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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BALTIMORE RETIRED POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Winter is finally over; spring is on its way and hooray for Daylight Savings Time. Also don't forget, baseball is almost here. I look forward to watching Orioles baseball this year. It sounds like we acquired a few long ball hitters over the winter. I think it should make for an exciting summer.

Still nothing from Judge Gerbis on the pension lawsuit, but all filing has been made by both parties. As I have said in the past, I believe that this will be a long drawn out affair and I do not look for an end to this matter. No matter who wins before Judge Gerbis, an appeal undoubtedly will be filed by the losing side.

The new schedule of disbursements from the pension system was instituted and a few small hitches showed up, but were quickly explained and everyone involved did their best to make the change painless. I know that some of you are not happy, but we really did not have a choice. The only thing to do is accept that fact and learn to live with it.

As you all know, if you had a handgun carry permit and let it lapse for any reason, you could not renew it. Also, if you continued to apply for a permit and you were retired longer than your service time, it was refused by the Maryland State Police. Through the efforts of Retiree Donald Helm and myself, along with Baltimore County State Delegate John Cluster, himself a retiree of the Baltimore County Police Department, you will no longer be refused a

carry permit after you have exceeded your years of service. Also, if you get a LEOSA carry permit, the State Police will issue you a Maryland permit and continue it for as long as you care to renew it.

Now let's talk about LEOSA. On February 6, 2016, I reported to the Northeast District Pistol Range to participate in the qualification test of the LEOSA carry permit. I had some trepidation as to my ability to pass the test as I had heard it was difficult. Being close to 80 years old, taking a test of any kind can be intimidating.

Conducting the test that day was Sergeant Robert Scarborough, assisted by Officers Dave Munyan, Ian Cameron and Lou Manna. These four gentlemen, while acting in a very professional manner, made sure everyone handled their weapons safely without ruffling anyone's feathers. They made sure that each of us understood the instruction while on the firing line, no matter how dense some of us were. As everyone knows, I am a bit hard of hearing, even with hearing aids. Understanding that, they made sure I knew what was expected of me. Their professionalism and courtesy are a credit to the Police Department and their respect for retirees made me feel at ease. I would tell all of you that this is a test not to be feared. You are shooting at combat distances. That is to say, at very close range: Only 4 shots at the 25 yard range and even that is using a barricade position.

Some of you will already know that the FOP was

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forced to raise the dues of its active members to 2.75% of base pay. The reason for this is the cost of the defense of the Baltimore 6, plus there are another 5 officers who have been indicted by the States Attorney's office very recently. In the last indictments, she waited till the last day of the statute of limitations to take action. She is on record as stating that her office is looking over past cases and will be bringing charges where possible. The cost of defending these officers has already gone over \$700,000 and the end is nowhere in sight.

Remember, this only pays for their legal defense. For those who are now on suspension without pay, the FOP has established a Distress Fund. The money for this fund comes from donations and other fundraising events. The BRPBA donated \$12,000 to this fund and we have raised an additional \$2500 by having a donation box at our general meetings. If any of you wish to mail a donation to this fund, you can do so by sending a check made out to the FOP Distress Fund. Please mail it to BRPBA, Post Office Box 935, 21014-7935. I ask you to do this so that we may keep an accounting of the total of donations from BRPBA members. No record of names will be kept. Our Secretary, Daryl Buhrman, will collect the checks and make sure they get to the FOP Distress Fund.

All of these officers have found employment of some kind, although not up to par with the pay scale they were receiving as police officers. They are no longer getting health insurance through the city and the costs are astronomical as they must pay the entire cost. They have car payments, telephone, internet and mortgages to pay.

Remember, "There but for the grace of God, go we."



Over the years, it has been a privilege to us, the Board of Directors of the BRPBA, to honor both active and retired officers for their contributions; whether by heroic deeds, years of dedicated service, or going above and beyond to help others. Each one of those contributions takes a special kind of person to go that extra mile; to care just a bit more.

As an example, last June we honored our Past President, John Lewandowski, for his twenty-two (22) years of dedicated service to the BRPBA.

At this past December meeting, we paid tribute to our Secretary, Daryl Buhrman with an award of a plaque and gathering of his family and friends. As all of you probably know by now, Daryl was the mitigating factor in the creation of our Distress Fund in 2004 and continues to this day as its Chairman. It is, for the most part, funded by our annual raffle, which Daryl also works throughout the year to make sure it is administered to properly. I personally know that Daryl spends hundreds of volunteer hours a year dedicating his time to raise money for this fund. To date, ninety-five (95) requests for assistance have been received by the Distress Fund and over \$108,000.00 has been granted to those who qualified for help.

