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The Membership's Best Ideas

The FOP is in the process of submitting a report to City Council prior to the budget hearings. A major consulting firm has been retained to conduct a study to produce a report and verify the accuracy of our findings. This consulting firm has a reputable track record of conducting major studies to better manage departments within municipalities throughout the country. The purpose of this report is to examine and explore avenues to save our department money. The FOP wants ideas from the membership, whether in districts or specialized units. No one knows the Chicago Police Department better than the membership of the FOP.

The overall objective of the report is to limit redundancies and free up monies that could be better spent on raises and hiring. Our safety and financial wellbeing are directly impacted by reducing wasteful spending. It is important that we present our ideas before the City implements theirs. This is the difference between having a seat at the table or being on the menu.

Field Representative Saul Del Rivero will serve as the liaison between the FOP and our consulting firm. Please submit your money saving recommendations via e-mail to sdelrivero@chicagofop.org.

The FOP Needs Your Help

The FOP relies on E-Mail blasts to submit information to the membership. It is pivotal for our success as an organization. The Lodge has over 17,000 members. However, only 1,400 members are recipients of the FOP Updates from our website.

When urgent issues arise that may impact your career as a police officer, we need to immediately contact the membership. If we cannot deliver information to the membership in a timely manner, it will be very difficult for the FOP to mobilize the membership. This must change. The Lodge asks that all members **sign up for the E-Mail Updates from the FOP**. To subscribe to our current updates via e-mail, go to the "Current Updates" page on our website and click the link at the top that says "subscribe." Please use your personal e-mail account when available. To receive Twitter SMS updates to your phone, text "follow chicagofop7" to 40404. Members may also follow the Chicago FOP Facebook Page by selecting "like" on our Fraternal Order of Police: Chicago Lodge No. 7 Page.

Father Thomas Nangle

On behalf of myself and Past-Presidents John Dineen, Bill Nolan and Mark Donahue, I would like to thank Father Thomas Nangle for his forty years of service to the members of the Chicago Police Department. Father Nangle has never refused a phone call from our membership. He provided spiritual guidance to our members during good times and bad. Officers knew that during their darkest moments, Tom Nangle was there – even when others weren't.

A retirement party will be held for Father Nangle at the White Eagle Banquets and Restaurant on Thursday September 8th. Please contact Doreen at the FOP for tickets at 312-773-7176.

Tom Nangle left his mark on this Department. Father Nangle would not have retired if he were not completely comfortable with his replacement, Father Dan Brandt. Father Brandt brings to this Department a real sense of spirituality, and a greater sense of humor. During tough times, Chicago Police Officers will always be able to benefit from Father Brandt's insight and compassion. Of course, because Father Dan Brandt may not be politically correct, he'll fit right in!

Father Brandt wants the membership to know that he is available to us. Please don't ever

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hesitate to seek his counsel for guidance, no matter what the circumstances. He is an honorable man who will help our membership in times of need.

Meet the New Superintendent
The FOP will be hosting a meet and greet for Superintendent Gerry McCarthy at the FOP Hall on Tuesday August 23rd at

5:00-6:00 pm. All FOP members are invited to come.

1st Vice President's Report, *By Bill Dougherty*



55 Premium-Free Health Insurance

The Lodge has received many calls regarding the premium-free health insurance when retiring at age 55. There are many officers that believe that this benefit will not be there after 30 June 2012. That is not correct. That date will mark the end of the current contract. Everything in the contract continues until there is a successor agreement (example — you still get your same vacation days until the contract is settled or we receive an arbitrator's decision). This benefit is spelled out in our contract in a Memorandum of Understanding on pages 120-123 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Any member taking advantage of the premium-free insurance must notify the department before October 1 of the year prior to when they plan to retire and the date that they plan on retiring. This benefit was negotiated by the FOP and was not given to us by an arbitrator. Both the Lodge and the City benefit from

this agreement as it truly is a win-win for both sides.

Medical Section Complaints

The Lodge has received numerous complaints regarding nurses and the doctor at the Medical Services Section (MSS). If an officer has an issue with a nurse at the MSS that needs to be addressed, the officer should ask for a sergeant. These complaints can sometimes be addressed with the sergeant and at other times may be addressed through the complaint register process. You as the individual officer can decide what route that you want to take. The doctor at the MSS is another story. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't get a complaint about the MSS Doctor. Some of these complaints are justified and others are not. It seems that the doctor is getting her marching orders from the Director of Human Resources. If you have a complaint regarding the MSS Doctor you can either attempt to invoke the CR process or contact the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation,

Division of Professional Regulation Complaint Intake Unit, 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 9-300, Chicago, IL 60601. Their phone number is 312/814-6910 and the website is <https://www.idfpr.com/dpr/FILING/Complaint.asp>.

