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### New Website

The State Lodge's website has been redesigned, additional information added and a members' only area has been activated. Please take a moment to visit the site at [www.ilfop.org](http://www.ilfop.org).

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# F.O.P. NEWS

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## President's Report, By Mark Donahue

### CARRY CONCEALED

On December 15<sup>th</sup>, the Lodge was informed that the Illinois Police Training Standards Board, Board of Directors, in response to our requests, had taken up the issue of the City's refusal to process applications for qualification relative to the provisions of the Law Enforcement Officer's Safety Act of 2004. As was determined two weeks earlier, the Board decided to process the applications, regardless of the City's refusal to verify certain information. Although the Lodge was made aware of the intended action early in December, we felt that addressing it prior to the appropriate action of the IPTSB could hamper or negate their ability to do so.

The demands by some of our members for immediate actions other than what we had taken could have risked the intent of the Board to do the right thing. Going to the media as some did and the calls for court actions both had the extreme potential of delaying the process, for years. Not only were we contending with the well known position of the Mayor on the issue of guns, but some members of our City Council as well who may have felt that what is good for the Police is good for their constituency. Some members of the Council shared the opinion that being allowed to carry a concealed weapon in this City is a "luxury", instead of how we see it as a

serious "responsibility".

The F.O.P. has been working this issue in Washington, Springfield and here in the City for years. Those few who wanted it handled their way at the potential expense of everyone else dwarfed the fact that most of us understand all that went into making this a reality.

This process hasn't progressed as quickly as anyone had first hoped. The IPTSB bent over backwards to address the concerns of the City. After throwing up two roadblocks to the process that were met, the City finally decided to show its true colors and stated they weren't doing it because they didn't agree with it. The straw that broke the camels back as far as common sense occurred when the recognition was made that retirees from all over the country can come to Chicago and carry concealed, but Chicago Retirees could not. We all must remind ourselves from time to time that positions that defy logic, normally don't stand for long, but when it does happen, the best course of action is to rally around and close ranks on the problem with one voice, not going off and shooting from the lip before considering all the implications. This only causes splintering of the membership and lessens our chances of success.

### PRIMARY ENDORSEMENTS

Any person seeking the endorsement of Lodge 7 in

the upcoming Primary must make that request in writing. If you, a family member, or a candidate whom you support is up for election in the March primary, the Lodge must have a request, submitted in writing, before our Political Action Committee meets to interview and make its endorsements later this month. All candidates who have made such a request will have an opportunity to be interviewed by the Committee. The offices which the Committee will consider are only those that cover all of or a portion of the geographic boundaries of the City of Chicago.

Please remember, judges who filed for retention will not be voted on until the November General Election. It is important that the Lodge be made aware of the interactions of its members, both positive and negative, when we make our decision regarding those judges up for retention. Please call or write us to make note of your experiences with our Cook County judges.

### LEGISLATION

The Lodge Legislative Committee met to discuss our progress with our agenda in this past Legislative session. The second half of the 94<sup>th</sup> General Assembly starts in January and will be on an abbreviated schedule. The legislature will adjourn on or about April 7<sup>th</sup> as opposed to the normal end of May so that the members have ample opportunity to return home to cam-

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paign for election in November.

The Committee addressed the issue of prioritizing the agenda to reflect the progress, which has been made. Pension improvements, retiree health care and pension portability continue to dominate the recommended agenda, all of which will receive new Bill numbers as our lobbyist has

advised that we re-introduce these bills to ensure they garner more attention. As soon as those numbers are obtained we will compile an entire list for inclusion in next month's Newsletter. Along with the enhancements for pensions, we will also be recommending means by which to finance them both at the State level and in the City Council. This

may be a pre-lude for the upcoming contract negotiations in which our mayor has promised to demand talks over the cost of pensions, an issue that was first on the table in our last contract talks in May of 2003. At that time, the City representative without hesitation refused to discuss pensions or their funding potentials as the Lodge had

proposed.

If the subject of financing pension funds and retiree health care wasn't such a crucial issue here and all over the country, this latest notion from City Hall would cause laughter on both sides of the bargaining table.

## Vice Presidents' Report, *By Bill Dougherty, Frank DiMaria & Greg Bella*

### WELLNESS VISION UPDATE

On 13 December 2005, the Lodge presented our case to Arbitrator Benn regarding the changes the City made in the vision portion of the Wellness Program. The Lodge put on our witnesses at this time and the City cross-examined our witnesses. We need another date to finish the case and on 19 January 2006 the case will continue. Hopefully we will have a decision soon after that.

### HOW THE CITY VALUES OUR RETIREES

The City continues to fight H.R. 218 when most states have complied with the Federal Legislation. Soon retirees will be able to carry their weapons from state to state as the law allows, no thanks to our Department or the City.

In contrast the New York City Police Department is actually turning to its retirees for help in large-scale emergencies. They have instituted a "Retiree Mobilization Plan", which will allow the NYPD to call on retired officers in the event of a major crisis. About 600 retired officers have registered to attend a meeting where the details of the plan will be discussed. Some cities and departments learn from trag-

edy...others ignore it until it's too late.

### LAB RESULTS IN NARCOTICS CASES

It is the inventorying officer's responsibility to bring a copy of the ISP-FSC-C laboratory report. If the officer has not received the status of the analysis he/she needs to contact the Chemistry Section of the ISP at (312) 433-8000 ext 2031 to determine the status. If the Laboratory Report indicates that the substance inventoried is negative the officer must notify the Court Section personnel by telephone. If the narcotics offense is the only charge in the case, a negative lab report negates the officer's duty to appear in court. If the officer is needed to appear at future hearings for the case, he/she will be notified.

