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## President’s Report, By Mark Donahue

### The Good, The Bad And The Media

Our Department has gone through much this past month. The actions depicted in the media are repulsive and shock the conscience of not only the rest of the members of this Department, but the public as well. Unfortunately it is the media who, in their penchant to inform the public of the incidents [as is their responsibility], have ignored impartiality and fairness to the rest of the members of this Department. They spend two seconds on the daily acts of heroism performed by the majority of Officers and an eternity on the few that dishonor their oath. They have damaged the morale of the members of this Department and the perception by the public of what we do for them. Some outlets understand this and some never will. It is up to the majority of the members of this Department to disprove what the public is being led to believe, based upon the frequent airings of the incident, and as history has shown us, those members will. In light of the National Media acting responsibly as to airing the “manifesto” of the murderer of 32 students in West Virginia, there may be hope for our local media.

### Vision And Dental Care For Retirees

The Spectera United Health Care program for dental and optical coverage for our retired members rolled out this past month. The Lodge’s Health and Insurance Committee spent a good portion of last year researching providers that offer these coverages. The need for this coverage was caused by the

City dropping their program for a period of time before re-implementing it. Still their program is only good for an 18-month period. The Lodge consulted with and got the approval of the Pension Board in January for the premium payments to be made through them so that the retirees could take advantage of the recently passed Federal “Helps” legislation that allows for these premiums to also be tax deductible. After addressing several unforeseen obstacles in providing this benefit to our members, the vendor sent out the enrollment packages on April 16<sup>th</sup> and provisions were made so that all widows, widowers and dependents of annuitants may partake of this benefit. The early response has been much greater than expected. The staff in our office has answered hundreds of calls about the program and has done a great job in responding to them, as we knew they could. The gratitude expressed by the retirees for getting this program up and running has been tremendous. Fraternal Benefits such as this are all the more reason for maintaining membership in the FOP after retirement.

### Contract Negotiations

Direct negotiations with the City over a new contract have yet to take place but the Lodge’s Negotiating Team has been busy sorting through the proposals that have been submitted. The intent of the Committee is to pare down the recommendations in order to present viable and responsible proposals as was done in the last round of negotiations. The Lodge has been informed that the City has been in negotiations with at least one of the 42 Unions who do busi-

ness with the City. Remember that all 42 City contracts with Labor Unions expire on June 30<sup>th</sup> and that last time Lodge 7 was the first to get a successor agreement and that was after an arbitrator’s decision was rendered. Our intent once again is to give the membership the opportunity to vote on a contract in a reasonable amount of time. The overall objective is to negotiate for proposals that will improve on the wages, hours and working conditions of our members no matter what the time element is.

### Social Security Fairness Act

Last month I wrote about the progress being made on this Federal legislation and noted that four of our Illinois Congressmen had yet to sign on even though they had promised to do so. As a result of requesting our members to call those congressmen, three of the four have since signed on. The only hold out is Congressman Dennis Hastert. Please call the Congressman’s office and ask that he sign on to the HR82. It would be more advantageous if any of our retired members living in his district would do so. Our National Office tells us that we are now only five votes shy of having a 2/3 majority of the House and there are currently 26 co-sponsors in the Senate [S207].

### Retired Carry Concealed

Illinois Public Act 94-103 was signed into law in July 2005 by Gov. Blagojevich allowing the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board to certify retired officers to carry concealed firearms consistent with HR

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218. Public Act 94-103 authorizes the Board to administer and conduct annual firearms certification courses for retired law-enforcement officers that qualify under federal law to carry a concealed weapon. Only after submission and approval of the application and supporting forms and documents, will the applicant be allowed to qualify with their weapon. The annual firearms certification is conducted at ranges approved by the Board, located throughout Illinois. Retired officers who choose to carry a concealed weapon must provide their own handgun of choice, either a revolver or semi automatic (or both for an additional fee), and ammunition. The certification process must be repeated annually.

### Important facts:

- You are no longer a police officer but a private citizen with the right to carry a concealed weapon.
- The State of Illinois certification does not give the applicant any right whatsoever to exercise law-enforcement authority. The State of Illinois does not indemnify retired officers who carry concealed against any personal liability.

In order to apply, applicants must possess the following:

- A photocopy of your firearm owner's identification (FOID) card.
- A photo ID issued by the department from which you retired.
- A letter from your pension board (or other authorizing agency) stating you have met the minimum requirements of retiring after 15 years of service in good standing. The application and certification fee of \$75 for one weapon (semi-automatic or revolver) or \$100 for two weapon types.

Recently, the Illinois Retired Officer Concealed Carry (IROCC) office shared its opinion about when, exactly, retired officers need to complete the application process and qualify at the Illinois State ranges. IROCC says, that in order to comply with the Federal Law, retirees need to carry with them the Photo I.D. card issued by the Law Enforcement agency they have retired from, and documentation from their state of residence (Illinois) that they have qualified with the weapon they are carrying dated so as to be current within the last twelve months.

The Lodge believes that an easy and frugal way for our Chicago retirees to comply with these constraints, adds one more step to your retire-

ment preparations. When you prepare to retire, you should make an appointment at the Range to qualify with your off-duty (secondary) weapon. On completion, the range master will issue a dated certificate, which will comply with the federal law.

