes with few rewards.

I have not included many other types of publicans or public servants; perhaps, you can think of a few that have not been included, yet are important to both their families and the citizenry. Some adults would argue that the IRS is not among this revered group – though “publicans” were tax collectors as previously mentioned.

Recently, I was the lucky recipient of a parking ticket; and though I did not have a parking sticker (as required), the publican at the campus police station *let me off* because I am a visitor – and not a student or faculty. Now that's what I call a perfect publican; one that understands the situation and respects the rights of the citizenry.



As to the court system – and its cast of members – I don't think so...