



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## A Milestone...

### 100,000 Block Watchers

It was a few minutes after ten o'clock in the morning on December 23rd, 1985 and Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer's Ceremonial Room was packed with persons who were to witness a historical event, the 100,000th citizen to join the Baltimore Police Department's Neighborhood Watch Program.

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson commented on the importance of neighborhood participation and Mayor Schaefer read a special proclamation designating 1986 as the "Year of the Block Watcher."

To commemorate the occasion, Mayor Schaefer and Commissioner Robinson presented Mrs. Jerscheid a special certificate recognizing her as the 100,000th signatory to the program.

A year ago there were fewer than 50,000 participants in the program which involves the joint efforts of the Police Department and the community which is designed to enhance neighborhood security, heighten the community's power of observation and to encourage mutual assistance and concern among neighbors. Commissioner Robinson, mid-



Then, as television cameras focused on the Mayor's desk, Mrs. Sandra Jerscheid signed the document which officially enrolled her as Baltimore's 100,000th Neighborhood Block Watcher.

way through 1985 challenged members of the community to meet a goal of 100,000 Block Watchers by the end of the year. A new recruitment program

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## 1986 In-Service Training

The Department's In-Service Training Program will begin at the Education and Training Division later this month. This year's program provides something interesting and informative to all police officers and agents who attend. Many of the topics discussed originated from suggestions in critiques received at last year's program as well as required learning mandated for renewal of Certification by the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions.

New topics include a block of instruction on testifying in court. Members from the State's Attorney's Office will review methods available to enhance the presentation and quality of testimony by law enforcement officers. Other courses include Judgment Driving which examines the responsibilities of the individual while driving in emergency situations and the options available to avoid hazardous situations.

One topic which will be especially helpful to officers is body language. Officers will be introduced to the importance of non-verbal communication and non-verbal indicators that may express different emotions.

The first instruction of the three day program will be the subject of homicide. Information regarding the responsibilities and duties of the first officer on the scene and how his actions contribute to the completion of a successful investigation will be highlighted. Members of the Criminal Investigation Division, Homicide Unit, will teach this class.

Visiting instructors include the Baltimore City School Police and personnel from the Psychology Consultants Association.

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## Block Watchers

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had begun.

The challenge to enroll 50,000 new Block Watch participants fell to Sergeant Robert E. Lassahn of the Crime Resistance Unit. He assembled a program designed to "get the word out" to every member of the community and he had a lot of help.

Existing Neighborhood Block Watch participants began to tell their neighbors about the objectives of the program with emphasis on its importance to their own neighborhood.

Block Watch applications were passed out among the congregations of more than 250 churches in Baltimore.

In each of the nine Police Districts, Patrol Officers distributed applications and told residents living on their posts about how they could help their community by joining the program.

Members of Entrance Level Training Classes 85-2 and 85-3 volunteered their own time to enlist new members. They spoke with friends, relatives and neighbors. As a direct result of this effort, more than 300 new members were signed.

With 100,000 Block Watchers on the rolls, virtually every neighborhood in Baltimore is represented by Neighborhood Block Watchers. More than 800 specific neighborhoods have succeeded in enrolling more than 60% of their residents. When this occurs, a special sign is posted in a neighborhood bearing this warning, "Lawbreaker Beware! This Community Protected by NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCHERS." It is hoped that virtually every neighborhood in Baltimore will soon be able to display this special warning to potential criminals.

The Neighborhood Block Watcher Program has five major elements:

- Increasing citizens' awareness of burglary and other neighborhood crime through a continuing information program.
- Training citizens in the means of better property security and assisting them in making their own property more secure.
- Developing a neighborhood action

program in which neighbors help watch each other's property and report suspicious persons and activities to the Police Department.

- Encouraging all citizens to cooperate with law enforcement agencies in reporting crime.
- Enlisting each home, apartment or business to participate in Operation Identification, marking personal items of value to reduce their value as stolen property.

Members of the Neighborhood Block Watch Program are each issued a special Identification Number. When they call the Emergency 911 number, they need only use their special I.D. number and do not have to offer further identification.

Calls received from Block Watchers are specially designated when they are dispatched by the Department's Communications Division.

To date, calls from members of the program have resulted in the arrests of suspects in murder cases, narcotics activities, assaults, and larcenies in addition to burglars and other suspicious persons.

100,000 Block Watchers was truly not a goal, but was, instead, a milestone. It is hoped that every member of the community will join their friends and neighbors in a program of cooperation and caring. Neighborhood Block Watchers work for all of us.

## 1986 In-Service Training

Major Patrick Bradley, Director of the Education and Training Division, says that visiting instructors have been one of the main requests from officers who attend In-Service Training. "Whenever possible we have always welcomed additional resources to enhance our educational program."

In-Service Training this year as with previous years, will provide additional resource information about available services throughout the city for victims of crimes and disabled persons. These will be discussed in one hour classes concerning victimology and handicapped persons.

Also included in the program will be

continual courses that were a part of last year's program. Search and seizure requirements and law and departmental updates are two examples.

Each member who attends In-Service Training will receive academic instruction for three days, Wednesday through Friday beginning at 7 a.m.

Firearms In-Service Training may be scheduled at another date in the year.

In-Service Training is an ongoing effort of the Baltimore Police Department to inform its members of the latest technology and advancements in law enforcement so that they can continue to provide outstanding service to the citizens of Baltimore.

## Reaching Out

During the holiday season, hundreds of families were able to share the holiday spirit because of the dedication of many Departmental members. Food baskets, clothes, as well as donations to the Santa Claus Anonymous toy campaign reached those who, otherwise, would not have cause to celebrate. As officers answered calls for service, they came to know families throughout the year and shared in the personal hardships they endured. Often times they felt something could be done to help.

Sergeant Jerome E. Greer, Neighborhood Services Sergeant, Central District, says that food donations during the holiday season were important but he knew of many families needing clothing and other items.

Through his contact with local merchants, more than 700 coats, pants, and dresses were given shortly before Christmas to families in need.

As long as anyone can remember, humanitarian acts have been a part of the service in which the Department has been involved.

Retired Lieutenant Carolyn M. Robinson, Community Relations Section, reflected back over the forty years she worked with retired Lieutenant Violet Hill Whyte in many of the Christmas donation programs. "Back in those days there were officers who came and told us of a family who needed help. We always kept canned goods in our offices and clothes in the trunks of our car to



personally deliver them and also offer other services that we could provide."

"I also remember many Department members would bring in broken toys throughout the year and there was a person who worked diligently to have them all repaired before Christmas."

This year's food donation program supplied more than 2,700 food baskets to those in the community. Many came from merchants in the districts who knew of the problems these families had experienced. No one actually knows how the Baltimore Police Department's Community Relations donation programs began, but as far back as anyone could remember, members of the Department have been commended throughout the years for their compassion to those in the community. Perhaps it began with a post officer giving pocket change for something to eat to a hungry child or an officer was on a fire scene and witnessed all of the family's belongings perish.

However it got started, those in the Community Relations Section feel that the contributions given to the community have continued to build bridges of friendship. We may have reached the hearts of those we have never reached before. Members of the Department have already starting working on this years program. Even though the donations are most notable during the Holiday Season,

reaching out is a tradition which happens throughout the year.

## Slaying Suspect Returned

The 26 year old Baltimore man charged with the murder of Eastern District Officer Vincent J. Adolfo, 25, was returned to Baltimore on Friday, January 3, 1986, accepting extradition from Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he was arrested November 17, 1985.

The suspect, Flint Gregory Hunt, was brought back to Baltimore by Detectives from the Baltimore Police Department's Homicide and Fugitive Units with the assistance of the Maryland State Police Aviation Unit. He arrived at Glenn L. Martin State Airport and was transported by Helicopter to Baltimore where he was processed.

On Monday, January 6, 1986 Hunt was ordered held without bail on charges of First Degree Murder, Use of a Handgun during the commission of a Felony, Transporting a Handgun and auto theft. Arraignment on those charges is set for January 10th in Baltimore Criminal Court.

Officer Adolfo's fatal injuries followed what appeared to be a routine stop of a suspected stolen automobile. Officer

Adolfo, with the assistance of two other Eastern District Officers, stopped the stolen vehicle on Biddle Street just West of Broadway. The suspect fled North on Iron Alley where the Officer attempted to apprehend him. A struggle ensued and Officer Adolfo was shot in the upper right chest and lower left back. He was pronounced dead at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Detectives, with the assistance of the public, the media and local, State and Federal law enforcement agencies tracked the suspect into New Jersey, then to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania where an automobile, believed to have been stolen by the suspect, was recovered.

The suspect was arrested by Tulsa, Oklahoma police as the result of information from a woman passenger on an interstate bus who had been shown a photograph of the suspect. His arrest occurred in a bus terminal in Tulsa.

## NEWS NOTES

Captain Robert H. Jenkins, Western District, was recently elected to the position of Fourth Vice President of the Maryland Law Enforcement Officers, Inc. The election results became official on December 4, 1985.

The MLEO, Inc., has long been recognized as a strong organization dedicated to the continuing professionalism of law enforcement. The total membership of law enforcement officers throughout the State of Maryland is 1,400. The MLEO, Inc., will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of their organization this year.

Those members of the Department who have recently had their pictures taken at graduation, retirement and promotional ceremonies are asked to pick them up at the Public Information Division in the Lobby of the Headquarters Building.

## LIBRARY NOTES

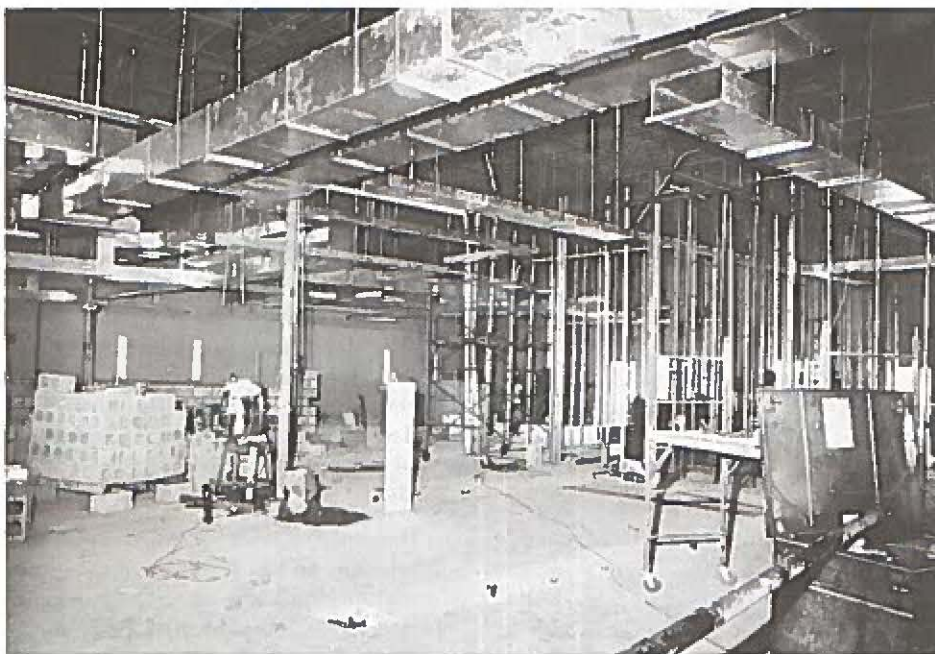
Editor's Note: The NEWSLETTER will be adding "book reviews" as a part of our Library notes. They are prepared by Librarian II Elaine B. Johnson, Education and Training Division for the pleasure of our readers.

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More than 300 of the City's Senior Citizens attended the Baltimore Police Department's Community Relations Section Christmas Dinner.

The annual event was held at the Omni International Hotel. Major George L. Christian, Community Relations Section, and Santa, chats and shares the Christmas spirit with those who attended.



The new Southern District Police Station is shaping up! Construction is about 50% completed and is expected to be finished in a few months. It will be the largest district station house and the only one redesigned from an existing building. Pictured above is the Roll Call Room. The partitions to the left will soon be the Sector Supervisor's offices and the back wall will be the hallway which will lead to the office of the Shift Commander.

## LIBRARY NOTES

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*Reducing Secretarial Stress and Conflict* is a new audio cassette learning program now available for loan from the Police Library. It is recommended for most clerical employees by the staff of the Education and Training Division. A workbook and six audio cassettes are included in this program. Topics covered include: Exercise, Dealing with Prob-

lem Personalities, Sources of Stress, Relaxation.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Congratulations to Auxiliary Police Officer Joseph Amrhein who recently received a Black Belt in Tae Kwan Do. He accomplished this at the young age of 67 years.

## PROMOTIONS

MYRICK, CRYSTAL A., Office Assistant III-T, North-

western District, December 19, 1985.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONTALVO, ANTHONY, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Daniel Montalvo, Northern District, 6lbs. ½ oz., October 22, 1985.

WEHNER, JOSHUA ROBERT, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Robert Wehner, Eastern District, 8lbs. 3 oz., October 22, 1985.

GILLIAM, ASHLEE JOY, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Robert Gilliam, 6lbs. 12½ oz., December 2, 1985.

RIEMAN, RICHARD PAUL, III, son of Sergeant and Mrs. Richard Riegan, Jr., Southeastern District, 7lbs. 8 oz., December 13, 1985.

RYCHWALSKI, ANDREA NICOLE, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Andrew Rychwalski, 6lbs. 8¾ oz., December 21, 1985.

CONVERSE, JASON MATTHEW, son of Crime Laboratory Photographer and Mrs. Stephen W. Converse, Laboratory Division, 7 lbs. 11 oz., December 31, 1985.

## IN MEMORIAM

FEDERMAN, VIRGINIA, mother of PCA I Linda Hoffa, Communications Division and mother-in-law of Sergeant Thomas Hoffa, Tactical Section, December 20.

## CLASSIFIED

For Rent: Ocean City Condo., 2-br., 2 baths, sleep. 6, complete with deluxe furnishings, washer and dryer, A/C, heat, w/w carpeting, cable TV, pool w/deck, private parking, 1 block to the beach. Weekly in season, 3-day weekends in the off season. Call Sgt. James Wilhelm at the NWDist. or 485-3363. From last year's response, early reservations for best weeks.

For Sale: 1984 Ford Escort, blue/white, AT, PS, AM-FM cassette. \$4,000.00, negotiable. Call 665-3503 or 1307.

For Sale: 1975 Honda Gold Wing Windjammer Fairing, am/fm cassette radio, touring seat, padded sissy bar, case guards, less than 2,500 miles, excellent condition - \$1,200.00 firm. Lt. Anderson, SWDist., or call 647-1209.



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## Index Crime Rises Slightly

The number of serious crimes, reported to the Baltimore Police Department in 1985 rose 1.2% as compared to 1984.

Crimes of violence, Murder, Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault decreased ½% while those in the property crime index, Burglary, Larceny and Auto Theft increased 1.7%.

Murder and Robbery decreased in Baltimore during 1985, while moderate increases were recorded in 4 of the 5 remaining categories. Auto Theft, however, increased by slightly more than 11%.

Arrests for Auto Theft were up a hefty 20.3% for 1985 as compared with the year before. Arrests for Aggravated Assault were up nearly 10% and more burglars were arrested in 1985.

The analysis of Index Crime Clearances for 1985 showed that the Baltimore Police Department exceeded the national crime clearance average in four of the seven categories, Murder, Rape, Burglary and Auto Theft.

The number of Juveniles arrested for serious crimes continued to decrease. In 1985, 27.2% of those arrested for serious crimes were Juveniles compared with

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## Crime Statistics

INDEX CRIME COMPARISON / 1984 - 1985

TYPE OF CRIME	1984 Last Year	1985 This Year	Amount of Increase or Decrease	Percent of Increase or Decrease
MURDER	215	213	— 2	— 0.9
FORCIBLE RAPE	564	592	+ 28	+ 5.0
ROBBERY	8,002	7,771	— 231	— 2.9
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	6,800	6,922	+ 122	+ 1.8
BURGLARY	13,837	13,872	+ 35	+ 0.3
LARCENY	30,530	30,732	+ 202	+ 0.7
AUTO THEFT	5,415	6,019	+ 604	+ 11.2
GRAND TOTAL	65,363	66,121	+ 758	+ 1.2

Index Crime Comparison / Year 1984 - 1985

Violent Crime	— 0.5% Decrease
Property Crime	+ 1.7% Increase
Total Index Crime	+ 1.2% Increase

## No Static ...

While listening to transmissions over KGA, have you heard a dispatcher request an officer to check his radio because of a weak signal? Well, members in the Department's Radio Maintenance Unit have some suggestions which will ensure good clear transmissions with KGA.

Over the years, communications have become increasingly important to officers who patrol the streets of Baltimore. The need to relay information, call for assistance, and respond to calls for service, make communications the most important facet of a patrol officer's routine.

One of the earliest systems of communication was known as the Clacker. It was a wooden instrument that was shaken to notify other officers of a need for assistance.

The espantoon soon became popular in later years as an effective means to communicate. A sharp rap of the night stick on the cobblestones of Baltimore's sidewalk would send a familiar sound of alarm to fellow officers.

There were several disadvantages to the use of the espantoon to signal help. The city grew noisier with the use of the automobile as a means of transportation and the rap of the night stick could no longer be heard by others.

Another means of communication system was also needed to inform many people in little time to quickly assemble officers in times of emergencies. This eventually lead to the call box system first initiated in the Department in 1885.

The call box was the first system of communications that allowed transmitted messages from person to person. Improvements were made from time to time and soon a new method proved more effective — the radio system. The

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# Index Crime

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a national average of 32.2%. Of particular interest was the percentage of Juveniles arrested for Auto Theft which reached 49.5%.

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson predicted, in March of 1985, that a moderate increase in crimes reported to police would be seen by the year's end. That prediction was based upon the fact that installation of the 911 Emergency Phone System would make it easier to call Police to report crimes. In fact, a higher rise in crime, than the 1.2% figure, was anticipated.

Baltimore's 911 Emergency System was put into effect on March 1, 1985. The 911 System receives calls for police, ambulance and fire service. Personnel in the 911 system handled 1,500,000 calls for the year, an increase of more than 125,500.

Two programs, which began during the final quarter of last year, may also have contributed to the slight increase in serious crimes which were reported. The "Blow The Whistle on Drugs" program, featuring a 24-hour drug reporting hotline, 685-DRUG went into effect on September 4, 1985. In addition to conditioning citizens to call in with information concerning neighborhood drug dealers it is believed the program has heightened citizen awareness causing them to be more likely to report crimes to police.

Another factor may have been the assignment of Neighborhood Foot Patrol Officers throughout the city. As residents again become accustomed to seeing Police Officers walking down the street, their confidence in the Police Department increases making it more likely that they will call to report crimes.

Commissioner Robinson says the same factors will probably cause moderate increases in reported crime this year.

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first radios used by the Department had one frequency and one-way communications.

By 1948 all cars were equipped for a two-way system.

By 1967, footmen and motorized footmen were given portable radios to enable them to remain in constant contact at all times.

The portable radio repeater system is one of the most advanced and effective means of two-way communications used by law enforcement officers.

There are minor transmission difficulties which occur from time to time. In the majority of radios examined by the Radio Repair Unit, the major cause for transmission problems is with defective microphone cables.

Lieutenant Leroy P. Dedmon, Supervisor of the Radio Repair Unit, says that the microphone should be in a vertical position when transmitting and worn on the shoulder. Microphones worn in any other position could cause the cable

wires to bend, producing poor transmission.

Batteries that are not fully charged are another source of sending and receiving problems. Batteries should be recharged for six hours. When placed in the battery charger, the green light indicates that the battery is only 80 percent fully charged which will provide clear transmissions 4-6 hours.

Radio Maintenance Technical Supervisor Larry De Marco says that often a radio repair consists of simply an exchange of a weak battery for a fully charged one.

When constantly charged for short periods of time, the battery develops a memory and will not last for the required eight hours. If this occurs, the battery can be brought back up to its fully chargeable capacity by taking it to the Maintenance Repair Shop.

The squelch control knob in the improper position is another source for unclear radio transmissions. An adjustment to the squelch control should improve radio reception. During inclement weather, officers should cover the radios to prevent water damage and hold the

microphone button  $\frac{1}{2}$  second before speaking.

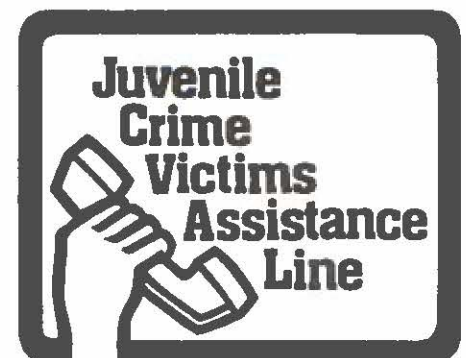
Lieutenant Dedmon says that a change in transmitting location can produce a clearer radio message. Moving near a window or going outside a building will usually enhance your ability to transmit.

The radio maintenance staff, which consists of a Lieutenant, 3 supervisors, 16 technicians and an administrative clerk, work diligently to monitor, repair and make sure that the Baltimore Police Department's 1,500 portable radios remain in excellent condition. Each radio is scheduled for preventive maintenance yearly to assure that they function properly.

Although technology in police communications has greatly advanced from the era of the Clacker, officers can receive optimum service by taking good care of communications equipment. In many cases, that 1 pound box with a wire on it has been an officer's lifeline.

## Juvenile Crime Victims' Assistance Hotline

A Juvenile Crime Victims' Assistance Line has been established to provide the citizens of Maryland who have been victims of juvenile crime with valuable information. It is a joint project of the Health and Welfare Council of Central Maryland and the Juvenile Services Administration of Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.



The 24-hour hotline was initiated in 1984 to provide referral information to victims of robbery, harassment and other related crimes. A specially trained counselor can help a victim identify services available in coping with difficulties that occur resulting from a crime.

Often a victim of a juvenile crime



does not know how to obtain needed services.

Juvenile crime victims face difficulty obtaining information from a confidential and complex juvenile justice system. Many victims are unaware of their rights and resources. Questions can be answered resulting from criminal incidents, medical problems, financial difficulties or property damage.

The Juvenile Crime Victims' Assistance line was initially funded from private charitable foundations and individuals who saw the need for the victim to be in contact with state-wide information on arrest and juvenile hearings decisions and on the current status of the victim's case.

The first call for help from a victim is often through the emergency 911 system. After medical help has been rendered and an investigation is underway, the victim needs assistance to cope with what could be a traumatic emotional experience.

Many members of the Department already carry a Juvenile Crime Victim's Assistance line information card and readily inform victims of the service. However, there still may be some persons in need of many services provided by just knowing where to call. Ask them to call 685-0525 in the Baltimore area or the toll free number anywhere in the State of Maryland 1-800-492-0618. A telephone service for the hearing impaired is also available at 685-2159 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Combined Charity Campaign

Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer reported that the City's 1985 Combined Charity Campaign raised \$650,000 which will benefit 123 non-profit, charitable organizations which provide essential health, human and community related services.

The Mayor noted that the . . . "amount raised by City employees and retirees clearly demonstrates your recognition that the services of non-profit organizations are an important complement to services provided by the City. There are many disabled, homeless and disadvantaged residents who depend on the services provided by these organizations."

The Combined Charity Campaign was



Police Officer Henry W. Sorrell, Jr., Marine Unit, explains Marine Law, safety tips on navigation and the history of the Department's Marine Unit to (L & R) Ms. Danene Whitener and Lorri Ballentine, visitors at the Chesapeake Bay Boat Show. It was recently held at the Baltimore Convention Center. Last year the Marine Unit answered more than 200 calls for service assisting boaters in Baltimore's Inner Harbor.

divided into four categories, depending on the size of the agencies involved. The Baltimore Police Department, with more than 3,400, employees was in the "Large Agencies" category. The Police Department posted a 97% participation rate.

The top five agencies or departments with the highest dollar amounts raised were: Public Works, Police Department, Fire Department, Finance Department and the Neighborhood Progress Administration.

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson joined Mayor Schaefer in thanking each of the employees of the Department who have contributed so that needed services can be provided throughout Central Maryland.

## NEWS NOTES

The 1986 Police Chase will be held in June. Start training now for the 6.2 mile race so you can be a top finisher!

Sergeant Fred W. Entz, Eastern District, is planning a reunion of all persons who worked in the Western District between 1960 and 1966. A tentative date has been set for February 24, 1986, at the Cameo Hall, 4600 Harford Road. Anyone interested in attending the reunion or interested in working on the planning committee, call 396-2433 or 477-9309.

Traffic Court has moved to the Edward F. Borgerding Court Building located at 5800 Wabash Avenue. The new phone numbers are:

Traffic Court Main Number 764-8700  
Traffic Court Liaison Office 764-8745  
Assistant States Attorney 764-8720



Mobile Unit Crime Laboratory Technician Leon J. White photographs evidence seized by Police Officer Gary Bowman, Southern District. The new submission room in the basement of Headquarters Building near the Evidence Control Unit provides a more convenient area for officers to make narcotic submissions.

## Hoop Ball

The Southeastern District team won the 1985 Baltimore Police Department Basketball League Championship for the third consecutive year. Southeastern also finished as the best offensive team totaling 582 points. Headquarters Building completed the season as the best defensive team only giving up 399 points.

Tournament games are now underway. Round two of the tournament games will be played at Southwestern High School, 200 Font Hill Ave. on January 23, 1986, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

### FINAL STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Southeastern District	10	1
MD Reception D.C.C.	9	2
Vulcan Blazers	8	3
Headquarters	8	3
Western District	7	4
Northwestern District	6	5
Northeastern District	6	5
Maryland Penitentiary	6	5
Southern District	4	7
Maryland State Police	2	9
Central District	1	10
Northern District	0	11

### LIBRARY NOTES

The following books are now available in the Department's Library in the Education and Training Division:

*American Government For Law Enforcement Training* by Donald W. Berney. Nelson-Hall. 1976. Provides an understanding of how government and law enforcement systems merge.