### HEALTH FAIRS IN 2006

Many of our members participated in the Flu Shot Health Fair in November. On 9 February 2006, our first Health Risk Assessment Fair will be held in the 022<sup>nd</sup> District. We will have Fairs at the F.O.P. Hall on 14 February 2006 and in the 016<sup>th</sup> District on 28 February 2006. All Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 7 members (active, disabled and retired) are eligible to participate in these Fairs. You must con-

tact Cheryl Grendahl at (800) 811-0174 in order to make an appointment for any of these Fairs. You must have an appointment in order to attend any of the Fairs, as we can only accommodate 125 members each.

### NEW PPO PROVIDER CATEGORIES

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois have announced the addition of three provider categories to the PPO network effective 1 January 2006. The new categories are Durable Medical Equipment, Home Infusion Therapy and Advanced Practice Nurses. You can locate participating providers by using the Provider Finder at [www.bcbsil.com](http://www.bcbsil.com) or by calling (800) 772-6895.

### NON-DISCIPLINARY INTERVENTION PROGRAM, D.N.04-17

When you are served notice that there has been a verbal abuse complaint against you and it is obviously false or fabricated you must write a "To-From" report to the Commander of the Personnel Division. Explain in the "To-From" why the complaint is false or fabricated. Examples include but not limited to; you were RDO, you did not respond to the job, you were

on lunch, the complaint is against someone in civilian dress and you were in uniform.

The Commander of Personnel will review the report and can administratively close the complaint and it will not be counted against the member's Non-Disciplinary Intervention Program history. Results of this program are not contained in your discipline history.

### THE PRIMARY ELECTION

The election is fast approaching and will be here in March 2006. Votes are power; Chicago Lodge 7 has approximately 17,600 members. To that add spouses, family members and friends. You can see that we have as many votes as some Wards. There are many politicians that support the police and there are many who disrespect the job that you do day in and day out, yet they will all seek our endorsement and our vote.

If you are not registered to vote it is time to register. The F.O.P. will be promoting voter registration to make it easy for our officers

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to register to vote. Watch the F.O.P. newsletter and website for more information.

Everyone can come up with reasons not to register and not to vote. There is nothing else to say other than if you don't vote - don't complain.

Candidates for Judge have filed for the election and without a doubt will be coming before the F.O.P. Political Action Committee (PAC) as well as other politicians seeking our endorsement. We have received complaints throughout the year about certain Judges and the complaints have been investigated and documented so that we can better determine who deserves our endorsement. If you have any input on Judges we need you to call the office and speak to an officer or go to the website and fill out the survey. Go to

www.chicagofop.org, scroll down the left hand column and click on "surveys". A box will appear and then click on the blue Judicial Survey and fill out the form or just fill out the comment box.

### LEGAL DEFENSE SEMINAR

Do you know all of your current legal rights provided by your Contract? A Legal Defense Seminar will be held in the F.O.P. Hall, 1412 W. Washington, on Tuesday 24 January 2006 at 0900, 1300 and 1900 hours. There will be three seminars to accommodate all three watches. This seminar is open to all members so that you can receive a Legal Defense handbook and an explanation of the guidelines, the Contract and your rights. Parking is available in the Plumber's Hall.

### SAFETY ISSUES AND FILING SAFETY COMPLAINTS

Did you know that Safety

issues are addressed in the Contract under Article 15? The issue of safety is referenced in a broad manner as described below:

Toxic Materials, Prisoner Facilities Vehicle, Unit Environment Health, Miscellaneous or Other Complaint Equipment.

If you have a safety complaint, you must complete a Safety Complaint Form. Contact the Unit Commanding Officer and make an attempt to resolve the safety issue. Prepare one (1) copy of the Complaint and give it to the Unit Commanding Officer. If the issue is resolved please indicate in bold letters **"RESOLVED"** on the face of complaint, and prepare a brief summary on how the complaint was resolved.

If the issue remains unresolved, then prepare a brief summary of your actions and attempts to resolve the complaint. You will then prepare

two (2) copies of the Complaint and action toward resolution. Forward the original to F.O.P., give one to the complainant and retain one for your records. Please complete the above within five (5) days. If there is no resolution at your level, then forward the original complaint to F.O.P., give one (1) copy to the Unit C.O, one to the complainant and retain one for your records. In all cases please give a copy of the complaint to the Complainant and to the Commander. Take all complaints and handle appropriately. Follow up on all complaints. Do not take for granted that some type of action has been taken.

The information regarding Safety Complaints can be found on Page 155 of your 2006 F.O.P. Handbook.

### Retirees Breakfast/Luncheon

#### North:

1st Wednesday of Month @ 7:30 am  
**Lone Tree Manor**  
7730 N. Milwaukee Ave, Niles  
For More Info call: John Grizzoffi @ 773-631-0676

2nd Tuesday of Month @ 8:00 am  
**Dappers Restaurant**  
3131 N. Thatcher Ave, Chicago, IL  
For More Info call: John Sweeney @ 630-690-0409

#### South:

2nd Wednesday of Month @ 10:00 am  
**Jedi's Garden Restaurant**  
9266 S. Cicero Ave, Oak Lawn, IL  
For More Info call: Don Januszyk @ 708-364-9903

#### 8th District – 8 Balls

Last Wednesday of Month @ Noon  
For More Info call: Al Bilecki @ 773-767-1885

#### Survivors Lunch

2nd Saturday of Month @ 11:00 am  
**Beverly Woods Restaurant**  
11532 S. Western, Chicago

#### Active/Retired Mobile Unit & ET's

1st Tuesday of Month 12:00 noon  
**Maplewood Restaurant**  
115th & Pulaski Road, Alsip, Illinois  
For More Info call: Al Klaeser @ 773-646-3808