Choosing A Doctor When Injured On Duty

Per Section 18.8 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, the Lodge and the City have agreed upon procedures that must be followed by the Medical Services Section (MSS) when an officer reports an injury on duty or a recurrence of an injury on duty. These procedures are set forth in Appendix N of the agreement, on page 78. Appendix N dictates what the MSS can and cannot do when you are injured on duty. Officers also have the right to select a physician from the Workman's Choice List, not have a doctor chosen for him/her. This is in our CBA on page 116. Any questions, please contact the Lodge.

Health Fairs for 2011

Interactive Health Solutions (IHS) will be offering health screenings at the below listed locations. These tests are generally more comprehensive than those given during a typical visit to your physician. The entire testing process takes about thirty minutes. Please review the description of the various screenings on our website, www.chicagofop.org. To schedule an appointment for yourself and/or family member (age 18 and above), call IHS at 1-800-840-6100. Officers and their spouses are strongly encouraged to take advantage of these Health Fairs.

DIST.	DATES	ADDRESS
24	Aug 26 & 27	Rogers Park, 6464 N. Clark, (Area 3)
25	Aug19 & 20	Grand Central, 5555 W. Grand, (Area 5)
6	Sept 16 & 17	Gresham, 7808 S. Halsted, (Area 2)
22	Sept 23 & 24	Morgan Park, 1900 W. Monterey, (Area 2)
10	Oct 14 & 15	Ogden, 3315 W. Ogden (Area 4)
8	Oct 21 & 22	Chicago Lawn, 3420 W. 63rd (Area 1)
16	Nov 4 & 5	Jefferson Park, 5151 N. Milwaukee (Area 5)
7	Nov 18 & 19	Englewood, 1400 W. 63rd (Area 1)

2nd Vice-President's Report, *By Frank DiMaria*



Questions You Have About Retirement, But Were Afraid To Ask

One of the most important decisions a police officer will make during their police career is when he/she will retire from the Chicago Police Department. Many police officers will often talk about retirement, discussing their future hopes and plans to enjoy those golden years in leisure, and how to plan financially for this transition. Many police officers attend the pre-retirement seminars and read as much literature that is available to make informative decisions. There are many police officers who make the choice to retire not knowing what to expect or not having made a plan for the future. I have recently received a number of telephone calls from police officers who are planning on retiring in the near future. Many likely have questions and are confused about the procedures regarding applying for retirement. There were a variety of questions asked with inquiries of different facts regarding retirement. I did some research and learned that there is no written outline of the procedures providing police officers with some type of guide. I will try to answer some of the most commonly asked questions.

There are different variables regarding retirement depending on the age of the applicant and his/her time in service.

- The minimum age for retirement is 50 with 20 years of service.
- Officers reach their maximum benefit for service at 29 years and a day.
- Officers who retire before the age of 55 must pay for their health care, per the Korshak Agreement.
- Officers must retire by age 63 regardless of time in service.

There are two separate retirement benefits which the Lodge obtained for our members outlined in the Contract. 1) Officers who retire on or after the age of 55 and before the age of 60 shall receive premium free health care provided they follow the guidelines set forth in the Contract. Officers must file before 1 October the preceding year (online) informing the Department of their intention to

retire along with the effective date. Effective 1 October 2010, and every year thereafter, officers need to file for retirement under this provision along with agreeing to certain terms and conditions for payment of final compensation. 2) Officers who retire after the age of 60 will receive premium free health care and need only apply and be approved with no terms or conditions.

Officers who make the decision to retire should pick a date that will work for their individual needs. I have been told that the best time to retire is on the 15th of the month but this is only a recommendation, not an exact science. Officers, when retiring, should make sure they do not have any bad time (suspension, leave of absence or unpaid time) to make up to avoid being short service time you thought you worked. The Department will not tell you if you are short, but only lower your monthly retirement check.

Officers should also check with Internal Affairs to learn if they have any open or pending CR numbers. The Department will not issue you a retirement star or identification card if there is an open investigation. If this is the case you can not qualify for conceal and carry under HR 218.

Officers who are applying for retire-

ment must complete the application from a Department Computer completing a Clear Form which must be submitted to the Director of Human Resources for approval.

The approval process usually takes approximately 3 weeks and it is the Officers responsibility to make sure it is approved. Once the application is approved the Officer should contact the Pension Board notifying them of their intention of retiring and to learn the amount of their monthly payment.

The Officer must have an exit interview with their commander before their last day worked.

Officers should ensure that their current contact information along with the proper beneficiary is listed with the pension board, credit union, deferred compensation, and the FOP.

The big day that the Officer picked for retirement will finally arrive. The Officer will turn in his Department issued equipment (helmt, batton, ...) and should receive a receipt. The Officer will be brought to Human Resources where he/she will be issued their retirement identification card and star.