*The Police Family* by Arthur and Elaine Niederhoffer. Lexington Books. 1978.

The author is a former police officer and noted professor of criminal justice who discusses the impact of police work on the family.

*The Bill Of Rights And The Police* by Melvyn Zarr. 2nd ed. Oceana. 1980.

This is an overview of police procedure as it relates to arrest, search and seizure and the constitutional rights of citizens.

*The Rights Of Police Officers* by Gilda Brancato. Avon. 1981. A guide to the police officer's rights of due process of law, equal protection and privacy in a question and answer format.

### WEDDINGS

JACKSON, NORMAN, Police Officer, Helicopter Unit, Tactical Section, to the former Carolyn Pete, P.A.C., Department of Transit and Traffic. January 9.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

KOGUT, PETER ALLEN, son of Police Agent and Mrs. Allen Kogut, Southern District, 6 lbs. 9 oz., December 11.

O'CONNELL, BRENDAN ARNOLD, son of Sergeant and Mrs. Timothy J. O'Connell, Northwestern District, 10 lbs. 2 oz., December 13.

MEHL, JENNIFER LYNN, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Robert A. Mehl, Northeastern District, 7 lbs. 9 oz., December 31.

### RETIREMENTS

MARTIN, JOSEPH C., III, Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 23 years of service, January 10.

BORRELL, MICHAEL M., Lieutenant, Northern District, 30 years of service, February 1.

### FINAL ROLL CALL

SPICER, LLOYD, JR., retired Sergeant, Northwestern District, January 5.

SEWELL, MILDRED N. Office Assistant II, Central Records Division, January 6.

### IN MEMORIAM

SCHUNCKE, MARGARET D., wife of retired Police Officer John Schuncke, Southwestern District, December 3.

MILLER, KATHERINE E., mother of Police Officer William Miller, Central District, December 21.

FULLWOOD, LOUISE, mother of Police Agent Harlow Fullwood, Jr., Personnel Division, and Sergeant Everett C. Fullwood, Tactical Section (Mayor's Office), December 24.

OLIVI, ROOSEVELT, father of Detective Glen Olivi, Criminal Investigation Division, December 31.

IMHOFF, LILLIAN MAY, mother-in-law of Police Officer Carroll Degenhard, Traffic Division, January 1.

LETMATE, KATHERINE, mother of Police Officer Robert Letmate, Tactical Section, January 2.

JOHNSON, ALONZO C., father of Police Officer Edward Johnson, Southern District, January 3.

UREN, HELEN C., grandmother of Police Officer Stanley Noland, Southern District, January 9.

BLACK, WILLIE MAE, mother of Detective Theodore Black, Criminal Investigation Division, January 10.

BULL, BERNARD JOSEPH, SR., grandfather of Police Officer Bruce Bull, Southeastern District, January 11.

SLACK, CHARLES, father of Police Officer Anthony Holtz, Western District, January 14.

### CLASSIFIED

For Sale: 1984 Nissan 4 x 4 King Cab pick-up. All options including a/c., 5 speed and cap. Will inspect. \$7,500.00. Contact Sgt. Lewis, Mounted Unit  
For Sale: 1981 Mazda RX7, New charcoal grey metallic paint, am-fm cassette, a/c, sheep skin seat covers, louvers, grill cover, excellent condition. High mileage but well maintained. \$5,700.00 or best offer. Will inspect. Contact Sgt. Lewis, Mounted Unit or 335-6728.



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## Graduation and Commendation Exercises

Graduation ceremonies took place for Class 85-3 on January 31, 1986, at Headquarters Building. Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Certificates of Completion to the forty members of the class which six months ago began extensive training in our Department's Education and Training Division. The graduation ceremonies concluded four weeks of Field Training during which the graduates responded to calls for service and participated in the daily duties of a patrol officer under the guidance of a veteran member of the Department. Other training included instruction in law, defensive driving, firearms skills and report writing.

Class spokesman, Officer Paula T. Johnson, spoke on behalf of her fellow classmates and expressed gratitude to 85-3 Class Advisor Sergeant John Slaughter.

Following Officer Johnson's address, the Police Commissioner's Award of Excellence was presented to Officer Christopher J. Neff. This award is presented to the class member who was voted by his peers as having exhibited outstanding leadership abilities and professionalism. Officer Neff completed his training with an academic average of 94.5.

The Honorable Edgar P. Silver, Judge, Circuit Court of Baltimore City, gave the Graduation Address.

Class Commander, Officer William S. West, presented Commissioner Robinson with a plaque to be displayed at the academy and to be passed on as a legacy to future classes. On it is inscribed, "To All Recruits: Welcome to one of Am-

erica's finest police academies. Be strong, be proud, for you will become one of Baltimore's finest."



This plaque is one of many accomplishments of Class 85-3. Members of the class registered more than 300 Neighborhood Block Watchers on their own time. Those Block Watchers were a part of the goal reached on December 23, 1985, when 100,000 Block Watchers had joined the Crime Prevention Program. The Neighborhood Block Watch Program involves citizens throughout the City of Baltimore who watch for suspicious activity in their community and call police.

Commendation ceremonies followed the graduation. Members of the Department and citizens were honored for their dedication and outstanding deeds to the City of Baltimore.

### UNIT CITATION

*The Unit Citation is presented from the Police Commissioner and is to be*

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## Honorary Doctorate

Baltimore Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson was the Commencement Speaker at the January 19, 1986 Graduation of the University of Baltimore at the Lyric Theater.

As part of that ceremony the Commissioner was awarded the Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from the Baltimore Educational Institution.

The award was made "... In recognition of his many contributions to the University of Baltimore, the University's Alumni Association in 1982 named Bishop Robinson 'Alumnus of the Year.' He was the first graduate of the College of Liberal Arts ever to be so honored. Commissioner Robinson's dedication to the University of Baltimore is evident in the fact that he continues to devote his time and service on our behalf, currently as an active member of the Advisory Board of the Schaefer Center for Public Policy."

## Missing ...

The citizens of Baltimore often see a member of our Department diligently responding to emergency calls for service, rendering first aid at accident scenes, directing traffic at an alarm of fire and making arrests of dangerous felons on the streets of the city. However, there is a group of investigators whose work begins when the initial excitement is over and a thorough preliminary investigation is finished. These investigators work on missing evidence rather than what's found at crime scenes.

The Missing Persons Unit was established in 1951 for the purpose of

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## Graduation And Commendation

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*awarded for extraordinary law enforcement performance, attention to duty and contribution to the Police Department from any Bureau, Division, Unit or Squad.*

The Southeastern District Drug Enforcement Unit received a Unit Citation from Commissioner Robinson. The Unit conducted an undercover drug investigation called P.A.C.M.A.N. (Police and Community Moving Against Narcotics). The investigation's success was a result of community participation and support. It began with information on narcotics activity witnessed by citizens in their neighborhoods. Many called the Department's 24-hour hotline, 685-DRUG, and gave locations and suspects involved in drug trafficking.

During the 5 months of the investigation, more than seventy undercover purchases were made in the targeted areas. This resulted in ninety-seven indictments for violations of the narcotic laws against twenty-eight persons and twenty-seven search and seizure warrants. The completion of the investigation resulted in 62 persons arrested, the recovery of \$9,000, along with various amounts of narcotics.

The Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Special Operations Squad, have, for the past two years, investigated unique and detailed cases. One of those was a joint effort with the United States Department of Agriculture which involved the exchange of Food Stamp Coupons for money and stolen property. Federal indictments were obtained one year later and 15 arrest warrants were issued. The operation resulted in the recovery of stolen property valued at more than \$2,500.

Other cases involved advanced investigative techniques to follow the complex paper trail in white collar crimes.

### BRONZE STAR

*The Bronze Star is awarded when the circumstances of bravery, dedication to duty and general achievement exceed those standards established as routine police work.*

Sergeant David R. Brown, Central District, saved the life of a citizen by his quick thinking and administration of Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. The citizen had collapsed from an apparent heart attack.

Officers Michael W. Brandt, Glenn W. Valis and Edmund B. White, III, Central District, responded to a call for an attempted suicide. It was their continuous and convincing conversation which enabled an officer to get close enough to the person to pull him away from a four story ledge.

Officers David N. Currence and Earl R. Horn, Jr., Central District, apprehended an armed burglary suspect. During the incident both officers were threatened with a gun.

Officers Charles J. Lonick and Agent Robert Oros, Central District, subdued a knife-wielding assailant from a crowd of innocent bystanders.

Officer Eric Kolkhorst, Eastern District, came to the aid of a fellow officer arresting a suspect for narcotic violations. While effecting the arrest, a second suspect pointed a revolver at Officer Kolkhorst. The suspect was disarmed and a large quantity of cocaine and heroin was recovered.

Officer Homer M. Pennington, Eastern District, responded to a call for an armed person. Officer Pennington heard a woman screaming for help. He entered the house and discovered a suspect, armed with a revolver, threatening to kill the victim. Officer Pennington was able to disarm and arrest the suspect without injuries to himself or others.

Officer Frank A. Schoff, Jr., and Officer Lee D. Surkin, Eastern District, aided in a homicide investigation by developing leads and identifying possible suspects. Much of the investigation was conducted on their own time. Through their efforts, a suspect was arrested.

Officers Paul Dean, Jr., and Gregory MacGillivray, Northeastern District, apprehended three armed persons without resorting to deadly force and endangering citizens at a nearby park.

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## Missing . . .

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locating persons who have mysteriously disappeared, children who have run away and unidentified persons who are in hospitals or the medical examiner's office. Their work usually begins 24 to 48 hours after a person has been reported missing and the patrol officer has exhausted all possibilities of locating the person.

The case development of a missing person is a fascinating one. It begins with interviewing family and friends. Sergeant Robert L. Dean, Supervisor of the Missing Persons Unit, says that this is the most important stage of the investigation. It is where the investigation develops a profile of the missing person.

What are the possibilities that the victim is voluntarily missing, as in the case when people relocate? Have there been any large bank withdrawals and where then would the victim go? Has the Person suddenly become ill and lies unidentified nearby at a local hospital? The details as to the last known facts and whereabouts of a person are carefully reviewed and analyzed by Sergeant Dean and three investigators in as many as 400 open cases during the spring and summer months of the year. Having knowledge of a person's life style is an important clue to where the person may eventually be located.

Information is classified into a description file which includes everyone who is reported missing. "Then the leg work of the investigation begins," says Sergeant Dean, "when we go re-act the last 24 hours during which the person was last seen. Hospital records are checked and investigators look into the possibility that the person may have been arrested. More than 90 percent of the cases are cleared. The person returns home or is located by missing persons investigators."

"We have had some cases," says Sergeant Dean, "where the person reported missing was unaware that his family was trying to locate him."

The Missing Persons Unit also assists in arranging for children who have run away from home to be reunited with their families. The Unit will investigate, as their heavy work load would allow, in finding persons with whom the family



has lost contact and will notify of an emergency, such as a terminally ill relative.

There are a number of unidentified persons in the hospital and medical examiner's office. The Missing Persons Unit works jointly with Sergeant James L. Davis, Medical Examiner's Office, and surrounding jurisdictions to notify families of more than 100 persons in the Medical Examiner's Office each year. Dental records are checked and fingerprints are taken in an attempt to put a name with a face.

Sergeant Dean reflects back on the five years and the many cases his staff at the Missing Persons Unit has investigated. "Not much excitement," he says, "just constant aggressive investigative work has resulted in less than one percent of the cases remaining unsolved."

## "Send a Valentine From The Heart"

This month, the American Red Cross has a special Blood Donor Drive on February 13, 1986. Valentine's Day will be celebrated one day earlier at the American Red Cross Building, 2701 N. Charles Street from 9:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Ms. Joanne M. Wilson, Center Consultant, says that all city employees are requested to come and donate a unit of blood. In past Blood Donation Programs, the Baltimore Police Department has been the leader among city agencies. The Department accounted for one-third of all city employee donations.

Officer George F. Eckert, Chairman of the Department's Blood Assurance Program, says that more than 100 members participated in the overwhelming success of the after the Holiday Drive in which the American Red Cross Blood Supply needed to be brought back up to full capacity. "We certainly expect that members will make this Valentine's Day Program equally successful," commented Officer Eckert.

This special drive will satisfy the member's donation obligation in the Department's program.

Each donor who participates on February 13, 1986, will enjoy special Val-

entine refreshments, cards and flowers.

Make this a healthier Valentine's Day for someone you may never know.

This year send a Valentine from the heart . . . donate a pint of Blood.



Arthur Bridgeforth, a fifth grader at Rodman Elementary School, receives a Certificate of Appreciation from Major Marvin L. Spiwak, Central District. He recently wrote to the Baltimore Police Department expressing concern and offered safety ideas for police officers.

On January 24, 1986, Major Spiwak visited the school where he spoke with Arthur and his classmates. On hand for the ceremony were Arthur's mother, Ms. Kathy Moore (left) and grandmother, Ms. Barbara Moore.

## NEWS NOTES

Final plans have been made for the reunion of all persons who worked in the Western District between 1960 through 1966. It will be held on February 28, 1986, 7:00 p.m., at the Cameo Hall, 4600 Harford Road. Tickets are \$15.00 a person, which includes cocktails and hot and cold buffet. Sergeant Fred W. Entz, Eastern District, requests that present and retired members of the Department attend so that the reunion can be a success. For more information, contact Sergeant Entz, 396-2433, or Lieutenant James W. Madigan, Western District, 396-2477.

"Police Only" Computer Bulletin Board System

At the request of various members of this Department, a Computer Bulletin Board System for Police Only, will be

activated during the first week of February under the name "Code Blue."

We expect to provide support for all the popular personal computers, but the initial support comes from the Atari community.

We are interested in providing instruction for *New Users*, electronic mail, download software, etc.

The C B B S will provide the latest in programs, information and news along with help for people who are just getting started.

For more information you may contact the System's Operator P.O. Anthony Piccione, ND at 396-2455 or the co-systems operator Det. Daniel Montalvo, C.I.D. at 396-2621, 2635.

Those with a modern computer can call 488-7244 for on line sign-up.

The Baltimore Jobs in Energy Project is offering an energy conservation program for homeowners throughout Maryland whose annual household income is \$33,000 or under.

An energy auditor will visit your house, and work out a complete list of things that can be done to save money on your heating bills. A grant through the State Department of Economic & Community Development will pay for up to 50% of the work, depending on income.

Work includes roof insulation, weatherstripping around doors; installation of high-quality vinyl storm windows; furnace work, and more.

The Baltimore Energy Project is a nonprofit construction company set up to weatherize peoples' homes in the most cost effective way. They will also give you advice on ways to save energy that will cost you nothing.

All interested persons can either call 727-4226, or stop by the office at 310 E. Fort Ave.

## LIBRARY NOTES

Daley, Robert. *Hands of a Stranger*. Simon and Schuster. 1985.

Paulie Santoro, small-time narcotics dealer and leader of a pornographic sex ring, unknowingly draws Assistant District Attorney Judith Adler and Police Inspector Joseph Hearn into a bizarre investigation. Judith is attractive, single and an ambitious professional. Joseph

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a rising star in the NYCPD, is handsome, married and dedicated to his career. He has earned his new rank through integrity and hard work. Their investigation of this astonishing case has shocking and brutal consequences for both of them. Robert Daly, also author of *Year of the Dragon* and *To Kill a Cop*, spins a spellbinding story of committed law officers caught up in a web of violence.

*Post Scripts*

Dear Major Cooke:

We would like to commend one of your officers, Kirk Hastings, for some fine police work which resulted in the recovery of valuable computer equipment stolen from one of our editor's cars on Jan. 14.

Early that afternoon, Officer Hastings spotted a man who was trying to sell a Radio Shack computer monitor, still in its box, on the street in South Baltimore. He stopped the man, took possession of the monitor and a piece of related equipment, and then called the Radio Shack's computer center at the Rotunda, whose address was stenciled on the side of the box.

The Radio Shack store manager remembered that he had sold us similar equipment the previous Friday. He called Mike Himowitz, the editor who had picked up the equipment, and Himowitz discovered that it was missing from his

car, which was parked in a metered lot under the Jones Falls Expressway.

Himowitz immediately called the officer, who was waiting at a phone booth all this time with his sergeant. The officers offered to return the equipment to the newspaper, which they did within 10 minutes. They said they had the name of the man who was trying to sell the monitor and would get a warrant for his arrest. The man had fled while Officer Hastings was trying to locate the owner of the equipment.

We were delighted to have the equipment back, a remarkable feat because it had been stolen only hours before. It was an example of sharp police work, and we would like to thank Officer Hastings for doing his job so commendably.

Yours truly,  
John M. Lemmon,  
Managing Editor

## NEWS IN BRIEF

A Special Thanks to the friends and co-workers of Ms. Mildred N. Sewell, Office Assistant II, Central Records Division, who died on January 6, 1986. Thank you for all of your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Grace Cefalu and Mary

WESTERN DISTRICT — Best wishes for a successful recovery to Sergeant Terrance P. McLarney, on his return to the hospital for surgery.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Police Officer Stephen Pagotto who received the "Police Officer of the Year" Award from the Knights of Columbus on January 22.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

VALIS, COREY ANDREW, son of Police Officer Glenn W. Valis, Central District, and OA II

Renee Valis, Personnel Division, 10 lbs., December 10.

BURNS, PATRICK RYAN, son of Police Officer and Mrs. John Burns, Southeastern District, 9 lbs. 2 3/4 oz., December 31.

SIZELOVE, KATHERINE ELIZABETH, daughter of Major and Mrs. Harry Sizelove, Fiscal Division, 10 lbs. 4 1/2 oz., January 10.

SMITH, CHRISTOPHER, MICHAEL, son of Police Officer and Mrs. John Smith, Eastern District, 7 lbs. 12 oz., January 13.

FIALKOWSKI, MARY ELIZABETH, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Norbert Fialkowski, 7 lbs. 11 oz., January 16.

MURDOCK, JULIAN DEMAR, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Vernell Murdock, 7 lbs. 12 oz., January 24.

LEICHLING, KYLE EDWARD, son of Police Officer and Mrs. George Leichling, Southwestern District, 8 lbs. 2 oz., January 30.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

MULLIN, WILLIAM PATRICK, retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, January 30.

## IN MEMORIAM

POLIKS, MARY, grandmother of Detective John Poliks, C.I.D., December 1.

ARNOLD, MARY ELIZABETH, mother of Police Officer Richard Arnold, Communications Division, January 3.

BLACK, SARAH, grandmother of Detective Theodore Black, Criminal Investigation Division, January 16.

MITCHELL, HERBERT, grandfather of Police Officer Robert Reason, Southeastern District, January 16.

JOHNSON, ANNIE, grandmother of PCA II Milford Van Johnson, Communications Division, January 22.

WHITE, SAMUEL, grandfather of Police Officer Phillip Sexton, Western District, January 22.

SMITH, WILLIAM E., step-father of Police Officer Roy Smoot, Communications Division, January 30.



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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

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## More Than Meets The Eye

Nestled among the listings in the Baltimore Police Department's Telephone Directory are a few Centrex numbers under the heading "Fiscal Division." Virtually every member of the Department realizes that their bi-weekly payroll check is distributed from the Fiscal Division but few realize that many things have to happen to ensure delivery of the check and to be certain that it is made out for the correct amount.

The Fiscal Division, of the Administrative Bureau, literally hums with activity, as its members carry out a variety of tasks which enable just about every segment of the Department to operate effectively.

The Division is divided into three major units, the Payroll Section, Accounting Section and Procurement Section, each with a specialized mission.

### PAYROLL SECTION

The four member Payroll Section is charged with the accurate distribution of the Department's 86 million-dollar annual payroll.

Members check every payroll sheet, submitted by the various Districts and Divisions of the Department, to ensure that they are filled out correctly before they are forwarded to the City's Central Payroll Bureau.

When the payroll checks are printed, they are taken to the Payroll Section where they are separated for distribution. Each bundle of checks must be accounted for and must be signed for when they are picked up by representatives of various units within the Department.

The unit also documents dates of employment or termination to be certain that the members are paid for the

proper amount of time worked.

When sworn or civilian members of the Department move from one duty assignment to another, the unit must monitor that move and change their records so that the member's paycheck will arrive at the proper place at the proper time.

Changes in employee status, occasioned by changes of classification or promotion, are processed by the Payroll Unit so that increases in compensation will be accurate and will appear on the paycheck in a timely manner.



Payroll Section Accounting Assistant II Jennifer Latgis makes an entry in the Department's 2% Pension Ledger.

More than 1,000 retired members of the Department and their survivors who receive benefits from the 2% pension system depend on the Payroll Unit to calculate their entitlements and to administer that retirement system.

### ACCOUNTING SECTION

All of the currency and checks which come into the Department are processed, in one way or another, by the Accounting Section. Disbursements are also the responsibility of the three member unit.

Money is dispersed for minor purchases, advances for business related

## Southeastern District's Officer of the Year

More than 200 residents, businessmen, city officials, and members of the judiciary gathered at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 600 S. Highland Avenue to honor 1985 Southeastern District's Police Officer of the Year, William F. Neugent. Although the Exchange Club of Highlandtown, Incorporated Crime Prevention Committee had many dedicated officers from which to choose, Officer Neugent was selected for making more than 75 arrests during 1985, according to committee Chairman, Retired Major Robert L. Larkin.

One of Officer Neugent's outstanding arrests resulted from an investigation into several robberies of residents and tourists in the Southeastern District. After carefully studying the times in which the crimes occurred and patterns of the suspects, Officer Neugent, volunteered to work undercover and leisurely stroll the area on the lookout for the robbery suspects. Within thirty minutes in the area, Officer Neugent observed a robbery in progress in which the suspects were armed with a handgun. Officer Neugent waited just several steps away until the victims were safe from their assailants before seizing the opportunity to make the arrest. While the suspects were attempting to make their escape, Officer Neugent identified himself as a police officer and gave chase. He was able to apprehend the suspects after running several blocks and eleven flights of stairs, and the suspect's forcing entry into an occupied apartment. The arrest was made without injuries to the victims, suspects or occupants of the apartment. The weapon and all property taken in the offense were recovered. After the arrest, a complex investigation ensued which included crimes which

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travel and tuition reimbursements.

The section also keeps track of monies which come into the Department as the result of criminal investigations on a daily basis. These monies are stored, for a period of time, in the Evidence Control Unit before being deposited into special Baltimore City Accounts.

In addition to the above, the Accounting Section is involved in Workmen's Compensation Claims and for the Financial administration of Grants which are received by the Department.

### PROCUREMENT SECTION

All requisitions for goods and services throughout the Department are processed by the Procurement Section before being forwarded to the Bureau of Purchases or Bureau of Disbursements.

This Section must also certify that the goods or services have been produced in order to authorize payment.

A ledger is maintained for every District and Division which make up the Police Department. The system enables members of the Section to keep track of the day to day status of every account. When requisitions are made, the account can be checked to be certain that it contains enough funds for the requested purchase.



Accounting Assistant II Patricia Stover of the Procurement Section checks a unit's Budget Account Ledger.

The Procurement Section verifies all "charges" made against the Department's budget to verify amounts and ensure the accuracy of the transaction.

The Department's fleet of vehicles is charged rental, on a monthly basis, and

the Procurement Section must ensure that the charge for each vehicle is accurate.

The three-person unit also keeps track of purchases made from prior budgets so that when billing is completed the funds can be withdrawn from the proper budget accounts.

There are several reasons why almost any member of the Department may have to visit the Fiscal Division, which is located on the seventh floor of the Headquarters facility.

Any member of the Department who needs documentation for claims from Minnesota Mutual Life Insurance Company will get assistance at the Fiscal Division.

If a members wishes to have any payroll deductions either instituted or changed, a visit to the Fiscal Division is in order. If lost equipment must be paid for, the Fiscal Division provides the forms which assist in completing that transaction.

Any questions about an individual member's paycheck are handled by the division.

### ANNUAL BUDGET

The annual budget of the Baltimore Police Department is the result of input from all levels of the agency. All of the instructions for making budget requests and formulation of the actual budget request are a responsibility of the Fiscal Division.

The Director of the Fiscal Division, Major Harry Sizelove, with direction from Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson, prepares all budget proposals made by units within the Department. He also assists commanders as they prepare their individual budget requests and assists the Police Commissioner in the presentation of the budget request to the Department of Finance and to members of the Baltimore City Council.

Major Sizelove is also responsible for forecasting monthly personnel ceilings which can be supported by budget appropriations as well as monitoring the flow of monies into and out of the budget to assure that the transaction stay within budgetary limitations.

### UNOFFICIAL VOTE COUNT

One of the more unlikely services rendered by the Fiscal Division is the undertaking of the unofficial vote count

for all primary and general elections within the City of Baltimore.

The actual unofficial tally takes place on the main floor of the War Memorial, across the street from the Headquarters Building. The process, which utilizes civilian and sworn members from virtually every area of the Department, on an overtime basis, gets under way shortly after the polling places are closed and continues until the count is completed, usually after mid-night.

Throughout the evening, the unit provides continuing vote counts for candidates, questions and bond issues to the Public Information Division which displays the information for the use of the media. The vote counts are projected on screens located in the War Memorial directly below the floor on which the votes are being tabulated.

The Fiscal Division is a vital component of the Baltimore Police Department and although most people rarely think about it, the efforts of the men and women of the Division are essential to the continuing viability of the Department.

## Officer of the Year

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occurred in three police districts. The investigation resulted in the suspects being charged and convicted for nine additional armed robberies, burglaries, and auto thefts.

Officer Neugent's quick and cautious response to a crime in progress, coupled with a thorough investigation, resulted in an extensive jail term for the suspects.