To this end, it was decided by the Board of Directors to name the fund after Daryl and will henceforth be titled "**The Daryl Buhrman Distress Fund.**"
Nick Caprinolo



40th Anniversary Memorial Service for Officer Jimmy Halcomb who was killed LOD on 04/16/76

To be held 04/16/16 3:00-5:00 p.m. Perry Hall Baptist, 3919 Schroeder Avenue, Perry Hall, MD 21128.

RSVP to Detective Derreck Sargent.

410-396-2546 or Cell 443-681-0856.

ALERT!!!!

BENEFICIARY FORMS

We still have over 300 members who do not have a Beneficiary Form on file!

Without an up-to-date Beneficiary Form, it could cause the death benefit to be *delayed* and possibly cause the benefit to be made payable to the estate of the deceased member, which would *cost your family* an additional expense of opening an estate to negotiate the check.

Please complete form enclosed in this newsletter and mail to P.O. Box 6217, Baltimore, MD 21206. This is your money... take care of it!!

Thanks!

REMEMBER THAT YOUR BRPBA DISTRESS FUND IS HERE FOR YOU!!! IF YOU NEED HELP WITH ANYTHING, PLEASE LET US KNOW. CAN'T MAKE RENT? A MORTGAGE PAYMENT? GAS AND ELECTRIC BEING TURNED OFF? NEED A WHEELCHAIR RAMP? NEED A WINDOW FIXED? IS A FAUCET DRIPPING? WE SUPPORT OUR WIDOWS AND MEMBERS. ALL IT TAKES IS A PHONE CALL TO: DARYL BUHRMAN, 410-803-2293.

WITH EACH EMAIL WE SEND OUT, WE RECEIVE AT LEAST 200 RETURNED TO US.

THERE ARE VARIOUS REASONS FOR THIS: THE EMAIL ADDRESS HAS CHANGED, THE RECIPIENT HAS MARKED IT AS SPAM, THE RECIPIENT HAS UNSUBSCRIBED, ETC.

IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING EMAILS AND YOU WISH TO BE INCLUDED, PLEASE LET US KNOW SO THAT WE CAN GET THIS ISSUE FIXED. ADDITIONALLY, IF YOU WANT TO BE UNSUBSCRIBED FROM OUR EMAIL SYSTEM, PLEASE ALSO LET US KNOW

YOU CAN EMAIL TO J8518@AOL.COM OR CALL 410-661-9689. THANKS!

TO THE BOARD AND THE BRPBA MEMBERSHIP

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the BRPBA Executive Board and the members of the BRPBA for honoring me at our annual holiday party in December, 2015 with the beautiful plaque and the gathering of so many friends and family. It was a great night.

When I started the Distress Fund in 2004, it was not to receive accolades: It was begun with the sincere hope that we could be there for members and their families who were in trouble. Over the years, members have needed help with household expenses, additions made to their homes to ease their passage due to medical conditions, food, funeral expenses, house fires (6 so far!) and so much more.

We all find ourselves in need at one time or another, and it was my greatest wish that we work together to help our Brothers and Sisters in Blue.

That being said, when you work hard at something, even if you don't do it for a pat on the back, it is still a great feeling when someone acknowledges your efforts.

Again, thank you. It meant a lot to me.

Daryl Buhrman
Secretary, BRPBA
Chairman, Distress Fund



In the first week of March, 2016, one of our members experienced something that none of us ever wishes to have happen. They were burned out of their home due to faulty electrical wiring. He and his family lost everything in the fire, including two pets. They are currently living in a hotel and will be for at least six to eight more months.



The BRPBA generously donated money towards their needs (clothing, food, bills, etc), but if any of our members wish to also help this family, I am sure they would be beyond grateful.



If you would like to make a donation, please mail it to Daryl Buhrman, BRPBA Distress Fund, P.O. Box 935, Bel Air, MD 21014, or call Daryl at 410-803-2293 if you have further questions.



We thank you.





BCPD Western District Reunion IV



Date: Saturday, May 14, 2016
Time: 1400x1800 (2 x 6 p.m.)

LOCATION: Tropic Thunder - 44 Thomas Avenue (off Belle Grove Rd), Brooklyn Park, MD

Menu Includes: Pit Beef/Ham, Lasagna, Crab Soup, Meatballs, Wings, Sausage, plus more.....