The Officer has now completed the Departments process for retirement and will begin this new and exciting phase of

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Retirement Party

You Are Invited To Celebrate Father Nangle's Retirement With Him!



Thursday, September 8, 2011
6:00 pm—Social Hour
7:00 pm—Dinner

White Eagle Banquets & Restaurant
6839 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Niles, Illinois

Tickets cost \$55.00 each or table for \$550.00 and are available for sale through August 31, 2011.

For tickets please contact
Doreen Plachta at the FOP Office, 312-733-7776...
Jim Bailey, 022, 773-919-4865... or Jim Curry, 050, 773-909-3194

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their lives. These Officers may now enjoy many happy and healthy years of retirement as a reward for their dedication, hard work and service as Chicago Police Officers.

I hope that the guidelines reported in this newsletter will assist our future retirees.

Submission of DNA Evidence by Police Officers

The submission of DNA Evidence (Buccal Swabbing) of Police Officers for duty related matters (weapons discharge incidents, aggravated battery of a police officer) has been the subject of some recent incidents. The subject is not governed by any General Order or Department Directive and there is nothing mentioned of the submission of DNA evidence under the current Collective Bargaining Agreement or the Police Officers Bill of Rights.

If you are involved in an incident where, during the course of the investigation it is determined that your DNA evidence will be needed for the case. The officers will be presented with a Consent to Collect Biological Samples form. The form reads that the person to submit to this procedure has a constitutional right to refuse consent without a judicial order being first obtained. The form advises the person that he will now give his consent for this procedure and the samples that are taken will be forwarded to the Illinois State Police Laboratories or other appropriate lab for further analysis. The form then states that this analysis can and will be used in criminal investigations and will be turned over to the States Attorney's office or other prosecutorial agencies. If the person is charged, the analysis may be used as evidence against the person.

The submission of DNA Evidence is strictly done with your approval and permission and is voluntary. If you agree with the terms as stated on the form you would sign and then comply with the Buccal Swab. The submitted DNA evidence would then go into the Codis System along with registered sex offenders, felons and recent parolees. **Officers if you are made aware that you will be**

asked to submit to collecting your biological samples, notify the Lodge immediately so we may assist you during the investigation.

I am sure the procedure is well-intentioned to strengthen a criminal investigation, but until the Lodge has something in writing on the collection and storing of a Police Officers DNA Evidence **we advise our members not to volunteer to give away one of their rights.**

Parole Hearing

On 28 July 2011, the En Banc Hearing took place before the Illinois Prisoner Review Board in Springfield for the convicted murderer of PO Edward Barron 14571, 004th District, EOW 28 September 1973. Along with 28 other Chicago Police Officers, I traveled in the predawn hours by bus (provided by the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation) to attend this hearing before the Parole Board. The Parole Board reviewed all of the presented evidence. Arguments were made by both those who favor release and those opposing parole. A motion was made and properly seconded to deny parole.

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board voted 7-2 to deny parole for this convicted murderer and gave the case a 1-year set.

I would like to personally thank each of the Officers along with the representative from the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation who made the long, early trip to Springfield to support the memory of PO Edward Barron.

WE WILL NEVER FORGET!

2011 FOP Picnic Report By Frank DiMaria & Sid Davis

After months of planning and preparation, the 2011 FOP Picnic was held on 13 July 2011 on the grounds at Gaelic Park for the fifth year. The morning was clear, sunny and the temperatures were expected to reach the 80s. Our members started lining up outside of the gates of Gaelic Park around 0830 hrs, and once we opened the gates, there was a steady stream of our members and their families entering the fields to set up their tents

and enjoy this event. Children entering the park they were given candy and a prize. The complimentary refreshments for both the children and adults never stopped being poured the end of the day. The children lined up outside of the ice cream truck and we passed out frozen treats for hours until there was none. If someone would have looked at the front of the FOP Store (which was relocated to Gaelic Park) they would have thought they were at Filene Basement's Running of the Brides searching for that perfect bargain or sale item. The clown entertained the children with his act and the DJ played music satisfying everyone's taste. One of our members provided a special treat driving his own Cushman hot dog cart to the Picnic and passed out hundreds of free hot dogs to everyone. The amusement rides were very busy and were taken full advantage of by our members and their families and never stopped running until we closed. The 2011 FOP Picnic will be remembered as one of the most weather-perfect for a picnic. We survived the crowds and closed the park at 1800 hrs. The 2011 FOP Picnic attendance was at an all time high. We hope that everyone had a good time and we look forward to seeing you all next year.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the following persons and companies for their contributions which added to the success of the 2011 Picnic.