Please remember, that when you apply for qualification through IROCC (call 217-726-9537, or download the application package from our retiree pages at CHICAGOFOFOP.ORG) you will have the pension board complete the employer portion of the application. The cost is \$75 for the first weapon type (revolver or automatic), and an additional \$25 for the second weapon type. This testing at these fees must be successfully completed every year. For additional information, or to obtain an application packet, please check out the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Website at [www.ptb.state.il.us](http://www.ptb.state.il.us), or call the IROCC (Illinois Retired Officers Concealed Carry) office at 217-726-9537, or email [ROCC@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ROCC@sbcglobal.net).

### Search For A New Boss

The media has been asking what the Lodge feels should be the qualities for the replacement of Phil Cline. Our response has been that it

makes no difference what gender, race or religious affiliation the replacement has at all. A replacement should come from within the ranks of the Department for no other reason than to assure the members of this Department of a measure of confidence the politicians have in us. We do have a number of individuals currently in the Department who could fill the office responsibly. Of most importance to the Lodge would be the ability to discuss issues and to be involved in any issue that would impact our members and we have had that with Phil Cline. We didn't always agree on issues, not unexpectedly, but we were consulted on many. We cannot go backwards and get a dictator who feels it's "their way or the highway." That type of management fosters an "us against them" type of attitude and an "us against them" attitude has no place in effective and professional Law Enforcement. We are all in this together.

## First Vice-President's Report, By Bill Dougherty

### Cops And Divorce

When an officer is going through a divorce, there are many issues that you may have to deal with. Some issues are protection from false police reports, false child abuse allegations and false complaints being filed against you by your spouse or someone acting on behalf of your spouse to the Department.

In today's divorce environment, if you are not proactive, you may never recover from

your divorce. You could lose your home, your employment, your career and even custody of your children. The worst-case scenario, you could find yourself in jail. Each year more and more law enforcement officers across the country are learning the hard way that their agency's complaint systems are being utilized to harass and intimidate them in an effort to obtain leverage in court by their spouse. The stress associated with this

situation can lead to an inability to focus and more errors on the job.

Officers can become so overwhelmed and intimidated that they forfeit assets or pay more than necessary in alimony or child support. Still others are forced to give up custody of their children by the courts due to the perception that they are a child abuser or incapable of providing a good home environment equal to that of the other par-

ent. Because the public perceives police departments as taking no action in domestic incidents involving their own employees, they are going to take a complaint, even when they know that the allegations may be false. Any member of the Department who feels that he/she has been the subject of a false accusation or a contrived situation may request an investigation by the Internal Affairs Division by submit-

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ting a written report (To/From) directly to the Superintendent of Police or the Assistant Deputy Superintendent, Internal Affairs Division. The member may submit this request without prior report to his/her superiors.

The F.O.P. strongly recommends any officer going through a break up in a relationship where the other party threatens the officer with C.R. numbers, to immediately write a "To/From" to the ADS, Internal Affairs, (SUBJECT: Anticipated C.R. Numbers). This will alert the Department, I.A.D. and O.P.S. to the possibility of false allegations being filed.

### Injury On Duty Arbitration

On August 6, 2004, an officer injured himself chasing after a suspect with a gun. The officer felt a sharp pain in his left calf, but thought that he had just pulled a muscle and didn't have an IOD report filled out. About four days later the officer, realizing that his calf muscle wasn't getting any better, contacted his sergeant to have an IOD report completed. The IOD report was completed on August 18, 2004 by his sergeant. The Director of the Committee on Finance denied his claim six days later saying that the claim was untimely. The kicker is that she testified that she firmly believed that the offi-

cer's injury was from a result of his duties, but that she declined to grant him his IOD status because of the date that the IOD report was filled out. Even though she was aware that it is the responsibility of the sergeant to fill out the report and she believed the injury to be legitimate, she still denied the officer's claim. The City then comes to arbitration with a game plan of, "it wasn't unreasonable to deny the officer, even if they were wrong". Whatever happened to doing the right thing? If an officer is investigating an incident, and new evidence comes forward, he/she certainly is not going to ignore that evidence because it was unreasonable. Of course not, they are going

to complete a full investigation and come to the correct conclusion. The arbitrator, after listening to and reading all the evidence, sustained the grievance that violated the collective bargaining agreement by denying the officer's injury on duty claim. The City shall pay for the arbitrator's fee and expenses. Management and Labor Affairs need to monitor the cases that go before arbitrators more in the future. This grievance should have been granted, not sent to an arbitrator.

Officers, always cover yourself by requesting a supervisor to make an IOD report out ASAP.

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## Third Vice President's Report, By Greg Bella

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### Suspension Notices

When you receive notification from the Department that a C.R. number has been sustained and the penalty recommendation is for 16-365 days, the notice will give you four options:

- A direct appeal to the Superintendent. This is a paper review, you write a "To-From" subject report.
  - A review by the Police Board. This also is a paper review, you write a "To-From" subject report.
  - File a grievance
- Accept the recommendation.

When you receive this notice, call the Lodge for direction and we will walk you through the procedure. If the recommendation is to file a grievance, we will walk you through this process. On page 136 in your F.O.P. handbook are the instructions for filling out a

grievance. You get the form set in your District or Unit of assignment.