Officer Neugent, a three year veteran of the Department is interested and involved in the Southeastern community even while off duty. Many times he has attended community relations meetings to gain firsthand knowledge of the concerns of the citizens in his assigned area.

The Highlandtown Exchange Club, Incorporated is comprised of residents and merchants of Southeast Baltimore who are involved in various community programs. Aside from crime prevention activities, they sponsor college scholarship programs and baseball and soccer little leagues.

Officer Neugent became the 30th recipient of the Exchange Club of High-



landtown, Incorporated Officer of the Year Award.

Command Staff in attendance at the Awards Ceremony were: Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson, Deputy Commissioner Ronald J. Mullen, Operations Bureau, Colonel Harwood W. Burritt, Chief of Patrol, Major Charles J. DiPino and Captain Charles R. Blondell.

The guest speaker was the Honorable

Judge Robert Karwacki, Court of Special Appeals. Other Dignitaries who attended were: Lieutenant Governor of Maryland J. Joseph Curran and Attorney General Steven H. Sachs.

Officer John W. Kuhl, Annette M. Miles, and Peter J. Vasiliuo, Southeastern District, were first runners up for the award.



Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson (left) congratulates Officer William F. Neugent, Southeastern District, for receiving the "Policeman of the Year" award from the Exchange Club of Highlandtown, Inc. as Mrs. Carolyn A. Neugent and Deputy Commissioner Ronald J. Mullen (far right) look on.

## Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies

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Officer Jerry L. Flanary, Northern District, prevented the assault of a citizen by a knife-wielding suspect. When he was attacked by the assailant, he was able to disarm the person without any injury to himself or others.

Officer Kelly Pindell, Northern District, diligently investigated a burglary, developed several leads which led her to believe that one subject was responsible for numerous burglaries in Northern, Northeast, and Northwest Baltimore. After spending countless hours of her own time, Officer Pindell identified and arrested the burglar, clearing 40 crimes.

Officer Joseph E. Lettau, Northwestern District, stopped a knife attack in progress and arrested one of two perpetrators. Subsequent investigation led to the identity of the other suspect and to the recovery of thousands of dollars taken from the victim.

Officer Donner L. Powell, Northwestern District, observed, while on routine patrol, the armed robbery of 3 shoppers. A foot chase ensued and Officer Powell arrested the gunman and recovered a loaded handgun.

Officer Vernon J. Parker, Jr., Northwestern District, was on routine patrol when he observed a person matching a description of a suspect wanted in an assault and robbery which occurred the day before. Officer Parker's keen observation led to the arrest of a suspect later charged with robbery and handgun violations.

Officer Brian J. Worton, Western Dis-

trict, was investigating a narcotic violation. He became involved in a foot chase during which the suspect suddenly turned and pointed a handgun at him. The suspect was arrested, the handgun recovered and subsequent investigation revealed that the firearm had been stolen in a burglary.

Officer James P. Carnes, Jr., Southern District, observed a pickup truck speeding off with a woman inside calling for help. Upon stopping the vehicle, Officer Carnes observed that the front windshield had been broken out and an infant on the front seat was choking and gasping for air. The Officer cleared the baby's throat of the broken glass, restored its breathing, and rendered the additional first aid necessary to save this 9 day old life.

### CITIZENS AWARDS

#### *Certificate of Appreciation*

Mrs. Bonnie Kabara  
Mr. Erwin A. Burtnick  
Mrs. Margaret Noland  
Mr. David Noland  
ADT Officer Kenneth R. McMillan  
Mr. Ronald D. Stevens

## Baseball Again!

### *Buddies Night*

*Just imagine—even though it's mid February with snowy 30 degree weather—that you are at Memorial Stadium, eating hot buttered popcorn and watching a Baltimore Orioles baseball game. Feel the warm breeze and the excitement of a home run. You're hearing the loud roar of thousands of fans and watching the moves of the next player at home plate.*



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## Buddies Night

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It's possible to start preparing for an enjoyable evening like that by purchasing a baseball ticket for the Baltimore Orioles Buddies Night on May 13, 1986. At 7:35 p.m., the Orioles will play the Chicago White Sox. A portion of the proceeds from ticket sales will be donated to the Baltimore Orioles Police Youth Clubs. This special night is sponsored by Buddies, Inc.

Buddies, Inc., is a nonprofit organization which has supported recreational activity for more than 50 years. It is comprised of citizens and businessmen who are dedicated to sponsoring programs for our young citizens that develop skills, hobbies and those activities which provide an opportunity for healthy sports. They are also involved in scout troop programs. Buddies, Inc., was founded shortly after the Department's Youth Clubs was established and has been one of the major financial supporting groups for its success.

There are two Youth Clubs in operation, Southwestern Youth Club and the Southeastern Youth Club, however, transportation is provided so that children throughout the City can take part in fun-filled activities. These include seasonal sports, ping pong, body building and craft activities in the wood shop and ceramic areas. Club members take part in swimming lessons which are conducted at a local high school indoor pool where the youngsters learn water safety, games and there's time to just



relax.

Proceeds from Buddies Night also support camp Walter F. Perkins where Youth Club members attend summer day camp. A safe and happy summer is provided for city youth through adult supervised hiking, swimming and other sporting events.

Many of those who have participated in the Youth Clubs have become outstanding citizens of our community. Past Youth Club members include Deputy Commissioner Ronald J. Mullen, Operations Bureau and Colonel Edward V. Woods, Traffic Division.

Come on out to the ball park, have an enjoyable evening with family and friends, while supporting a most valuable resource to the young citizens of our community. Tickets are available at all police districts, the Community Services Division and the Orioles ticket offices.

## NEWS NOTES

The Northwestern District invites all personnel to a Dinner Party on March 19, 1986, 7-11 p.m., honoring Lieutenant Melvin Block and Officer William H. Senseney on their retirements. The affair will include cocktails, dinner, deserts, etc., at The Forum, 4210 Prim Rose Avenue. Tickets are available at \$15.00 per person through Sgt. Robert A. Boland, Northwestern District, 396-2466.

### RETIREMENTS

SENSENEY, WILLIAM H., Police Officer, Northwestern District, 26 yrs. of service, February 12.  
LINDSAY, HOWARD A., Police Officer, Tactical Section, 29 yrs. of service, February 20.

### IN MEMORIAM

KESECKER, MIDA, grandmother of Detective William J. Cysyk, C.I.D., February 2.  
ROBERT, RUTH A., mother-in-law of Police Officer Frank Tuma, Communications Division, February 2.  
STEVENSON, BETTY, sister of retired Police Officer Bobby L. Jones, Sr., Northern District, February 3.  
REED, VINCENT J., JR., father of Police Officer Kevin Reed, Tactical Section, February 5.  
STONE, ROBERT H., father of Sergeant William Stone, Property Division and father-in-law of Police Officer Edward O'Byrne, Eastern District, February 7.  
KEOUGH, HERBERT L., SR., father-in-law of Police Officer Edward Hamilton, Western District, February 11.

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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

March 5, 1986

## The Best Witness

by William D. Quarles  
Assistant U.S. Attorney  
District of Maryland

*The following article begins an irregular series of feature stories designed to share information of interest to the law enforcement community.*

As a federal prosecutor with an active trial practice, I have found that a large part of my time before trial is spent in witness preparation. In the typical large narcotics cases that form the bulk of my practice, my trial witnesses are generally a collection of (1) civilian witnesses such as hotel clerks and document custodians, (2) informants or cooperating witnesses who were engaged in criminal conduct with the defendants on trial, and (3) law enforcement officers usually have considerably more experience testifying before courts than civilian witnesses have. There is a tendency to devote considerably less time to the pretrial preparation of law enforcement witnesses.

As a practical matter, law enforcement witnesses require less pretrial preparation than civilian witnesses. Experience teaches, however, that adherence to a few sound principles can improve your performance on the witness stand. What follows are suggestions for improving the generally high quality of law enforcement witness testimony. As with all such suggestions, they are highly subjective and personal. I offer them to you in the hope that they will not be accepted blindly but will be thoughtfully considered before you are next called as a witness.

### *Preparing to Testify*

Usually you will be called upon to testify about a specific transaction or series of transactions about which some official record has been made. Accordingly, one of the first things you should

do after being notified that your testimony will be required is to gather all available reports relating to your testimony. Reading these reports, and, if you are not the writer of the reports, discussing them with the officer who wrote them is a necessary first step in preparing to testify at trial. The discovery rules are such that you may be certain that the defense attorney will have copies of these reports and will use them to cross-examine you at trial. Thus, at a minimum, you should be as thoroughly familiar with the reports as a well prepared defense attorney would be. Try to make mental notes about any errors or inaccuracies in these reports and, at the earliest time, inform the prosecutor of such errors.

Another thing that you should do in all cases before trial is to meet at least once with the attorney who will be prosecuting the case. Review with the prosecutor the content of the official reports, determine whether the prosecutor has all relevant official reports, and, if she or he doesn't, be sure to provide the prosecutor with copies of those reports as soon as humanly possible. As you review areas of testimony that the prosecutor intends to elicit from you, don't hesitate to make suggestions about the testimony to be elicited. Contrary to public opinion, prosecutors, regardless of their age and experience, are human and sometimes overlook important facts or inferences from those facts. Accordingly, as a member of the prosecution team, it is important to make thoughtful contributions. Many of my most successful prosecutions are owed to law enforcement officers who suggested (1) testimony that left on my own I would not have elicited, (2) additional evidence I should attempt to secure before trial, and (3) questions to be asked of

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## Agents Appointed

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Certificates of Appointment to thirty-nine Police Agents on February 26, 1986. The ceremonies took place in the Student Lounge of the Education and Training Division. There are presently 254 appointed Police Agents with the Department. The position of Police Agent was established in 1969 as a career development program. Personnel aspiring to be a Police Agent must meet the entrance level requirements for Police Officer, hold a Baccalaureate Degree from accredited college or university, serve at least one year in the Patrol Division and successfully complete a selection process.

The Police Agents recently appointed are:

### CENTRAL DISTRICT

Diane Brooks, Coppin State College, B.S. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1981.  
Terry J. Caudell, Western Maryland College, B.A. Degree, Sociology & Criminology, 1978.

### SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT

John D. Korenstra, University of Baltimore, B.A. Degree, English, 1982.  
Louis N. Kulaga, Towson State College, B.S. Degree, Social Science, 1969.  
Keith D. Matthews, Morgan State University, B.S. Degree, Social Work, 1980.

### EASTERN DISTRICT

William W. Beyers, University of Baltimore, B.S. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1984.  
Eric Kolkhorst, Towson State University, B.S. Degree, Liberal Arts, 1973.  
Christopher J. Lawlor, LaSalle College, Pennsylvania, B.A. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1982.

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## The Best Witness

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the defendant or the defense witnesses. Similarly, you will often be able to provide suggestions about impeaching potential defense witnesses. In short, pre-trial preparation is a team effort and your thoughts and suggestions are valuable.

### *On the Day of Trial*

On the day of trial it is of the utmost importance to dress appropriately. My personal preference, when using uniformed officers as witnesses, is that those officers appear for trial in uniform. Law enforcement officers are still respected and admired by most members of the community, and uniforms are an important symbol of the values that we believe in and are sworn to uphold. Law enforcement officers who do not normally work in uniform should appear in court neatly dressed. For both male and female officers, I think this means appearing in clothing suitable for a funeral or other solemn occasion. Usually bright colors, exotic or extreme fashions, and excessive jewelry should be avoided. Dress, like demeanor, communicates to the jury and every effort should be made to insure that your communication with the jury is not hampered by distracting modes of dress.

Also, you should avoid any undignified or inappropriate behavior in the vicinity of the courtroom. Loud laughter, profanity, obscenity, racial or ethnic comments, comments about the case, and other types of inappropriate behavior can taint jurors and adversely affect the outcome of the trial. You are representatives of the best in this community and you should conduct yourselves as such.

It is, of course, of the utmost importance to be on time as nothing ages a prosecutor faster than calling a witness to the stand and finding out that the witness is not present.

### *When Testifying*

Usually the witnesses are not permitted to sit in court prior to their testimony; accordingly, when called as a witness you will usually enter from outside of the courtroom and approach the clerk for the oath. All eyes will be on you as this happens and the jury will begin to form an impression of you

from the moment you enter the courtroom. Accordingly, stand upright as you take the oath, look the clerk in the eye, and answer "I do" with firmness and conviction.

*Listen.* Listen to *every* word in *every* question that is asked of you. If you cannot hear or do not understand a question do not answer the question. Ask, in a pleasant manner, that the question be repeated.

Direct your answer to the jury, if there is one, or to the judge if the case is being heard without a jury. Do not cover your mouth with your hand, do not have gum or candy or any other foreign object in your mouth while on the stand, and speak loudly enough to be heard by the judge and the jury. Remember, your testimony is of no value if it cannot be heard.

Speak in everyday people language. You are professionals and trained to write reports and communicate with each other in police jargon. Thus, although it may be proper police procedure to note in a report that a "suspect exited his vehicle," you will make this prosecutor a lot happier if on the stand you refer to the fact that "----- got out of his car." Remember, your testimony is of no value if it cannot be understood. Therefore, try to speak in words that can be understood by the entire cross section of people who make up the jury. This is not to say that you should speak down to the jury. Rather, you should try to give your testimony in clear, simple terms that are easily understood by all members of the jury.

Unless called as an expert witness, avoid giving your opinion. Usually, you will be called to testify about facts that you know through your own observations. Therefore, you should give the facts. These facts should be given a positive, definite manner. Do not unnecessarily weaken your testimony with such qualifying terms as "I think" or "maybe" or "possibly" when in fact you know that something did or did not happen.

If, as your testimony continues, you determine that you have inadvertently answered a prior question incorrectly, correct the mistake immediately. Simply state "I think I made a mistake when I testified about that earlier" and proceed to give the proper testimony. Improper testimony if corrected promptly

will not detract from your appearance on the stand. Rather it will reinforce the fact that you are testifying in a truthful and straightforward manner.

Always display a respectful manner toward the judge. Jurors respect the judge and rely upon his or her guidance to get them through the unique experience of being a trial juror. Accordingly, they will not appreciate any disrespect toward the court by either a witness or an attorney.

Do not neglect your own comfort while on the stand. If your throat becomes dry, ask the judge if you may have a glass of water. If you have been testifying for a long time and are beginning to feel the need to stretch your legs, or answer nature's call, ask, politely, if you may take a break.

### *While Being Cross-Examined*

Always be polite to the opposing attorney. Do not be argumentative or sarcastic. Jurors identify with witnesses and an attorney who is abrasive or unpleasant in his conduct toward a witness will turn the jury off.

As on direct, do not answer any question that you do not hear or understand. Again, ask the attorney to repeat or rephrase the question.

Be aware of the universal trick question. "Have you discussed this case with anybody?" Of course you have, and you should answer the question correctly: you have discussed your testimony with other law enforcement officers and, of course, the prosecutor prior to trial and no one told you what to say other than to tell the truth.

You should be wary of questions beginning with statements such as "Isn't it a fact" or "don't you agree that" or "isn't it possible that." There are many things possible in this world. Your testimony should get the attorney back to the fact that what happened in this case was a certain, definite fact rather than any of a number of possible things that might have, but did not, in fact happen.

### *Conclusion*

Being a trial witness is one of your most important contributions to the law enforcement effort. As you testify, remember that your primary objective is to assist the judge or jurors in determining the facts of a particular case. When you do that successfully, justice is the result.



# Agents Appointed

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Scott A. Shaw, University of Baltimore, B.S. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1980.

Mary S. Young, Johns Hopkins University, M.S. Degree, Administration and Supervision, 1980.

## NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT

John M. Ciparik, Salem College, West Virginia, B.A. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1982.

Diane M. Messner, University of Baltimore, B.S. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1981.

Mary E. Phelan, Towson State University, B.S. Degree, Music Education, 1980.

Larry A. Salmond, University of Baltimore, B.S. Degree, Accounting, 1978.

## NORTHERN DISTRICT

Jacqueline M. Barbour, East Stroudsburg State College, Pennsylvania, B.A. Degree, Sociology, 1979.

Joseph B. Green, Jr., Morgan State University, B.S. Degree, Science, 1975.

Ann L. Simmons, Towson State University, B.S. Degree, Psychology, 1981.

Paul M. Smith, University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, B.S. Degree, Industrial Arts, 1976.

Richard B. Sullivan, Towson State University, B.A. Degree, History, 1975.

## NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Thomas D. Bannon, Towson State University, B.S. Degree, Social Science, 1979.

Joseph J. Dobrosielsky, Frostburg State College, B.S. Degree, Arts & Science, 1971.

Joseph C. Gagliano, Jr., Glassboro State College, New Jersey, B.A. Degree, Law Justice, 1976.

William D. McClelland, Mercyhurst College, Pennsylvania, B.A. Degree, Political Science, 1980.

Peter D. Pollione, Mercyhurst College, Pennsylvania, B.A. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1981.

Martin M. Seltzer, C.W. Post College, New York, B.A. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1975.

John N. Walters, Frostburg State College, B.S. Degree, Education, 1974.

## WESTERN DISTRICT

Gary L. Brohawn, Johns Hopkins University, M.S. Degree, Education, 1981.

Victor C. Gearhart, Loyola College, B.A. Degree, History, 1978.

Kenneth L. Lipman, University of Maryland, B.A. Degree, Psychology, 1974.

Gloria J. Melvin, Fayetteville State University, North Carolina, B.S. Degree, Education, 1975.

Wanda T. Williams, Morgan State University, B.S. Degree, Elementary Education, 1977.

## SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Steven A. Raszewski, University of Maryland, B.A. Degree, Political Science, 1979.

## SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Joseph R. Conway, Wayland Baptist University, Texas, B.S. Degree, Occupational Education (Criminal Justice), 1985.

Jon D. Foster, University of Baltimore, B.S. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1981.

John A. Russo, University of Baltimore, B.S. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1979.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIVISION

Kathleen A. Adams, Michigan State University, Michigan, M.S. Degree, Criminal Justice, 1981.

Kenneth E. Fatkin, University of Maryland, B.S. Degree, Radio-Television Film, 1985.

## CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

Daniel Montalvo, Wesleyan University, Connecticut, B.A. Degree, Psychology, 1973.

## INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION

Robert L. Smith, Jr., Loyola College, B.A. Degree, Political Science, 1985.

# ALERT!

The NEWSLETTER was informed by Firearms Supervisor, Joseph A. Reitz, Jr., Laboratory Division, of a .22 caliber Magnum High Standard Derringer pistol enclosed in a wallet type holster.

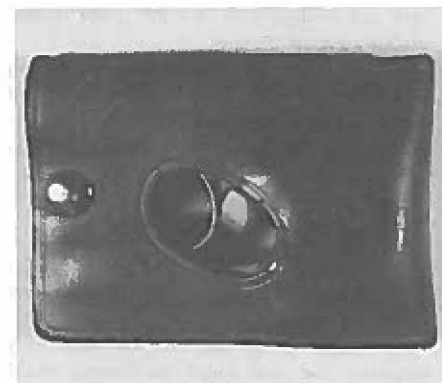
The weapon can be carried in a pocket, and looks like a wallet.

It's capable of being fired while in the wallet casing.

Members of the Department should be cautious and on alert for this weapon.

Detective John A. Swiec, Criminal In-

vestigation Division, was investigating a robbery in which the property taken was a weapon of this type.



## LIBRARY NOTES

Bittel, Lester R. *What Every Supervisor Should Know*. 5th ed. Mc-Graw-Hill. 1985.

This contains a wealth of useful techniques for the first-line supervisor as well as his/her manager. Chapters cover human relations, planning and control, coping with problem performers, and managing professional employees. The case studies and behavioral models make this an excellent reference source for trainers. (Highly Recommended) —EBJ

Glossbrenner, Alfred. *The Complete Handbook of Personal Computer Communications*. St. Martin's Press. 1983.

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Glossbrenner's handbook provides helpful tips on choosing communications software and peripherals for personal computers. It also discusses packet-switching networks (Telex, TWX), computer bulletin boards, and accessing various types of databases. The author eliminates the technicalities of computer communications by providing an enjoyable and easy-to-read format —EBJ

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Congratulations to Ryan Hall, son of Officer Robert M. Hall, Traffic Investigation Section on being named "STUDENT OF THE WEEK," based on academic achievement and conduct. Ryan is a 6th grade student at Our Lady of Pompei.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION** — Wishing Sergeant Donald M. Farley a very restful and joyous retirement. Welcome aboard Sergeant Lawrence E. Leeson, the Department's new Metro Crime Stoppers Police Coordinator.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SALVAGE, ROSALIE DENISE**, daughter of Police Officer Gilda D. Salvage, Northern District, and husband Vincent, 7lbs. 9 oz., February 1.

**KORONA, JAMES W. JR.**, son of Accounting Supervisor and Mrs. James W. Korona, Fiscal Division, 6lbs. 11¼ oz., February 17.

## RETIREMENTS

**KORONA, JOHN E.**, Sergeant, Criminal Investigation Division, 25 years of service, February 21.

**CLARK, JAMES T.**, Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 7 years of service, February 21.

**FARLEY, DONALD M.**, Sergeant, Community Services Division, 30 years of service, February 22.

**DRANBAUER, VERNON L., JR.**, Police Officer, Property Division, 28 years of service, March 2.

## IN MEMORIAM

**ANDERSON, BOBBIE**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Lawrence Maloy, Southern District, February 7.

**JENKINS, JUANITA**, grandmother of Sgt. Barry W. Powell, Southeastern District, February 9.

**MIZEJEWSKI, KLEMENTYNA**, mother of Police Officer Edward Mizejewski, Southeastern District, February 11.

**DRANBAUER-WHEELER, LILLIAN E.**, stepmother of Police Officer Vernon Dranbauer, Evidence Control Section, February 18.

**SMITH, JOHN**, grandfather of Cadet Michael Smith, Central Records Division, February 20.

**TAYLOR, AGNES**, mother of Det. Sgt. Lewis

Taylor, C.I.D., Property Crimes Section and grandmother of Cadet Kevin Butler, Central Records Division, February 20.

**DALE, IDA MAE**, grandmother of OA III Agnes Collins, Central Records Division, February 21.

**BARBER, RONALD**, stepfather-in-law of Sgt. John Ames, Jr., Planning & Research Division, February 23.

**SIZELOVE, DOROTHY**, mother of Major Harry Sizelove, Fiscal Division, February 24.

**MERCURO, ANTHONY**, father of Office Supervisor Margaret Long, Planning & Research Division, February 28.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: 2-br, semi-detached house, Belair Rd. — Moravia area. Remodeled. New 16' x 14' covered back porch, large fenced yard, house power, replacement windows, oil heat and more. \$47,000.00. Contact Off. Milton Kryzstofiak, T.E.S. or 485-5294.



On February 14, 1986, graduation ceremonies took place, K-9 Quarters in Druid Hill Park. Pictured here are the graduates and their "partners." L to R: Police Officers Wali A. Salaam & Baron, Neil B. Schoenian & Baron II, Thomas P. Jadenhauer & Herd, Albert Wilder, Jr. & Jock, Charles R. Stahm & Max and Freddie Charles, Jr. & Boss.



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## 911... A Year's Success

A symbolic ribbon cutting ceremony took place in the Communications Division's Control Center for the 911 Emergency Telephone System on March 1, 1985.

Now one year old, the system has provided the citizens of Baltimore emergency assistance from both the Police and Fire Departments. It has processed nearly one million callers through its state of the art technology. Each call for help has been answered about one and half seconds from the time the ring switch forwards the call to the Communications Division. The reliable communications system has saved lives and brought emergency help to those in need.

The success does not lie solely in one of the most advanced communications systems available but also from personnel, such as the Police Communications Assistant who originally answers the call, determines the nature of the problem, quickly forwards the information to a dispatcher, who in turn, gives the information to patrol units.

The 911 System has provided new advantages in getting emergency assistance to the citizenry of Baltimore. Its three digit number can be easily remembered, even by small children.

Police Communications Assistant Rosemary K. Music says that in December, 1985 she received a call from a child about 3 years old. The child, tearful and frightened, said he was home with his grandfather who had fallen and was unable to speak. The youngster only knew to call 911 in an emergency. PCA Music was able to get the address from where the call was placed and an ambulance was on its way.

Police Communications Assistants have welcomed the automatic location

feature of the 911 System. It's not only easy for children to call but also convenient for adults who are excited and may forget their address or give wrong house numbers. When a call is received through 911, the location of the phone appears on a computer screen. It allows the PCA to check and make sure that emergency assistance is dispatched to the correct address.



Police Communications Assistant I Marsha A. Smith pushes the intercom button to forward information to the dispatcher concerning a reported crime in progress after a caller dialed the 911 Emergency System for police assistance. The automatic location feature allows her to check the caller's address. Within seconds patrol units will be dispatched to the location.

The automatic location feature has also deterred a number of false calls. False calls are costly and dangerous to officers as well as citizens. A number of individuals have been arrested and convicted for intentionally placing false calls. One case involved a person placing 27 calls within a 30 minute period reporting an unfounded burglary. Each false call could result in services delayed to an actual emergency.

During the past year, more than 45,000 calls have been returned by Police Communications Supervisors. A call is returned when a phone number appears on the automatic location

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## Six Lieutenants, Ten Sergeants Promoted

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Certificates of Promotion to six Lieutenants and ten Sergeants during morning ceremonies held in the Education and Training Division Lounge on March 13, 1986.