#### Arizona Retirees

3rd Thursday of Month @ 11:00 am  
**Hometown Buffet**  
1312 N. Scottsdale, Scottsdale, AZ  
For More Info call: Ed Plawinski @ 480-502-1630

#### Arkansas Retirees

3rd Friday of Month @ Noon  
**Elks Lodge**  
Highway 62 E, Mountain Home, AR  
For More Info call: Dennis Dwyer, 870-431-4458

#### Las Vegas Retirees

Every Thursday of Month @ 9:30 am  
**The Willows Restaurant**  
2020 W. Horizon Ridge, Henderson, NV  
For More Info call: Joe LePore @ 702-407-5230

#### Florida Retirees

1st Wednesday of the Month @ 1:00 pm  
**Cop Shop**  
4403 S/E 16th Place, Cape Coral, FL  
For Info: Tom Faragoi 800-284-4198

## Pension News, *By Steve Robbins, Active Member Trustee and Ken Hauser, Retiree Trustee*

Best wishes for a prosperous New Year to you in 2006. On November 29<sup>th</sup> 2005, the Pension Board voted to provide a one time gift of \$400.00 to all police widows receiving \$1,200.00 a month or less and all child annuitants to be paid in the form of a check in December 2005. The inspiration for this provision came in the form of a similar motion made by Trustee Ken Hauser at the September 2005 Pension Board Meeting. That Board voted to delay passage of the motion at that time until more data of its fiscal impact could be learned. This "13<sup>TH</sup>" check is similar to a benefit the Fire Pension Fund has given to their widows and annuitant children for the last several years.

The Board is looking into current avenues to possibly make this an annual provision and expand it. The funds for this particular disbursement were allocated from the Pension Funds "Gift Fund". While voting in favor of this gift, I was reminded of something Retired P.O. Walter Averyhart once told me about the Police. He said, "We take care of our own". Thanks, Walter, by the way, the Board vote was unanimous.

I will be attending various Roll Calls in Units and Districts in Area 1 in January. Please let me know if you would like me to attend your particular roll call, and I will make every effort to accommodate your request. Most officers have the same questions and concerns in com-

mon. If I don't have the immediate answer, I will get it for you.

Start the year off right. Deaths, births, marriage, divorce, address changes and telephone number changes are a fact of life. Be sure to notify the Department, F.O.P., Pension Board, Credit Union, Deferred Compensation, your Medical Insurance provider and your Unit of any changes, or just check to see if your current information, including your designated beneficiaries, is correct.

Steve Robbins

By the time you receive this newsletter, I will have started my term of office on the Pension Board. On October 27, 2005, the ballots were counted for the Pension Board election

of Trustees. There were 5,709 votes cast for the Trustee representing all of the annuitants. I received 3,931 votes, which overwhelmingly elected me to a three-year term of office. I'd like to thank you for your vote of confidence. My term of office begins on December 1, 2005 and will extend until November 30, 2008. I thank everyone who worked for my election, especially my Committee Chairman, Jim O'Leary.

Wishing you and your family holiday happiness and good health in the New Year.

Ken Hauser

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

## Does G~d Exist?, *Compliments of Rabbi Moshe Wolf*

A man went to a barber-shop to have his hair cut and his beard trimmed. As the barber began to work, they began to have a good conversation. They talked about many things and various subjects. When they eventually touched on the subject of G~d, the barber said, "I don't believe that G~d exists." "Why do you say that?" asked the customer. "Well, you just have to go out in the street to realize that G~d doesn't exist. Tell me, if G~d exists, would there be so many sick people, and poor people? Would there be abandoned children? If G~d existed, there would be neither suffering nor pain. I can't imagine a loving G~d who would allow all of these things to be."

The customer thought for a moment, but didn't respond because he didn't want to

start an argument. The barber finished his job and the customer left the shop. Just after he left the barbershop, he saw a man in the street with long, stringy, dirty hair and an untrimmed beard. He looked dirty and unkempt! The customer turned back and entered the barber shop again and he said to the barber, "You know what? Barbers do not exist." "How can you say that?" asked the surprised barber. "I am here, and I am a barber and I just worked on you!" "No!" the customer exclaimed. "Barbers don't exist because if they did, there would be no people with dirty long hair and untrimmed beards, like that man outside."

"Ah, but barbers DO exist! What happens is, people do not come to me." "Exactly!" affirmed the customer. "That's the point! G~d, too, DOES exist! What happens,

is, people don't go to Him and do not look for Him. Sometimes people forget to read the signals.

### G~d's signal

A farmer is in Iowa during a flood. The river is overflowing, with water surrounding the farmer's home up to his front porch. As he is standing there, a boat comes up. The man in the boat says, "Jump in I'll take you to safety". The farmer crosses his arms and says stubbornly, "Nope, I put my trust in G~d". The boat goes away. The water rises to the second floor. Another boat comes up, the man says to the farmer who is now in the second story window, "Jump in, I'll save you". The farmer again says, "Nope, I put my trust in G~d". The boat goes away. Now the water is up to the roof. As the farmer stands on the roof, a helicopter comes over, and drops a ladder. The pilot yells down to the farmer, "I'll save you, climb the

ladder." The farmer says, "Nope, I put my trust in G~d". The helicopter goes away.

The water continues to rise and sweeps the farmer off the roof. He drowns. The farmer goes to heaven. G~d sees him and says, "What are you doing here?" The farmer says, "I put my trust in You and You let me down." G~d says, "What do you mean, let you down? I sent you two boats and a helicopter"!!!

So as we enter a New Year let's make a resolution to renew our faith, and keep our eyes open to the heavenly signals. On behalf of all the Chaplains, best wishes to you and your loved ones for a Happy and Healthy New Year. Amen.