The top portion is Grievant Data that will be information about you. In the social security box just write DNA. The date of the contract violation is the day you were served with the paperwork and the date step one is initiated is the date you fill out the grievance. Remember, you have to fill the grievance out within seven days of the violation. Sign the grievance in the lower right corner of this box.

The statement of grievance is the narrative. Write in: Grievant has been served with a suspension notification for \_\_\_ Days (16-365) under C.R. #\_\_\_ without "JUST CAUSE" in violation of the C.B.A. Grievant is also taking the grievance option afforded in the C.B.A. In the lower right hand corner of this box, contract sections violated write

8.1, and 9.6 A. 3.

The next step is to get a grievance number from the front office or Watch Commander; whoever has the grievance book and write it in the upper right hand corner of the grievance. Make a copy of the grievance and give it to the on duty Watch Commander. You will receive the back copy of the grievance for your records.

In all cases involving suspension recommendations of 16-365 days you do not serve the suspension until the arbitration process is over.

As always call the Lodge when you receive your paperwork.

### The Black Hole

The City was in excellent financial health until April of 2003, when we started negotiating the last contract, and then the infamous black hole came into being.

The Mayor started talking

about the deficit being in the billions of dollars. After our arbitration was over, and the City finished dragging their feet through negotiations with the other unions, the black hole talk stopped.

Fast forward and we are now competing for the Olympic games and the Mayor is so happy we won the U.S. bid that he almost fell out of his chair. (If he got hurt would that be a work related injury?)

This past week the Mayor went from being high to low and mentioned that terrible word again...deficit. Guess what, it didn't fly last time and it won't fly this time. There is money for planters, transportation, the Olympics and any other hair brained idea that comes up, now its time to pay for the benefits that the men and women who protect your City deserve.

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

### Watch Bidding

On May 30, watch bidding for units and districts covered under section 31.5 will commence. Members are reminded that, if and when the Employer decides to fill a recognized watch vacancy by bid, such vacancy to be bid shall be posted on the seventh calendar day (Wednesday) of the Third, Sixth (May 30<sup>th</sup>), and Ninth (August 22<sup>nd</sup>) Police Periods and shall remain posted for seven (7) calendar days. Members are further reminded to follow the instructions that are posted regarding watch bidding, members who deviate from the instructions risk the opportunity of being transferred to a new watch.

### Behavioral Intervention System

Members are reminded to read Appendix J (page 111) of the Agreement between Fraternal Order of Police and the City of Chicago when placed into either the Behavioral Intervention System or the Personal Concerns Program. Also, please read Administration Special Order 05-04 (P.C.P.) or Administration Special Order 05-02 (B.I.S.). It is very important that you request a hearing within seven (7) working days of being presented with the Individualized Performance Plan (IPP) for the Behavioral Intervention System, or seven (7) working days of having attended a Personnel Concerns Conference. The request for a hearing must be in writing to the Director of the Personnel Division. De-

partment members upgraded from BIS to PCP are not entitled to a hearing.

### Constitution and By-Law Changes/Amendments

Only active members in good standing of this Lodge may propose an amendment to the By-Laws. Such proposals shall be attested by the signatures of eleven (11) active members in good standing. The signatures will not be necessary when proposals are made by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee appointed by the President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. Proposed amendments to these By-Laws shall be submitted in writing to the Recording Secretary within a two-month period commencing April 1<sup>st</sup> and ending May 31<sup>st</sup> of each

year.

### 2006 F.O.P. Fishing Tournament

The date for the 2006 F.O.P. Fishing Tournament has been set for Wednesday, May 23, 2006. 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 2007 FOP Picnic has been scheduled for July 11, 2007 at Gaelic Park in Oak Forest, Illinois. Admission requirements for F.O.P. members are the same as when held at Santa's Village. All attendees must be F.O.P. members with a current F.O.P. ID card in hand. We look forward to seeing you.

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

### Disability Report

The best of health from the Disability Committee. We are available for calls at the FOP office Monday through Friday. Click on the Disability Page link on the FOP website, [www.chicagofop.org](http://www.chicagofop.org), for beneficial information.

**March Pension Update** – Advocates present were President Mark Donahue, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Bill Dougherty, State VP Ken Watt, Det Steve Schorsch, Chair PO Cedric Brumley, and myself. *Disability Claims: Ordinary:* 4 granted, 1 denied. *Duty:* 2 granted, 1 granted ordinary, 1 taken under advisement.

**Health Insurance PPO Medical Plan Blue Cross Blue Shield.** Maximum lifetime benefit is \$1.5 million. We have a disabled officer who is

close to the maximum limit. Once you reach the maximum you will no longer be eligible for this medical plan. What you have to do is change to an HMO during the enrollment period in November while you are still an active officer. There is no maximum limitation while being in an HMO plan. Remember you can only change over while you are still an active officer.

### Veterans' Corner

Operation Enduring/Iraqi Freedom - Our thoughts and prayers go to the CPD members who are actively serving our country in the military.

**Memorial Day Parade** – Saturday, May 26, Wreath Laying at Eternal Flame at 11:00 am, State Street Parade, State & Wacker Drive, at 12:00 noon.

