



# CHIEFLY CHATTER

## November 2012

# CCPCA

## Association News and Meeting Minutes

### MEETING MINUTES

### NOVEMBER 15, 2012

### HOLIDAY INN INDEPENDENCE

The General Membership meeting of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association was called to order at 1208 hours by President Harris.

**Roll Call** Chief Stillman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Chaplain Szeredy led the Invocation. Bob Bruckner called the roll of officers. Secretary/Treasurer Loftus and Past President Maddox were absent. Members and guests introduced themselves.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** *A motion to accept the minutes of the regular membership meeting of October 18, 2012 as distributed, was made by Chief Viland and seconded by Chief LaGatta. Motion Passed.*

**Report** Secretary Treasurer Loftus

\$ 14,861.94	General Fund
\$ 5,214.46	Scholarship Reserve
\$ 7,530.67	Checking
\$ 27,607.07	Total

*A Motion to accept the Financial Report was made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Wright. Motion Passed.*

**Executive Director's Report** Bob Bruckner.

- The 2013 Installation Dinner will be held at the Beechmont Country Club on January 26, 2013.

The cost will be \$50.00 per ticket. Information on ticket sales will be disseminated the first part of December.

**Legal update** Steve Parisi.

- The Ohio Supreme Court will decide if a part of the state collective bargaining law that requires a union to give 10 days' notice prior to informational picketing is constitutional.
- Two cases deal with the extent of vehicle searches; State v. Smith, 2012-Ohio-4292 and State v. Prater, 2012-Ohio-5105.
- Steve reiterated that the Castle Doctrine allows a person to act against a trespasser in their home under the right circumstances.
- State v. Collins, 2012-Ohio-2236. In OVI cases the evidence must demonstrate that the defendant is under the influence of a controlled substance, a harmful intoxicant, or a dangerous drug as outlined in ORC 3719.011 (A).
- Officers should be familiar with the contents of rape kits and how they are used in the hospital.
- The Ohio Supreme Court has ruled that if DNA is legally obtained from a suspect, investigators can keep the DNA profile indefinitely, whether or not the suspect is found guilty.
- A Chillicothe Municipal judge has ruled that giving a Police Chief the middle finger gesture as the result of a minor traffic incident is constitutionally protected free speech.

- Steve cautioned departments using dogs to ensure that all certification and training standards are fully documented.
- Steve commented on a recent article that indicated John Carroll University police may soon be armed and that it is each college or university's decision whether or not to arm their police.
- Proposed state legislation would ensure that juveniles are given their rights before questioning and that confessions of a juvenile made without the presence of a parent, guardian or attorney could not be admitted in court and that parents could not waive any juvenile's rights.

### Speaker for Today's Meeting

**Sergeant Donald Cleland, Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office, Director, Mortgage Fraud Task Force.** "Proposal for Economic Crimes Task Force". The Cuyahoga County Mortgage Fraud Task Force is being reorganized into an Economic Crimes Task Force in order to expand the type of cases they can take on. They are looking for agencies to participate. For information call the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office at 216-443-6130.

### Committee Reports

#### **Membership:**

- The Board has approved **Chief Fred W. Bittner, Mayfield Heights Police Department** for active membership.
- The Board has also approved the following persons for Law Enforcement Administrative membership.
  - ◇ **Randall White**, Director of Protective Services, MetroHealth System.
  - ◇ **Captain Chris J. Zurcher**, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Garfield Heights Post.
  - ◇ **Lieutenant Antonio L. Matos**, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Garfield Heights Post.
  - ◇ **Sergeant Martin Stemple**, Bedford Police Department.
- **Mr. Brian Angell, Orthocare America** has applied for Associate membership. *Motion to approve the Membership application of Brian Angell made by Chief Nietert and seconded by Chief Miller. Motion passed.*

#### **Training:**

#### **"Public Records-Release or Not"**

Thursday, December 13, 2012

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Highland Heights Community Center

Information has been e-mailed to the membership. Con-

tact Chief Cook for additional information.

**Crime Stoppers: Tom Dease** advised that funding has been approved and interviews are being conducted to select the person in charge.

**Life Members:** The Board has appointed **Retired Chief Les LaGatta** as Life Member Representative to the Board of Governors for 2013 as recommended by the Life Member Committee.

### Old Business

- **Program Booklet for 2013 Installation Dinner.** Chief Kostura advises that a letter will be going out to all Chiefs soon to solicit advertisers for the program booklet. We are requesting that each member submit one person or organization to be contacted to purchase an ad.

### New Business

- **2012 Person of the Year Award.** Contact Chief Dease or Chief Maddox if you have a candidate for the 2012 award.
- **Governor vacancy for 2013.** Anyone who desires to run for the open Governor's position please contact President Harris or Bob Bruckner as soon as possible.

**Health and Welfare, Members Ill or in Distress:** Chaplain Szeredy. None noted.

### Good of the Order:

- **Retired Chief Marion Taylor, North Olmsted Police Department** presented information on the Ohio Retired Police Chiefs history book that is now available for purchase and the current status of a Chiefs Memorial location being planned in Olmsted Falls. Call him to purchase a book or for more information on the memorial at 216-362-6898.
- **Chief Bob Miller, Parma Police Department** advised that a three week supervisors course is being planned for 2013.

**Next Regular Meeting:** 12 noon, Thursday, December 20, 2012 Tri-C Metro Campus. Reservations are required and additional information will follow in the newsletter.

**Adjournment:** *Motion to adjourn made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Taylor. Motion approved.* Meeting adjourned at 1318 hours.



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
**HAPPY HANUKKAH**  
**HAPPY KWANZAA**  
**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**  
**AND**  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

CUYAHOGA COUNTY POLICE CHIEFS  
**ASSOCIATION**  
**2012 MEETING SCHEDULE**

BOARD MEETINGS BEGIN AT 1030

REGULAR MEETINGS BEGIN AT 12 NOON

December 20 TRI-C, Metro Campus, Creative Arts Building.\*

January 26, 2013 Installation Dinner. Beechmont Country Club, Orange. \*

\* reservations required.

**NEXT MEETING**

**12Noon, Thursday**

**December 20, 2012**

**Tri-C, Metro Campus**

**Tommy LiPuma Creative Arts Building**

**2809 Woodland Ave.**

**Cleveland**

**Parking is available in underground lots 5 or 6. Enter on either side of the building on Woodland.**

**Reservations are required.**

**Call Teresa Bryan at 216-987-4121 or e-mail her at [Teresa.Bryan@tri-c.edu](mailto:Teresa.Bryan@tri-c.edu) for reservations.**

**The deadline for reservations is 1700, Friday, December 14, 2012**

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