The Loss Prevention Foundation

7/14/2011

LPF | LP Magazine

Give our Veterans a Fighting Chance by Kevin Lynch

mericans can disagree on a plethora of things as they conduct their daily lives. Men and women argue in coffee shops around America on politics, sports and religion with a passion that would make the most ardent zealot jealous. If there was a ever a

that gives them complete confidence in their ability to meld into a fighting team that protects people and assets.

As the Chairman of the Military Transition Team for the Loss Prevention Foundation, I have

Having been a veteran of the United States Navy, I have seen firsthand the commitment these men and women bring to the task of protecting our country.

topic on the American landscape that could galvanize United States citizens, it is the unwavering support of our fighting men and women.

Having been a veteran of the United States Navy, I have seen firsthand the commitment these men and women bring to the task of protecting our country. They hone their skills in a manner

embraced the responsibility of informing these young soldiers, sailors, and airmen of the rewarding opportunity that retail loss prevention has to offer. With the help of three stalwarts of the industry, I took the message to Washington D.C. to the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA).

Gene Smith, President LPF

• • •

The Loss Prevention Foundation has a Military **Transition Committee** chaired by ADT's Kevin Lynch. Recently, Lynch along with Brand Elverston of Walmart, Scott McBride from American Eagle, and I met in Washington D.C. with various high-ranking military leaders to discuss how retail loss prevention could be more active in helping veterans find jobs. As a result of this meeting, the Foundation is aggressively moving forward with a comprehensive plan that will help to attract more qualified enlisted military and veteran candidates into the industry.

I was accompanied by two veterans who have risen to prominent positions in retail loss prevention: Brand Elverston of Walmart and Scott McBride of American Eagle Outfitters. These gentlemen surgically articulated how their military experience gave them a distinct advantage in

becoming successful in their profession. Also, Gene Smith, President of the Loss Prevention Foundation, demonstrated how gaining the certification that the Foundation has to offer could make our veterans more marketable in this time of double-digit unemployment.

We as an industry, retailer and solution provider, need to look at an untapped pool of talented, eager individuals who paid their dues and just want to feed their families. Give our veterans a "Fighting Chance". Invest in a veteran on your LP Team.

The Loss Prevention Foundation

Gene Smith, President

700 Matthews Mint Hill Road, Suite C; Matthews, NC 28105





As retail theft becomes more sophisticated, your security system should too.

Learn more