The Lieutenants and their assignments are as follows:

*Lieutenant Robert M. Stanton — Southern District*

Lieutenant Stanton, a native of Bay Shore, New York joined the Department after serving in the United States Marine Corps Reserves. He holds an Associate of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from the Essex Community College. As a 12 year veteran of the Department, he has been assigned to the Western District and Criminal Investigation Division. He has been awarded nine Official Commendations, including one Bronze Star, two Special Commendations, three Unit Citations. One Special Commendation was awarded for the arrest of nine suspects in 1981 who were then charged with Assault, Narcotics and Handgun violations. The second Special Commendation was for the investigation and arrest of a person charged with rape and other sexual offenses. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1981.

*Lieutenant Lawrence A. Frank — Northeastern District*

Lieutenant Frank, a 13 year veteran, has served in the Office of the Chief of Patrol, Tactical Section and Southern District. He was appointed Police Agent in 1974 and promoted to Sergeant in 1977. A Bronze Star was awarded to Lieutenant Frank for the arrest of two persons charged with Assault and Robbery. He has a Bachelor

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identification screen and the caller hung up or couldn't articulate the nature of his difficulty. Police Communications Supervisor Denise Derrien says that "call backs" often occur in cases involving domestic violence, when the victim's only opportunity to summons aid may be to call and then hang up. Once an attempt is made to call back fails, a patrol officer is automatically dispatched to the location to investigate the trouble.

The 911 System has made it easier to report crime. There has been a 9 percent increase in the number of calls for service since its inception.

Major William A. Colburn, Director of the Communications Division, says that, "It's been an excellent year. We have state of the art equipment and a commendable staff which is primarily responsible for our overwhelming success."

## Promotions

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of Arts Degree in Mass Communications from Towson State College.

*Lieutenant Samuel D. Tress — Tactical Section*

Lieutenant Tress has a Master of Liberal Arts Degree in Political Science from Johns Hopkins University and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Law Enforcement from the University of Maryland. During his 15 years with the Baltimore Police Department, he has worked in Southwestern District, Inspectional Services Division and Tactical Section. He was designated Police Agent and promoted to Sergeant in 1978. He has been awarded three Official Commendations including one Commendatory Letter.

*Lieutenant Ernie D. Meadows — Northern District*

Lieutenant Meadows has obtained a Juris Doctorate Degree, Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Baltimore. He also holds a Master of Education Degree from Coppin State College. Lieutenant Meadows, a 14 year veteran, was promoted to Sergeant in 1978. He has three Official



Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson (far left) with newly promoted Lieutenants, following the ceremony. Left to right are: Lieutenants Robert M. Stanton, Victor D. Gregory, Robert F. Smith, Lawrence A. Frank, Samuel D. Tress, Ernie D. Meadows.

Commendations, including two Commendatory Letters.

*Lieutenant Robert F. Smith — Northwestern District*

Lieutenant Smith, a native of Orange, New Jersey, joined the Department after serving in the United States Marine Corp. A 14 year veteran, he has been assigned to the Tactical Section and Traffic Division. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1979. Lieutenant Smith has been awarded four Official Commendations and a Bronze Star. The Bronze Star was for the arrest of several persons charged with Armed Assault and Robbery and Handgun violations. He holds an Associate of Arts Degree in Law Enforcement from the Community College of Baltimore.

*Lieutenant Victor D. Gregory — Western District*

Lieutenant Gregory, a 13 year veteran of the Department has been assigned in the Eastern and Southeastern Districts. In 1977 he was designated Police Agent and promoted to Sergeant in 1979. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology from Morgan State University.

Below are the newly promoted Sergeants and their assignments.

*Sergeant Milam E. Minor — Southern*

*District*

Sergeant Minor joined the Baltimore Police Department in 1974. After graduating from the Education and Training Division he was assigned to the Eastern District and later the Criminal Investigation Division and Central District. He has been awarded a Bronze Star for his participation in the Special Task Force "C.O.D.E." Concentration on Drug Enforcement.

*Sergeant Nicholas R. Palmeri — Northern District*

Sergeant Palmeri, a native of Brooklyn, New York, has been with the Department for 6 years. He was appointed Police Agent in 1980 and has served as a Field Training Officer since 1979. Sergeant Palmeri holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from John Jay College.

*Sergeant Michael J. Hicks — Southeastern District*

Sergeant Hicks is a 5 year veteran of the Department. He has been assigned to Northern District and has received three Official Commendations.

*Sergeant Pern A. Lundell, II — Western District*

Sergeant Lundell, has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Law Enforcement from Virginia Commonwealth University. After serving in the United States



Marine Corps, he joined the Department in 1973. He became a Police Agent in 1974 and has four Official Commendations, including one Bronze Star and one Commendatory Letter. The Bronze Star was awarded for the rescue of several occupants during a house fire.

*Sergeant Ronald L. Roof — Tactical Section*

Sergeant Roof holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore. He has served in the National Guard and has 15 years service with the Department. Sergeant Roof was appointed Police Agent in 1979 and has one Official Commendation.

*Sergeant Wayne D. Garrity — Southern District*

Sergeant Garrity has received seven Official Commendations including a Bronze Star and three Commendatory Letters. He received the Bronze Star for the arrest of a person charged with Assault and Robbery in 1971. During his 17 years with the Department he has worked in the Tactical Section, Southwestern District and Personnel Division. He was designated Police Agent in 1978.

*Sergeant Allan R. Swenson — Southwestern District*

Sergeant Swenson, a native of Brooklyn, New York, holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from C.W. Post College. He was appointed Police Agent in 1978 and has 9 years of service with the Department.

*Sergeant Robert D. O'Connell — Northern District*

Sergeant O'Connell joined the Department in 1970, after serving in the United States Navy. He has been awarded five Official Commendations, including a Special Commendation for apprehending an escapee wanted for Armed Assault and Robbery and Assault with Intent to Murder three police officers.

*Sergeant Michael J. Cassizzi — Central District*

Sergeant Cassizzi, a 10 year veteran of the Department, has been awarded four Official Commendations which include, a Citation of Valor, Bronze Star and a Commendatory Letter. He has earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University

of Baltimore. In 1979 he was designated Police Agent.

*Sergeant Ronald S. Savage — Northeastern District*

Sergeant Savage has an Associate of Arts Degree in Police Administration from the Catonsville Community College. During his 18 years with the Department he has received ten Official Commendations.

## Colonel Karner Retires

Colonel Gilbert O. Karner, Property Division, retired on March 12, 1986, after completing more than 29 years of service to enter private industry.



GILBERT O. KARNER

Colonel Karner enjoys an international reputation as an expert in deactivating explosive devices. He has lectured to national and international experts in his field and is the Past International Executive Director of the International Association of Bomb Technicians and Investigators. The Colonel has also lectured on ordnance disposal for government agencies and for associations of specialists in his area of specialization. He is presently a trustee of that organization.

For his contributions to the field of ordnance disposal and for his contributions to the Baltimore Police Department, Colonel Karner received the Legion of Merit on October 1, 1982.

In May, 1985, he received the Roger Goad Memorial Award presented by the International Association of Bomb Technicians and Investigators.

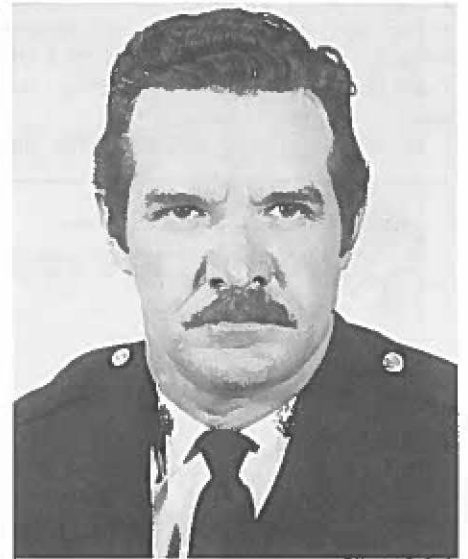
## Downtown Exchange Club's Police Officer of the Year

"It is indeed reassuring to the citizens of Baltimore City to know that we have such a fine Police Department protecting our persons, businesses and homes," says Mr. Stanley Goldberg, Chairman of Crime Prevention Week Program of Downtown Exchange Club. Its membership includes over 65 business and community leaders who recently selected Officer Vincent P. Cole, Central District, as their 16th annual Police Officer of the Year.

Nearly 100 persons from the Downtown community and Command Staff of the Department attended a luncheon in Officer Cole's honor on February 19, 1986, at the Merchant's Club located at 206 E. Redwood St.

Mr. Goldberg said that, "Officer Cole was chosen based on his years of service and overall service to the community."

Officer Cole is assigned to Central District's Neighborhood Foot Patrol, a program initiated by Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson during 1985. He is a 22 year veteran of the Department. During the latter part of 1984 and 1985, Officer Cole made 216 arrests. These arrests included vice, narcotic and handgun violations.



VINCENT P. COLE

Officer Cole's most notable case occurred on November 4, 1984, when he responded to a call for a shooting. Shortly after arriving on the scene, Of-

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## Police Officer of the Year

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Officer Cole was informed that a second floor tenant was armed with a shotgun and had just shot and killed a resident of the apartment building.

Officer Cole entered the building accompanied by another officer from Central District. As the officers began to ascend the stairs, the suspect suddenly appeared holding a shotgun and pointed it at Officer Cole. The gunman ordered Officer Cole to holster his revolver and sit on the stairwell. The accompanying officer, unable to defend Officer Cole, backed down the stairs to inform responding officers of the turn of events which occurred inside the building. The suspect fired shots at officers outside the building as they attempted to rescue Officer Cole.

Officer Cole engaged in an ongoing conversation with the suspect and was able to convince him to allow other tenants of the building to leave safely. He continued to negotiate with the suspect and at the same time inform officers outside the building what was occurring. The suspect then reloaded his weapon, and started down the stairs, after informing Officer Cole that he was going to "confront" the police officers outside. Officer Cole knowing that several officers were already injured and that potential danger now faced the others outside, withdrew his service revolver and ordered the armed suspect to stop. The suspect continued and Officer Cole fired, fatally wounding the man.

A fellow officer, reflecting the in-

cident said, "Officer Cole's calm and decisive actions in spite of his own grave personal danger resulted in numerous innocent people not being seriously injured."

Officer Cole has developed a good rapport with the community. He is well known by the Downtown merchants and makes himself available to assist and address their concerns. During the past Christmas season, he was able to meet the request of the Central District Community Relations Unit, for additional food to supply Christmas baskets. Officer Cole obtained over a hundred loaves of fresh bread for the baskets that were delivered to many families in the community.

### NEWS IN BRIEF

**OPERATIONS BUREAU** — Birthday greetings from the staff to Police Officer Ronnie Grace on this 40th Birthday—Many Happy Returns, Ronnie!!!

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Erma E. Stevens who will celebrate her Silver Anniversary with the Department on March 9th.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Lt. William Pritchett on completing 25 years of service with the Department on March 9th.

**CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION** — Best wishes for a speedy recovery from friends and co-workers of the following personnel who are currently at home recuperating from various surgeries and illnesses: Police Officer Bernard Hartlove, Police Records Section Supervisor William Hook, Police Officer Francis Ryan and Office Assistant III Sandra Watters.

### RETIREMENTS

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SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES FOR THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF 1986

TYPE OF CRIME	1985 Last Year	1986 This Year	Amount of Increase or Decrease	Percent of Increase or Decrease
MURDER	50	53	+ 3	+ 6.0
FORCIBLE RAPE	126	140	+ 14	+ 11.1
ROBBERY	1,955	2,082	+ 127	+ 6.5
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	1,565	1,359	— 206	— 13.2
BURGLARY	3,421	3,454	+ 33	+ 1.0
LARCENY	7,215	6,945	— 270	— 3.7
AUTO THEFT	1,275	1,597	+ 322	+ 25.3
GRAND TOTAL	15,607	15,630	+ 23	+ 0.1

Index Crime Comparison / First 3 Months of 1986

Violent Crime	— 1.7% Decrease
Property Crime	+ 0.7% Increase
Total Index Crime	+ 0.1% Increase

## Promotions and Appointments

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson, last Friday, made more Command appointments. During ceremonies at the Education and Training Division, the Commissioner appointed a Colonel and a Major and promoted two Captains and a Lieutenant.



RICHARD A. LANHAM

Richard A. Lanham was appointed to the rank of Colonel and will serve as Chief of the Criminal Investigation Division upon the retirement of Colonel Harry C. Allender. A native of Baltimore, Colonel Lanham attended local area schools and the Community College of Baltimore. He joined the Baltimore Police Department as a Police Officer in the Northern District and was later assigned to the Traffic Division and Northeastern District. In 1967, he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and worked in the Tactical Section and the Internal Investigation Division. He served in the Eastern District as a Lieutenant in 1972, and the Office of the

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# First Quarter Crime Statistics

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The Blow the Whistle on Drugs program, begun in September of 1985, continues to show successful results. Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer and the Police Commissioner announced yesterday that 1,000 arrests have been made, mostly by members of the Patrol Division, as a result of telephone calls from citizens to the special 685-DRUG 24-hour hotline. Approximately 5,000 calls have come in to the special telephone since the beginning of the program. Since many of the calls contain duplicate information, that is several people complaining about the same street drug pusher, the arrest to calls received ratio is very good at just about 20%.

The Police Commissioner is optimistic that with the continued community support and attention to duty on the part of members of the Department, we will be able to hold the line on Index Crimes throughout the remainder of the year.

## Promotions and Appointments

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Deputy Commissioner, Administrative Bureau until his promotion to Captain.

As Captain he served in the Eastern District, Criminal Investigation Division and Internal Investigation Division, where he remained after his promotion to Major and served as Director of that Division.



JOSEPH P. NEWMAN

Joseph P. Newman was appointed to the exempt rank of Major. His new assignment is the Internal Investigation Division. Major Newman is a graduate of the 121st Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. He also holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from the University of Maryland. A 17 year veteran of the Department, he has received six Official Com-

mendations, including three Bronze Stars and two Unit Citations. The Unit Citations were awarded to him while Commander of the Criminal Investigation Division, Drug Enforcement Section. One Unit Citation was for 116 arrests for narcotic violations that resulted in the seizure of drugs valued at \$1.5 million dollars. The second Unit Citation was for the Drug Enforcement Unit's recovery of 4,479 charges against persons for serious crimes.

Major Newman joined the Department in 1969 and served as a Police Officer in the Southwestern District. In 1971, he was designated as Police Agent and served in the Criminal Investigation Division through his promotions as Sergeant in 1973, Lieutenant in 1977, and Captain in 1982.



JOHN R. WAGNER

Promoted to the rank of Captain was John R. Wagner. Captain Wagner joined the Department after honorably serving in the United States Marines. He began his 19 year career as a Police Officer in the Northeastern District.

Later he worked in the Criminal Investigation Division where he was promoted to Sergeant in 1972. As Sergeant he has also served in the Northern District and Community Services Division. In 1977, Major Wagner was promoted to Lieutenant and served in the Administrative Unit of the Tactical Section. He is a graduate of the 123rd Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy, Quantico, Virginia and has received one Official Commendation. Captain Wagner is assigned to the Northern District.



HARRY J. KOFFENBERGER

Also promoted to Captain was Harry J. Koffenberger, Jr. Captain Koffenberger has obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree for Business Administration from the University of Maryland. A native of Baltimore, he joined the Department in 1969 as a Police Officer and served in the Northern District. In 1971, while working in the Planning and Research Division, he was appointed as Police Agent. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1974 and was assigned to the Tactical Section, where he remained until his promotion to Lieutenant. As Lieutenant he served in the Criminal Investigation Division and later in the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Administrative and Operations Bureau.

Captain Koffenberger has received two Official Commendations. He is assigned to the Southeastern District.

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant was Alvin A. Winkler, assigned to the Tactical Section. Lieutenant Winkler, a 17 year veteran of the Department, has been awarded six Official Commendations, a Commendatory Letter and a Bronze Star. The Bronze Star was awarded in 1981 for displaying great personal courage under a threatening





ALVIN A. WINKLER

situation during a barricade incident. He joined the Department after serving in the United States Army. In 1978 he was appointed as a Police Agent. Since being promoted to Sergeant in 1979, he worked in the Western District and the Education and Training Division.

## Colonel Allender Retires

The Chief of the Department's Criminal Investigation Division, Colonel Harry C. Allender, retires tomorrow after 31 years of service to the citizens of Baltimore.



HARRY C. ALLENDER

Colonel Allender, who was distinguished by his ever-present cigar and a ready smile, has taken a position in private industry.

Colonel Allender joined the Baltimore Police Department in 1954 following a tour of duty in the United States Army.

As a Police Officer, he served in the Southern District and assigned to the Northeastern District after his promotion to Sergeant in 1965.

A promotion to Lieutenant in 1969 came with an assignment to the Southern District.

After being promoted to Captain, he became the Commander of the Northwestern District, where he remained until his appointment to the position of Deputy Chief of Patrol Area III in 1981. He was appointed to the rank of Colonel in 1983.

As Chief of the Criminal Investigation Division, he was responsible for all of the detectives and activities of the Crimes Against Persons, Property Crimes, Drug Enforcement, Special Investigations and Vice Control Sections.

During his career, Colonel Allender received five Official Commendations, including two Bronze Stars. The first was awarded as the result of his investigation of a murder which occurred in 1957. The second Bronze Star was awarded to him after he rescued two hostages and arrested a suspect without injuries in 1976.

## Auxiliary Graduation

Auxiliary Police Officers, Class 86-1, were presented with Certificates of Completion from Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson on April 10, 1986. The 26 graduates joined the ranks of more than 80 Auxiliary Police Officers already on duty with the Department. Since the Auxiliary program began in 1981, its members have made valuable contributions to the Department by donating their time to assist uniformed officers in traffic control, crime prevention, and administrative duties.

The graduation ceremonies completed 10 weeks of intensive training. Drug awareness, law, Departmental regulations and Crime Resistance methods were some of the topics discussed during training.

Two Auxiliary Officers were promoted to the rank of Sergeant; they were William H. Duncan and Richard J. Schwinn.

During the ceremonies, a special recognition was given to Auxiliary Sergeant George Bahner for his outstanding contribution of more than 1,530 hours

donated to the Department.

Below are the names of the newly appointed Auxiliary Officers and promoted members:

Tammy L. Anstine	Eileen L. Hannon
Derek K. Askew	Louise Jenkins
Terry W. Averette	Romeo Joyner, Jr.
Karen A. Brainard	Bobby J. Keaton
Richard W. Brainard	William G. Lee, Jr.
William H. Buchanan	Robert E. Manigo
Gloria J. Crayton	James L. Mason
David H. Crouse, Jr.	Brian C. McAlister
Bernadette Debelius	Dominic A. Quattrocchi
Jerome Gasque	Anita M. Redondo
William P. Gilbert	Donald A. Stotts
Leo J. Green, Jr.	Sadie P. Thompson
Diana L. Gunther	Richard M. Wodka

### Appointed to the rank of Auxiliary SERGEANT

William H. Duncan      Richard J. Schwinn



On March 20, 1986, at the Northwestern District, an awards ceremony took place for the Northwest Citizens on Patrol, with a membership exceeding 400 persons. At the awards ceremony, three members were given special recognition in connection with the arrest of a larceny from auto suspects, location of a missing child and returning an elderly man to his home.

Governor Harry Hughes forwarded a Declaration which proclaimed March 20, 1986, Northwest Citizens on Patrol Day. Presenting the Declaration to Dr. Rusty White (2nd from left) and Mr. Irvin A. Fischer (far right) was Deputy Commissioner Ronald J. Mullen of the Operations Bureau.

## NEWS NOTES

The Maryland Division of Corrections will host the third Annual Pistol Tournament to kick off National Correctional Officers Week on Saturday, May 3 and Sunday, May 4, 1986, at the Jessup Regional Range. Shooting will be from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. both days.

Correctional (uniformed and non-uniformed) and police personnel from Maryland, Delaware, Washington, D.C.,

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Pennsylvania and Virginia are invited to compete individually or as teams.

Individual entry fees are \$5.00. Team (four man) entry fees are \$20.00.

### THE COURSE:

The course of fire is a 60 round Practical Pistol Course. The ring score B-27 target will be used for all shooters. Weapons are limited to 4" barrel, .38 caliber or .357 revolvers, with a double action capacity. Weapons must also have a 2½ lb. minimum trigger pull at single-action stage which will be tested by tournament officials.

No automatic and/or match grade revolver will be accepted.

All shooters must provide their own ammunition.

For more information, contact Sergeant Bruce Thursby, Maryland Division of Corrections at 799-1363.

### NEWS IN BRIEF

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Welcome aboard to our new District Commander Major Joseph S. Johnson.

Congratulations to Police Officers Leslie E. Perrica and Louis R. Beares who recently celebrated their 25th Anniversaries with the Department.

**NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Frank Wagner, Southern District, and Police Agent Joe Dobrosielsky, Northwestern District, for being the first and second police officers to finish the Wilmington Delaware Police five mile footrace on April 5.

### RETIREMENTS

**TERRY, JOHN S., JR.**, Police Officer, Northwestern

District, 31 years of service, March 13.  
**WALTER, MORRIS W.**, Police Officer, Traffic Division, 27 years of service, April 2.

**COLE, ANNIE L.**, PCA I, Communications Division, 17 years of service, April 10.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**McGRAW, ELISE ANNE**, granddaughter of retired Sergeant Eugene J. McGraw, Sr., Communications Division, 7lbs. 10 oz., March 5.

**RIESETT, JUSTIN MICHAEL**, grandson of Radio Maintenance Supervisor and Mrs. John Wesley Nash, Communications Division, 7lbs. 2 oz., March 7.

**ALLEN, MEGHAN ELEANOR**, daughter of Police Agent and Mrs. Deal Allen, Eastern District, 7lbs. 2 oz., March 10.

**NORANBROCK, DIETER KEISEL, JR.**, son of Crime Laboratory Trainee Charlotte R. Noranbrock, Laboratory Division, and husband Dieter Keisel, 7lbs. 14 oz., March 13.

**HOPKINS, VICTORIA ELIZABETH**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Bushrod Hopkins, 6lbs. 8 oz., March 17.

**GOODE, JESSICA NICOLE**, daughter of Police Officer Jesse Goode, Jr., Administrative Bureau, and Officer Patricia A. Goode, Tactical Section, 7 lbs. 11½ oz., March 27.

### FINAL ROLL CALL

**LIVINGSTON, ARDEN G.**, retired Detective Sergeant, Criminal Investigation Division, brother-in-law of Detective Horace Comegna, C.I.D., March 27.

**BROWN, MONTFORD, SR.**, Detective, Inspectional Services Division, father-in-law of Police Officer Arthur L. Cook, Northeastern District, March 31.

**PAZERAS, JOSEPH F.**, retired Police Officer, Northeastern District, April 3.

**RICE, JEAN L.**, Accounting Assistant Supervisor, Fiscal Division, April 3.

### IN MEMORIAM

**O'BRIEN, LAWRENCE**, father of Detective Lawrence O'Brien, C.I.D., Check and Fraud Unit,

March 15.

### CLASSIFIED

For Rent: Ocean City Condominium, 3BR, 2 baths. Weeks available: 6-1-86, 6-8-86, 8-31-86, 9-7-86, 9-14-86, 9-21-86 and 9-28-86. Weekends are also available. Call collect, Ret. Sgt. Farley, 1-289-7385.

For Sale: 1984 Wards 38" left hand drive riding mower, 12HP, Briggs Stratton engine with bags. Used one season. \$1,600.00. Contact Off. D. Buschmann, WD1st.

For Sale: 1979 Kawasaki motorcycle, 650cc, 7,000 miles, all equipment included. Good condition, garage kept. \$800.00. Contact Agt. Carl Scotton, NED1st.



Officer Ambrose G. Warlick of the Department's Community Relations Section hosted members of Baltimore Box 414 Association for a tour of the Headquarters Building a few weeks ago.

Officer Warlick showed Box 414 members the narcotics display in the lobby of the Headquarters Building as part of a comprehensive tour of the facility.

Affiliated with the Baltimore Fire Department, members respond to multi-alarm fires and other serious incidents to serve refreshments to fire and police personnel on duty.

One of the highlights of the tour was an inspection of the 911 Emergency Communications System which is located in the Communications Division. In service since March 1, 1985, the 911 Emergency System enables citizens to get emergency fire, police or ambulance assistance.



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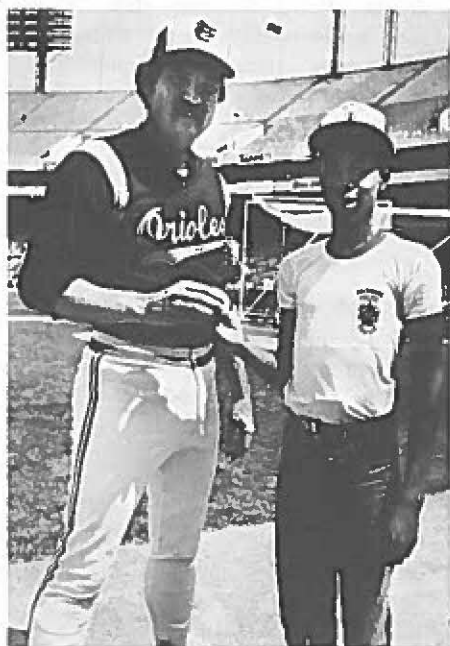
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

April 30, 1986

## Buddies Night

### Orioles — White Sox

The Baltimore Police Department's Youth Clubs are depending on each member of the Department to support Buddies Night, May 13, 1986. It's a Baltimore Orioles game spectacular where our home team will meet the Chicago White Sox at Memorial Stadium, starting at 7:35 p.m. Net proceeds from ticket sales will be a charitable donation to our Department's Youth Clubs activities.



Youth Club member Kenneth Hale gives Baltimore Orioles relief pitcher Don Aase the winning ball for the "Buddies Night" Baseball Game on May 13, 1986. The Baltimore Orioles vs. Chicago White Sox.