American Licorice Company
Bun on the Run/Kevin Betovic
Chicago Patrolmen's Credit Union
Coyne Financial
Will Fahey Attorney at Law
Ferrara Candy Company
Daniel Herbert Attorney at Law
Libertyville Buick GMC
Pat Tode and his 1957 Chevy
Prim Rose Candy
Radio Flyer
Donald Simmons /Ding Dong the
Hip Hop Clown
Tootsie Roll Company
Vitners Potato Chips
Weber Bakery

Please support them because they support you the Membership.

Employee Assistance Program Continuations, *By Saul Del Rivero & Rich Aguilar*

We recently published an article in the FOP Newsletter about Officers seeking mental health assistance. The FOP would like to re-state that we encourage Officers to find help, if they feel it's necessary. Your Illinois Firearm Owner's Identification Card (FOID) will **not** be revoked for merely seeking counseling or guidance. However, your FOID card **will be** revoked if you are "admitted" into a mental health facility or hospital for mental health reasons. The FOP takes issue with the Department's position to place offi-

cers who have had their FOID cards revoked and thereby placing those officers into a no-pay status.

We strongly object to the Department's current policy and believe that members who are in the process of receiving mental health treatment, or who have successfully completed treatment, should not have to be subjected to undue financial stresses or burdens.

Most States around the nation do not require officers to possess a firearm license. Since our last article, Illinois State

Representative and Chicago Police Sergeant Dena Carli has offered to revise the statute regarding FOID card requirements for police officers. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

Officers interested in contacting the Employee Assistance Program, (EAP), directed by Beverly Jackson, should call 312-743-0378.

Address Change Form

Effective Date: _____

Name: _____ Star Number: _____
(Last, First, MI)

New Address: _____ City/State: _____

Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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

Message From Father Dan Brandt

From Your New Chaplain...

About eight years ago, Fr. Tom Nangle invited me to help him with a few little things...from conducting Ash Wednesday services at local areas, to visiting a hospitalized officer or retiree here and there, to officiating over an occasional wake/funeral service. At that time, I was assigned to St. William Parish on the far west edge of Chicago (in 025), so whenever I could help out on the fringe of the city, I was happy to do so. My pastor and boss at that time was a friend of Fr. Nangle's, which was our connection.

In mid-2005, after a six-year assignment at St. William, I transferred to Nativity of Our Lord Parish in Bridgeport (*bringing with me a World Series Championship for the Chicago White Sox*). While serving a six-year term as pastor at

Nativity, I continued my relationship with Fr. Nangle—helping him and the Chaplains Ministry as needed.

A few years back, Fr. Nangle and I did our math and figured out that the conclusion of my term as pastor at Nativity would line up with his well-deserved retirement. So, we started moving in that direction. As a lifelong Chicagoan, I cannot think of a greater honor than to serve our men and women in blue on a full-time basis.

Thanks to the Police Department administration, Cardinal George and the Archdiocese of Chicago, *and some blessings from God*, things fell into place pretty nicely for all parties. On July 1st I began my term as Director of the Chaplains' Unit. I thank those who have shown confidence in my ability to serve in this capacity, and I thank Fr. Tom Nangle for handing off this beautiful gift

that he has nourished for the past four decades. Most of all, I thank **God** for the opportunity to serve the men and women who so faithfully serve and protect the people of this great city.

I am also grateful to Rabbi Moshe Wolf and Chaplain Bob Montelongo for the warm welcome they have shown me, the knowledge they have shared with me, and the good example they have provided me.

Finally, I thank **you** for the noble vocation you have chosen. You have heard it before, but you can't hear it enough: **Indeed, you are doing God's work!**

Fr. Dan Brandt, CPD Chaplain
Always available at 312/738-7588
dan.brandt@chicagopolice.org

3rd Vice-President's Report, *By Daniel D. Gorman*



No Second Guessing

So far this year, July 26, 2011, there have been 41 officer involved shootings where the offender was struck by the police gunfire. During the same time

period there have been hundreds of attacks, batteries and assaults on the police where no one was struck by gunfire. This is a hot topic with many media outlets at the moment trying to figure out why police shootings are up from the last four years.

CeaseFire, which according to their website, is a "violence prevention program" focused on changing the behavior in a small number of "carefully selected members of the community". Also according to CeaseFire, they are dedicated to preventing gang on gang shootings. But where are they when it comes to preventing violence against police? A CeaseFire report states that 40% of their "selected members" are either on probation or are parolees. They do however claim considerable success in increasing seatbelt use and condom use among their clients.