**Memorial Day Events** – Monday, May 28. Medal of Honor PFC Milton Olive (173<sup>rd</sup> Airborne) ceremony at Olive Park at 7:30 am. Norwood Park Parade at 11:00 am starting at Onahan School. Rosehill Cemetery, parade begins at 10:00 am from 5700 N. Clark, ceremony at 11:00 am. Ridge Park, parade begins at 10:00 am at 111<sup>th</sup> & Longwood Dr. and proceeds to 96<sup>th</sup> & Longwood for 11:00 am ceremony. Bernie Burgers BBQ, 1:00 pm, at Dugan's, 6051 N. Milwaukee Avenue. Food, drink, and good time!

**Chicago Veterans Job & Resource Fair** – May 18, 2007, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at IIT, Hermann Union Building, 3241 S. Federal Street.

**Chicago Police Marines** annual Manteno veteran

home trip is planned for May 19 leaving from the FOP at 9:30 am. They will visit with the veterans and present their annual donation. Semper Fi!

**Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)** is taking applications for air traffic controller school. For more information go to [www.faa.gov/jobs/job\\_opportunities/airtraffic\\_controllers](http://www.faa.gov/jobs/job_opportunities/airtraffic_controllers)

**Union Pacific Railroad** is veteran friendly and looking for approx 600 new hires. Please visit the website at [www.unionpacific.jobs](http://www.unionpacific.jobs) and click on "View Open Positions" (near top left).

*"War is fear cloaked in courage." ~*

*General Westmoreland*

Airborne Sal

## Two Stars And A Bar, *By Father Tom Nangle*

The sergeant was on the job forty-six years. He was 68 years old. As he sat in the station, he had a terrible pain in his chest, and he started to sweat. He went to walk outside for some air, and he passed the pictures of police officers from that district whose lives had been taken from them. He got outside, grabbed his chest, and fell dead to the pavement. This scene is taken from Joseph Wambaugh's new work, "Hollywood Station." It's about life in the LAPD. That's why the numbers in the first two sentences don't add up in CPD math.

The LAPD sergeant's nickname is the Oracle. He was deeply respected by the officers under his supervision. He got them out of street messes, paperwork mazes, and political furies. He was always on their side. He wasn't street-wise: he was street-genius. And he never lost his sense of the noble, Godly nature of doing real police work. At an LAPD roll call one day, Wambaugh has him talking to his troops after a battle between a pimp and an undercover officer, which left the officer in danger of losing her eye and in need of facial reconstruction; the pimp ended up one spleen short. The author has created a stew of racial concerns, legal tricks and plea-bargaining down to a misdemeanor, and says the officers at roll call were demoralized and angry. Imagine. The Oracle speaks to them, and when he does, you can sure tell Wambaugh used to be the police. I've taken the liberty to change his beautiful words (p.175) to CPD terms, hoping the police souls who read these words, active

and retired, will be affirmed and supported:

---The star you're wearing is the most beautiful in the world. Some departments copy it, but every department respects it. They know it means The Real Police. And all these critics and politicians and media ----- [Wambaugh's term] come and go, but that star still stands for real police work, and none of them could do it. You can get as mad and outraged as you want over what's going down, but don't get cynical. Being cynical will burn your soul to a cinder. Doing good police work is the greatest fun there is. It's the most fun you'll ever have in your lives. So go on out there and have some fun! --

May is the month when the police honor themselves across the nation. Few municipalities have a vigorous desire to honor and appreciate the police, so the police do it themselves. We do it--the ceremonies, the pomp and circumstance, prayers and taps and parades---not to show off, but to show that we know a secret: The police soul is different. It has colors in it that set it apart: courage, pride, dignity, generosity, loyalty, service to humanity. Even the scriptures tell us, "Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called sons and daughters of God." We'd be fools not to celebrate all that.

Respectfully,  
Fr. Thomas Nangle,  
CPD Chaplain, 312-738-7588  
**INFORMATION FOR  
THE REAL POLICE**  
\*\*Your Police Chaplains Ministry plans to take our

Gold Star Families on a Lake Michigan luncheon cruise when summer comes, and we need your help to pay the boat/lunch/parking bills. Your tax-deductible donation can be sent to Police Chaplains Ministry, 1140 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 60607. Thanks in advance for your unfailing generosity.

\*\*Your Police Chaplains Ministry continues to make available Mass cards (a promise of prayers for the deceased and surviving family members) if you simply call 312-738-2831. No donations are expected (or accepted) for this service.

### Departed Brothers And Sisters

John J. Bylak, Age 73

Joseph W. Decoster, Age 85

John E. Anderson, Age 70

Ralph J. Stiglich, Age 69

Deltca C. Ervin, Age 80

Raymond F. O'Malley, Age 86

Matthew N. Roubik, Age 74

Robert G. Flynn, Age 78

William J. Frost, Age 60

David E. Frazin, Age 77

Alex Trotsky, Age 75

Edward J. Silekis

### May Is Memorial Month...

Please Remember  
**Police Officer Eric Solorio**

This Month, His Family Will Travel To  
Washington DC To Enroll  
Him In The  
National Law Enforcement  
Officers Memorial



## Website Committee Report, By Rich Aguilar, Chairman

The Lodge 7 website has always had a Retiree Page dedicated to retiree issues. These issues have become more complex over the years and the old page simply did not work well. Too many issues were on one page and trying to find information was difficult.