Compliments of your Police Chaplain Rabbi Moshe Wolf 773-463-4780 or [moshe-wolf@hotmail.com](mailto:moshe-wolf@hotmail.com)



## Recording Secretary's Report, *By Sidney Davis*

### RECOGNIZED VACANCY BIDDING

Transfer Bids are posted the first Friday after change day. There have been cases when a Unit/District have not posted the Transfer Bids on a Friday, when this occurs and the Lodge along with Management and Labor Affairs verifies the non posting, the required 72 hours of post time starts upon posting of the Recognized Vacancy within that Unit/District. Members are reminded that the P.A.R. Form must be signed by the Commanding Officer/Watch Commander who will verify that the bid was submitted within the prescribed seventy-two (72) hours. Once signed, Bids must be received in the Office of Management and Labor Affairs no later than 1000 hours on Wednesday (following the Friday of original posting), to be considered. Members may fax a copy to Management and Labor Affairs at 312-745-6961 or 312-745-6962. To verify receipt of the P.A.R. Form set, members may call Sgt. Ron Willis of the Management and Labor Affairs Section at 312-745-5806. It is the responsibility of the submitting member to forward his/her P.A.R. Form request for transferring from one unit to another. When you deviate from this, you take the risk of non-compliance and risk not be transferred.

NOTE: Bids that do not contain the required information, are late, or are otherwise improperly completed will not be accepted.

### 2006 F.O.P. FISHING TOURNAMENT

The date for the 2006

F.O.P. Fishing Tournament has been set for Thursday (DOG 1/2) June 1, 2005. All members who anticipate fishing should mark your calendars. We look forward to seeing all anglers back for another year of fishing and fun.

### 2006 F.O.P. PICNIC

The date for the 2006 F.O.P. Picnic has been set for Wednesday, July 19, 2006. Mark your calendars to enjoy laughter, fun, games, prizes, music, soft drinks, ice cream and more. This year's event will be at Santa's Village in East Dundee, Illinois. Admission is free, but restricted to Lodge members and their immediate family. You must have your 2006 F.O.P. membership card for admission.

### MILITARY RESERVISTS

Police Officers who are military reservists and have recently returned from active duty are asked to contact me at Lodge 7, (312-733-7776), to ensure their benefits per contract between Fraternal Order of Police and the City of Chicago have been properly acknowledged and administered.

### 2006 GENERAL HANDBOOKS

Much care, time and effort went into the production of the 2006 General Handbook. The handbook committee welcomes any suggestions or comments regarding future handbooks that will improve or better serve its members. A handbook comments page can be located (page 6) in the 2006 handbook. Please use this page for your suggestions or comments, and then return via Police Mail to FOP, Unit 541.

### WATCH BIDDING, FILLING OF VACANCIES

Watch bidding will occur again during the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> police periods in 2006.

### 2006 HOLIDAY EVENT CALENDAR

Last month's issue of the

F.O.P. Newsletter contained the 2006 Holiday/Event Calendar. Father's Day was listed as Jun 25<sup>th</sup>, it should read Jun 18<sup>th</sup>. Members are asked to check their individual copies received (blue and pink) and make the correction.

## 2nd Annual Kevin T. Flanagan Memorial Scholarship Fund

All proceeds will provide a scholarship fund in Kevin's memory at St. Patrick High School, in addition to benefiting selected charities, including the LOSS Program of Catholic Charities, The Chicago Police Memorial Foundation and The Police Chaplain's Ministry.

Kevin died at the age of 25. He was a Chicago Police Officer who worked the West and South sides of the City. He was the son of Mary & Barney Flanagan of the CPD. He loved the City and all people. With this spirit in mind, we have created this scholarship to provide a quality education for needy students. It is our hope that the recipient of this scholarship will assist others in need throughout their lives.

**Tuesday  
January 10, 2006  
5:30 pm**

**United Center  
Chicago, Illinois**

Tickets cost \$50 each and include sport food, beverages and much more.

All donations are deductible to the extent of applicable law.

For more information please visit our website at  
[www.kevinflanaganscholarship.org](http://www.kevinflanaganscholarship.org)

## Health & Insurance Committee Report, *By Ed King, Chairman*

The Committee hopes that your holidays were safe, healthy and happy! I would just like to bring up a few reminders for all members regarding some healthcare questions that have been directed to me, particularly since the open enrollment period.

Some of the procedures that may be prescribed by your primary care physician such as chiropractic, manipulations and adjustments need pre-certification by Blue Cross and Blue Shield or Benefits Management prior to beginning the treatments in order to be covered.

Most of these are done on an outpatient basis and even though you obtain an order from your physician. This is NOT a certification approval. My suggestion would be to call the telephone numbers on the back of your benefits card if you have any doubts whether treatments prescribed need pre-certification or not.

Those members who will be retiring before attaining the age of sixty years are not covered by vision or dental care unless you want to purchase the current COBRA plan that is available through the City for a period of eight-

een months. The City has a new company for this benefit. It is PHCA company and enrollment can be done by calling them direct at 1-888-541-7107. Once you sign up, you will have initially the same coverage and network availability to you and your family as the active officers have. Premiums are billed monthly. Keep in mind that under the present Agreement, those of you who attain sixty years of age before retiring will receive free healthcare for you and your dependents until age sixty-five.

As times change, with costs escalating and budget crunches, the City will always be looking

for ways to save money or streamline healthcare benefits. However, any of these changes must be within the scope of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Lodge and the City of Chicago. If you have any questions about your current or future healthcare benefits, please feel free to contact the Health and Insurance Committee via the Lodge and either myself or someone from the Committee will get the answer and call you back.

Thanks for your time and stay safe!

### **THE POLICE SURVIVORS**

The POLICE SURVIVORS provide resources to officers who have been seriously injured in the line of duty. They offer benefits to injured police officers and their families during times of need.