ALL Domestic and Draft Beer

COST: \$35.00/PERSON

Submit check or cash to Ernie Wright—247 Altamont Ave.

Catonsville, MD 21228

Questions? Ernie Wright on Facebook / e-mail Ravensarge@msn.com /call 410.440.3753.

Tony Rodriguez—email arodriguez@mdta.state.md.us/phone 443.829.6726

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WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK ON THE CHANGES WE HAVE MADE TO THE NEWSLETTER... GOOD, BAD, OR SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER ARTICLES OF INTEREST. PLEASE DROP THE NEWSLETTER CHAIRMAN, PATRICK YOUELLS, A LINE AT CODY7762@HOTMAIL.COM.

THANK YOU!

Information Needed:

One of our members asked if there was a way that we could try to raise the level of base pay for some retirees as we did with the Widows in the past. However, I need your help on this matter to even do the research. If your pension income is less than \$25,000, can you send to me either via my email or the PO Box at the bottom of this article your information? The information that I would like is only your name and gross salary. No other information is needed.

While I know that this task is a long process, we have to begin somewhere. Talking about it will not get it done. I am also aware that the responses I will get will not be 100% of all retired officers. This is due to the fact that not all retired officers belong to the BRPBA.

I promised the retired officer I would do my best to see what may come of his idea. So now I need your help.

Please understand this: We are in an election year. The next Mayor of Baltimore will have numerous issues to try and solve. We are part of a lawsuit with the City involving our pensions. This is a fact finding study at this time. Your help is needed.

Respectfully,

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR WANT TO RECEIVE EMAIL UPDATES?

Are you in the process of moving? Please notify the BRPBA of your change of address so that you won't miss any important mailings. Also, if anyone would like to be included on the email updates, please send us your email address.

Name: _____

Old Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

New Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

New Phone Number: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Personal E-Mail Address: _____

Return to:

BRPBA
P.O. Box 6217
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OFFICER PORTER'S "IMMUNITY", Mike May, Esq.

Officer William Porter's mistrial and its aftermath raise Fifth Amendment issues because the prosecutors of the Baltimore 6 may only grant him *state*, not *federal*, immunity to force him to testify against the others after they accused him of lying about the Freddie Gray incident at his own trial.

Thirty years ago, the Court of Appeals of Maryland explained immunity: "Three types of immunity are possible. Use immunity protects against the future use of the witness' compelled testimony in a criminal prosecution of the witness; use and derivative use immunity prohibit the use of the witness' testimony to uncover other evidence for use against the witness; and transactional immunity bars any future prosecution of the witness for offenses based on the compelled testimony." *In re Criminal Investigation 1-162*, 307 Md. 674, 684, 518 A.2d 975, 981 (1986). As the seminal federal case, *Kastigar v. United States*, 408 U.S. 441 (1972), holds, only granting use and derivative use immunity does not impinge on the compelled witness' Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination. In the Baltimore 6 matter, his prosecutors gave Officer Porter use and derivative use immunity to compel his testimony in the trials of the other five police while he awaits a retrial on manslaughter charges after the jury deadlocked at his first trial.

Recently the Court of Appeals ruled in favor of the prosecutors. They may now force Officer Porter to testify unless his attorneys petition the Supreme Court to hear the case. Before it does, the Supreme Court must grant Officer's Porter's Petition for *Certiorari*. The Court denies most Petitions.

Officer Porter's manslaughter and other charges stem, according to the prosecution, not from what he allegedly did but from what he allegedly did not do.

After a Simi Valley jury acquitted LAPD officers in the Rodney King incident, riots destroyed parts of Los Angeles, and a federal civil rights prosecution ensued. As *Koon v. United States*, 518 U.S. 81 (1996) relates, Sgt. Stacey Koon, convicted of violating King's civil rights for not stopping Officer Laurence Powell from using exces-

sive force, spent several years in a federal prison. Koon lost his job and his freedom--not for what he did but for what he did not do.

Officer Porter has no immunity from federal prosecution. Were he acquitted of the state charges, he still could face federal civil rights charges. If he did, federal prosecutors could use anything he said in state court against him. He could not object because state prosecutors do not have the power to give anyone immunity from federal charges, any more than a prosecutor from Alabama could offer someone immunity in Alaska. The jurisdictions are different.