Well, the director of CeaseFire, Tio Hardiman, gave a statement to the Chicago Sun-Times relating he has a belief that police have a "license to kill" mindset where police "are going to get the crime down no matter what it takes". Why does CeaseFire even rate comment relating to police involved shootings? They should stick to talking to parolees about condom use and seatbelt use. I agree with one part of what Hardiman states and that is: "no matter what it takes" ...no matter what it takes for our officers to go home at the end of their tours.

The director of IPRA, Ilana Rosenzweig, told the Chicago Sun-times that she does not know why police shootings are up for the year. Now that sounds logical but then she went on to say that it is possibly because of systemic causes involving training or police policy. I'm not sure where Rosenzweig was going with this or what exactly she means but I will interpret it as: "Training" - officers resort to

their training when faced with a die or live situation, and "Police Policy" - which in some cases prevents officers from being the Police and allows offenders to become brazen from lack of being policed.

Two factors I see that pose no arguments are: no fear of the police, and a shortage of police officers. Attrition takes place thereby providing less and less officers to educate these "select members of the community". Just another reason we seek additional hiring of police officers. Over periods of time these members of the community may become more and more fearless, reckless and lawless, and the number of police involved shootings may continue to increase. Some of the "selected members of society" are slow learners (not to their fault, but probably due to lack of parenting) and it will take time before they realize that placing officers in a position to fall back on their training and policy, officers will proceed in accordance with the Illinois Use of Force model and hopefully end each tour with their health and safety in the same condition they began it.

Just in from being called out to two separate shooting incidents just hours apart in Area 4. One of these shootings is the lead story in news broadcasts. Facts are facts and the Superintendent has made public comment on both of the shootings supporting the officers' actions in each incident. The Superintendent's comment made to the media is being recognized and not being taken for granted. Brother and Sister Members, continue the good work you do, keep focus on the fact that you are the Police and do not second guess yourselves in a die or live situation.

10th Annual Eric Lee's Memorial Picnic

When? August 17, 2011

Where? Dan Ryan Woods
Grove 16—83rd & Western Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Time? 11:00 am—8:00 pm

Cost: \$20 per ticket

Gisele Vander Mey

2 Year Old Daughter of Police Officer Bryan Vander Mey

Gisele is fighting Leukemia and has undergone several chemo therapy treatments. Donations will help the family pay medical bills and seek further treatment for a cure. Please join us as we support a little one of one of our own...

Friday, August 12, 2011

1800—2300 Hours

FOP Hall

1412 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, IL

Ticket Donation of \$25 Will Enter You Into A \$1,000 Drawing.

Monetary Donations May Be Sent Directly To:
Gisele Vander Mey's Fight Against Leukemia Fund
Chicago Patrolmens Federal Credit Union
1407 W. Washington Blvd, Chicago, IL 60607

Financial Secretary's Report, *By Rich Aguilar*



The Vanishing Beat Cop

OK, you've got me. I stole, make that borrowed, the title of this article from an article by Ben Joravsky that appeared in the Chicago Reader some time ago. Those of you who haven't read it should. It has some great content addressing the diminishing amount of Police Officers on the streets of the City of Chicago and the problems that Police Officers face as a result of this lack of manpower. The author even mentions a confrontation between some gangbangers who actually taunt the Police and the Police fail to respond allegedly due to a lack of backup because of the manpower shortage. The problem I have with the article is that it sounds as if the author and the Police Officers interviewed think that simply adding more Police Officers is the answer to solving all of the evils of the City.

I am certainly not going to take the position that less Police Officers is a good thing. We do need more Police Officers; many more. As a matter of fact, when I started my career there were more beats per district. Even the day watch beats were manned by two-man cars. There were three wagons per watch per district. We had a minimum of six two-man power cars (rapid response cars for some of you new guys). Can you imagine that? Today, there are many districts that have one-man cars as a mainstay even on midnights. Mr. Joravsky's numbers were correct. Manpower is down and something desperately needs to be done about it, but here is where I will take it a step further and state that the diminishing number of Officers isn't the only reason that the beat cop is vanishing.

This is the point where Police Officers can probably stop reading. This is also the point where the media, liberals, politicians, and those citizens who want to be protected need to start paying attention.

There was a time, if you will excuse the expression, that Police Officers went out, kicked ass and took names. Whoa! I am

sure the hairs on some of your necks are standing on end in reading that expression. No, I am not talking about POLICE BRUTALITY. I am talking about Police Officers responding the only way that the majority of the bad guys understood; the threat of or the actual use of force. Most of the bad guys even expected it.

Today, Officers are expected to use terms like "sir", "please", "thank-you", and other miscellaneous forms of courtesy. While these terms and courtesies may have their place in the normal world, they are at most times viewed by the bad guys as some kind of a weakness in an Officer. I don't think it's a coincidence that batteries committed against Police Officers have increased by three hundred percent over the past decade.