The POLICE SURVIVORS is committed to educate law enforcement officers, agencies and the public about the need to support officers who have made sacrifices in the line of duty. The POLICE SURVIVORS is an independent, not for profit, tax exempt organization and is recognized by the IRS for Federal income tax purposes.

In 1995, a group of seriously injured police officers came together to share their experiences. During this meeting, they realized that they were not alone - that the emotions and problems they faced were shared by fellow officers seriously injured in the line of duty. At that time, there was no organization devoted to helping seriously injured police officers. They decided that there was a great need for an organization designed to assist in the recovery process of any officer in Illinois, who has been injured on the job. In the Spring of 1996, "THE POLICE SURVIVORS" was established by officers Steven Tyler, Joseph Sosnowski, Michael Lappe, Sol Karadjias, Henry Davis Sr. (who has since passed away), Terry Baney, Talmitch Jackson, Jacqueline Healy and Dennis Dobson.

Today the THE POLICE SURVIVORS includes over one hundred members. Unfortunately, there are a great number of police officers who have suffered overwhelming financial and emotional burdens after being wounded. THE POLICE SURVIVORS provides various forms of support to these officers so that they are able to focus on the recovery process. THE POLICE SURVIVORS strive to intervene soon after the injury so that officers do not succumb to the numerous pressures associated with their injuries and with your help and support we will accomplish our mission.

If you know any officer injured in the line of duty who could use our help, please let us know. Phone: 773-539-2801

### **October 2005 Retirees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Years</b>
Adams, Craig W.	Officer	701	41
Babicz, Robert F.	Officer	012	36
Balice, Vito M.	Officer	189	30
Carney, Edwina J.	Officer	020	20
Fedanzo, Jr., Robert C.	Officer	276	39
Garmon, Lynn B.	Sergeant	003	25
Hansen, Sonja G.	Officer	170	24
Kelly, Philip J.	Officer	701	38
Loftus, Charles R.	Sergeant	543	36
Williams, Robert	Officer	006	26

### **November 2005 Retirees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Years</b>
Bonk, James R.	Lieutenant	014	28
Cirignani, Daniel R.	Officer	050	40
Connery, Edward T.	Officer	701	40
Doherty, John E.	Officer	171	39
Frantz, Michael J.	Officer	051	32
Graeber, Robert W.	Detective	610	38
Green, Richard	Sergeant	024	38
Hurley, John J.	Detective	620	33
Jellen, Robert C.	Detective	630	34
Jones, Jr., Andrew	Detective	620	29
Lindsay, Dwight W.	Officer	021	26
Macuba, Joseph P.	Officer	192	38
McEvoy, Eugene J.	Officer	008	6
Mis, John G.	Officer	018	34
Napolitano, Thomas	Officer	016	24
Pierson, Howard L.	Sergeant	023	38
Robinson, Jr., Hugh	Officer	021	25
Rogers, William A.	Officer	001	35
Shaw, Dennis R.	Officer	018	23
Shepard, Don E.	Officer	DPR	30
Stevens, Richard C.	Chief	188	39
Troike, Robert J.	Youth Inv.	074	35

## Treasurer's Report, *By John Capparelli*

### 2006 BUDGET

The Board of Directors has approved the 2006 budget. The new budget will be made available to the members and posted in the April 2006 issue of the newsletter. Anyone interested in viewing the budget in its entirety should contact my office and schedule an

appointment. Our sound financial condition will ensure that the members of Lodge 7 will receive the best representation available.

### BENEFICIARIES

All members should be receiving their 2006 Handbook packages now and enclosed in the packet you will find the most current infor-

mation that the Lodge has on file regarding your beneficiary. Please review this information to make sure we are current and updated. If anything is incorrect, for instance if your parent who has been deceased for 20 years is still on file, or if your ex-spouse is still on file, call the Lodge and ask to have a new membership information card

mailed to your home. Fill out the card, sign the bottom and return it to the Lodge. Or, if you are in the neighborhood, stop in and fill out a membership information card at the 3rd Floor receptionist area.



## Disability Report & Veterans Corner, *By Carlos 'Sal' Saladino*

### Disability Report

The Disability Committee wishes you a healthy and happy new year. We are available for calls at the FOP office Monday through Friday. Check out the Disability Page link on the FOP web site, [www.chicagofop.org](http://www.chicagofop.org), for beneficial information.

**New Vocational Training Program** – By now you should have received your letter of notification about this program for duty and occupational officers. Please fill out form so that they can

get an accurate number of officers who wish to participate and return by January 15, 2006.

**November Pension Update** – Advocates present: PO Cedric Brumley, Sgt Mike Lazzaro, Sgt Mike Shemash, Det Steve Schorsch, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Bill Dougherty and myself. Heart Disability – 1 claim granted. Duty Disability – 5 claims heard: 1 awarded, 1 denied, 2 continued, 1 withdrawn. Permanent & Total – 1 denied. Ordinary – 2 granted.

**Star Encasement** – This program officially ended 31 Dec 05. We want to thank Sgt Gawne and Mary Beth at Personnel for their work.

### Veterans' Corner

#### Important Numbers & Web Sites

IL Dept. of Veterans' Affairs, 1-800-437-9824,  
[www.state.il.us/agency/dva](http://www.state.il.us/agency/dva)  
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[www.il.ngb.army.mil](http://www.il.ngb.army.mil)  
US Dept. of Veterans Affairs,

1-800-827-1000, [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)  
**IL Student Assistance Commission (ISAC)**, 1-800-899-4722, [www.collegezone.com](http://www.collegezone.com)  
Thanks goes to Sol Tsaoussis from Personnel for information on CPD members in the military.