The Retiree Page has now been turned into a website that is dedicated specifically to retiree issues such as e-mail addresses, healthcare, legislation, and retiree links. There is

even a photo page to let fellow and future retirees know just how good retirement can be.

The new website can be accessed from any page on the Lodge 7 website, [www.chicagofop.org](http://www.chicagofop.org). Simply click on the grey Retiree Pages button on the upper left side of the page. Please check out this new site. Any comments or suggestions to improve this site will be greatly appreciated.

### *Dedication Mass At Queen Of Martyrs Church*

*Please join the Queen of Martyrs Family at the Dedication Mass of the Shrine To St. Michael The Archangel, which is being built to honor all Police, Fire and Military Officers. It will be a special place to come and pray for the men and women who serve and protect society in this was as well as for their families.*

*It will be accessible to you 24 hours a day right in front of the Church on 103rd Street and Central Park Ave.*

*The Dedication Mass is to be held at Queen of Martyrs Church on Sunday, June 3, 2007 at 1130 hours with Cardinal Francis George presiding.*

*Father Simonetti of Queen of Martyrs is requesting all officers who will be coming to be present in uniform, as this day is to honor and pray for you!*

*Any questions can be directed to Father David*

### **The Next General Meeting Will Be Held On**

**Tuesday, 22 May 2007  
1900 hours**

**All members are invited to attend.**

### **December 2006 Retirees**

*The following member was listed incorrectly...again!  
Sorry about that!*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Dist.</b>	<b>Yrs</b>
Hall, Deana J.	Detective	620	24

### **February 2007 Retirees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Dist.</b>	<b>Yrs</b>
Anderson, Ricki L.	Officer	153	27
Barrett, Helen I.	Detective	079	25
Blocker, James A.	Officer	002	39
Brady, Gail B.	Officer	002	20
Brown, James B.	Officer	276	26
Burke, John J.	Sergeant	192	34
Calahan, Karen D.	Officer	121	20
Callaghan, Michael F.	Officer	189	20
Camacho, Tadeo R.	Officer	015	32
Casey, Jerome W.	Sergeant	021	30
Cosgrove, Frank T.	Detective	630	32
Costanzo, Barbara H.	Detective	610	21
D'Amico, Sharon M.	Officer	141	26
Epplen, Barbara S.	Officer	606	21
Evans, David J.	Detective	610	30
Friedlieb, Jeffrey M.	Detective	079	41
Garrido, John	Officer	010	29
Griffin, John L.	Officer	608	20
Halloran, William F.	Detective	620	37
Harris, Leslie E.	Officer	701	20
Hill, Patricia A.	Detective	610	21
Janusz, Daniel J.	Officer	013	38
Klemundt, Thomas M.	Officer	024	25
Kopke, David J.	Officer	016	26
Korzeniewski, Ronald L.	Detective	189	30
Maduzia, Kenneth J.	Officer	010	29
Matthews, Errol A.	Officer	011	24
Michaels, James V.	Detective	610	30
Miller, Michael A.	Detective	640	39
Murray, John M.	Detective	630	39
Orlando, Anne M.	Officer	013	29
Patton, Tanya L.	Officer	001	22
Pustay, Gerald M.	Detective	620	36
Richards, Billy R.	Officer	050	37
Rodriguez, Michael A.	Officer	013	31
Rosas, Anthony E.	Agent	121	20
Ryan, James R.	Officer	022	24
Schmitz, Jr., Michael J.	Officer	017	33
Slaughter, Ronald	Officer	002	29
Smith, Wayne J.	Officer	002	19
Snethen, David E.	Sergeant	610	29
Soraghan, Jr., William F.	Detective	640	30
Torres, Rose M.	Detective	384	24
Vitek, Frederick M.	Officer	016	39
Watson, James M.	Sergeant	023	34
Wells, Christopher	Officer	050	20

## Retirees Breakfast & Luncheon

<p><b>North:</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">1st Wednesday of Month @ 7:30 am  <b>Lone Tree Manor</b>                  7730 N. Milwaukee Ave, Niles                  Joe Nalepa, 773-763-1362</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2nd Tuesday of Month @ 8:00 am  <b>Dappers Restaurant</b>                  3131 N. Thatcher Ave, Chicago, IL                  John Sweeney @ 630-690-0409</p> <p><b>South:</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2nd Wednesday of Month @ 10:00 am  <b>Jedi's Garden Restaurant</b>                  9266 S. Cicero Ave, Oak Lawn, IL                  Don Januszyk @ 708-364-9903</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">3rd Saturday of Month @ 10:00 am  <b>Pancake House</b>                  700 East 87th Street, Chicago, Illinois                  Ulysses Campbell @ 773-471-0911</p> <p><b>NEW MEETING!!! Old School Deuce</b>                  2nd Tuesday of Month @ 9:30 am  <b>B.J.'s Market</b>                  8734 S. Stoney Island, Chicago, Illinois                  Elbert Parker @ 773-593-7743</p> <p><b>8th District – 8 Balls</b>                  Last Wednesday of Month @ Noon                  Al Bilecki @ 773-767-1885</p> <p><b>Survivors Lunch</b>                  2nd Saturday of Month @ 11:00 am</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Beverly Woods Restaurant</b>                  11532 S. Western, Chicago</p> <p><b>Active/Retired Mobile Unit &amp; ET's</b>                  1st Tuesday of Month 12:00 noon  <b>Maplewood Restaurant</b>                  115th &amp; Pulaski Road, Alsip, Illinois                  Al Klaeser @ 773-646-3808</p> <p><b>Arizona Retirees</b>                  3rd Thursday of Month @ 11:00 am  <b>Hometown Buffet</b>                  1312 N. Scottsdale, Scottsdale, AZ                  Ed Plawinski @ 480-502-1630</p> <p><b>Arkansas Retirees</b>                  3rd Friday of Month @ Noon  <b>Elks Lodge</b>                  Highway 62 E, Mountain Home, AR                  Dennis Dwyer, 870-431-4458</p> <p><b>Las Vegas Retirees</b>                  Every Thursday of Month @ 9:30 am  <b>The Willows Restaurant</b>                  2020 W. Horizon Ridge, Henderson, NV                  Joe LePore @ 702-407-5230</p> <p><b>Florida Retirees</b>                  1st Wednesday of the Month @ 1:00 pm  <b>Cop Shop</b>                  4423 S/E 16th Place, Cape Coral, FL                  Tom Faragoi, 239-770-7896</p>
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### Scheduled Dates For Stress Management