There was a time when the threat of an arrest meant something. A person caught doing the wrong thing lost his freedom. The only way out of jail was to post a cash bond or go before a judge. That process could take at least a day or two or maybe longer. Getting arrested was a deterrent.

Today, the bad guy gets an I-bond sometimes even before the Officer has completed all of his paperwork. Jail is now a place where you can cool off on a hot day or get warm on a cold one for maybe an hour or so, chat with your gangbanger homies, and, if you're lucky, maybe even get a sandwich.

There was a time when parents took responsibility for their minor children. Nine times out of ten the juvenile arrestees were more concerned with what would happen to them when their parent (s) arrived at the station to take them home than anything the Police had or had not done to them. There was many a time that a parent had to be restrained from disciplining their child in the station—that had to wait until they got home.

Today, we hear, "What have the Police done to my baby?" Never mind the fact that their baby was selling dope or was in

possession of a fully loaded pistol or that their baby was out on the corner at 2:45 am. It is as if somehow the Police singled him out for no apparent reason.

In today's world, there simply aren't any consequences for the arrestee who challenges the Police. The onus is not placed on the bad guy or those responsible for him. Everything falls on the back of the Police Officer who is held to a "higher standard" that is almost impossible to achieve. Society considers a major league baseball player an elite athlete if he manages to hit a baseball one-third of the time, yet a Police Officer is expected to make split second decisions with one-hundred percent accuracy twenty-four hours a day three hundred sixty-five days a year.

Again, we have another video floating around that supposedly shows another act of "senseless Police brutality". Unfortunately, we cannot hear anything that was said leading up to the poor "victim's" arrest. The videographer was kind enough to turn the recording over to an attorney who is more than willing to protect the arrestee's civil rights, for a fee of course.

My point here is that Police Officers are not ignorant; far from it. Even a baby learns, at a young age, that if he puts his hand on a hot stove he gets burned. He may even do it a second time, but rarely will he do it a third.

The media, the liberals, and arrestees' attorneys have made their demands. We get it. We will comply. Perhaps the best action is no action at all. Perhaps that is the real reason those Officers didn't respond to the gangbangers when challenged.

You just have to ask yourselves a couple of questions. "Is this what I really want?" "Can I survive with the vanishing beat cop?"

Hopefully, you can. Only time will tell.

April & May 2011 Retirees

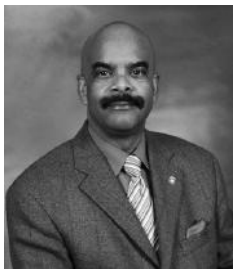
April 2011 Retirees

Name	Rank	Dist.	Yrs
Ahern, Jr., John J.	Officer	124	31
Burg, Paul V.	Officer	008	38
Burton, Craig E.	Officer	022	26
Castillo, Joy A.	Officer	014	26
Castro, Radames	Officer	014	29
Chasen, Steven D.	Officer	018	38
Coursey, Yolanda M.	Officer	184	20
DeFalco, Colette	Detective	620	24
DeLeon, Diane	Officer	014	20
Goodson, Larry C.	Forensic Inv.	177	34
Haughey, Laurie J.	Officer	020	21
Henderson, Arthur B.	FTO	006	28
Henson, Charles B.	Officer	701	31
Hopkins, Daniel M.	Officer	171	29
Johnson, Rollins	Officer	123	35
Kalinowski, Renee S.	Officer	016	26
Kaput, John J.	Forensic Inv.	177	34
Kavalauskas, Marcelline M.	Officer	145	26
McElrath, Doris D.	Officer	171	21
McVicker, Rosalind A.	Officer	005	20
Morley, Marianne Y.	Officer	023	30
Oberts, James M.	Officer	008	38
Pater, Paul M.	Forensic Inv.	177	29
Puckett, Stanley C.	Officer	003	30
Reikalas, Nikodemas V.	Officer	017	41
Rowan, Kathleen M.	Officer	012	20
Sivicek, Daniel J.	Officer	153	25
Solita, Richard J.	Officer	146	43
Spadoni, Dennis E.	Officer	050	41
Spagnola, Paul M.	Detective	620	35
Spiegel, Robert J.	Officer	008	38
Sutter, Jr., Francis J.	Officer	145	26
Tracy, Michael J.	Officer	008	36
Van Hove, Thomas E.	ET	377	29
Versetto, Mary L.	Officer	001	24
Wilson, Capatoria Z.	Officer	002	26