*Leadership is a potent combination of strategy and character. But if you must be without one, be without the strategy.*

Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf

Airborne Sal

## Website Committee Report, *By Rich Aguilar, Chairman*

Are you aware that you now have the ability to receive FOP current updates via e-mail? To activate this feature all you need to do is visit the Survey Page on the FOP website, [www.chicagofop.org](http://www.chicagofop.org) and fill out the request form.

A new feature will also be added to the Survey Page this month thanks to a

suggestion from a midnight officer in the 019<sup>th</sup> district. Officers will now be able to submit ideas for the next round of contract negotiations online.

I hope you had a Safe and Happy Holiday Season,

Rich Aguilar - Chairman



### FREE Training

### Online Child Pornography Awareness

In support the F.O.P.'s mission of enhancing officer's ability to perform their duties, the State Lodge is again offering FREE training in 2006. The first training will be:

#### Online Child Pornography Awareness

9 am- 4:30 pm; Jan. 11, 2006  
F.O.P., Illinois State Lodge  
4341 Acer Grove, Suite B  
Springfield, IL 62711

Trainer: Glenn Bard, Computer Forensics Training Coordinator,  
Institute for Law Enforcement Education,  
Pennsylvania State University

Arrests for child pornography are occurring at alarming rates and no jurisdiction is safe. This interactive seminar is designed to introduce officers to "kiddie porn" investigations, what "kiddie porn" really is, and the steps to be taken when confronted with this type of case. You will be shown how child pornographers target children on the Internet, pornographers tactics will be demonstrated, how they traffic porn will be explained and you'll learn where to look for them. To reserve your spot in the training, register online [www.illfop.org](http://www.illfop.org).

## 2006 HOLIDAY EVENT CALENDAR

HOLIDAYS BY CONTRACT	PERIOD	DOG	DATE	POPULAR ORDERS	
NEW YEARS DAY	13b	4/5	01 Jan	G.O. 02-08, Use of Force	
KING'S BIRTHDAY	1a	3/4	16 Jan	S.O. 02-15, Officers Battery	
LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY	2a	5/6	12 Feb	G.O. 00-08, Grievances	
WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	2b	5/6	20 Feb	G.O. 97-02, Department Vehicles	
PULASKI DAY	3a	3/4	06 Mar	G.O. 02-05, Crime Scenes	
POLICE PARTNERSHIP DAY	5a	1/2	29 Apr	G.O. 97-06, Communications	
MEMORIAL DAY	6a	5/6	29 May	G.O. 98-02, Medical Policy	
INDEPENDENCE DAY	7a	1/2	04 Jul	G.O. 92-03, Weapons-Personnel	
LABOR DAY	9b	5/6	04 Sep	G.O. 02-09, Weapons Discharge	
COLUMBUS DAY	10b	7/1	09 Oct	G.O. 97-09, Transfer -Assignment	
VETERAN'S DAY	12a	1/2	11 Nov	G.O. 98-09, Lost Stars / Badges	
THANKSGIVING DAY	12b	4/5	23 Nov	G.O. 93-03, Disciplinary	
CHRISTMAS DAY	13b	3/4	25 Dec	G.O. 94-05, Payroll-Timekeeping	
VALENTINE'S DAY	14 Feb	7/1(2a)	PUERTO RICAN DAY	17 Jun	1/2(6b)
ASH WEDNESDAY	01 Mar	6/7(2b)	FATHERS DAY	18 Jun –	1/2(6b)
ST PATRICK'S DAY	17 Mar	6/7(3b)	GAY PRIDE DAY	25 Jun	7/1(7a)
EASTER	16 Apr	3/4(4b)	FOP PICNIC	19 Jul	7/1(7b)
ILLINOIS MEMORIAL	04 May	5/6(5a)	CINCO De MAYO	05 May	6/7(5a)
MEXICAN INDP	16 Sep	2/3(10a)	ST JUDE'S MARCH	07 May	7/1(5a)
ROSH HASHANAH	23 Sep	1/2(10b)	MOTHER'S DAY	14 May	6/7(5b)
RAMADAN	24 Sep	1/2(10b)	WASHINGTON MEM	15 May	7/1(5b)
YOM KIPPUR	02 Oct	1/2(10b)	FISHING TOURNAMENT	01 Jun	1/2(6a)
KWANZAA BEGINS	26 Dec	4/5(13b)			

**UNIFORM INSPECTION:** Spring: 01-10 May/Winter: 01-10 Nov

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME 2006:** 02 Apr & 29 Oct

**UNIFORM CHECKS:**

FEB, AUG, DEC 2006  
\$600.00 (before taxes)  
Payable on the 1st

**DUTY AVAILABILITY:**

JAN, APR, JUL, OCT 2006  
\$730.00 (before taxes)  
Payable on the 7th

**SELL BACK/BFD & P-DAYS:**

P-Days: Carry over 4, Sell back 4  
BFD Days: Carry over 4, Sell back ALL  
Payable on April 1st of each year

BFD DAYS	DAYS	VACATION DAYS	STR/WRK	FOP GENERAL MEETINGS
15 yrs or more	6	1 yr but less then 5	20 Straight days	Third Tuesday of each month
10 yrs but less then 15	5	5 yrs but less then 10	24 Straight days	Noon – Feb-Apr-Jun-Oct-Dec
5 yrs but less then 10	4	10 yrs but less then 15	22 Working days	7pm – Jan-Mar-May-Sep-Nov
1 yr but less then 5	3	15 yrs or more	25 Working days	No meetings in Jul or Aug

FIRST DAY OF SPRING	20 Mar (3b)	<b>FOP FIELD REPRESENTATIVES</b>		<b>FOP BOARD MEETINGS</b>
FIRST DAY OF SUMMER	21 Jun (6b)	Greg Bella	John Capparelli	First Tuesday of each month
FIRST DAY OF FALL	22 Sep (10a)	Sidney Davis	Frank DiMaria	10am/Time Certain: Noon
FIRST DAY OF WINTER	21 Dec (13b)	Bill Dougherty	Tim Fallon	