The Youth Clubs have provided athletic and cultural programs to the City's youth for more than forty years. Many of these opportunities would not be

available to these youngsters if it were not for the Youth Clubs in the neighborhoods.

There are two Clubs in operation. Each location has over 100 young men and women attending its activities each evening. Police Officers instruct them in such areas as water safety, ping pong, wood shop, ceramic art and body building. The Youth Club program also includes lectures on crime prevention, job interview training and tips on proper nutrition.

Major Patricia A. Mullen, Youth Section, says that club members have lots of fun in many of the activities but there are also programs which build character and develop self-esteem. "There is a serious learning undercurrent to most of our activities," says Major Mullen.

The success of the program can be seen in the list of alumni that are now prominent Baltimoreans. Alumni include Command Staff of the Department such as Deputy Commissioner Ronald J. Mullen, Operations Bureau and Colonel Edward V. Woods, Traffic Division. Councilman Joseph J. DiBlasi, 6th District was a member of the Southern District Youth Club. He says that during his teenage years he spent lots of time at the Youth Club participating in the baseball and basketball programs which lead to his later being a representative on the City Council for the neighborhood he grew up in. "I developed a comradery with police. There I learned teamwork and to respect the law," says Councilman DiBlasi.

Youngsters who today attend the Youth Club programs are between the

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## The Right Choice

"I'm here representing the Baltimore Police Department and we're going to talk about your future," says Sergeant Jerome E. Greer, Neighborhood Service Sergeant, Central District. He continues, "We are here to talk to you about the law, your role as a citizen and an important choice you will soon make." More than thirty sixth graders from Booker T. Washington Middle School listen intently.

Sergeant Greer visits the school twice a week to talk to the youngsters about what the consequences of being involved in crime are and what to do if you see a crime being committed. He is assisted by Police Agent Kate Wood and Officer Andrea Vann, both from Central District.

Sergeant Greer says that the program was designed to inform the students of the facts concerning crime and to correct any fallacies they may have concerning the juvenile justice system. He continues, "There are lots of programs designed for adults to understand criminal activity and how to report it. Children need to know this too, but we need to take it one step further and explain what happens when you get involved in crime."

The program entitled, "What's Your Future, is it a Tough Choice?" has been in operation since February, 1986.

Mr. John Daniels, Principal of Booker T. Washington Middle School, welcomes the program. He says that, "The students who hear the lesson are twelve and thirteen years old . . . they can be influenced by what they see on the streets. This program gives them a different perspective."

Sergeant Greer continues his presentation by defining types of crimes and the

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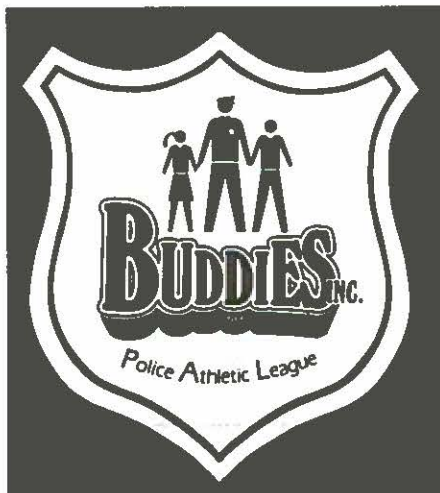


## Buddies Night

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ages of 8 and 17 years. Each member pays annual membership dues from 25 cents to a dollar depending on age. But this does not defray the cost of the athletic programs. Major Mullen says that, "Every dollar raised goes back to the children. The administrative cost of our programs is covered by the city, but the cultural and athletic activities of our Youth Clubs depend entirely on charitable donations and fund-raisers. That's why proceeds from this ball game are so important."

Last year's "Buddies Night" was successful, which enabled many of the youth activities to continue this year. Ticket sales have gone well for the May 13, 1986, game. "There have been a lot of Department members who cannot attend the games but bought a ticket so that we could send a Youth Club member to the game," according to Major Mullen.



Sponsoring the "Buddies Night" baseball game is Buddies of Baltimore, Incorporated. Buddies of Baltimore, Incorporated is a nonprofit organization comprised of citizens and the business community. It serves as an Advisory Board and is the Youth Clubs' largest contributor. They solicit donations and engage in other activities for the purpose of developing adolescent boys and girls physically, morally and socially.

This year the organization has become a member of the National Association of Police Athletic Leagues, P.A.L. This is a nationwide recreation-oriented juvenile crime prevention program. As a member of P.A.L., Buddies of Baltimore,

Incorporated will be able to exchange program ideas and athletic programs with other Police Departments throughout the United States.

Members of both organizations believe that athletic programs are the most successful way to allow youngsters to get to know law enforcement officers other than crime related instances. P.A.L. says that, "If a youngster respects a police officer on the ball field or in the gym, he or she will very likely come to respect the laws that Police Officers enforce. Such benefit to the youngsters and to the neighborhood and business community in which they grow up is virtually immeasurable." Buddies Night is important in assuring that such programs are available to Baltimore's Youth. A ticket price of \$5.50 or \$6.50 reaches a long way in developing a young person's life.

## Right Choice

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juvenile justice system. Several of the students snicker, but soon became serious as Sergeant Greer explains arrest procedures, and describes the contrast between home life and juvenile detention centers. "You make the choice," he says, "which direction you want to take in life."

This "choice," the program's focus, is a decision of whether or not to become involved in crime. Sergeant Greer believes that this decision is based on two basic factors. One is whether the youngsters have pride in their community. The other is a positive self-image.

Agent Kate Wood presents the second part of the program which brings out these fundamentals. "We tell the students," she says, "your neighborhood is 'your' community too." They are told how street violence, addicts, drug dealers and gun carriers prey upon their community. Criminals, the youngsters are told, make people fearful to leave their homes at night and afraid of becoming a victim of crime.

Several children raised their hands and told of experiences in which they had seen a crime or knew a person involved in criminal activity.

Agent Wood tells the students, "This is your choice, you can join those who are in the community making life difficult for you and your family to live or you can become a part of those who pull together to make life better."

Agent Wood explains that, "Many of the students have never thought of themselves as citizens with responsibility. Peer pressure usually takes its toll before they realize it." Peer group pres-



Sixth graders at Booker T. Washington Middle School participating in the class discussion which is a part of the program entitled "What is Your Future, is it a Tough Choice?" Sergeant Jerome E. Greer, Central District (right) is before the class pointing out how the youngsters can be responsible citizens to their community. He is assisted by (left to right) Police Agent Kate Wood and Officer Andrea Vann.



sure is discussed and what to do if someone ask them to participate in crime. "It's okay to say no," says Agent Wood, "even if you don't look, at that moment, too popular with your friends."

The second factor of making the choice is self-pride. In this portion of the program, career goals are discussed. Agent Vann explains that the purpose is to get students thinking about ideas or what they want to do with their lives as an alternative to a life of crime.

The lecture ends. The bell rings, the students hurriedly gather their books and rush off to the next class.

A youngster lingers back and then approaches Sergeant Greer. She whispers something in his ear. It's later learned that prior to coming to his presentation, she was asked to buy some narcotics. The incident was promptly investigated by school officials. She made the right choice.

## New Crime Incident Field Report

On April 17, 1986, the Baltimore Police Department implemented a new Crime Incident Field Reporting Form. The new report form combines the information previously included on the Crimes Against Persons, Property and Miscellaneous Reports.

Sergeant Edmund H. Solinsky, Staff Review Section, says that the transition from the old to the new reporting form went smoothly.

The new report form has several advantages. It will simplify the reporting system now in use by reducing the number of different crime and incident report forms. The same form can be used for several crimes.

Another advantage will be in saving time of officers out of service rewriting reports simply because they had been written on an incorrect crime incident report form. A pen change can now be made by the reporting officer, supervisor or Staff Review members instead of re-routing the report back to the investigating officer.

The new report form also includes additional information regarding victim/assailant relationships, Neighborhood Block Watcher information and solvability indicators of the reported crime. This will allow for a more complete and

informative report. The narrative portion can include additional information that could result in enhancing a successful outcome of the investigation.

Sergeant Daniel J. Calhoun, Criminal Investigation Division, Sex Offense Unit, says that the additional information included in the reports are especially valuable to child abuse investigations. Box number 58 on the form which asks for information about the victim/assailant relationship could determine whether the suspect will face felony rather than misdemeanor charges.

Sergeant Calhoun continues, "In the investigation of child abuse, it is essential that we establish the time the crime was committed and whether the child was under the supervision, custody, or temporary care of the suspect. Under the old reporting system, that information may not have been included."

The new report form has been an asset to the Patrol Division as well. Box number 62, which provides information concerning whether or not Victim Services forms were issued, is important to the Western District. Lieutenant James Wells says that Western District was selected to compile the results of the Victim Services program from the other eight Districts and the new Box makes statistical information easy to categorize. The Victim Services program is a part of a pilot project sanctioned by the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives. The program is designed to provide additional assistance to victims in areas such as referrals for transportation to court and information about various criminal justice agencies. Item 62 on the new report form assures that the victim is given the proper forms at the time the police report is taken.

Police Agent Margaret S. Mullen, Education and Training Division, says that new reports were prepared as the result of information received from all spectrums of the Department.

"We have, for many years, noted suggestions from Staff Review, the Patrol and Criminal Investigation Divisions on how our report forms could be improved. This is the completed project from the information received," said Agent Mullen.

The old three report form system has been in operation since 1967 and the new form is a part of the Department's

effort to prepare to have computerized reporting systems in years to come.

## Over \$650,000 Raised!

On April 14, 1986, Mayor William Donald Schaefer hosted an awards ceremony honoring Baltimore City employees throughout the city who raised more than \$650,000 for the 1985 Combined Charity Campaign. This is the City's first charity drive in which money



Mayor William Donald Schaefer (right) presents Major George L. Christian, Community Relations Section, with the Mayor's Community Service Award for his dedicated work on the Leadership Committee which contributed to the 1985 Combined Charity Campaign being such an overwhelming success.

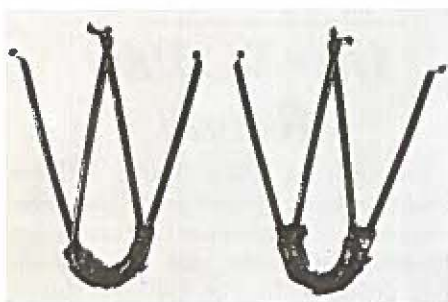
will be donated to more than 123 non-profit organizations. These organizations provide an assortment of services to thousands, such as money for recreation activities, health assistance and community services.

During the presentation of the awards, Mayor Schaefer said that, "Many of you (city employees) will never know personally any of the people you've helped. You will see them each day through the city, the elderly, school children and other citizens of Baltimore."

The Department was among one of the largest contributing agencies with a donation totaling \$53,722.

A Community Services Award was given to Major George L. Christian, Community Relations Section, for serving on the Combined Charity Campaign Leadership Committee. Major Christian was also this Agency's Coordinator. At a second ceremony, the Mayor, Ms. Mary Ann Willin, Director of the Mayor's Coordinating Council on Criminal Justice, presented awards to several persons in the Department who served as solicitors for the campaign.

# ALERT!



Officer Daryl J. Buhrman, Southern District, informed the NEWSLETTER that he recently recovered the above pictured weapon in the pockets of a suspect during a stop and frisk.

It is known on the street as "cat's claws." The weapon is made of heavy metal prongs with sharp curved tips on the end which could be used as a hook or rake. The bottom of the weapon has tape binding the prongs and can be used as a handle. Officer Buhrman says that the weapon is small enough to be totally concealed in a person's hands. Members of the Department are to be on alert for this weapon.

## NEWS NOTES

On Friday, May 16, 1986, at 1:00 p.m., a memorial service for all Firefighters and Police Officers who were killed in the line of duty will take place at Dulaney Valley Cemetery, 2000 E. Padonia Road. During the ceremony a new monument will be unveiled in the Fallen Heroes' section of the cemetery. Family members of those officers killed

in the line of duty and Departmental personnel are welcome to attend. For further information, contact Mrs. Judy Rumpf at 285-8179 or the Dulaney Valley Cemetery at 666-0490.

The Baltimore City Health Department and the Y.W.C.A. will sponsor a Brisk Walking Program for Baltimore City employees. The program will run from April 28th - June 20th 1986. During the hours between 12 noon and 1 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, participants will walk briskly on a designed walking route. The program is designed to improve your cardiovascular fitness, help to manage stress and assist in controlling weight gain.

For more information call 396-4720.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**TACTICAL SECTION** — Congratulations to Captain John Wagner on his recent promotion.

Welcome aboard to our new Headquarters and Services Lieutenant Leonard O'Conner.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Jennifer Petrecca, daughter of Office Supervisor Linda Petrecca and Sergeant Ronald Petrecca of the Maryland Toll Facility Police, who was recently accepted into the National Honor Society.

Congratulations to Kevin Readmond, son of Sergeant and Mrs. Ronald Readmond, who performed with the Maryland All-State Honors Jazz Ensemble during the Maryland Music Educators Convention held recently in Ocean City. Kevin was the only candidate selected from Anne Arundel County.

Goodbye and good luck to Lieutenant Leonard O'Conner on his new assignment in the Tactical Section.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Lieutenant David Shirey who is presently home recuperating from recent back surgery.

ating from recent back surgery.

Welcome Aboard to Lieutenants Lawrence Frank and Michael Kuriny.

## PROMOTIONS

BRADLEY, ANN E., Office Assistant III-T, Central Records Division, March 27.

## RETIREMENTS

CADDEN, JOSEPH G., Lieutenant, Communications Division, 25 years of service, April 16.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PINDELL, MEECHELLE DENYCE, daughter of Police Cadet and Mrs. Warren Pindell, Central Records Division, 8 lbs. 1 oz., February 24.

BAVARO, THOMAS ANTHONY, III, son of Sec. II Patricia A. Bavaro, Planning and Research Division, and husband Thomas, 7 lbs. 1 oz., February 26.

WISSMAN, LINDSAY ELISE, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. John Wissman, Southwestern District, 9 lbs. 7 oz., March 30.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

EDER, DIANE, Police Officer, Northeastern District, wife of Police Officer Charles Eder, Eastern District, April 10.

MACKESSY, RAYMOND A., JR., retired Police Officer, Chief of Patrol's Office, April 19.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: 2 bedroom condominium, 1½ baths, large living-dining areas, eat-in kitchen with new flooring, sun porch. \$54,900.00. Contact Ms. Johnson, Education & Training Division.

For Sale: 1987 Honda (street) motorcycle, 360 electric start, good running condition, and very clean. Helmet and shield included. Reduced for quick sale, \$350.00 or will trade for comparable valued deer rifle. Sgt. Heddings, EDist.

For Sale: 1982 Chrysler Lebaron convertible, navy with tan interior and top, A/C, auto. P.S., P.B., tiltwheel, power windows, locks and top. Stereo with tape. New shocks, tires, exhaust, Md. inspected, passed emissions test. Excellent condition, \$6,200.00, P.O. David Eastman, Traffic Div.



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## Neighborhood Mediation

### *A Service of the Baltimore Community Relations Commission*

by Alvin O. Gillard  
Community Relations Commission

*The following article is a part of an irregular series of feature stories designed to share information of interest to the law enforcement community.*

Baltimore is typical of the modern city in that it is comprised of many ethnic and age groups of people hailing from all areas of the globe. It is not unusual, then, that there may be conflicts which arise due to the diversity in the backgrounds of the people. For those who are not directly involved, conflicts may seem trivial and unimportant, but for those who are involved, it is often the most serious matter at hand.

The Mediation Unit of the Community Relations Commission has, for over eight years, worked closely with the Police Department in resolving neighborhood conflict situations. These situations have been dubbed "nuisance cases" by most officers on the street. However, it is understood that many murders, assaults, larcenies and property destruction charges began as nuisance cases.

The following is typical of a situation that may be handled by CRC; two next door neighbors were friends for years, however, their teenage daughters got involved in an argument over something that happened in school. For a period of two weeks, the girls were really going at each other physically and verbally. As a result of this, other family members and ultimately the parents became involved. As time passed, the families continuously traded accusations, but now the acts had become serious enough for the matter to be taken to

court. During this time, the police were called almost daily for reasons such as the stereo being played too loudly, one neighbor throwing trash on the other's lawn, tires flattened by someone, etc. It is this type of situation that literally puts the responding officer in a bind. Often there is not sufficient evidence or cause to make an arrest, but the officer strongly suspects what has taken place.

At this point, the Community Relations Commission's Mediation Unit should be contacted. A simple call to 396-3151 will initiate the process. A staff person responsible for intake will take the appropriate information.

Once the intake has been assigned to a mediator, the disputing parties will be contacted within 48 hours. The mediator will schedule either a field visit or an office visit depending on what is convenient for the disputants. During the visit, the mediator attempts to get as much information about the dispute as possible. It should be noted that the mediator is a neutral party throughout the whole process.

The mediator's role is to open lines of communication so that the disputants may work to resolve their own problems. At no time does the mediator impose sanctions or sit in judgment. While gathering background information on the dispute, it is necessary that the mediator speak to as many people as possible who may have information regarding the dispute.

After the data gathering is complete, the mediator tries to bring all the dis-

## Graduation Ceremony

On Friday, May 9, 1986, thirty-six members of the graduating class of 85-4 were presented Certificates of Completion from Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson. Among the graduates were three officers from the Maryland Port Administration Police Department, an officer from the Annapolis Police Department and Coppin State College.

The graduation concluded 24 weeks of classroom instruction and field training. During their academic training, the graduates enrolled 1,000 residents into the Neighborhood Block Watch crime prevention program. The class members volunteered their time to go throughout the city encouraging citizens to obtain a confidential identification number to be used when reporting to police suspicious activity in their communities.

Lieutenant Alvin A. Winkler, Tactical Section Class Advisor, contributes the successful Block Watch recruitment drive to the class's ability to apply the fundamentals of teamwork. "During my tenure at the Education and Training Division, this class has an in-depth understanding of their important role as a team member within the Department," said Lt. Winkler.

Officer William F. Haught received the Police Commissioner's Award of Excellence. This award is presented to the class member who was voted by his peers as having exhibited outstanding leadership abilities and professionalism.

Officer Timothy F. Wade graduated with the highest academic grade with a grade point average of 96.7.

Mr. H. Mcbane Turner, President of the University of Baltimore, delivered the graduation address.

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puting parties together at a neutral location to seek resolution of the issue.

The mediation session is critically important because if the mediator does not have complete control, all could be lost. However, the Commission's professional staff is trained to act as a part of the solution, not the problem.

The mediator gives each party an opportunity to address the conflict without being interrupted. From there, the mediator encourages the disputants to discuss what they want or feel they need to resolve the conflict. Once this has been done, which often takes some time, possible solutions are addressed. Except in extreme cases, all parties usually have to give a little to reach an agreement.

If the process is successful, a written agreement is drafted and signed by the disputants. It clearly outlines what each party has committed him or herself to in fostering the solution. The process is not yet complete because the mediator has to provide proper follow-up to each party. Sometimes the agreements break down, but if the parties involved are sincere, they can usually be salvaged.

Neighborhood Mediation is neither fool proof nor a cure-all, but with a success rate of about 80%, it is certainly something that should be utilized.

The Community Relations Commission, under the direction of John B. Ferron, has made a commitment to seeking innovative ways in which the citizenry of Baltimore can best be served. Alvin O. Gillard, who is the Commission's Senior Mediator, encourages any and all interested parties to contact him personally for additional information.

## Graduation

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Following the presentation of Certificates to the graduates, the Medal of Honor was posthumously awarded to Police Officer Richard J. Lear, who was killed in the line of duty during 1985. The Medal of Honor is awarded by

the Police Commissioner . . . "to those members who have distinguished themselves conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of their own lives above and beyond the call of duty."



Mr. John Lear (right) accepts the Medal of Honor awarded posthumously to his brother, deceased Police Officer Richard J. Lear, from Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson. The award was presented during the graduation ceremony.

A plaque was given to Mr. John Lear, Officer Lear's brother. Mr. Lear presented to Commissioner Robinson a donation to the Signal 13 Foundation. The Signal 13 Foundation provides assistance to members of the Department during times of personal emergency.

The Distinguished Service Award was given to Police Agent Harlow Fullwood, Personnel Division. The Distinguished Service Award is given by the Police Commissioner commending a member of the Department for exceptional service. Agent Fullwood, during his 22 years with the Department, recruited over 1,600 Police Officers and Cadets.

A reception followed the ceremony where members of the Department expressed their personal congratulations to the graduates.

## Marine Unit Gears Up For Summer

Warm weather brings Baltimoreans flocking to the delights of the Inner Harbor. Boaters may be adding a new coat of paint to their boats, getting ready to spend summer weekends in the water around the Harbor. For most Baltimoreans, it's pleasure time, but for

the Baltimore Police Department's Marine Unit, it's work time.

One of the oldest divisions in the Police Department, the Marine Unit has had jurisdiction over Baltimore's waterways since 1860. Then, each district had a rowboat. Today, the Marine Unit is equipped with five patrol boats of all different sizes docked at Pier 6.

This is the unit's busiest season. Sanding, painting, cleaning and waxing is the order of the day, as the Officers ready the patrol boats for summer. The "Intrepid," a 50 foot vessel is the largest workhorse. The next largest boat is the "Baltimore's Best," a 30 foot utility vessel. A 25 foot Boston Whaler fiberglass boat is the newest of the fleet. The 25 footer and the two 17 foot fiberglass Boston Whalers are the boats most often seen during the summer. Their small size makes maneuvering easier in summer water traffic.

"In the last 10 years, the climate has changed from Merchant-going vessels to pleasure boats," according to Marine Unit Sergeant John P. Henderson. "This is something new for us. We are learning all the time," he says. "One of the biggest tasks pleasure boaters have brought to the Marine Unit is speed enforcement. The speed limit in the Inner Harbor, the Middle Branch and Curtis Bay is six knots (7 MPH). Most boats exceeding the speed limit cause problems with wakes. Excessive wakes can cause damage to other boats," says Sergeant Henderson.

He says the use of radar has helped enforce the speed limit. Officers issue the same citations used by the Natural Resources Police because of the numerous marine laws. So these officers must have knowledge of all state laws dealing with waterways in addition to city ordinances.

Operating a boat while intoxicated is a new problem. Sergeant Henderson remembers an incident involving an experienced boating captain. "The vessel ran into the seawall and had many problems docking. The officers knew something was wrong because of the boater's professional experience. Upon an investigation, the Officers determined the captain was intoxicated and charged him with operating while intoxicated.

As the summer begins, Sergeant Henderson says, boaters are often unprepared to place their boats in the water.



"We have a lot of people breaking down with dead batteries," the Sergeant explains. "A lot of people let their boats sit during winter. They jump in when spring comes and expect them to start. They just can't do that," he says.

The Marine Unit expands as harbor projects increase to meet the needs of a growing waterfront. Plans are underway to move the Unit from Pier six to Canton. Even though the Inner Harbor is the busiest area, the Marine Unit also patrols the Middle Branch near South Baltimore General Hospital and Curtis Bay, totaling approximately 5,000 acres of water.

Boaters can take comfort while sailing through Baltimore waterways to get to the Chesapeake Bay, the Marine Unit is watching out for their safety.

## Boating Tips

Many boaters may be ready to commission their boats for summer use. Here are some boating safety tips presented by Sergeant John P. Henderson of the Baltimore City Police Department's Marine Unit:

1. New Captains should have some knowledge of boating and the basic rules of seamanship before getting underway. The Natural Resources Police Department has a home study course available.
2. Make sure your craft has the proper safety equipment: each passenger must have a life preserver. A fire extinguisher and visual distress signals, such as flares, should be aboard.
3. When just starting out for the summer, check that the battery is in good condition. If a small amount of gasoline remained in the gas tank all winter long, discard it if it has not been treated and begin with fresh fuel.
4. Check all lines to assure that they are not frayed.
5. It is recommended that boats have a VHF Marine Radio. The Coast Guard and Marine Unit Patrol Boats all have Marine Radios. CB Radios are not monitored.
6. If you leave your boat for any length of time, take all equipment accessible to thieves off of the deck.

7. Boaters should be aware to stay out of the way of Merchant ships. It is recommended that pleasure boats sail alongside the channel. In most areas, except Fort McHenry, the areas on either side of the channel are deep.
8. The speed limit in the Inner Harbor (the Northwest Branch), the Middle Branch (at South Baltimore General Hospital), and Curtis Bay is 6 knots.
9. The basic rules of seamanship call for right of way to be granted to all sailboats approaching in a northern and eastern direction.

## Do It Yourself

Are you the type who would rather fix it yourself than call a repairman? If so, the Self-Help Expo at Baltimore's Festival Hall on May 24, 25 and 26 could be for you.

Learn a variety of skills including home repairs, car care, resume writing and financial planning.

Keeping with the theme, "Avenues of Opportunity," the Self-Help Expo will present, "Landscaping Lane," a look at plant care and landscaping. A drive down "Automobile Alley," will feature tips and services for home garage mechanics. Make a right turn and you'll find yourself on "Home Improvement Highway," a workshop treating home repair enthusiasts to a wealth of information about cost-saving materials and home repair tips.

Home repair can also be a method of preventing crime. The Baltimore City Police Department's Crime Resistance Unit will display measures you can take to make your home safe from crime. In addition to the Crime Resistance Van display, Lt. Robert Wilson says the unit will sign up Block Watchers and display information about Metro Crime Stoppers and the 685-DRUG Hotline.

Other city agencies participating will demonstrate fire prevention, recycling home materials into sellable art, & community improvements.

The Expo will open at Festival Hall from 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. on May 24th, Noon - 6:00 p.m. on May 25th, and 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on May 26th. Call 396-4370 for more information.