May 2011 Retirees

Name	Rank	Dist.	Yrs
Burkart, Catherine T.	Officer	025	31
Cage, Jr., Hosea L.	Officer	006	26
Cella, John A.	Detective	630	30
Cleveland, Charles W.	Officer	003	29
Dean, Kevin E.	Officer	002	28
Deskovich, Joseph J.	Agent	119	41
Detwyler, Jennifer C.	Agent	121	19
Duffing, Nancy J.	Officer	016	26
Esquivel, Frank J.	Officer	004	22
Freeman, Charlene	Officer	021	20
Freeman, Roger L.	Officer	189	24
Gadson, Donald W.	Officer	003	28
Gilmore, Horace L.	Officer	005	17
Haras, Steven	Canine Handler	153	29
Horacek, Gary M.	Officer	009	31
Hudik, Coralyn J.	Officer	006	30
Jedynak, Lester C.	Officer	017	29
Kodistra, Mark G.	Officer	005	29
Lanning, Diane P.	Officer	177	29
Livergood, George P.	Canine Handler	050	41
Loftus, James R.	Detective	620	31
Lockett, Robert L.	Officer	018	22
Martinez, George A.	ET	377	26
Martyka, Thaddeus H.	Officer	701	20
Merriam, David M.	Detective	603	31
Migitz, Robert S.	Officer	001	23
Nally, Ronald E.	Officer	020	43
Pesavento, Robert	Officer	167	40
Rapacz, Silvia M.	Officer	008	29
Ritter, Kenneth F.	Officer	020	17
Roland, Percy E.	Officer	021	38
Sheehan, Jr., Thomas J.	Officer	022	30
Spatafora, Jr., Anthony V.	Officer	017	24
Thomas, Jr., Alfred M.	ET	177	31
Velez, Hermes	Sergeant	014	30

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Thomas M. Brady, Age 71

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From The Desk Of Jim McCarthy, Field Representative



Legal Defense Committee

The Legal Defense Fund is the funding source for members who are in need of, and entitled to, legal representation for a duty related incident. There are instances in which it is not clear as to whether the officer's disciplinary/legal issues are duty related and warrant paid legal coverage. When such circumstances arise, members can appear before the Legal Defense Committee to explain why they believe they are entitled to coverage. The appearing member must demonstrate to the board that their situation is the direct result of their duties as a Chicago Police Officer. Members appearing before the Legal Defense Committee seeking paid legal representation are encouraged to provide committee members with records or documentation that might assist the board in making a decision. Members appearing before the board with supporting documentation stand a better chance of success at gaining approval from the Committee as opposed to those who arrive empty handed. Please provide supporting documentation with your request when possible.

Military Issues

As many of you are aware Sidney Davis has retired from the Chicago Police Department. Please be advised that from here forward I will handle military mat-

ters for our members here at the Lodge. Officers who are military reservists should refer any military related issues to me in the future. One of the first issues before me was a member/reservist who was not reimbursed by the City, as required by law, for 14 days of Annual Training (AT). In the future, I strongly urge any of our members who are going to be deployed, activated, etc. to do the following when submitting your PAR Form: CHECK THE BOX WHICH STATES, "LEAVE MILITARY (PAID ENCAMPMT.-14 DAYS MAX)" EVEN IF YOUR ORDERS ARE LONGER THAN 14 DAYS. Officers who have checked the No Pay box, burned Comp Time while on orders and then sought reimbursement from the City are experiencing difficulties getting reimbursed. In addition, I have been approached by a handful of military guard/reservists who feel they are owed back pay or compensatory time from the Department pursuant to the Illinois Military Leave of Absence Act. I would encourage any member who believes that the he or she is owed back-pay or compensatory time pursuant to military orders to contact me here at the Lodge.

Father Tom and Dan

At this time I would like to say thanks to Father Nangle for all he has done for me personally as well as all Chicago Police Officers over his long career. Father Tom, you are truly one of kind and will

be missed. Father Tom's replacement is Father Dan Brandt. I met Father Dan approximately 3 years ago at a baptism for a very dear friend. That was the first of several meetings over the past 3 years and it is my firm belief he is the perfect fit to take over as head Chaplain for the Chicago Police Department. Father Dan is a terrific priest and has an incredible sense of humor. The Chicago Police Department is lucky to have him aboard and we look forward to working with him on behalf of our members.

Court Calendar

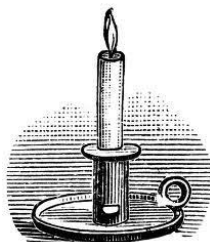
It has been brought to my attention that the next court date for the offender who murdered E.T. Michael Flisk will be on August 24, 2011 in Room 404 at 26th and California. Secondly, according to the Cook County Clerk of the Circuit Court docket, Bobbie Selvie, the offender who shot and wounded Detective Pat Johnson, has filed a motion for a new trial. The next scheduled court date for this defendant is August 11, 2011 at 26th and California. As of this date this hearing has not been assigned to a court room. Please stop into these hearings if possible and if you have any information regarding these cases or any other cases regarding our members please forward such to the Lodge.