<b>WATCH BIDS OPEN</b>	<b>TRANSFER BIDS SECTION 23.9</b>	<b>CPD PEER SUPPORT</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> Period	13 Jan, 10 Feb, 10 Mar, 07 Apr, 05 May, 02 Jun, 30 Jun 28 Jul, 25 Aug, 22 Sep, 20 Oct, 07 Nov, 15 Dec, 12 Jan	312-747-5499

**RECOGNIZED OPENINGS, UNIT DUTY ASSIGNMENTS**

11 Jan, 08 Feb, 08 Mar, 05 Apr, 03 May, 31 May, 28 Jun 26 Jul, 23 Aug, 20 Sep, 18 Oct, 15 Nov, 13 Dec, 10 Jan

**NO COP OUT:**

Nancy: 773-551-5345 or Joanne: 773-616-7880

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[www.chicagofop.org](http://www.chicagofop.org)

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## Financial Secretary's Report, *By Tim Fallon*

In 2006 there will now be three separate opportunities to earn extra money for all officers. The first is C.T.A. Special Employment. C.T.A. Special Employment is available seven days a week, on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> watches. Anywhere from 70 – 90 officers are assigned on a daily basis. The pay rate for C.T.A. Special Employment is straight time. The second opportunity is to work in C.H.A. This program also runs seven days a week on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> watches. However the pay rate for C.H.A. is time and a half. In the past only officers assigned to C.H.A. were allowed to work this assignment. Numerous grievances were filed regarding denying officers the ability to take advantage of this program. The Lodge went to arbitration on this issue, and the arbitrator ruled that the Department had the right to assign the officers

they wanted to work overtime in C.H.A. Even though the Department prevailed in arbitration, they have agreed to open up C.H.A. to all full duty officers. I believe the Department, particularly Deputy Superintendent Charles Williams should be commended for this decision. The third option comes as a result of the Terrorist Awareness Response Academy (TARA). All Department members will undergo in-service training in TARA. The duration of this training is expected to be approximately 2 years. During the next 2 years the Department will receive a federal grant that will allow officers to work beat cars for time and a half. This program will be known as the TARA buy-back program (TBBP). This program will run on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> watch, Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> watch, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> watch, and Sun-

day 1<sup>st</sup> watch. To apply to work TBBP you must access the I-CLEAR system, click on the Create/Edit Deployment Request, and a drop down screen will appear, then select TARA, and follow the instructions. Officers will be chosen by seniority, but will only be allowed to work 2 days a month. At the end of last year there was another overtime program called the Violence Reduction Strategy. Officers that worked the Violence Reduction Strategy were assigned to identified high crimes areas, usually 3 to 4 beats. All indications are that this was a successful and highly effective program. This program was not funded by a grant. The money came from within the Department's budget. If more money can be found this program could return for the summer months of 2006. One problem all of

these programs have in common is cancellations. On one past day in the Violence Reduction Strategy, out of 50 officers and 5 sergeants assigned to work, 17 officers and 2 sergeants cancelled. C.T.A. Special Employment sometimes has a cancellation rate of 30%. When you put in to work these assignments and don't show up, you not only deprive yourself of money, but you have also deprived another officer of the opportunity to work. At this time the Department has no procedure in place to replace officers that cancel once they are scheduled to work. If you put in to work, show up. If you have to cancel make sure you notify the Department you will not be there. Any cancellation without a notification will result in your suspension from the program.



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13 & 20 February 2006

## Happy New Year!! Its Time For Our "Summer Clearance" Sale!!!

That's Right! All CPD Short Sleeve Polo Shirts Are Now 30% OFF and All PO Mickey Mouse Polo Shirts Are Now 50% OFF...while they last...limited quantities

### 2006 F.O.P. Handbooks Are Now Available

Make Sure You Remember To Bring Your F.O.P. Membership ID Card To Purchase Vehicle Medallions. The Handbooks Sell For \$3.00 Each.



**The Bargain Bin Is Full!! 30% To 50% OFF**  
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### Back In Stock!

#### Reversible Hooded Sweatshirt

Navy Blue & Grey  
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#### All Police Christmas Tree Ornaments

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Fun Conversation Piece  
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## Annual Pre-ACT Exam Offered At The F.O.P. Hall

The best preparation for the ACT Exam is a solid academic high school curriculum. However, in our competitive academic environment, students must also have test "SMARTS." Statistics have shown that the students who have had preparation in testing strategies, practice testing, test format and test instructions, substantially outperform others. The COLLEGE VISIONS STRICTLY STRATEGIES workshop that will be offered at the F.O.P. Hall focuses on these important test strategies and techniques.

By mandate of the State of Illinois Department of Education, all public and private high school juniors will be required to sit for the ACT Exam this April. By attending this workshop and taking a practice ACT Exam, your child will have a week or two to become more prepared in certain areas where they may not have tested as well as they would have liked, prior to the ACT being offered at their particular school. In an effort to prepare the children of "F.O.P., LODGE #7" members for this very important exam, the F.O.P. has

invited COLLEGE VISIONS to conduct their workshop for the daughters and sons of F.O.P. members. This workshop will be offered on Sunday, March 26, 2006 from 1300 - 1600 hours and will be held at the F.O.P. Hall, 1412 W. Washington Blvd. This program usually costs \$50.00 or more. The cost for the children of the F.O.P. will only be \$25.00 per child.

The presenters of this program are knowledgeable and experienced educators. They have prepared thousands of students in the Chicago area to be "test smart."