In closing argument at Officer Porter's trial, the prosecution accused him of lying several times. The prosecution now wishes him to testify against the others. The common law had a voucher rule by which the lawyer calling witnesses vouched for their credibility and could not impeach them absent surprise. But, "In 1994, the Maryland Rules of Evidence were adopted, and the voucher rule was eliminated." *Jones v. State*, 178 Md. App. 123, 135, 941 A.2d 498, 504 (2008). The case also said that "Maryland Rule 5-607 provides that '[t]he credibility of a witness may be attacked by any party, including the party calling the witness.' *Id.* From a purely legal standpoint, then, calling Officer Porter a liar does not prevent the prosecution from using him as a witness.

Rule 3.3(a)(4) of the Maryland Lawyers Rules of Professional Conduct says that "[a] lawyer shall not knowingly...offer evidence that the lawyer knows to be false." The rule, which generally mandates candor toward the tribunal, also says that "[a] lawyer may refuse to offer evidence that the lawyer reasonably believes to be false." MLRPC 3.3(c). Comment 5 to the rule says, "When evidence that the lawyer knows to be false is provided by a person who is not the client, the lawyer must refuse to offer it...."

A prosecutor's depiction of Officer Porter as a liar at his trial, itself an ethically questionable maneuver if counsel knew he had testified truthfully, potentially raises the specter of a violation of the ethical duty of candor toward the tribunal. Conversely, if the prosecutor gen-

uinely believed, and still continues to believe, that Officer Porter lied, one must necessarily ask if calling him to testify about the same incident in the others' trials violates the ethical duty of candor in Rule 3.3. Clearly, the prosecutor cannot have it both ways.

On occasion, legal cases recite the Latin maxim, "*Falsus in uno, falsus in omnibus.*" When it applies, judges instruct jurors that if they determine that a witness knowingly testified falsely about one material aspect of his or her testimony, they may disbelieve the witness entirely. A second unrelated Latin legal principle says, "*Res ipsa loquitur,*" the thing speaks for itself, while a third Latin phrase, "*Ipse dixit,*" he said it himself, comes to mind. Together the three beg the question of whether the immunity tactic in the Baltimore 6 matter underscores the prosecution's desperation to get a conviction.

Michael P. May

NEED A NEW MEMBERSHIP CARD OR KEY TAG? LOST YOUR OLD ONE?

LET US KNOW AND WE WILL REPLACE IT.

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If you live in Baltimore City, District 1 and are voting in the next election, we ask that you consider Jennifer Dudley for Councilmanic District 1. Her father is Joseph Mueller who served in the Baltimore City Police Department until his retirement in 1996.

Jennifer is very pro-Police and will work for the benefit of our active officers.



WE HAVE ALL HEARD A LOT ABOUT THE ZIKA VIRUS LATELY.

HERE ARE SOME FACTS YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- Zika virus disease is caused by a virus transmitted by *Aedes* mosquitoes.
- People with Zika virus disease usually have symptoms that can include mild fever, skin rashes, conjunctivitis, muscle and joint pain, malaise or headache. These symptoms normally last for 2-7 days.
- There is no specific treatment or vaccine currently available.
- The best form of prevention is protection against mosquito bites.
- The virus is known to circulate in Africa, the Americas, Asia and the Pacific.

Signs and Symptoms

The incubation period (the time from exposure to symptoms) of Zika virus disease is not clear, but is likely to be a few days. The symptoms are similar to other arbovirus infections such as dengue, and include fever, skin rashes, conjunctivitis, muscle and joint pain, malaise, and headache. These symptoms are usually mild and last for 2-7 days.

Prevention

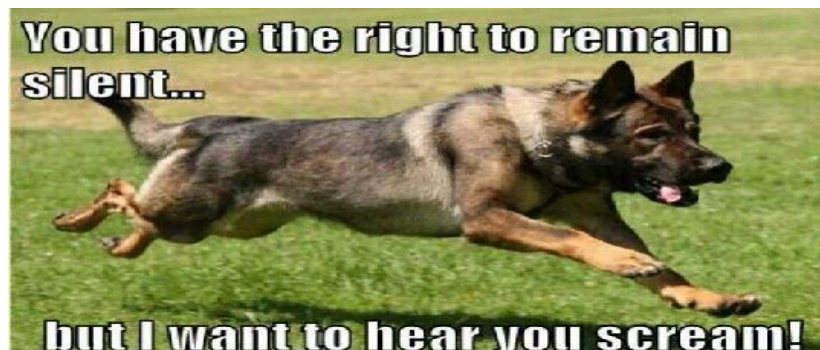
Mosquitoes and their breeding sites pose a significant risk factor for Zika virus infection. Prevention and control relies on reducing mosquitoes through source reduction (removal and modification of breeding sites) and reducing contact between mosquitoes and people.

