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NEXT CPDRA MEETING

Date: April 26, 2017

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Community Room,
CPD Headquarters



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THE 10-4

Founder and Honorary President—Rico Maccarone

Newsletter of the Cranston Police Department Retiree Association

A BRIEF RECAP OF 2016 FROM THE COLONEL

"Over the past year, nine new Officers were sworn in to replace vacancies that existed due to recent retirements. With these new hires, our police department is fully staffed at 153 officers for the first time in several years.

In June 2016, the department took delivery of three new Harley Davidson police motorcycles. These motorcycles are leased from Seacoast Harley Davidson and are operated by members of the Traffic Division and utilized for traffic enforcement, escorts and special events.

The Department's Canine Unit continues to be a valuable resource for our City as well as other law enforcement agencies who have called upon us for mutual aid. Just this year, our K-9 teams have assisted the US Postal Service Inspectors resulting in the seizure of large amounts of narcotics and United States currency. They have also apprehended a breaking and entering suspect in East Greenwich, as well as led to the recovery of two loaded firearms in the

City of Providence, one of which had been used in a shooting and discarded by a suspect who fled from the Providence Police Department on foot.

The Department Training Complex is in the process of being expanded thanks to the donation by the Cranston School Department for two modular classrooms that will serve in part as a virtual training center. This center will allow Officers to be placed in various scenarios that will enhance their training in situations where decisions must be made on the appropriate level of force to be applied. Including lethal force.

Recently, Officer Joshua Mason recently returned to the department after completing a six-month rigorous training United States Army course in the State of Alabama. Officer Mason achieved the rank of Warrant Officer and is now a certified Blackhawk Pilot. He now serves in that capacity as a member of the Rhode Island National Guard.

We have expanded our partnerships with State, Federal and local law enforcement agencies, to include the assignment of a detective to the State Violent Fugitive



Task Force for the purpose of apprehending violent felons that have fled the jurisdiction of the City of Cranston and have committed violent crimes in other communities.

Below is a breakdown of awards issued during the calendar year 2016:

Chief's Letters—37

Admin Excellence

Awards—5

1st Class—2

Life Saving Award—5

Unit Citation—1

(Special Reaction Team)

Besides using social media to provide timely communication with the citizens we serve, the Department has initiated **MYPD App** which has proven very popular."

The 10-4

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CPDRA Finances to Date:

Savings: \$1,795.67

Checking: \$4,757.30

CPDRA Expenditures to Date:

Annual Web Site Fee: \$100.00

RI Non-profit Corp. Annual Report Fee: \$20.00

CPD Memorial Flowers: \$120.00

Memorial Engraving and Maintenance: \$775.00

Flowers for past CPDRA

President Cicione's Funeral: \$200.00

New Email Address:

CPDR182@verizon.net

**CPDRA will begin collecting our 2017 dues on July 1, 2017.*

MEET LT. MARK FREEBORN-CPD TRAINING COMMANDER

In this month's 10-4 we are recognizing the CPD Training Division Commander, Lieutenant (Lt.) Mark Freeborn.

Lt. Freeborn is a 1984 Cranston High School East graduate and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Roger Williams University.

Appointed to the Cranston Police Department on November 20, 1995, Lt. Freeborn is your point of contact for those retirees wishing to utilize the department's firing range.

In his spare time, Lt. Freeborn enjoys staying active in various sports and spending time with his family. Unfortunately

we do not have a photo at this time.



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS

With the rising cost of a college education, here are a few pots of money that are offered to the widest group of Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) dependents:

1. Children of active duty police officers can apply for The Electronic Security Association's Youth Scholarship Program, which awards two scholarships each year. The first place winner receives \$7,500 and the second-place winner receives \$2,500.
2. The 2016 Wives Behind the Badge Law Enforcement Children's Scholarship Program provides

two \$1,000 scholarships, annually, to children of law enforcement officers.

3. The America's 911 Foundation awards 15 scholarships of \$2,000 each year to children of first responders.
4. FLEOA Foundation offers children of current, retired or deceased members of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association scholarships of \$500 or \$1,000.

For those dependents

that desires to follow in the footsteps of his or her LEO parent or grandparent, these scholarships are great to consider:

1. The Sheryl A. Horak Law Enforcement Explorer Memorial Scholarship is a merit-based award worth \$1,000 for high-school seniors looking to pursue a career in law enforcement.
2. The O'Grady Memorial Scholarship Fund awards scholarships for students seeking careers in Law Enforcement. The scholarship amount varies each year depending on how much funding is available and how many qualified applicants they receive.