The Lodge encourages you to involve your child in this program. If your child only picks up one or two items that assist him/her in taking the ACT Exam, it is to his/her advantage.

There is limited space available at the F.O.P. Hall, so please complete the application and send it, along with a check or money order for \$25 made payable to the F.O.P., Unit 541 by Friday, March 17, 2006.

Ensure that your child has a seat at this important educational event that might very well effect his or her future.

### College Visions

#### ACT WORKSHOP, Strictly Strategies

**Session Time:**

Sunday, 3/26/06  
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

**Location:**

Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge No. 7  
1412 W. Washington Blvd.  
Chicago, IL 60607

**Registration Fee:**

\$25.00

Please return this registration form and your fee  
(cash or check payable to **College Visions**)  
to Kathy Moore at F.O.P. Lodge No. 7, by Friday, 3/17/06.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_/City \_\_\_\_\_/State \_\_\_\_\_/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_/Year In School: \_\_\_\_\_/Cash: \_\_\_\_\_/Check: \_\_\_\_\_

### ADDRESS CHANGE FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Star Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, First, MI)

New Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return Form To The FOP – Unit 541 or 1412 W. Washington Blvd, Chicago Illinois 60607, Attn: Doreen

## The Dutch Act, *By Father Tom Nangle*

The time was the early 1970's, and the place was north of 79th Street somewhere in 006. The beat car got a job of a suspicious auto in the garage and as the blue and white dodge pulled down the alley the driver could see a group of anxious neighbors milling about. He got out of the squad and when he looked into the window of the brick garage, it seemed like someone had painted the glass battleship gray. He could hear the car's engine racing inside, so he kicked the door in and was met with the sweet odor of carbon monoxide. The patrolman took half breaths as he quickly walked to the driver side door and opened it. Sitting behind the wheel was a skinny man of about 65, holding a can of Old Milwaukee while still revving the engine with his right foot. The policeman asked him what was going on, and the skinny man replied with a sackful of obscenities that boiled down to, "Oh come on---what does it look like's goin' on, huh? I got cancer---why don't you leave me alone?" The officer pulled him from the front seat and dragged his skinny self out onto the grass in the backyard and returned to the radio in the car to call for a CFD ambulance. A mere minute later, as he returned to the backyard, the officer could hear the man cursing his neighbors with the same rough words he had used in the garage and asked them why they couldn't mind their own damn business and leave him alone, etc. The fire department Cadillac ambulance arrived, the firemen put the attempt-suicide on the white sheeted gurney, clamped a

black rubber oxygen mask on his face, and sirened off to Little Company. End of story? Not yet. Exactly two weeks later, the same beat car got the same call to the same address, where the skinny man with cancer had finally accomplished what he'd set out to do two weeks previous. The Buick V8 had done it's job quietly, and the Old Milwaukee can was empty this time. Instead of a CFD Cadillac, Beat 672 made the removal on their well-worn, beat up stretcher.

The beat man told me he'd gone to the hospital after the ambulance two Saturdays earlier, and the man told him he just didn't want to live any more. He wasn't in any pain from the cancer yet, but he didn't have the energy for the medical battle, and he didn't have much hope for any kind of cure or good life ahead. He had no hope and he feared the future. Medical people in the 1970's didn't have the armamentum they have now in the cancer battle, and the percentages and statistics and predictions weren't as good as they are now, so the skinny, tired-out Old Milwaukee -drinking, Buick- driving man without hope ended his own life in the garage. Later that summer day, as check off time crept close, that same beat man got another job at Little Company: a dead infant, an obvious victim of abuse, a homicide. He handled that and the detectives arrived and our beat man made it to check off without slipping into overtime. He went home to a wife and the twins and a quiet backyard barbecue, and a can of Old Style.

He told his wife nothing of the Buick man or the dead

infant. He didn't ever want that part of his life to dirty his family's world. He didn't want those stories of human suffering, evil, and degradation to ever seep into his kitchen or bedroom walls. These jobs make up the daily rhythm of every working big-city police officer, and he desperately did not want the police world to ever infect his home world. Thirty years later, I would hear his wife say, "I've watched his heart turn to stone." And at a seminar on emotional survival of police officers, I would hear a psychologist say that officers become philosophers as they get deeper into law enforcement. Philosophers wonder about the meaning of life, try to figure things out, and end up asking a lot of questions that lead to endless conversations and headaches and frustration, with a bit of wisdom and insight to show for their effort. How could you handle the Buick man and the DOA infant within three hours on a beautiful summer day and not become a critical thinker? And doesn't faith, limitless hope, and willingness to love

again and again keep the heart from turning to stone?

Respectfully,  
Fr. Thomas Nangle  
Chaplain, CPD  
312-738-7588

### INFO FOR THE POLICE

-Your Police Chaplains Ministry hosted almost 160 members of the Gold Star Families at The Drake Hotel in early December, and our mission was simply to let them know their loss of a Chicago police officer in the line of duty will never be forgotten by the officers of this department. Mission accomplished.

-The Ministry has purchased two granite benches to be placed at a police memorial in Milwaukee County (WI) as a sign of respect and gratitude of the men and women of the CPD in recognition of two Milwaukee County deputies who died in a helicopter crash while investigating the homicide of an off-duty CPD officer. The dedication will be in May 2006. Mission almost accomplished.

### Departed Brothers & Sisters

<b>Richard D. Wall</b>	<b>Age 79</b>
<b>Dennis L. Tooles</b>	<b>Age 62</b>
<b>Patrick T. Culhane</b>	<b>Age 92</b>
<b>Edward M. Clements</b>	<b>Age 56</b>
<b>John M. Tribe</b>	<b>Age 59</b>
<b>Ronald J. Schultz</b>	<b>Age 58</b>





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**Night With The Chicago Wolves**

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