## Visit the World in Baltimore

Visit France, Italy, Germany, the West Indies, Israel, Ireland and other countries without ever leaving Baltimore! It can be done the weekend of May 30 at Festival Hall.

Baltimore begins celebrating summer with the All Nations Festival, Friday, May 30 through Sunday, June 1, 1986.

Sample exotic foods, watch stylish dances, explore unique crafts and cultures from other lands while you see the world.

A visitor can dance the Jitterbug for prizes, swing to the sounds of big bands and renowned singing sensation Al Martino. Children can explore the Children's Corner to learn cultures, languages and folklore of many nations.

The All Nations Festival is open Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$2.00. Children under 12 admitted free.



On April 10, 1986, the Baltimore Police Helicopter Unit was recognized once again for outstanding service. The Helicopter Unit received an award from the Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc., during the 13th Annual Airborne Law Enforcement Association Northeastern Safety Seminar held recently in Baltimore. Major Regis R. Raffensberger, Tactical Section, (right) accepts the award from Mr. Jim Beall, Law Enforcement Coordinator for Bell Helicopters. Over 43 agencies had representatives present at the seminar from as far away as California and Florida.

## Rabies Clinic

A rabies epidemic is at an all-time high, according to officials from the Baltimore City Health Department. It's up to every pet owner to protect his

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pet with a rabies vaccination.

The Baltimore City Health Department offers rabies vaccination clinics throughout the summer. The first clinic is Sunday, May 25, 1986, at the following locations: Patterson Senior High School, 100 South Kane Street; Equitable Trust Bank, North Avenue and Charles Street; Maryland National Bank, 5655 The Alameda; Erdman Shopping Center, 4100 Erdman Avenue; Broadway Shopping Center, 1100 Orleans Street; Gardenville Shopping Center, Frankford Avenue and Belair Road.

The cost is \$4.00 per pet. Each clinic operates from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Call 396-4688 for information.

## NEWS NOTES

Baltimore Police Department's track team, the Baltimore Blues, took top honors in a 10k road race sponsored by the United States Secret Service in Beltsville, Md. Below are the team member's final standings.

Officer Frank E. Wagner, Jr., Southern District - fourth overall, third in the 20-29 age group.

Officer Stephen F. Grenfell, Tactical Division - fifth overall and first in the 30-39 age group.

Officer Troy J. Lewis, Jr., Northern District - finished sixth overall and third in the 30-39 age group.

Agent Joseph J. Dobrosielsky, Northwestern District - ninth overall, third in the 30-39 age group.



On April 8, 1986, Dr. Frank T. Barranco, the Department's Chief Physician was awarded the Tip of the Hat Award by the Personnel Service Board. Sergeant Charles R. Daugherty, Chairman, says, "Dr. Barranco has spent many of his off-duty hours rendering his assistance whenever necessary many times at a moment's notice."

On hand to present the award to Dr. Barranco (second from left) is (L to R) Detective August W. Bucheit, Criminal Investigation Division, Lieutenant Paul F. Bailey, Criminal Investigation Division and Major Herman R. Ingram, Personnel Division.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Renee Michelle Johnson, daughter of Major and Mrs. Joseph S. Johnson, who will graduate from Penn State University on May 19th. She will be attending Graduate School at Western Maryland University in the fall. Renee majors in speech and communication disorders.

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIVISION** — Welcome aboard Lieutenant Michael D. Bass and Sergeant Leonard D. Hamm.

Good luck to Lieutenant John Meeks on his new assignment.

Happy anniversary to Sergeant Robert Wolfe on his thirty-three years of service rendered to the department.

## RETIREMENTS

BERGER, LAWRENCE G., Police Officer, Property Division, 26 yrs. of service, April 29.  
 RYAN, FRANCIS X., Police Officer, Central Records Division, 28 yrs. of service, May 1.  
 BROWN, ROLLINS W., Police Officer, Traffic Division, 25 yrs. of service, May 6.  
 MITCHELL, JAMES E., Police Officer, Tactical Section, 29 yrs. of service, May 15.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LONG, ELIZABETH CECILIA, daughter of Police Agent and Mrs. Richard Long, Eastern District, 7 lbs., 13 oz., April 2.  
 MAXEY, CHRISTOPHER JAMES, son of Police Officer and Mrs. James Maxey, Eastern District, 7 lbs., 12½ oz., April 2.  
 RAINEY, CHRISTY RENEE, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. David B. Rainey, Southwestern District, granddaughter of Lieutenant James L. Rainey, Western District, 7 lbs. 4 oz., April 3.  
 NARANGO, APRIL DAWN, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. William Narango, Southern District, 7 lbs. 3 oz., April 7.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

YOX, GROVER B., JR., Police Officer, Northwestern District, April 27.  
 BURKARD, WILLIAM J., retired Sergeant, Western District, April 27.

## IN MEMORIAM

JACKSON, ROBERT M., father of Police Officer Reuben Jackson, Tactical Section, March 23.  
 LEMBACH, GEORGE A., father of Lieutenant Gary G. Lembach, Internal Investigation Division, March 24.  
 WOOLRIDGE, CHARLES, brother of Al Woolridge, Police Identification System Manager, Central Records Division, March 24.  
 CAMERON, IDA L., mother-in-law of Mary R. Cameron, Community Relations Section, March 26.



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## The Evening Sun Police Officer Of The Year

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Posing as a street-level drug dealer, Detective Carolyn Gillespie had made numerous buys from a large city heroin ring during a six-month investigation.

But as the investigation neared completion, Gillespie's true identity was discovered by the central figure in the drug ring, jeopardizing the undercover operation.

Her life, too, was threatened because the drug ring was known for its violence.

"She was able to sense that something was wrong with him [the dealer]. They don't just call us and say we know you're a cop," said Detective Sgt. Anthony Cannavale, Gillespie's partner. "He was really posturing himself for what he was going to do, whether he was going to take some kind of violent action or whether he was going to flee."

Gillespie, a seven-year veteran, continued to ruse for a few weeks until she convinced the dealer that she was a policewoman on the take.

Soon after, narcotics officers arrested Larry Cozart, the drug czar, and five others. Police also seized more than \$100,000 in drugs, a handgun and thousands of dollars in cash.

Cozart and his conspirators were later convicted of distribution of heroin and sentenced to prison.

For her actions, Gillespie, 25, today was named *The Evening Sun* Police Offi-

cer of the Year for law enforcement.

It is the second straight year a city police officer on temporary assignment to a federal Drug Enforcement Agency task force has won the award. Last year, Detective Marcellus Ward, who was slain during a narcotics investigation, won the award posthumously.

Gillespie, said Cozart, who led a "high tech" drug operation that used car phones and beepers to conduct business, probably was told she was a police officer by someone who saw her when she was assigned to uniformed patrol.

"[Cozart] really didn't say he knew. It was something in his voice—the way he demanded to see me [during a telephone call]. I knew that I didn't want to see him," Gillespie said.

She avoided Cozart several times after she suspected he knew her true identity until she could devise a plan to make him think she was crooked.

"He called me one day and I had someone answer the phone and act like an irate boyfriend and cuss him out, and then hang up on him," Gillespie said.

"It worked. It must of made him say, 'She got a crazy man, I ain't going to [bother] her no more,'" she said.

Cozart continued to sell drugs to her until his arrest.

"She's probably the best female undercover officer that either DEA or Baltimore City has," Cannavale said. "She's smooth, she's intelligent, she's calm, she's

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## Rubbing It Out

Graffiti. It's been appearing on walls and signs all over Baltimore. The problem prompted Mayor William Donald Schaefer to organize a city-wide campaign against vandalism. With the help of the Police Department, 215 vandalism arrests have been made since January 1, 1986. Graffiti arrests accounted for about one half of those.



"We are absolutely pleased. The credit goes to the Officers," says Captain Howard F. Parrott, Patrol Division Coordinator of the Baltimore Campaign Against Vandalism. Captain Parrott organized the Department's efforts to fight vandalism in addition to his normal role as Deputy District Commander of the Southern District.

Captain Parrott, who has personally made some recent vandalism arrests, says it is important to keep the momentum going. "Graffiti adds to neighborhood deterioration. We don't want to see that."

"Vandalism and graffiti are totally at odds with what is being done to make this city better," according to Mr. Dan Lipstein, Coordinator of the Baltimore Campaign Against Vandalism.

The first phase of the successful graffiti campaign is to make members of the Department and the community aware that graffiti is a growing problem and

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able to think under pressure."

Despite the danger, Gillespie, a 1977 Eastern High School graduate, enjoys working undercover narcotics, although it is often frustrating.

"You see the initial effect, but then you know eventually that two, three, four more people are going to come and replace that person you just sent to jail," she said. "It's like a no-win situation."

Gillespie was working in the department's Criminal Investigation Division in April 1985 when she was assigned to the DEA task force as Ward's replacement. She knew of the added dangers of working undercover narcotics, but still was anxious for the assignment.

"A lot of what we do is gut instinct," Gillespie said. "You have to feel the situation and you try to think of what someone who was actually living in that life would do in that situation—how they would react."

"While I'm out there, I really don't think about the danger. I think about what role I'm playing at this particular time and whatever it is I'm buying. I don't think about the danger until I get back in the office, and then . . ."

Often, Gillespie has infiltrated drug rings, starting from the bottom making street-level drug buys, then working her way up through the ranks to nail the top drug dealer.

Last March, she successfully infiltrated the major drug ring allegedly run by Clarence Meredith, who had been in the hierarchy of the Maurice "Peanut" King organization. The Meredith ring allegedly took in \$75,000 to \$150,00 a week, according to police.

Gillespie volunteered for the assignment knowing she would be unarmed and aware of Meredith's vow that he never would be taken alive.

But during a nearly nine-month investigation, Gillespie was able to infiltrate the inner circle of the alleged Meredith ring and learn the workings of the operation. During that time, officers purchased more than one pound of high-grade heroin.

The investigation culminated in October with the arrest of Meredith and several others allegedly involved in the

ring. In December, a federal grand jury returned a 55-count indictment against Meredith for heroin distribution.

Making drug buys is one of the hardest tasks an undercover officer has to do, Gillespie said, but it is also exhilarating.

"I like going out making the buys from whoever," Gillespie said. "I like getting him on tape, having him boast [about] his operation and having him actually put drugs in my hand."

Gillespie apparently is so good at getting drug dealers to feel comfortable with her around that once a dealer gave her pointers on how to avoid getting caught by police.

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the deteriorating effects it has on a neighborhood. Captain Parrott stresses to officers to be on the lookout for graffiti appearing on buildings throughout the city. Seeing graffiti everyday, a person can become insensitive to it.

Community support is the second phase of the program. The Neighborhood Block Watchers are increasingly reporting incidents of vandalism and identifying graffiti writers. This confidential information enables officers to conduct in-depth investigations to make arrests.

Mr. Dan Lipstein predicts that the arrests will slow down the process and signal to vandals that the City of Baltimore will not tolerate their activities. Many of the violators are responsible for more than one vandalism incident. A violator can write a name more than 100 times a night. Therefore, one arrest can be far reaching in solving the graffiti problem.

The third phase of the program is removing graffiti from buildings, bridges and other structures. Mr. Lipstein says that if graffiti remains, it can cause fear, loss of pride and low self-esteem for the residents.

The final phase of the program will be to find new ways for graffiti writers to channel their energies and express themselves.

With the combined effort of officers being on alert for vandals and making arrests, along with the help of city residents, graffiti will soon disappear and Baltimore will be able to put on a happy face by getting rid of this eyesore.

## Department Participates In The Olympics

Members of the Baltimore Police Department will join more than 7,000 other law enforcement officers in over 45 states across the nation in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. It is a program to provide financial support for this summer's Maryland Special Olympics. Through tax-deductible donations, year-round athletic programs will be able to continue to serve Maryland's mentally and physically disabled citizens. A registration fee of \$5.00 from all running participants will also go towards the fund-raiser drive.

The torch run will begin at 7:00 a.m., June 11, 1986. Special olympic torches, one of which was used in the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games, will be lit on the steps of colleges, executive offices in three locations in Maryland. The lighting of each torch will symbolize the start of the day as officers run intervals along a planned route covering most of the state. On the second day of the relay, Friday, June 13, 1986, at 11:30 a.m., officers of Anne Arundel County will pass the torch to Baltimore Police Officers on Potee Street at the City Line. Our runners will then relay the torch through Baltimore via Potee Street — Hanover Street — Montgomery Street — Charles Street to the Northern City Line, until 1:15 p.m. At this time, the police officers of Baltimore County will accept the torch and relay it to the Towson State University Stadium for the Special Olympics on Saturday, June 14, 1986.

Sergeant Edwin Schillo, Education and Training Division, says that officers can run any distance they choose along the 9.9 mile route. "We are looking for the same interest and generosity from members of the Department, that have made other charity drives in the past a success," says Sergeant Schillo. Even if members can't participate in the torch run, a donation to the Special Olympic games can be made.

"The mission of the Special Olympics," says Ms. Judi Porecki, Public Relations Director for the Maryland Special Olympics, Inc., is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition



in a variety of well-grouped olympic type sports for all children and adults with mental retardation, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, experience courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other special olympians and the community."

The Maryland Special Olympics, Inc., is a tax-exempt organization, incorporated in Maryland on December 8, 1970. It was established through the encouragement of the Special Olympics, Inc., an organization that operates under the auspices of the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation.

Since its beginning in 1968, the Special Olympics have grown to include more than 1 million special children and adults who participate in the athletic events throughout the United States. The Maryland Special Olympics will be a part of this opportunity in which, "These special people often, for the first time, will have a chance to show their families and community just how much they can accomplish. For them, the special olympics is a new way to health and a new kind of joy," says Ms. Porecki.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run will set the stage for the momentum put forth by those to participate in the games.

Ms. Porecki describes the Special Olympics as, "sport in its truest sense. The goal is not to win, but to try. To experience, not to conquer. No time is too slow, no distance too small to earn a ribbon, a hug, a cheer, or a sincere 'well done.' No records are broken in Special Olympics, except for courage, determination and sportsmanship."

## Police Chase V

On Sunday, June 1, 1986, at 9:00 a.m., when the starter pistol is fired, excitement will be in the air as more than 300 runners compete in the Baltimore Police Department's 5th Annual Police Chase.

Last year's competition resulted in a tie between Northeastern and Northwestern Districts. The 1986 Police Chase will determine which District or Division team will obtain the 1st place Police Chase trophy.

Sergeant Frank Melcavage, Education and Training Division, says that you don't have to be a triathlete to be in the 10 kilometer (6.2 mile) race. "It's

a time for members of the Department, their families and representatives from other law enforcement agencies to come together and have fun," describes Sergeant Melcavage.



Major John C. Lewandowski, Northeastern District, (right) and Captain Robert T. Lewandowski, Northwestern District, engage in friendly rivalry over the 1985 Police Chase Trophy. Last year's race resulted in a tie between those district teams.

Many members of the Department are signing up to participate in this year's Police Chase. We'll let you know who's the winner!

All participants in this year's race will receive a golf shirt. Refreshments and door prizes are also available. Trophies will be given in the age, gender and team categories. Registration fee is \$10.00. For more information and applications, contact Sergeant Frank Melcavage, 2518.

## Retiree Notes

On May 5, 1986, the Baltimore City Retired Police Association held their Annual Election. The Officers for the ensuing year of 1986-87 are:

Ret. Sgt. Gilbert Derrenberger, President  
Ret. Sgt. John Nagel, Vice President  
Ret. Lieut. Fred Glock, Treasurer  
Ret. P.O. Pat Hallameyer, Finance Sec.  
Ret. Sgt. Robert List, Secretary  
Ret. P.O. Charles Gerick, Sgt. at Arms

City Council Bill #1096, Military Service Credit Bill, was passed unanimously by the members of the Council on May 12, 1986. The Bill will take effect on July 1, 1986. This Bill benefits Veterans who retired before January 7, 1982.

## NEWS NOTES

Pennsylvania Hunting Club now has openings for 10 new members. The non-profit organization is comprised of law enforcement officers. Members can hunt deer, turkey and grouse on more than 600 acres of land. Hunting ground locat-

ed 1½ hours from Baltimore near Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Facilities for camping are also available. Membership fee is \$60.00 a year. For more information contact Officer John Bailey. NEDist.

## LIBRARY NOTES

The following materials have been recently added to the Department's Library Collection:

*Police Field Operations* by Thomas Francis Adam. Prentice Hall. 1985.  
*What Every Supervisor Should Know* by Lester R. Bittel, 5th ed. McGraw-Hill.  
*How To Protect Your Business* by Council of Better Business Bureau. Prentice Hall. 1985.  
*Coping With Executive Stress* by Lawrence Galton. McGraw-Hill 1983.

## Post Scripts

Dear Sir:

The recent story on television about the NORTHWEST CITIZENS PATROL has prompted me to do what I wanted and should have done long before this.

I would like to commend the fine gentlemen who give so freely and willingly of their time in order to help their community. This time could be spent with their families in the evenings or in some other pursuits.

As a widow, living alone, there are occasions when it is necessary to return to my home after dark. Even though I live on a well lighted corner, it is unfortunately, still a little scary in this day and age to have to enter an empty house alone.

Several times, as I returned home, one of these cars was passing and either slowed or stopped until I got into the house safely.

On one occasion I had forgotten a package in my car as I turned to retrieve it, they stopped and asked if I was all right. They stayed and waited until I retrieved my package, relocked my car and entered my home. Then and only then did they leave.

I may never know the names of these fine gentlemen, nor meet any of them in person, but I shall never forget them and the feeling of security I get when I see one of them go by with the N W C P emblem on their car.

Most sincerely,  
Mrs. Henry Mautner

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## Post Scripts

To the Officers of the Police Department:

Please accept my sincere appreciation for the many acts of sympathy and kindness shown our family by the Baltimore City Police Department at the time of my husband's death. It is comforting to know that his dedication and commitment to the police force was appreciated and will be remembered.

Your concern and care has made it easier for us to cope with this tragedy. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Yox

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**EASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Ms. Stephanie M. Barnes, daughter of Major John A. Barnes, and his wife Gloria. Stephanie recently graduated from the Master's Program at the University of California at Berkley. We wish her luck in the fulfillment of her academic major in the field of City and Regional Planning.

## WEDDINGS

**TRESS, SAMUEL**, Lieutenant, Tactical Section and the former Tricia Fagan, formerly of the Chief of Patrol's Office, April 12.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MICHAEL, ERICA LOUISE**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. George Michael, Southern District, 8 lbs. 11½ oz., April 11.

**MARTINS, KIMBERLY MARIE**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Karl Martins, 7 lbs. 10 oz., April 12.

**CANTON, LAURA LYNN**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Mark Canton, Southwestern District, 8 lbs. 15 oz., April 22.

**KOCH, KATELYN MARIE**, daughter of Sergeant and Mrs. Frederick Koch, Central District, 8 lbs. 12 oz., April 25.

**DIFONZO, MONICA ROSE**, daughter of Police Agent and Mrs. Mario DiFonzo, Southwestern District, April 28.

**KIRKPATRICK, JONATHAN ALEXANDER**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. James Kirkpatrick, 7 lbs. 14 oz., April 30.

**FLETCHER, JULIE KAY**, daughter of Flight Officer and Mrs. Billy Fletcher, 8 lbs. 11 oz., May 2.

**TABOR, BRIAN MICHAEL**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Michael Tabor, 5 lbs. 8 oz., May 3.

**OWENS, CANDICE DENISE**, daughter of Police Cadet and Mrs. Aaron S. Owens, Central Records Division, 8 lbs. 10 oz., May 8.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

**CHASE, HERBERT F.**, retired Police Officer, Western District, May 9.

**KLEMMICK, CHARLES P.**, retired Sergeant, Per. Div., Cas. Sec., formerly Traffic Division, May 10.

## IN MEMORIAM

**HARVIN, ELIJAH**, father of PCA I Rose Harvin, Communications Division, March 25.

**HARTMAN, CATHERINE**, sister of Sergeant Richard Concannon, Data Processing Services, March 28.

**BATSON, JACK**, father of Police Officer Michael Batson, Northwestern District, April 1.

**OWENS, CHARLES C.**, father of Police Officer Charles C. Owens, Jr., Tactical Section, April 2.

**PETTERSON, OLAF**, father of Police Officer Martin J. Petterson, E.C.U., Property Division, April 4.

**CONNELLY, MYRTLE**, mother of Police Officer James Whipp, Northern District, April 5.

**CIRRI, LAURA L.**, mother of Police Officer Stephen J. Cirri, Communications Division, April 10.

**DRUMWRIGHT, HUBERT H.**, father-in-law of Police Officer Robert L. Mack, Northwestern District, April 10.

**WEINER, EDMUND**, father of Police Agent David Welner, Tactical Section, April 14.

**BYRD, OPHELIA**, grandmother of PCA I Vivian Ford, Communications Division, April 14.

**MCCLUSKEY, MARIE JOANNA**, wife of retired Police Officer John J. McCluskey, Sr., Eastern District, April 16.

**WHITE, KELLY LYNN**, stepdaughter of Police Officer Walter Krauss, Marine Unit, April 18.

**NELSON, HILDA DUCKETT**, grandmother of Police Agent Joseph S. Moore, Northeastern District, April 22.

**ANTKOWIAK, JACOB**, grandfather of Police Officer Janet Antkowiak, Southern District, April 25.

**HERRMAN, MELVIN W.**, father of Sergeant Nelson Herrman, Communications Division, May 3.

**SHARP, GROVER CLEVELAND, JR.**, father of Lieutenant Grover Sharp, C.I.D., Property Crimes Section and Sergeant Robert Sharp, C.I.D., Auto Squad, May 8.

**ROSS, MYRTLE**, grandmother of Police Officer Richard Krause, Northwestern District, May 12.

**PALACKY, KEITH E.**, stepson of Detective Bruce Carlin, Chief of Patrol Office, May 13.

**BROWN, WILBURN**, father-in-law of Sergeant Jack D'Amario, Northwestern District, May 13.

**KORCOS, JULIA LARICOS**, sister of retired Sergeant William G. Laricos, Southwestern District, May 17.

**BOND, EDWARD L.**, father of retired Police Officer Edward L. Bond, Jr., Communications Division, May 18.

**DAVIS, ELLA**, grandmother of Sec. II Claudette Davis, Laboratory Division, and Office Assistant II Claudia Davis, C.I.D., May 18.

**HENSON, EARL**, father of Office Assistant II Vera Boone, Southern District, May 19.

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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

June 11, 1986

## Baltimore's Safety City

The school year is now coming to a close and children throughout the city are looking forward to a fun filled summer. Many will play in their neighborhoods on sidewalks and traffic congested streets. To assure that this city's young pedestrians are safe, they should know, and adhere to, the rules of traffic safety.

Baltimore's Safety City gives school age children practical instructions in how to cross a street, safe bicycling and the meaning of various traffic signs and devices.

Safety City, located in Druid Hill Park, was recently redesigned and a dedication ceremony was held on June 3, 1986.

Mayor William Donald Schaefer attended the ribbon cutting ceremony and told more than 200 people that the official opening of Baltimore's Safety City was an important event. "Its location remains in Druid Hill Park," said Mayor Schaefer, "so that there can be an enjoyable time visiting the Baltimore Zoo and then a learning experience nearby at Baltimore's Safety City. The location provides easy access to many people on tours from surrounding counties."

The 2nd grade class of Westside Elementary School eagerly waited as Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson and Mr. Mose Ottenheimer, II, Chairman of the Mayor's Traffic Safety Commission, cut the ribbon. The children ran through Baltimore's Model Safety City's gates where Officers Melvin Dickerson and Stanley F. Dobrzycki began their safety presentations.

At Safety City, the children enter on Harbor Street where a model of the Inner Harbor and Fort McHenry are located. Here they learn water safety. Officer Dobrzycki says that, "Many school trips and family outings are to

the Inner Harbor and the children need to learn that water can be fun and at times hazardous."

The next site is a fire hydrant and railroad tracks. The children listen carefully to a warning about the dangers of water pressure and taking shortcuts across railroad tracks.



Officer Melvin E. Dickerson, Traffic Division, teaches second graders from Westside Elementary School how to safely cross a busy intersection.

More than 2,000 children have visited Baltimore's Model Safety City to learn how to be a good pedestrian.

Down Industry Way, there is a factory where they are told that on their walk to and from their destination, the children are to remain on their route and not enter private property.

Each of the 7 year olds stopped at the intersection and looked in all 4 directions before crossing into the other sites. These include the streets of Gasoline

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## UPDATE

Bishop L. Robinson  
Police Commissioner

The Baltimore Police Department continues to acquire improved products and technology:

### SOFT BODY ARMOR

Shipments of the new 21-ply Kevlar soft body armor are arriving daily from the manufacturer.

So far more than 1,000 units have been received. It is my understanding that all of the protective garments will have been received within a few weeks.

The new soft body armor features front and back panels providing increased coverage and threat level protection.

### PATROL VEHICLES

The marked fleet continues to be "upsized." There are now more than 225 full sized marked vehicles on the street or awaiting marking before being assigned to Districts. One hundred-thirty mid-sized vehicles remaining will be replaced on a timely basis.

### PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENTS

In an effort to reduce "down time" and paperwork, I have directed that beginning July 1, 1986, members of the Department will no longer conduct lengthy investigations of minor property damage automobile accidents in the city.

General Order 18-86 contains detailed information on this innovation.

### SECONDARY EMPLOYMENT

This program has grown from three to forty locations and now includes first line supervisors. Similar programs provide additional means of income and have been made available in Public Housing, overtime foot patrol and traffic assignments at downtown construction sites.

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## Safety City

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Alley that has a gasoline station and driveway, Peninsula Court, which is a dead end street and Crosstown Boulevard. There are automatic signals, parking meters and an assortment of traffic signs.



An overview of Baltimore's Model Safety City recently opened in Druid Hill Park.