FUTURE OF CPD MEMORIAL

With the heart-breaking loss of CPD retirees each year, our Police Memorial will soon become filled with the rank and name of our departed brothers and sisters.

To avoid and address this

problem, we will begin discussing a plan on how to expand our Police Memorial for the future at our next CPDRA Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 7PM at CPD Headquar-

ters.



“Attention to Orders” - Never To Be Forgotten



During each issue of the 10-4 Newsletter, we will take the opportunity to honor those longer with us and who continually placed their lives on the line to serve and protect the citizens of Cranston, R.I.

CPD members who are no

Detective Salvatore L. DeCesare. Born on December 13, 1932, he was the son of the late Salvatore and Julianna (Tokaz) DeCesare. A member of the Army's 7th Cavalry during the Korean War, Sal joined the department in 1961 and retired in 1990 with the rank of Detective. Detective DeCesare passed away on December 11, 2015. He was survived by his wife Helen of 59 years and his daughters Robyn and Kelly and his two grandchildren.

Detective Eugene F. Hackett. Son of the late Eugene and Mary (Moan) Hackett, Gene was Bryant College graduate and served in the U.S. Air Force during the Viet Nam War before joining the CPD where he proudly served for 30 years. Detective Hackett passed away on December 23, 2015. He was survived by his wife Nancy and his children Karen, Christine, Kathleen, William, Jill, and his seven grandchildren.

Lt. Joseph J. Cicione Jr. Son of the late Joseph Sr. and Bertha (Bonhomme) Cicione, Joe was a U.S. Air Force veteran who served during the Korean War and proudly served the citizens of Cranston for twenty years as a member of the department while holding the rank of Lieutenant. Lieutenant Cicione also served as our past President of the CPDRA and was a very strong supporter and active member of Local 301, I.B.P.O. Lieutenant Cicione passed away on June 3, 2016. He was survived by his wife Virginia (Annotti) Cicione and his children Bernadette, Maryellen, Joseph and his wife Kerri and his grandson "JJ".

Chief Anthony Moretti. Son of the late Anthony and Mary (Fascia) Palmer and step-son Forrest Palmer, Chief Moretti was a long-time residence of Cranston and honorably served the citizens of Cranston as a police officer for 34 years. Chief Moretti was a valedictorian of his graduating class at Salve Regina University and also a graduate from the FBI Academy. He was survived by his wife Teresa (Colaiacono) and his children Susan, Steven A. and Anthony, and his loving grandchildren and great grandchildren. Chief Moretti passed away on November 30, 2016.

“REST IN PEACE OUR BROTHERS”

TIPS ON HOW TO REDUCE BEING A VICTIM OF CREDIT CARD FRAUD

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| 1. Sign any new cards immediately. | through any space above the total amount if you don't intend to authorize additional charges. | them, and reconcile your card accounts every month. | number on a postcard, the outside of envelopes, or in a photo online. |
| 2. Carry your cards separately from your cash wallet. | | 8. Report any suspicious activity on your card immediately. | 11. Do not give your card number over the phone unless you initiated the transaction and you know the company is reputable. |
| 3. After you hand your card over to pay, keep it in view when you can. | 5. Void all carbon copies and incorrect receipts. | 9. Notify your card company when you'll be travelling or changing residences. | 12. Always destroy receipts by using a shredder or cutting them into small pieces. |
| 4. Don't sign a blank receipt. Draw a line | 7. Open your statements as soon as you get | 10. Never put your card | |

Member of The Month

Our member of the month is a RI Army National Guard Veteran who joined the department in 1973 and retired as a Narcotics Detective in 1996. Today this retiree is a member of the CPDRA Board and enjoys playing bocce, bowling, and playing cards with his friends. With his passion for a good wine, this member pursues this love by making his won red and white wine every year. Congratulations to retired Narcotics Detective Robert Baccari who has completed 20 years of retirement. Bob still resides in Cranston with his lovely wife Kathy. Their son Eric is currently a Detective on the Cranston Police Department.



THE LINEUP



Det. Eugene Hackett



Off. Salvatore DeCesare



Chief Anthony Moretti



Lt. Francis Caniglia



Capt Joseph Crowley



Off. Gary Roy



Lt. Ernest Delmonico



Off. Thomas Dodd



Off. Arthur Rotondo



Lt. Raymond Ricard



Off. Craig Pieranunzi



Off. Conrad Schinse

Our Transportation in 1975



A brand new 1975 Ford for our fleet

Capt Hay, Chief Coffee, & Capt Jordon