This can be done by using insect repellent regularly; wearing clothes (preferably light-coloured) that cover as much of the body as possible; using physical barriers such as window screens, closed doors and windows; and if needed, additional personal protection, such as sleeping under mosquito nets during the day. It is extremely important to empty, clean or cover containers regularly that can store water, such as buckets, drums, pots etc. Other mosquito breeding sites should be cleaned or removed including flower pots, used tires and roof gutters.

Repellents should contain DEET. Special attention and help should be given to those who may not be able to protect themselves adequately, such as young children, the sick or elderly.

Treatment

Zika virus disease is usually relatively mild and requires no specific treatment. People sick with Zika virus should get plenty of rest, drink enough fluids, and treat pain and fever with common medicines. If symptoms worsen, they should seek medical care and advice. There is currently no vaccine available.



IRS Urges Public to Stay Alert for Scam Phone Calls

IRS Special Edition Tax Tip 2015-18, October 21, 2015

The IRS continues to warn consumers to guard against scam phone calls from thieves intent on stealing their money or their identity. Criminals pose as the IRS to trick victims out of their money or personal information. Here are several tips to help you avoid being a victim of these scams:

Scammers make unsolicited calls. Thieves call taxpayers claiming to be IRS officials. They demand that the victim pay a bogus tax bill. They con the victim into sending cash, usually through a prepaid debit card or wire transfer. They may also leave “urgent” callback requests through phone “robo-calls,” or via [phishing email](#).

Callers try to scare their victims. Many phone scams use threats to intimidate and bully a victim into paying. They may even threaten to arrest, deport or revoke the license of their victim if they don’t get the money.

Scammers use caller ID spoofing. Scammers often alter caller ID to make it look like the IRS or another agency is calling. The callers use IRS titles and fake badge numbers to appear legitimate. They may use the victim’s name, address and other personal information to make the call sound official.

Cons try new tricks all the time. Some schemes provide an actual IRS address where they tell the victim to mail a receipt for the payment they make. Others use emails that contain a fake IRS document with a phone number or an email address for a reply. These scams often use official IRS letterhead in emails or regular mail that they send to their victims. They try these ploys to make the ruse look official.

Scams cost victims over \$23 million. The Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration, or TIGTA, has received reports of about 736,000 scam contacts since October 2013. Nearly 4,550 victims have collectively paid over \$23 million as a result of the scam.

The IRS will not:

- * Call you to demand immediate payment. The IRS will not call you if you owe taxes without first sending you a bill in the mail.
- * Demand that you pay taxes and not allow you to question or appeal the amount you owe.
- * Require that you pay your taxes a certain way. For instance, require that you pay with a prepaid debit card.
- * Ask for your credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
- * Threaten to bring in police or other agencies to arrest you for not paying.

If you don’t owe taxes, or have no reason to think that you do:

- Do not give out any information. Hang up immediately.
- Contact TIGTA to report the call. Use their “[IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting](#)” web page. You can also call 800-366-4484.
- Report it to the Federal Trade Commission. Use the “[FTC Complaint Assistant](#)” on [FTC.gov](#). Please add “IRS Telephone Scam” in the notes.

If you know you owe, or think you may owe tax: Call the IRS at 800-829-1040. IRS workers can help you.

Phone scams first tried to sting older people, new immigrants to the U.S. and those who speak English as a second language. Now the crooks try to swindle just about anyone. And they’ve ripped-off people in every state in the nation.

Stay alert to scams that use the IRS as a lure. Tax scams can happen any time of year, not just at tax time. For more, visit “[Tax Scams and Consumer Alerts](#)” on [IRS.gov](#).

Each and every taxpayer has a set of fundamental rights they should be aware of when dealing with the IRS. These are your [Taxpayer Bill of Rights](#). Explore your rights and our obligations to protect them on [IRS.gov](#).

**PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS.
WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE YOU BECOME A
PART OF THE BRPBA.**

Mark D. Honaker
James Kincaid
Keith D. Matthews
Letanya Powell

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Please remember, monthly meetings may be canceled due to inclement weather when:

- Baltimore City Schools are closed because of snow or inclement weather; or,
- There is a snowfall after schools are dismissed and the Baltimore City snow emergency plan is placed in operation.