Baltimore's Safety City also includes a section which resembles a suburban neighborhood. This is not only for those youngsters visiting from the surrounding counties but also to expose inner city youths to as many different traffic situations as possible.

After the children completed the course and obeyed all the safety rules, they rode motorized scooters through the miniature city; since they had proven themselves to be good pedestrians, they were eager to "drive."

## UPDATE

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### NEW EQUIPMENT

Every member of the Department was recently provided with new Glo Coats. New fiberglass compartments were placed in Canine Vehicles. Prisoner transport systems were developed as an expedient arrest procedure for officer protection. The emergency lights on patrol vehicles have also been improved. Newly designed holsters and belts to meet your recommendations for an improved secure weapons system will be arriving in the near future.

We continue to look for ways in which to assist you in performing your professional duties and we are pleased that, during these challenging fiscal times, progress is continuing. We must give our equipment and materials the best care and maintenance. We accept nothing less than the best.

## Firefighter Rescued

On May 18th, 1986, about 5 o'clock in the afternoon, the Baltimore Police Department's Marine Unit was on patrol of Baltimore's Inner Harbor when they were notified of a fire on Brown's Wharf in the Fells Point area.

Sergeant George B. Kirchenbauer and Officers William G. Geiger and John E. Bunker, Marine Unit, responded to the pier aboard the Department's 25 ft. Boston Whaler. After arriving, they established a safety zone to keep other boaters from entering the area of the fire.

Several spectators who had gathered nearby began shouting that a firefighter had fallen through the pier deck. Officer David N. Datsko, Tactical Section, was on another pier, heard the citizens, and relayed the information to the Marine Unit.



Photo taken by Auxiliary Officer Howard B. Gerber

Members of the Marine Unit (L to R) Officer John E. Bunker, Sgt. George B. Kirchenbauer, and Officer William G. Geiger (standing in the wheel house of the 25' foot Boston Whaler) approached the burning pier to save the life of Baltimore Firefighter Don J. Schaefer.

While approaching the pier, Officer Geiger saw a yellow fire helmet floating in the water, confirming that a fireman was probably in the water.

Those aboard were not able to see the firefighters because of the thick smoke surrounding the pier. They continuously received information from Officer Datsko as to the possible location of the victim.

As the boat approached the pier, crew members could hear Firefighter Don Schaefer of Engine #5 calling for help.

Officers Geiger and Bunker shouted back to Firefighter Schaefer to continue to call so that they could be guided to his location by the sound of his voice.

Schaefer, now in the water for several minutes, began to remove his turnout gear. This consisted of removing his  $\frac{3}{4}$  length boots, which were filled with water, turnout coat, and an air tank weighing about 35 pounds. By removing this equipment, he was able to grasp the piling of the pier and remain above the surface of the water.

Officers of the Marine Unit continuously circled under the pier which was now almost entirely engulfed in fire. After locating Firefighter Schaefer under the pier, a life ring was thrown into the water, which he was able to reach.

Officer Bunker began to maneuver the boat under the pier as Officer Geiger was on the bow of the boat making sure that Firefighter Schaefer still was holding on to the life ring.

When the boat was several yards from the burning pier, Officer Geiger saw Firefighter Schaefer let go of the ring, overwhelmed with exhaustion and smoke inhalation.

Officer Geiger then plunged into the water and assisted Firefighter Schaefer to remain above water until he could be safely helped on board. Emergency medical assistance was summoned and Firefighter Schaefer was transported to a nearby hospital.



Firefighter Don J. Schaefer, Baltimore Fire Department (second from left) shakes Officer William G. Geiger's hand as an expression of appreciation for saving his life at a fire scene in Fells Point. Others involved in the rescue mission were Officer David N. Datsko, Tactical Section, (far left), Sergeant George B. Kirchenbauer, Marine Unit, Mrs. Arlene E. Schaefer, Firefighter Schaefer's mother looks on.

On June 2, 1986, a luncheon sponsored by the Schaefer family was held at the Marine Unit office to honor those involved in the rescue mission.

The Baltimore Fire Department will be awarding Officer Datsko, Officer Bunker, Officer Geiger, and Sergeant Kirchenbauer Distinguished Civilian Awards.



## Investigation Well Done

On December 3, 1984, Detective Marcellus Ward, a Baltimore Police Officer working with the Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force, was killed during an undercover narcotics transaction.

An intense and extensive investigation into the homicide was immediately initiated by the Baltimore Police Department's Homicide Unit. The success of the investigation depended on the expertise and dedication of all involved, and was coordinated among several law enforcement agencies.

On May 23, 1986, at a Ceremony held in the Drug Enforcement Administration office, Certificates of Appreciation were given to those involved in the investigation from the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Detective Sergeant Jay Landsman supervised the homicide investigation. This entailed gathering of large amounts of evidence at the crime scene and processing the suspect. This was done by Detective Robert McAllister and Detective Daniel Boone. They also executed search and seizure warrants over several days to obtain additional information.

The investigators spent many hours interviewing witnesses and constructing a chronological account of what led up to the shooting. Much of this was done on their own time.

Several members of the Crime Laboratory were equally instrumental to the investigation. Firearms Examiner, Joseph Kopera, conducted ballistics examinations that resulted in the establishment of the shot patterns and the sequence of each wound.

Criminalist Mark Profili, Crime Laboratory Unit, conducted a thorough examination of other evidence found at the crime scene, which was vital to the investigation.

Sergeant Robert Fisher, Education and Training Division, prepared a mock replica of the crime scene. It consisted of a three story row house building that included a candy store and two floors of living area. It was used in both State and Federal Court trials as a visual aid to explain the sequence of events.

Cooperation with other agencies in-

involved in the investigation was equally important. Special Agent Bruce Koenig of the Federal Bureau of Investigation spent many hours preparing and enhancing tapes, charts and other visual aids.

Assistant United States Attorney Ty Cobb and Assistant States Attorney Ara Crowe, prepared witnesses for trial and prosecuted the cases to obtain convictions in both State and Federal courts.

Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge Thomas F. O'Grady, Drug Enforcement Administration, presented Certificates of Appreciation to all of those involved in the investigation. He said that, "the exceptional work performed by the investigators, prosecutors, and the technical

support, clearly indicate their commitment to law enforcement. This investigation and prosecution distinctly emphasized the risk we must take and the level of commitment we give if we are to be successful in the war against drug trafficking in our community. Individually and collectively, each of these individuals have performed above and beyond all expectation. It took the dedication and cooperative efforts of all agencies involved to work as a team and successfully prosecute Lascell Simmons." Simmons was sentenced to 160 years to run consecutive to a life sentence. In addition, he was given 20 years imprisonment on narcotics charges to run concurrent to the Federal and State charges.



Deputy Commissioner Ronald J. Mullen, Operations Bureau, (far left), represented the Baltimore Police Department during a ceremony recognizing those involved in the investigation of the homicide of Detective Marcellus Ward. Special Agent-in-Charge Thomas E. O'Grady, Drug Enforcement Administration, (far right), presented Certificates of Appreciation to (L to R) Firearms Examiner Joseph Kopera, Detective Daniel Boone, CID, Sergeant Jay Landsman, CID, Criminalist Mark Profili, Laboratory Division, Detective Robert McAllister, CID, Assistant States Attorney Ara Crowe, Sergeant Robert Fisher, Education and Training Division.

## Central District Officers Honored

Three Central District officers have been honored for their outstanding service to the community.

The officers received awards from the Optimist Club of Midtown Baltimore, the Mount Vernon District Improvement Association and the Sons of the American Revolution.

Police Officer Wesley A. Tolbert, Central District, received the 1986 Edgar J. Rumpf memorial award. It was presented to him on May 8, 1986, in the Central District's Roll Call Room be-

fore Command Staff and fellow officers. This annual award is given by the community members of the Mount Vernon Improvement Association in the honored memory of Police Officer Edgar J. Rumpf. Officer Rumpf died in the line of duty while evacuating residents from a fire in an apartment building located in the Bolton Hill area.

Officer Tolbert, a four year veteran of the Department, is described by Central District Command Staff as having "ex-

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# Officers Honored

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ceptional performance and dedication to duty" during 1985.

In November of 1985, Officer Tolbert located a stolen vehicle. Through an extensive investigation, it was later learned that the car was taken during an armed assault and robbery which occurred in the Western District. Officer Tolbert was able to obtain a warrant for the suspects involved in the robbery as well as the recovery of several stolen items.

In another case, Officer Tolbert was investigating a burglary in which over \$50,000 was taken from the victim. A suspect was arrested, and through the investigation, it was learned that the person involved in the burglary had been defrauding the victim over several years.

Officer Tolbert also made two outstanding narcotic arrests that also involved handgun violations.

He was able to conduct these investigations with the additional responsibility of answering calls for service as a patrol officer.

Officer Jack L. Spicer, Jr., received an award from the Optimist Club of Midtown Baltimore. A plaque was presented to him at a dinner held in his honor at Haussner's Restaurant at 3244 Eastern Avenue, on May 13, 1986. The Honorable Robert J. Gerstung, Associate Judge for the District Court of Baltimore City, was the guest speaker. Major Mervin L. Spiwak, Commander of Central District, represented the Department on behalf of Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson.

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Officer Spicer, a nine year veteran of the Department, was selected the Optimist Club of Midtown Baltimore "Officer of the Year" by the organization's Respect for Law Committee because of his outstanding preliminary investigations that often times have resulted in arrests. He has made arrests for two Commercial Burglaries, five Armed Assault and Robberies, two Aggravated Assaults, and two Handgun Violations, as well as many other felony arrests. These investigations were made in addition to his responsibilities as a Field Training Officer to new members of the Department. Officer Spicer is described by Command Staff at Central District as one of the best Officers serving the citizens of Baltimore in the Downtown area.

Police Officer Vincent P. Cole, also from Central District was awarded the Law Enforcement Medal Award, from the Sons of the American Revolution. This is one of the many awards given to him for his calm and decisive actions which saved many officers' and citizens' lives during a shooting incident, reported in Newsletter Vol. 20 No. 6.

## RETIREMENTS

MARSHALL, DANIEL W., Police Officer, Northern District, 14 years of service, May 15.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WALTERS, DANIEL GARRETT, son of Police Agent John N. Walters, Northwest District, and wife Margaret, former Police Officer, Northern District, May 1.

PARKER, KRYSTAL LEE, daughter of Police Of-

ficer and Mrs. Michael A. Parker, Western District, 7lbs. 15½ oz., April 22.

RENDEL, KENNETH DUANE, JR., grandson of Radio Maintenance Supervisor and Mrs. John Wesley Nash, Communications Division, 8lbs. 4 oz., May 31.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

SMITH, ROBERT N. SR., Police Officer, Northern District, May 25.

BOWEN, CLARENCE W. JR., retired Police Officer, Communications Division, May 31.

KARST, MARTIN J., Police Officer, K-9 Unit, Tactical Section, June 8.

## IN MEMORIAM

GREENWOOD, ARTICE, grandfather of Police Officer Rodney Matthews, Northwestern District, May 19.

SPRIGGINS, JOYCE, sister of Police Officer Earl Robinson, Southern District, May 19.

PRITCHETT, WILLIAM R., father of Lieutenant William L. Pritchett, Southern District, May 22.

FOGARTY, DAVID P., grandfather of Police Officer Charles Tinker, Northern District, May 24.

McKEE, ARNETTA, grandmother of Police Officer Michael Feaster, Education and Training Division, May 24.

MANUEL, STEWERT J. JR., father of Police Officer Gary Manuel Sr., Northwestern District, May 25.

NEVILLE, ANNA T., grandmother of Cadet Robert Seifert, Fiscal Division, May 26.

McKENNA, GENEVIEVE, mother of Police Officer Wayne McKenna, Education and Training Division, May 27.

BRAYBOY, CORNELL, grandfather of Police Officer Shirley Conyers, Southern District, May 27.

ADAMS, BERNARD, father of Police Academy Trainee Scott Adams, Education and Training Division, May 28.

SOLTEZE, JOSEPH, father of Agent James Solteze, Western District, June 4.

LUCAS, RAYMOND LEE, father of Police Officer Kenneth L. Lucas, Southern District, June 5.



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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

June 25, 1986

## The Pursuit Of Wellness

FRANK T. BARRANCO, M.D.  
Chief Police Physician



Wellness — a deep subject which needs to be studied in depth, if one is serious about pursuing perfect health. Wellness or well-being is much more than a lack of sickness, it is

a striving to encompass total health and is more than being just physically fit.

Much study in this area has been done by Dr. Kenneth Cooper. He came to stardom when he developed the Royal Canadian "Air Force Exercises" twenty years ago and has perfected the study of human physiology at his Aerobic Institute of Research in Dallas, Texas. I was fortunate to have spent one week there being probed, pushed, measured, run and instructed in, "What makes Johnny run." If one adopts his principles of well-being — a goal of perfect health will be attained. Dr. Cooper feels that the human body is another part of the universe that needs to be in balance. A lack of balance produces a lack of well-being. We need only so much food, exercise, and psychologic support; too much of anything causes the system to get "out of kilter."

Some benefits of well-being include: more energy, greater ability to handle domestic and job related stress, less depression, more efficient digestion and less constipation, a more streamlined body with more effective weight control slows the aging process, allows fewer aches and pains and produces more restful sleep.

To accomplish this, Dr. Cooper feels we have three (3) basic needs:

1. **Aerobic Exercises.** These are the ones that require large amounts of oxygen for prolonged periods, and as a result, the body improves its capacity to utilize oxygen — us simple folks call this conditioning. After awhile, when we get in shape, we don't pant as hard when running. When starting a running/jogging/walking program, remember: L.S.D. — long, slow distances, rather than windsprints. If one elects to run, fifteen miles per week is adequate to become aerobically fit.
2. **Positive Eating Plan (P.E.P.).** Develop proper eating habits to last a lifetime, with a well-balanced nutritional diet, low in cholesterol.
3. **Emotional Equilibrium.** This is obtained through a combination of balanced exercise, diet, sleep and rest. In such a manner, increasing numbers of people find inner peace and freedom from anxiety.

Absenteeism is the best barometer to show imbalance between employees and the "boss." Causes of missing time in decreasing order are:

1. indifference or boredom
2. domestic problem(s)
3. drugs and alcohol abuse
4. infectious diseases (the least cause)

Cooper stressed: observe fellow workers. Look at who is in good physical condition. They are not overweight, eat properly, exercise often and don't smoke. They are the most reliable, active and

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## Officer Miller Injured

On June 12, 1986, shortly after 6:00 p.m., Police Officers from the Patrol and Traffic Divisions and Auxiliary Unit were directing vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the vicinity of Memorial Stadium. Thousands of people were going to a baseball game. The streets were crowded with people, and vehicular traffic on 33rd Street was in a one way pattern.



RICHARD T. MILLER

Officer Michael A. Parker, Western District, was at the intersection of 33rd Street and Ednor Avenue directing vehicles, which displayed parking permits, on to the stadium lot. He observed a white 1977 Toyota Celica proceeding west bound on 33rd Street against the flow of traffic approaching him. Officer Parker did not see a parking permit in the automobile window and he motioned to the driver to stop. The car continued towards Officer Parker accelerating in speed and swerving in his direction. Officer Parker was able to get out of the path of the vehicle as it passed him and

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# Wellness

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productive people — and get sick less. It seems peculiar — usually insurance companies will pay for all kinds of diagnostic tests when one is sick, yet few spend money to do preventive medicine. We are fortunate at the Baltimore City Police Department (BCPD), Blue Cross and Blue Shield has just started the BCPD blood pressure screening program.

We also have augmented the alcohol abuse program with implementation of the stress management program through Psychologists Associates.

Our Education & Training Division's in service training sessions provide information in these areas of stress management with out alternative programs.

We have gymnasiums and weight rooms to increase our absolute strength, flexibility, and aerobic capability which unfortunately, are severely underutilized.

For those in HMO's, request what wellness programs are available. If not, why not?

Remember, for total well-being, wellness programs should include:

1. Proper weights, diet and nutrition, and prudent life style
2. Properly implemented and supervised exercise programs
3. Reduction or preferably elimination of cigarette smoking
4. Prevention and rehabilitation of alcoholism and drug uses
5. Stress management

We do have the capability and in-house resources to accomplish these goals — "Ask and ye shall receive."

## References:

1. The Aerobics Program for Total Well-Being, Kenneth H. Cooper, M.D. MPH
2. Essentials of Fitness, Falls, Baylor & Dishman
3. Your Medical Section, BCPD

## Officer Miller

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continued westbound on 33rd Street.

Officer Parker broadcasted a description of the vehicle and requested assistance in stopping it. Officers Paul W. Aires and Richard T. Miller, both assigned to the Traffic Division, were

standing near the west parking lot of Memorial Stadium on 33rd Street when they saw the vehicle approaching them.

The officers attempted to stop the auto by holding up their arms and calling out for the driver to stop. The car again continued to accelerate in speed. Officers Aires and Miller began to run to the south side of the street out of the path of the vehicle. The car crossed over the center lines narrowly missing Officer Aires, but striking Officer Miller.

The car continued to travel with Officer Miller on its cowl before it came to rest after striking two cars traveling the eastbound lane.

Officers quickly administered first aid to Officer Miller and medical assistance was immediately summoned.

Officer Miller was transported to University of Maryland's Shock Trauma Unit.

The driver of the 1977 Toyota was arrested and taken to the Northern District where he was charged with various traffic violations and three counts of attempted murder.

Officer Miller joined the Department in 1954, after honorably serving in the United States Armed Forces. He has been assigned to the Traffic Division for 15 years.

## Emergency Vehicle Skills Competition

The primary goal of the Fleet Safety Awareness Program is to have each member of the Department practice good defensive driving techniques. Since the Fleet Safety Awareness Program's implementation in 1985, safety bulletins have been posted, the Communications Division has broadcast safety messages, and special attention has been given to assure that every person who operates a Departmental vehicle is aware of things which a driver can be prepared to do in unexpected situations.

The Fleet Safety Program stresses through safety messages that if a driver is alert for many of the obstacles which he can encounter, and caution is exercised, an accident can be prevented.

The second phase of the program was the Emergency Vehicle Skills Rodeo, which was held on June 7, 1986 in Memorial Stadium. Competing were forty-four of the Department's most skill-

ed drivers selected by their Commanding Officers from the Tactical Section, Patrol and Traffic Divisions.

Although no high speed activities were included in the rodeo, driving skills were a major part of the program.

Each contestant was first given a written examination based on the Department's General Orders and the Maryland Transportation Articles. This was a test of the contestant's knowledge of traffic laws and Departmental rules and regulations.

The next phase of the competition was vehicle inspection. A contestant was given several minutes to inspect the vehicle and make sure it was in excellent condition before driving.



Pictured above, a contestant is approaching the finish line of the driving skills course, called a diminishing clearance. The vehicle is driven at 20 miles an hour and stops on the white line in the foreground. This portion of the driving course tested the officer's ability to make an emergency stop, maintain control and stop the vehicle safely.

Every officer was to check such items as: the vehicle's directional signals, brake fluid, and horns, as well as the exterior condition of the car. The officers' inspections of the vehicles were similar to inspections done prior to their work shifts. A maximum of 25 points were awarded to each contestant who discovered all of the planted flaws in the vehicle.

The final phase of the competition was the Driving Skills Course. Each driver maneuvered the vehicle through obstacles such as the Serpentine which measured the officers ability to avoid striking unexpected obstacles that may suddenly appear in the path of the vehicle. The Off-Set Curve was another driving skill in which an officer had to steer the car into a traffic lane marked by cones and judge the proper clearance on both sides of the vehicle.

Judges for the competition were mem-



bers of the Mass Transit Administration, Morgan State University Police, Maryland Toll Facilities, and other law enforcement agencies.

Officer Jose Rosado, Northwestern District, won first place (individual winner), with Officer William Mapstone, Tactical Section, taking second place, and Officer David Williams, Southern District in third.

The Tactical Section was the first place team winner. The Northwestern District team took second place, and Southern District finished third.

Sergeant Thomas E. Douglas, Traffic Division, says, "Each officer who participated in the Emergency Vehicle Driving Skills Rodeo exercised many of the safety awareness techniques stressed during the Fleet Safety Campaign." Sergeant Douglas also says, "The message is getting out to the officers that safety must be a priority that is practice."

## Police Chase V

For the fifth consecutive year, hundreds of Police, and their families participated in what has been considered one of the largest law enforcement foot races on the East Coast. On June 1, 1986, more than 300 runners gathered in front of the Baltimore Police Headquarters Building to endure the warm humid weather in a 6.2 mile route through Baltimore.

Deputy Commissioner Ronald J. Mullen, Operations Bureau, sounded the starter pistol to begin the Police Chase. More than 20 law enforcement agencies participated, from as far away as East Lansing, Michigan. Other agencies included the New Jersey, Pennsylvania State Police, and federal agencies.

Sergeant Frank Melcavage, Education and Training Division, coordinator for the Police Chase says that the annual event began as a means to promote physical fitness among police officers but became so popular that it was opened to sworn and civilian members of all enforcement agencies and their families.

Golf shirts and door prizes were given to those who participated. Door prizes included tickets to Baltimore Oriole games and to Inner Harbor attractions.

Trophies were given to those winners in the following categories:

### TOP INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

1st place — Investigator Joseph Abrams

New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice

2nd place — Investigator Jeffrey Gross, New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice

3rd place — Investigator Tim Gallaghen, New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice

4th place — Officer Stephen F. Grenfell, Tactical Section

### TEAM COMPETITION

1st place — New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice

2nd place — Baltimore Blues - Baltimore Police Department

### TOP FEMALE FINISHER

1st place — Investigator Nancy Brigen, New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice

### YOUNGEST PARTICIPANT

Miss Collen Snitzel, 7 years old, daughter of Police Officer Charles A. Snitzel, Northeastern District.

### F.O.P. PARTICIPATION TROPHY

Northeastern District — awarded by the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #3 to the district or division in the department with the largest number of runners who complete the race.

### VANGUARD TROPHY

Officer Stephen Grenfell, Tactical Section awarded to the first departmental member to finish the race.

### SHOMRIM TROPHY

Tactical Section, Baltimore Police Department. The Order of Brith Shalom's Shomrim Lodge of Maryland award goes to the first intra-departmental team winner.

Major Joseph H. Cook, Jr., Southern District, Major Joseph R. Newman, Internal Investigation Division and Captain Robert T. Lewandowski, Northwestern District were Departmental Command Staff members who participated in the Police Chase. Colonel George B. Brosan, Superintendent of the Maryland State Police, won 3rd place in the 50 and over category.

After the morning event, participants and their families gathered for picnics, horseback riding and soft ball games.

The fun filled afternoon activities were sponsored by the Northwestern and Northeastern Districts. Lieutenant George M. Immler, Northwestern District says that, "The Police Chase not only involves a competitive sports event but is a time for members of the De-

partment to interact with persons from other agencies outside of a working environment."



Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson (left) presented the Citation of Valor to Western District Sergeant Terrence P. McLarney on June 19, 1986 during an afternoon ceremony held in the Commissioner's Board Room. The Citation of Valor is awarded to "any sworn member who has sustained gun shot wounds, stab wounds, or serious injury under aggravated and hostile circumstances which would result in death or permanent disability." Sergeant McLarney was shot while apprehending a robbery suspect on September 1, 1985.

## Vice Seminar

The Department recently hosted a Vice Technological Seminar at Police Headquarters. Members of this Agency along with representatives from the Baltimore County Police Department, and the New Jersey Division of Gambling Enforcement, participated in the 3 day classroom instruction.

Lieutenant Ronald B. Collins, Criminal Investigation Division, Gambling Unit, says that the seminar gave valuable information concerning new developments now being utilized in illegal vice operations.

These organizations may use equipment such as computers, answering machines, and other new technological developments.

Other topics discussed were illegal lottery operations, carnival violations, surveillance techniques, and sports betting.

## Post Scripts

The following postscript was sent to Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson. We have not been able to identify the officer involved in this case, however, we wanted to share this correspondence with members of the Department.

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*Post Scripts*

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Dear Sir:

At the corner of Monument and Wolfe Streets a woman experienced a grand mal epileptic seizure. She had made her way haltingly down Monument Street aware of her impending seizure. As she began seizing she was immediately attended to by hospital security personnel.

Suddenly, a uniformed police officer appeared on the scene to offer his assistance. Without being asked and unmindful of the biting cold he shed his own jacket and used it to cover the victim. Additionally, he crouched beside her and used his body to shield her from the fierce wind blowing up Monument Street.

The only time the officer left the woman's side was when he heard the approaching ambulance's siren. Then the officer moved into the street and directed traffic clearing an immediate path for the ambulance. We are fortunate that he had the foresight to do so, for it was important that the victim be transported immediately to prevent potential hypothermia.

It's unfortunate that I was unable to get this officer's name because I would be proud to call him friend. The officer was about 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighed about 160 pounds, had dark red hair, stocky, and had his right hand lightly bandaged. If you can identify this officer, please extend to him by appreciation for his assistance that day.

You are indeed fortunate to have men

of this caliber representing your department. This heroic deed assures me that the Police Department is always vigilant, and always present when needed.

Sincerely,  
R. L. Stephenson, RRT.  
Technical Director  
Respiratory Therapy

**NEWS IN BRIEF**

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — On 18 May, 1986, Officer Frank Wagner of the Southern District and Officer Raymond T. Ray, Communications Division, represented the Southern District and the Baltimore City Police Department in the Philadelphia Police Chase. Officer Wagner finished in first place for Males, 20 to 29 years of age. Officer Raymond finished in first place for Males, 45 to 50 years. The race was open to both civilians and police officers.