The 2011 Candlelight Vigil...

will be held on Tuesday, September 13, at 7:30 pm in Gold Star Families Memorial and Park. All police officers and their families and friends are invited to attend.

As part of the tradition of the Candlelight Vigil, the names of all Chicago Police Officers who died in the line of duty will be read.

If anyone would like to read a particular name, please contact Beata Staszewski of the Special Events Unit at 312-745-5253.



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Come one...come all....whoever worked in the 8th District and visit old friends.

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The Little Tea Cup, *Compliments of Rabbi Moshe Wolf*

As this goes to print the CPD family and friends mourn the loss of Zone 1 Dispatcher, Marciea Adkins, who lost her life suddenly, in a tragic traffic accident, when her auto was struck by a fleeing felon. Marciea was an outstanding dispatcher and just a wonderful human being and she will be missed by all. Our sympathy and condolences to her husband, Bill Adkins, a CFD Dispatcher. Please keep the Adkins family in your prayers.

Don't you wish sometimes that you had a crystal ball to see and understand why we have to face trials and tribulations as we travel this road called life? Don't you wish sometimes that you had the power to see the complete picture from the beginning so you would know what decision would be best? Don't we all find ourselves questioning decisions we make every day and wonder what the outcome would have been had we gone left instead of right? The answer is that the final outcome is only known to the good L~rd. Our task is to have faith and trust, if we do the best that WE can, then He'll do His best to fulfill our needs. As we see from the following parable, "The Little Tea Cup". Love this story or not, you will not be able to have tea in a tea cup again without thinking of this.

There was a couple who took a trip to England to shop in a beautiful antique store to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. They both liked antiques and pottery, and especially teacups. Spotting an exceptional cup, they asked, "May we see that? We've never seen a cup quite so beautiful."

As the lady handed it to them, suddenly the teacup spoke, "You don't understand. I have not always been a teacup. There was a time when I was just a lump of red clay. My master took me and rolled me, pounded and patted me over and over and I yelled out, "Don't do that. I don't like it! Let me alone," but he only smiled, and gently said, "Not yet!"

Then WHAM! I was placed on a spinning wheel and suddenly I was spun around and around and around. "Stop it! I'm getting so dizzy! I'm going to be sick!" I screamed. But the master only nodded and said quietly, "Not yet."

He spun me and poked and prodded and bent me out of shape to suit himself and then he put me in the oven. I never felt such heat. I yelled and knocked and pounded at the door. "Help! Get me out of here!" I could see him through the opening and I could read his lips as he shook his head from side to side, "Not yet."

When I thought I couldn't bear it another minute, the door opened. He carefully took me out and put me on the shelf, and I began to cool. Oh, that felt so good! "Ah, this is much better," I thought. But, after I cooled he picked me up and he brushed and painted me all over. The fumes were horrible. I thought I would gag. "Oh, please, stop it, stop, I cried." He only shook his head and said, "Not yet!"

Then suddenly he put me back in to the oven. Only it was not like the first one. This was twice as hot and I just knew I would suffocate. I begged. I pleaded. I screamed. I cried. I was convinced I would never make it. I was ready to give up. Just then the door opened and he took me out and again placed me on the shelf, where I cooled and waited and waited, wondering, "What's he going to do to me next?" An hour later he handed me a mirror and said "Look at yourself." And I did. I said, "That's not me; that couldn't be me. It's beautiful. I'm beautiful!!!"

Quietly he spoke, "I want you to remember, then," he said, "I know it hurt to be rolled and pounded and patted, but had I just left you alone, you'd have dried up. I know it made you dizzy to spin around on the wheel, but if I had stopped, you would have crumbled. I know it hurt and it was hot and disagreeable in the

oven, but if I hadn't put you there, you would have cracked. I know the fumes were bad when I brushed and painted you all over, but if I hadn't done that, you never would have hardened. You would not have had any color in your life. If I hadn't put you back in that second oven, you wouldn't have survived for long because the hardness would not have held. Now you are a finished product. Now you are what I had in mind when I first began with you."

The moral of this story is this: G~d knows what He's doing for each of us. He is the potter, and we are His clay. He will mold us and make us and expose us to just enough pressures of just the right kinds that we may be made into a flawless piece of work to fulfill His good, pleasing and perfect will.

So when life seems hard, and you are being pounded and patted and pushed almost beyond endurance; when your world seems to be spinning out of control; when you feel like you are in a fiery furnace of trials; when life seems to "throw you a curve ball", try this. Brew a cup of your favorite tea, in your prettiest tea cup, sit down and think on this story and then, have a little talk with "The Potter"; you'll feel better and the Potter will be glad that you came to talk; He loves to listen.

May G-d bless you and keep you safe. Amen

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

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