SICKNESS OR DEATH OF MEMBER

Please arrange for someone to call Ditty Baldwin at 410-666-7279 whenever a member is sick. This is the only way our Association is aware of it. Remember, upon your death, your spouse or immediate family should notify the Police Personnel Board at 410-396-2546.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Distress Fund: 410-803-2293
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(Last Year’s Glock Raffle—2 of 3 winners did not purchase a gun!)

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Kenny Driscoll's Historical Timeline of the Baltimore City Police Department. Call 410-285-6108 or 443-827-2855. Price \$30.00 ↓


BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



HISTORICAL TIMELINE
A DAY-BY-DAY LOOK THROUGH OUR PAST

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MY DOG THE LIAR
The Story of a Special Dog

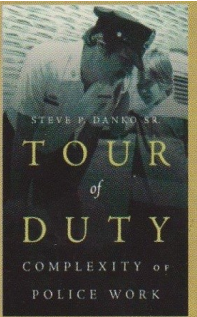


By Richard O. Price II

My Dog the Liar, by Richard Price. Available at Amazon, Barnes & Noble; hardcopy and Ebook. Price \$16.00. ↑

Tour of Duty by Steve Danko. 25 years of experience in a dangerous profession. Available at Barnes & Noble, Amazon, and iUniverse. Price: \$20.00. ↓

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DISTRESS FUND NEWS

The 2015 Raffle was a great success. The BRPBA Distress Fund thanks you for purchasing tickets and/or sending donations.

As has been stated before, we are nothing without you.

We send out congratulations to the 9 members/family who collectively sold over 3,000 tickets. Way to go!

Bernard Tom Joyce	700
Ken Lang	400
Chuck Miland	343
John Emrick	230
Jerry Landsman	200
Joseph Hamilton	150
Kathleen Conrad	110
John Boyd	110
Anthony Molesky	100

We again urge you, if you are experiencing a hardship, please let us know. We are the only organization dedicated to helping our retired officers and their families. Don't suffer alone; we are here to help. Simply call Daryl Buhrman at 410-803-2293.

A special thank you is extended to Mr. Ken Lang, nephew of our beloved member, Donnell Lorenz, who passed in 2014. Mr. Lang continues to serve the BRPBA in his Uncle's memory by supporting the Distress Fund.

It takes a special type of man to honor his Uncle in this way and proves that his Uncle was also a special man to be honored thusly.

We received this note from Mr. Lang and wanted to pass it along to our members:

To the Baltimore Retired Police Benevolent Association:

My Name is Kenneth Lang and I wanted to let all of the members know that you all did a great service for Baltimore.

I sold 400 tickets to help your organization out in honor of my late Uncle, Lt. Donnell Lorenz.

He loved being a Baltimore City Police Officer along with loving his wife and the U.S. Navy, plus taking care of his mother and my grandmother.

He would be proud of every member.

Thank you and God bless you all!

Kenneth Lang

We would like to thank *Rose and John Lewandowski* for their generous donation in memory of two members we lost in 2015; *Wilber Holland and John Parron*. Your kindness is appreciated.

Thank you also to *Mrs. Beverly Garner* for her donation in memory of her husband, *Sgt. Thomas G. Garner*.

Thank you to all from the bottom of our hearts.



Proudly state your retirement from the Baltimore City Police Department by purchasing your own license tag. Visit our website for more information at:

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

www.baltimoreretiredpolicebenevolentassociation.org under Member Information or call Daryl Buhrman at 410-803-2293.

IN MEMORIAM

Jacai Colson (03/13/16)
Joseph Crowley (12/2/15)
Paul Denver (9/11/15)
John H. Haase, Jr. (02/16/16)
John H. Kuhn, Jr. (01/15/16)
Michael Larkins (12/14/15)
Michael E. Minitor (11/8/15)
William Molick (02/25/16)
John T. O'Neill (12/03/15)
Dennis Raftery, Jr. (03/25/16)
David Shields (12/29/15)
Lewis Taylor (01/31/16)
Joseph Tracy, Jr. (10/18/15)
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7 E. Redwood Street, 19th. Floor

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410-396-5307

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P.O. Box 64114

St. Paul, MN 55164-0114

1-800-252-5152

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Ms. Tefanie Glee

Police Beneficial Association (PBA)

410-396-2114

Fax: 410-396-2551

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410-243-9141

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410-752-8313

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