There are still openings to attend the Stress Management Seminars for the following dates:

- July 26th & 27th, RDO 4&5(6) and 5&6(7)
- September 20th & 21st, RDO 3&4(5) and 4&5(6)
- November 29th & 30th, RDO 7&1(2) and 1&2(3)

Location: Chicago Lake Shore Hospital  
 4840 N. Marine Drive, 5th Floor Conference Room  
 Chicago, Illinois

Parking: Near the corner of Lawrence Ave. and Marine Drive, next to the nursing home on Lawrence Ave. (one drive-way west of Lakeland Nursing Home). You may also use legal street parking.

**Your firearm will be locked up and returned for your lunch hour. It will be locked up again when you return from lunch. All firearms will be kept in a safe.**

The course will be two days, 0830—1630 hours. You must attend both days. Please call Pat at the FOP for an application. Keep in mind that the courses fill quickly. Call today!

## Feeling With The Heart & “Roses For Mom”, *Compliments of Rabbi Moshe Wolf*

It was a busy morning, approximately 8:30 a.m., when an elderly gentleman in his 80's arrived at the Doctor's office to have stitches removed from his injured thumb. He stated that he was in a hurry as he had an appointment at 9:00 am. The Doctor had him take a seat, and said it would be a while before he would be able to see him. The Doctor saw him looking at his watch nervously and decided to treat him right away and not make him wait. While taking care of his wound, the Doctor began to engage the elderly gentleman in conversation. The Doctor asked him if he had another Doctor's appointment this morning, as he was in such a hurry. The gentleman replied no and said that he needed to go to the nursing home to eat breakfast with his wife. The Doctor then inquired as to her health. The elderly man said that she had been there for a while,

and that she was a victim of Alzheimer's disease. As they talked, the Doctor asked if she would be upset if he was a bit late. He replied that she no longer knew who he was, that she had not recognized him in five years now. The Doctor was surprised, and asked him, "And you still go every morning, even though she doesn't know who you are?" He smiled as he patted the Doctor's hand and said, "She doesn't know me, but I still know who she is."

The Doctor had goose bumps, and had to fight back the tears and thought, "That is the kind of love I want in my life".....

You see true love is neither physical, nor romantic. True love is an acceptance of all that is, has been, will be and will not be. True love is not tangible, it must be felt with the heart. The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the best of everything they have. (Amen to

that!)

Here is a little story dedicated to those special people in our lives called 'Mom'.....

### "Roses for Mom"

A man stopped at a flower shop to order some flowers to be wired to his mother who lived one hundred miles away. As he got out of his car, he noticed a young girl sitting on the curb sobbing. He asked her what was wrong and she replied, "I wanted to buy a red rose for my mother. But I only have seventy-five cents, and a rose costs two dollars."

The man smiled and said, "Come on in with me. I'll buy you a rose." He bought the little girl her rose and ordered his own mother's flowers. As they were leaving he offered the girl a ride home. She said, "Yes, please! You can take me to my mother." She directed him to a cemetery, where she placed the rose on a freshly dug grave. The man returned to the flower

shop, cancelled the wire order, picked up a bouquet and drove the one hundred miles to his mother's house....

So if you are blessed and still have Mom around, take a moment and tell her how much she means to you.

P.S. As the month of May is dedicated to Police remembrance, please say an extra prayer for our Brothers and Sisters who gave the ultimate sacrifice, and a special prayer for their families and loved ones. They are all our Heroes, "Gone But Never forgotten".

On behalf of ALL the Chaplains, as you do your sacred work of "Serve And Protect" May G-d bless you, keep you safe, and always keep you in his loving care. Amen

Compliments of your Police Chaplain, Rabbi Moshe Wolf  
773-463-4780 or  
moshewolf@hotmail.com

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

### Solicitation Requests

Lately we have had a run of phone calls/complaints from civilians who have had the dreaded phone calls made to their homes and businesses at all hours of the night. It's not us.

This is a reminder that The Fraternal Order of Police, **Chicago Lodge 7**, does not solicit donations from either businesses or residences anymore. As a matter of fact, we have not solicited for over three years now. Furthermore, we have no intention of starting telephone solicitations again.

We do have information that the State Lodge does still solicit twice a year, and if you are contacted you might want to give the State Lodge a call and verify the donation request. You can reach the State Lodge at 800-522-2677. Please inform friends and family of this reminder. All business owners should be made aware.



### Book Signing—"End Of Watch"

The FOP hosted a book signing on 21 March 2007. Alderman Ed Burke's book, End Of Watch, drew quite a crowd.

Seated From Left: Co-Author, Tom O'Gorman & Alderman Ed Burke

*Photos courtesy of Art Morgan*



# MONTHLY AWARDS



### ***Distinguished Service Award***

From Left: President Mark Donahue, Officer Frederick Hasenfang,  
 Officer Thomas Dornng, Officer Marco Campos and Officer Joel Mills.  
*Not Pictured: Officer Robert Hauser & Officer Michael Jakob*



### ***Distinguished Service Award***

From Left: President Mark Donahue and  
 Officer Kevin McDonald  
*Not Pictured: Officer Daniel Palenik*



### ***Life Saving Award***

From Left: President Mark Donahue, Officer Michael Bos and  
 1st Vice President Bill Dougherty  
*Not Pictured: Officer Gary Olson, Officer Keith Schuch &  
 Officer Steven Insley*



### ***Life Saving Award***

From Left: President Mark Donahue and  
 Officer Michael J. O'Connor

## Address Change Form

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

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

New Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Stress Management, Part 2, By Bill Burns

First of all, this seminar is offered to Sergeants and below who are F.O.P. members.

Dr. Rob Sobo, an E.A.P. counselor, spoke on police suicide. He explained that suicide is a process; it does not start at the end of the continuum. Police are twice as likely as civilians to commit suicide. Police are four to seven times higher than the civilian population for drug and alcohol addiction. There are a higher percentage of police domestics than civilian domestics.

Stress builds up, leads to clinical anxiety or clinical depression. If not dealt with, it's acted out; a person becomes more aggressive or passive in personal relationships, which leads to addictions that numb feelings. Po-

lice culture is more vulnerable with access to lethality. Dr. Sobo, who works the E.A.P. (Employee Assistance Program - 1759 W. Adams), stated that the average retired Chicago police officer receives only three pension checks.

The good part, according to Dr. Sobo, is everything is controllable. "You can change police culture. The problem is police do not know how to seek or ask for help." Peer Support, Chaplains Unit, Couples Seminar, C.I.T. Training, E.A.P., and Stress Management classes are here in 2007. Joe Panico, a police officer for 39 years, is the head of Peer Support. Joe spoke about the E.A.P. Everything is free and confidential. No notes are kept.

Joe has been head of Peer Support for seven years. Four other sworn police officers provide drug and alcohol counseling. There are also four marital and family counselors. Peer Support has 261 members ranging from the Deputy Supt. to PO's. SO 0416 covers us. Peer Support is non-funded, its cops helping cops.

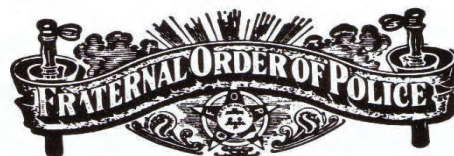
Joe stated that we have to regenerate our friends. Friends pull you into the real world and allow you to do things that you did when you first came on the job. Police officers Frank Calderon, Supervisor of Alcohol Counselors, and Tony Hernandez talked about the dangers of alcohol abuse. People drink to self-medicate because of things going on in their heads.

Another fact learned at the seminar is that officers in the

PPO plan get 20 free massages per year per the chiropractic insurance. Also, sixty percent of people who complain about stress do not get enough sleep.

The next Stress Management class dates for 2007 are May 24 and 25, July 26 and 27, September 20 and 21, and November 29 and 30. Classes are held at Lake Shore Hospital, 4840 North Marine Drive from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Free parking is available one block west on the hospital on Lawrence Avenue in their lot. Call Pat Suchocki at F.O.P. to register, 312-733-7776. You can code 49 for both days. Attendance is limited to 20 officers per class.

### ILLINOIS STATE LODGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



#### REQUIREMENTS:

- Parent must be an Illinois F.O.P. member in good standing.
- Applicant must be a full time, student (12 or more credit hours per semester)
- Applicant must provide proof of registration for the Fall 2007 semester when sending in this scholarship application. *Proof can include note from registrar, class schedule, tuition payment receipt or letter of acceptance. Letters of acceptance must be followed by proof of registration before scholarship is awarded.*
- **Award:** \$500 (17 individual district scholarships awarded by random drawing at the State Lodge summer meeting and 1 \$500 drawn from all non-selected district applications sponsored by ISPFUCU)
- **Application Deadline:** Must be received by 1630 hours on 13 July 2007.
- **Please Note:** Incomplete applications will NOT be processed. **Please use only one submission method**
- **Mail/Fax to:** F.O.P. Illinois State Lodge, 4341 Acer Grove, Suite B, Springfield, Illinois 62711  
Phone: (217) 726-8880 FAX: (217) 726-8881 Online: [www.ilfop.org](http://www.ilfop.org)

Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B.: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use Only - District/Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_



**Store Hours:**

Mon-Thurs 9:00 – 5:00  
 Friday 9:00 – 4:00  
 Saturday 9:00 – 1:00  
 Direct Line: 312-733-2344  
 Closed: 26–28 May 2007

**Important May Dates:**

Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13th  
 Police Memorial, Tuesday, May 15th  
 Firearms Safety Days, Wednesday & Thursday, May 16th and 17th (↓see deals)  
 Memorial Day, Monday, May 28th

**Important Deals For Firearms Safety Days Only:**

Gun Cleaning Patches, 200 In Bag, **\$2.00 each**  
 All Gun Cleaning Supplies **10% OFF**

<p>"T-Shirt Of The Month"                  "If Stupid Was A Crime,                  You'd Be Chicago's Most                  Wanted"  <b>Now 30% OFF</b>                  Free gift if we don't have                  your size with pre-paid order!</p>	<p>New Item                  "Patrol Division" T-Shirt                   Small through 3XL  <b>\$11.95</b>                   All Sizes...</p>	<p>Little Girl's Sale                  Little Girl's Chicago PD                  Combo Set includes Pink                  Cap &amp; T-Shirt  <b>Now 10% OFF</b>                  Sizes 2/4, 6/8, 10/12                  &amp; 14/16</p>	<p>Ladies Sale                  Ladies Lounging Pants                  Lt Blue/Gray  <b>\$11.95 All Sizes</b>                  Medium—2XL                   95% Cotton &amp; 5% Spandex</p>
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The Garden PD Frogs Are Back!! They're So Ugly....They're Cute!! Priced From **\$10.95 to \$29.95**

Finally Back In Stock!! Weapon Fanny Packs Originally Priced At \$19.95 Now On Sale For Only **\$15.95**

<p>Sale!                  Wind Chimes  <b>Originally Priced at \$11.95</b>  <b>Now On Sale For \$9.95</b>                   Lovely Gift Idea</p>	<p>New Item                  "FOP, Chicago Lodge 7"                  T-Shirt                   Small—XL—<b>\$12.95</b>                  2XL—<b>\$13.95</b>                  3XL—<b>\$14.50</b></p>	<p>New Item                  Autographed Book,  <b>3 Boys Missing</b>                  By James Jack  <b>\$19.95 Each</b>                   History Lovers Gift</p>	<p>New Item                  Autographed Book,  <b>End of Watch</b>                  By Alderman Burke  <b>\$44.95 Each</b>                   Years 1855—2006</p>
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All Police Prayers In Beautiful Frames **10% OFF**

Al Capone Coffee Cup Originally Priced At \$6.50 Now On Sale For Only **\$5.00 Each**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

The following events listed will occur from May 9, 2007 through June 6, 2007. For further information on any events posted below contact the Lodge (312) 733-7776, or log onto the FOP Website at [www.chicagofop.org](http://www.chicagofop.org).

- 09 May 07 Last Day to submit for Unit Duty Assignments
- 09 May 07 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Police Recognition Ceremony  
Chicago Hilton at 12 noon
- 15 May 07 National Memorial Service/Washington D.C.
- 16 May 07 Firearms Safety Day/FOP Hall/9am – 5pm
- 17 May 07 Firearms Safety Day/FOP Hall/9am – 5pm
- 22 May 07 FOP General Meeting/7 p.m./FOP Hall
- 23 May 07 FOP Fishing Tournament/Chain of Lakes
- 24 May 07 6<sup>th</sup> Period Begins
- 28 May 07 Holiday/Memorial Day
- 30 May 07 Watch Bids Open / Section 31.5
- 30 May 07 Unit Duty Assignments Bidding / Section 23.9
- 01 June 07 Recognized Vacancies
- 05 June 07 FOP Board Meeting / Time Certain – 12 noon
- 06 June 07 Last Day to submit for Watch Bids
- 06 June 07 Last Day to submit for Unit Duty Assignment

**F.O.P. Blood Drive**

**All F.O.P. Members and their families are encouraged to attend our F.O.P. Blood Drive and make a donation.**

**Tuesday, 29 May 07**  
**1000 - 1700 hours**

**Please contact Frank DiMaria at the Lodge with any questions or to schedule an appointment 312-733-7776.**



**Walk-ins are welcome!**



**IS YOUR ADDRESS CORRECT?  
IF NOT, PLEASE CONTACT THE LODGE.**



**THE ED REINES MEMORIAL FISHING TOURNAMENT**

Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #7, will be holding its 13th Annual Ed Reines Memorial Fishing Tournament, at the Chain of Lakes, Wednesday, May 23, 2007. All members, active and retired, are invited to take part in this event. There will be a barbecue at the weigh-in with beer and soft drinks from 2 – 4 p.m.

**THE BASIC RULES:**

Starting time: 0500 hrs – with all boats in by 1430 hrs. All fish must be caught on the Chain of Lakes waters between the Wisconsin Border and McHenry Dam. Two fishermen per boat; one must be an FOP member.

**NO PRO FISHERMEN PLEASE.**

We'd like everyone to have a fun time. Complete rules and location of the weigh-in will be sent out to members making application for the Tournament.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Active: \_\_\_\_\_ Retired: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

If youth, age \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to F.O.P., Lodge 7, Attn: Frank DiMaria  
1412 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, IL 60607

**Include Fees of:  
\$35.00 Per Man  
or \$70.00 Per Boat**