**RETIREMENTS**

**SCHUSTER, JOHN A. JR.**, Sergeant, Traffic Division, 28 years of service, May 29.

**WEDDINGS**

**DICKUS, DEBORAH**, formerly Deborah Schisler of the Youth Section, Community Services, married Albert C. Dickus, Jr. on May 24, 1986.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WALTERS, WILLIAM E.**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. William Walters, Central District, 8lbs. 11 oz., May 27.

**BINICK, APRIL MEREDITH**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Robert Binick, 8lbs. 13 oz., May 28.

**FORD, LINDSAY ERIN**, granddaughter of Sergeant Sanford Trojan, Southern District, 6lbs. 2 oz., June 2.

**JARMAN, JENNIFER MEAGAN**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. John Jarman, Southern Dis-

trict, 7lbs. 7 oz., June 7.

**FINAL ROLL CALL**

**McCALL, JOHN HAROLD**, retired Police Officer, Pine Street Station, June 15.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**PANZER, DIANE C.**, sister of Police Officer William R. Anderson, Tactical Section, wife of former Police Officer Joseph A. Panzer, Eastern District, June 9.

**THRIFT, VIRGINIA MAY**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Norman Sauter, Jr., Northern District, June 10.

**SMITH, VIOLA**, grandmother of Police Officer Billy J. Bruno, Northwestern District, June 10.

**AMBROSE, ALFRED J.**, father-in-law of Lieutenant John Boyle, Northwestern District, June 10.

**BROWN, CATHERINE MARIE**, wife of Police Officer Herbert Brown, Southeastern District, June 11.

**RAUSCHER, JOSEPH**, father-in-law of Police Officer Lawrence Schmidt, Southeastern District, June 16.

**SUDEK, OLLIVE MAY**, sister of Police Officer John Sheckells, Traffic Division, June 19.

**WILSON, CURVIE**, father-in-law of Police Officer Leon Jones, Western District, June 20.

**CLASSIFIED**

For Sale: 1982 Datsun, B-210, 4-speed, AM/FM good condition. \$2,800.00. Officer Jim Braku SEDist.

For Sale: Smith & Wesson model 36, 2-inch revolver. Nickel plated. Shoulder holster, leg holster, inside holster and belt holster. Price \$205.00. For more information, contact Sgt. Goldie Phillips, NWDist.

For Rent: Ocean City Condo, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, weeks available — 7-27-86; 8-31-86; 9-14-86; 9-28-86. Also, weekends off season are also available. Call Collect — 1-289-7385 - Retired Sgt. Farley.

For Sale or rent w/option to buy: 3-BR Joppatowne Rancher, 34' family room w/fireplace and skylights solarium, formal DR, eat-in kitchen, fenced yard, wooded lot and car port. Contact Lieut. M. Bass, Education and Training Div. or 679-9585.



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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

July 9, 1986

## Fasten Your Seat Belt IT'S THE LAW

It is a scene which is too familiar. A three car collision at a busy intersection during the afternoon rush hour. An Officer, responding from the Traffic Investigation Section, weaves in and out of stopped vehicles, some citizens are attempting to direct traffic through and around the accident scene.

The officer approaches three vehicles (Medic Units have not yet arrived). There are numerous injuries but his eyes travel immediately to a gray sedan, an elderly man and woman are slumped across each other on the front seat. There are two "spider-webs" on the windshield. Seat belts were available but were not used. That couple represents the most seriously injured of the six accident victims at the scene.

That story, or a variation of it, is played out scores of times daily throughout the State. Members of the Department know, better than most citizens, that an accident victim, not using a seat belt, is likely to suffer more serious injuries than those who use them.

On the first of July, the use of seat belts by the driver and front seat passenger became mandatory, required by State Law. The seat belt requirement applies to passenger cars and designated multipurpose vehicles.

Members of the Baltimore Police Department are also required to use seat belts when operating or riding in Departmental vehicles. Additionally, members of this agency must make certain that occupants of Departmental Vehicles use a seat belt, including prisoners in the rear seat who must be constrained by the use of lap belts.

Enforcement of the mandatory seat belt law will be "secondary action." This means that drivers or passengers who are not using their seat belts may be charged with a violation of Section 22-412.3 of the Transportation Article only when the vehicle has been detained for a suspected violation of another provision of the Transportation Article.

Section 22-412.3 requires that front seat passengers, over the age of 16, pay a fine if they are not properly restrained by a seat belt. It is the responsibility of the driver to assure that front seat passengers under the age of 16 are using a seat belt.

Some motorists will carry with them written certification, from a licensed physician of the State of Maryland, which will state the specific nature of a physical disability which makes that person exempt from the provisions of Section 22-412.3. Persons possessing this type of certification will not receive a citation of violation.

Regulations requiring infants to be transported in approved safety seats remain in effect. For children under three years of age, approved safety seats are required. Children, ages three to five years, must be secured in either a child safety seat or be properly secured in a fastened seat belt or combination seat belt-shoulder harness.

The act of fastening your seat belt is important. It will save motorists and their passengers from more serious injuries in the case of an accident. And... it's the law.

## Sounds of an Era

Law enforcement agencies, in major cities throughout the country, exist to provide assistance to the communities they serve. Police Officers patrol, arrest suspects, save lives, give advice and provide a myriad of services which on the surface may not appear to have a direct relationship with enforcing the law.

The Baltimore experience is typical. In this city we value the support of our citizens. That support is evidenced by the tremendous response to our Neighborhood Block Watchers Program. The Department's 685-DRUG Hotline has given our citizens the opportunity to participate in a clean up of street level drug dealers.

There is one program, sponsored by the Baltimore Police Department, which reaches out to our city in an unorthodox way, music.

"Sounds of an Era," the Department's jazz ensemble, has performed at literally hundreds of charitable and community functions bringing entertainment to our citizens.

"Sounds of an Era," plays the Big Band sounds ranging from contemporary tunes by Glen Miller and Duke Ellington in the '30's to the latest hits of the '80's.

They've played at Christmas and Thanksgiving dinners, boat rides and during lunch-hour entertainment sessions at War Memorial Plaza.

Traffic Division Officer Joseph E. Hlaska, a trumpet player, says that, "Our concerts provide more than just entertainment. These concerts are a public relations tool for the Department. Citizens have an opportunity to see police from a completely different perspective."

Officer Hlaska says, "It's one thing

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Sounds of an Era band members: Officer Eugene J. Wysocki, Eastern District, (drums), Office Assistant III Marvin F. Silver, Youth Section, (key board), Officer Joseph E. Hlafka, Traffic Division (base), and Officer Charles L. Clayton Sr., Southeastern District, (trumpet), practicing in the Police Headquarters Auditorium.

## Sounds of an Era

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to encounter a Police Officer at the scene of a traffic accident. But seeing us as musicians and entertainers allows them to know that Police Officers are people too."

Members of the group, which includes Eastern District Officer Eugene J. Wysocki, Southeastern District Officer Charles Clayton, and Office Assistant III Marvin F. Silver, Sr. of the Youth Division, had performed together for more than 10 years. The group was given its present form and name when it represented the Department during Law Day Expo-1980. Ever since those performances they have been in demand to play in the community.

A musical group comprised of Police Officers can often become involved in unusual situations. Office Assistant III Marvin Silver recalls that "Sounds of an Era" was performing at a community function when a citizen ran up and in-

formed them that an 8 year old child had just been struck by a vehicle. "We just stopped playing music," he said, "and went into the street to assist the injured child."

Mr. Silver and Officer Clayton administered first aid to the youngster, Officer Hlafka directed traffic and Officer Wysocki located one of the victim's parents. They remained at the accident scene until medical help arrived and then went back to playing music.

Members of the ensemble say that citizens often approach to ask questions about how to become a Neighborhood Block Watcher. For many citizens, a musical concert is the only way they are able to come into contact with Police Officers in a non-emergency situation.

The members of "Sounds of an Era" see a difference in their mission. On duty they are called to emergencies like other members of the Department. They have the good fortune to also be called to participate in celebrations.

which an abused or sexually abused child is the apparent victim. How the Officer responds, from the very beginning, will have a great impact on the successful conclusion of his investigation.

Instances of child sexual abuse may come to the attention of police in a variety of ways. The responding Police Officer may be the first to realize that

there is a problem. However, referrals may come to police from neighbors, friends, family members, health practitioners, educators, social workers or other professionals.

Here are some suggestions which may be useful:

- Talk to children on their own level. Talking about unrelated matters such as school, pets and hobbies may help you to gain the trust of a child-victim.
- Try to interview the child alone or in the company of an uninvolved third-party. The abuser could be a guardian, parent, neighbor or another person who would not seem to be a possible violator.
- Remember to continually reassure the child that he/she has done nothing wrong. Even though the abuser may be a parent, the child needs to know that it is good to tell you what has happened.
- Don't talk to the child about what may happen to the suspected abuser. Even though they are abused, children often continue to love the person who is abusing them.
- After a child-victim gains confidence and begins to tell you details of the abuses which have been suffered, remember the aids which are available within the Police District. Anatomical drawings are available. A child can make markings on various locations on the drawings to indicate what type of sexual abuse has taken place.
- The answers to questions pertaining to whether or not the child had his photograph taken in a compromising pose, or as to the identities of adults who know about the situation can be useful to your investigation.

There are many useful resources available to members of the Department who are involved in investigating allegations of sexual child abuse.

In cases where the victims have been blatantly abused, the Sex Offense Unit will render assistance in your investigation. They are available at Departmental Extension 2342.

Information to assist an Officer in placing the proper charges against accused sexual child abusers may be obtained, 24 hours daily, by contacting the Sexual Offense Unit of the Baltimore State's Attorney's Office. The telephone

## Investigating Child Abuse Complaints

Anyone who regularly reads the newspapers is aware that stories detailing cases of sexual child abuse have become abundant. Every member of the Patrol Division may arrive at a call for service and confront a situation in



number is 396-3100, ask for "beeper 703."

Family members who may be suffering in apparent stress in child abuse cases may be referred to the "Parent Stress Line," a 24-hour crisis intervention hotline at 243-7337.

When an investigating Officer feels that a child must be removed from an apparent sexual abuse situation, information and assistance may be obtained, on a 24-hour basis, from the Department of Social Services. They may be reached at 234-2235.

The problem of sexual child abuse will not go away by itself. Good investigations, assistance to both victims and abusers or potential abusers and good educational prevention programs will help to solve the problem.

As members of the Baltimore Police Department, each of you is in the front line in helping victims of sexual child abuse.

## Operation B.E.S.T. Expands

While many of us are out enjoying the warm weather during the summer months with vacations, baseball games, and barbecues, persons involved in Operation B.E.S.T. are busy patrolling our neighborhoods, and reporting suspicious activity. B.E.S.T., an acronym for Baltimore Electronic Sentry Teams, has more than 500 members who use Citizen Band radios, amateur radios or mobile telephones to contact the Department's Communications Division to dispatch an officer to check what might be a crime in progress, an injured person, or a suspicious situation.

There are several types of B.E.S.T. participants. Citizens who are employed by commercial businesses which have a two-way communications system can relay information to their base stations to be forwarded to the Police Department. Just a few seconds out of a work day, with a CB to transmit information quickly could save a life.

Since the program began in 1982, many businesses have joined the program. Taxicab companies, messenger services, and delivery companies represent a sample.

The second type of Operation B.E.S.T. activity involves community residents who form Citizens on Patrol groups (C.O.P.). There are presently nine active C.O.P. groups in the city including, among others, the Ashburton, Bolton

Hill, and Northwestern communities.

These citizens have extended their hours during the summer months to have continuous observation of what's going on in their neighborhoods. These citizens, riding in their personal cars equipped with two-way communication systems, have been very effective in the prevention of crime.

"It's not unusual for a Citizen on Patrol participant to find an unlocked vehicle, a bicycle unattended, street lights out, or to locate a missing child," says Officer Martin M. Seltzer, of the Crime Resistance Unit.

Citizens who donate their time to patrol are not only concerned about crime but care about other problems in the community as well. They are also active in clean up projects in the neighborhood and recreation programs for youngsters. Sergeant Robert C. Lassahn, Crime Resistance Unit says, "Residents in the community know what the problems are because they personally experience them and may often know the most effective way to approach and solve a problem."

An example of this involved the Northwest Citizens on Patrol group who

became aware of teenagers loitering. Many of the residents complained about loud noises and other problems related to the location where these youngsters gathered. The Northwest Citizens on Patrol members spoke with the youngsters, provided a new basketball net for the basketball court in a playground and other activities that would involve the youth.

C.O.P. groups have found unlocked cars, property left outside, as well as informing their neighbors of crime prevention information.

What makes C.O.P. groups effective? Aside from being additional eyes & ears of the Neighborhood Block Watchers Program, each participant has attended seminars to learn about what could be suspicious, what information is needed to report an incident, and what to do when they encounter different situations. Their special training has also been helpful to patrol officers - they have asked C.O.P. groups for their assistance in monitoring areas on their post which need special attention.

While some of us are off enjoying the summer, Baltimore's B.E.S.T. is hard at work.



On July 2, 1986, Major Joseph H. Cooke Jr., Commander of the Southern District (second from right) presented a donation of \$500.00 to Ms. Judi Porecki, Public Relations Director, for the Maryland Special Olympics, Inc. The money was raised by commercial businesses who sponsored Officers of the Southern District Running Team which participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for the Maryland Special Olympics held on June 11, 1986.

Maryland Special Olympics, Inc. provides year round athletic programs for disabled persons. Officer Frank E. Wagner, Jr., and Sergeant Earle T. Eagan, Jr., (L & R) members of the Southern District Running and Racing Team, along with other members of the Department relayed a lighted torch through a 9.9 mile route.

The Maryland Special Olympics, Inc. presented the Department and Sergeant Edwin Schillo, Education and Training Division, (far right), Department's coordinator for the project with a certificate of appreciation.

## Death Sentence in Officer's Murder

Flint Gregory Hunt, a 27-year old Baltimore resident, was sentenced to death last week for the November, 1985, murder of Eastern District Police Officer, Vincent J. Adolfo.



OFFICER VINCENT J. ADOLFO

Officer Adolfo was murdered in an East-side back alley after attempting to stop a stolen car, driven by the suspect. The Officer died of two gun shot wounds sustained as he attempted to place Hunt under arrest.

The suspect fled and was arrested after a state by state search in an Oklahoma bus station.

A Baltimore Criminal Court Jury found Hunt guilty of murdering Officer Adolfo after a trial which concluded at

the end of June. The same jury handed down the death sentence last Tuesday.

The jury's sentence, which came after more than four hours of deliberation, will be reviewed, automatically, by the Maryland Court of Appeals.

Hunt became the 17th person to be incarcerated on Maryland's Death Row at the Maryland Penitentiary in Baltimore.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Benjamin A. Cartwright, who received the Morrell Park Post #3137 American Legion "Police Officer of the Year Award" on 28 June 86, the presentation dinner and ceremony was held at the Post.

Best Wishes for a speedy recovery to Police Officer Roman Goral who is now recuperating after a recent back surgery.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Detective Sergeant Gerard C. Brandner, will be retiring from the Department effective July 18, 1986. A retirement party will be held in his honor on July 31, 1986, at LaFontaine Bleu, 3107 Erdman Avenue, 7 p.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 per person which includes a hot buffet, hors d'oeuvres, and cocktails. For more information contact Secretary II, Kim Cordwell, ext. 2605.

## RETIREMENTS

**WILEY, WILLIAM J.**, Sergeant, Personnel Division, 25 years of service, June 25.

**SCHOPPERT, WILLIAM D., JR.**, Police Officer, Communications Division, 27 years of service, July 3.

**MALICK, GEORGE K.**, Police Officer, Tactical Section, 28 years of service, July 3.

**ALLENDER, CLAUDE H.**, Sergeant, Traffic Division, 30 years of service, July 8.

## WEDDINGS

**HUMBLE, WILLIAM K.**, Police Officer, Central District, and the former Jan Menzie, June 14.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SIERACKI, SARA JANE**, daughter of Sergeant John Sieracki and wife Patricia, 7lbs. 1 oz., June 12.

**BOVA, NICHOLAS ANTHONY**, son of Police Officer Nicholas Bova, and wife Kathryn, June 16.

**MOTSAY, JAMES PHILIP**, son of Secretary II Rosa Motsay, Public Information Division, and husband James, 7lbs. 2½ oz., June 27.

**MOORE, CHRISTIAN MARIE**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Melvin Moore, Southwestern District, 6lbs. 15 oz., July 1.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

**STOFFREGEN, JOHN**, retired Lieutenant, Northeastern District, June 24.

**McCALL, JOHN H.**, retired Sergeant, Communications Division, June 15.

**THOMPSON, CHARLES W.**, retired Police Officer Central District, June 30.

## IN MEMORIAM

**BURLESON, ELIZABETH**, sister of Police Officer William Kirtz, Southern District, June 22.

**WILLIAMS, ADA**, grandmother of Police Officer John D. Rice, Northwestern District, June 23.

**SIMMONS, VIVIAN**, mother of Data Entry Operator, Clara Gregg, Central Records Division, June 24.

**MacALLESTER, HARROLLAN**, father-in-law of Police Officer Elmer Justice and Frank Baker, Southeastern District, June 25.

**JONES, MARGARET ELIZABETH**, grandmother of Police Officer Joseph Bauer, Northeastern District, June 26.

**BUETTNER, JOSEPH CARL**, brother of Detective John Buettner, C.I.D./Property Crimes Section, June 30.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: Completely rebuilt 1963 Corvette. \$13,250 or best offer. Contact Agt. Paul Davis, E.V.U. or 529-0954.

For Sale: 1967 Ford T-Bird, 4-door, automatic, A/C, 60,000 original miles. Needs paint and vinyl top. \$1,200.00 firm. Contact Agent Beyers, EDist.



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BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

July 23, 1986

## Violent Crime Decreases

Violent Crime during the first six months of 1986 dropped 3.1% compared to the same period in 1985. Property Crime rose 3.9% during the same period.

Violent Crime includes Murder, Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault. Property Crime includes Burglary, Larceny and Auto Theft.

The total Index Crime figure for the first half of 1986 reflected an increase of 2.3%.

An increase of 23.1% in the number of automobiles stolen during the first six months is of particular interest. Approximately one-third of the 3,332 automobiles reported stolen were not, indeed, actually taken. But an attempt to steal the vehicle had been made. Arrests for Auto Theft increased 50% during the first six months, reflecting increased attention by Officers of the Patrol, Detective and Traffic Division.

The use of handguns in Murders and Aggravated Assault decreased 7.7% and 7.4% respectively. The number of handguns used in Robberies rose 15.7%

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## Crime Statistics

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1986

TYPE OF CRIME	1985 Last Year	1986 This Year	Amount of Increase or Decrease	Percent of Increase or Decrease
MURDER	100	103	+ 3	+ 3.0
FORCIBLE RAPE	267	314	+ 47	+ 17.6
ROBBERY	3,663	3,864	+ 201	+ 5.5
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	3,463	2,982	- 481	- 13.9
BURGLARY	6,433	6,913	+ 480	+ 7.5
LARCENY	15,021	14,863	- 158	- 1.1
AUTO THEFT	2,707	3,332	+ 625	+ 23.1
GRAND TOTAL	31,654	32,371	+ 717	+ 2.3

Index Crime Comparison / First 6 Months of 1986

Violent Crime .....	- 3.1% Decrease
Property Crime .....	+ 3.9% Increase
Total Index Crime .....	+ 2.3% Increase

## Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Certificates of Completion to thirty-four Baltimore Probationary Police Officers during ceremonies, July 11, 1986. Among the graduates was a Department of Employment and Training Officer, a Havre de Grace Officer, and two Baltimore City Sheriff's Department members.

Graduating Class 86-1 began classroom and field training 24 weeks ago in the Department's Education and Training Division.

Commissioner Robinson told the graduates that, "86-1 came to the Department at a time of change within society and to a police department with fewer sworn personnel to investigate 10 percent more calls for service."

Commissioner Robinson also said, "They will join those in the Department who give the citizens of Baltimore the outstanding service that is a part of the history of this agency."

Class spokesman, Officer Timothy C. Green, spoke on behalf of his fellow classmates following Commissioner Robinson's comments.

The Graduation Address was given by Baltimore City Solicitor, Benjamin L. Brown.

At each graduation ceremony, the Police Commissioner's Award of Excellence is given to a class member, selected by his peers, as having exhibited outstanding leadership abilities, and professionalism. This award was presented to Class 86-1 Class Commander, Flight Officer Michael Harris.

A Commendation Ceremony followed

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# Violent Crime Decreases

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possibly reflecting the activities of drug abusers who require money with which to sustain their habits.

Continued support for the Department's Neighborhood Foot Patrol, Drug Enforcement programs and Neighborhood Block Watchers program will, it is hoped, have a continuing favorable impact as the year continues.

## Graduation and Commendations Ceremonies

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the graduation. Thirty-one sworn members and fifteen civilians were recognized for outstanding service to the community.

### SILVER STAR

*The Silver Star is awarded by the Police Commissioner for an exceptional act of execution of duty performed in the presence of great danger and personal risk without endangering or jeopardizing the lives of others, and performed in such a manner as the performance must clearly indicate that the sworn member displayed outstanding ability and judgment in the performance of duty, resulting in the prevention or solution of a crime, and the arrest of those responsible, and is thereby set apart and distinguished from other members.*

On October 3, 1985, Sergeant Milton C. Snead, Officer John Foote, and Police Agent Robert A. Mehl, Northeastern District, responded to a home on a call involving a psychologically disturbed young man possibly armed with a weapon.

They were informed that a .22 caliber handgun with ammunition was missing. The officers searched the home for the suspect but were not able to locate him, so they began to look in the surrounding neighborhood.

Agent Mehl saw the suspect walking down the street attempting to conceal something under his jacket. He asked the suspect to stop. The suspect informed Agent Mehl that he was armed. At this time Agent Mehl withdrew his service revolver, and ordered the suspect to drop the weapon. Instead, the suspect pulled from his waistband a chrome plated

revolver, pointed at the officer and holstered to Agent Mehl to kill him several times. Agent Mehl, fearing for his life, fired one shot at the suspect but did not strike him.

The suspect then lowered the gun to the ground as Agent Mehl continued talking to him.

Sergeant Snead responded to Agent Mehl's location and began to position himself behind the suspect. At the first available opportunity Sergeant Snead tackled the suspect and with the assistance of Agent Mehl was able to seize the weapon from the suspect and effect an arrest.

### BRONZE STAR

*The Bronze Star is awarded when the circumstances of bravery, dedication to duty and general achievement exceed those standards established as routine police work.*

Officer John Wood, Central District, responded as a back-up unit, for an armed suspect call. The suspect had already fired shots at responding officers. Officer Wood was able to make an arrest and recover two weapons. The suspect was charged with Assault and Robbery.

Officer Thomas E. Birchett, Jr., Southeastern District, saw a suspect walking in a crowded shopping parking lot brandishing a 9 mm semi-automatic handgun. When confronted, the suspect pointed the weapon at the officer. Rather the exchange gunfire, Officer Birchett wrestled the gun from the suspect and arrested him without injury to innocent bystanders.

Officer Michael W. Ogle, Southeastern District, provided assistance and worked diligently in a homicide investigation. At the completion of the investigation, three persons were arrested for homicide.

Officers Peter Vasiliou and Don Lee, Southeastern District, responded to a call for an unconscious person. Officers

Lee and Vasiliou found an elderly man lying on the street. After a quick examination, the officers began CPR, restoring the man's breathing and pulse before the ambulance arrived.

Sergeant Michael Harding, Eastern District, responded to a location where he heard gunshots. As he arrived he saw several suspects exchanging gunfire. Three people were already injured and a large crowd was running to safety. Sergeant Harding quickly apprehended a suspect armed with a .38 caliber revolver. He then directed officers to the location where two other armed suspects were apprehended.

Officer Robert Gilliam, Eastern District, after hearing several gunshots, responded to the location to investigate. Upon arriving, Officer Gilliam was confronted with an armed suspect running towards him. He was able to make an arrest without the use of deadly force.

Officers Deborah Malone and William Ritz, Northeastern District, Vice Enforcement Unit, received a Bronze Star for their extensive investigations. They served 27 poker machine warrants which resulted in the seizure of \$56,000. Their investigations of prostitution, narcotic, and other gambling violations have resulted in more than \$80,000 seized.

Officers Brian May and Chester Wisniewski, Northeastern District, were looking for a suspect wanted for a bank robbery. The officers located the suspect's car and arrested the suspect for the robbery of a Harford County Bank. Over \$6,000 and a sawed-off shotgun were recovered.

Officer Chester Wisniewski, Northeastern District, stopped a stolen vehicle occupied by persons wanted for armed robbery and attempted murder. Fearing they would escape, he confronted them and single handedly arrested three of four occupants. A fourth passenger was arrested by assisting officers.

Officer Alfred W. Hudson, Northwestern District, was awarded two Bronze Stars at the Commendation Ceremony. In one incident, Officer Hudson was able to arrest and disarm the suspect who had a 12 inch knife.

The second incident involved the arrest of three persons, one of whom fired



a weapon at the officer. The arrest was made with the assistance of the Helicopter Unit. The suspects were charged with Handgun Violations, Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle, and Aggravated Assault.

Officers Stephen Kolackovsky and Michael Kundrat, Northeastern District, discovered a 14 year old boy on the roof of a building attempting suicide. They established a rapport with the youngster through long and sensitive dialogue. The officers were able to persuade him from taking his life.

Officer Joseph Spallone, Northeastern District, responding to a call for service, observed an altercation inside an apartment. Before he was able to interject himself into the situation, he observed a suspect stab a 19 year old male victim. The officer took the knife from the suspect's grasp and arrested him.

Officer Salvatore Serio, Northern District, was off duty when he saw a disturbance involving eight suspects assaulting a victim. His intervention possibly saved the life of the victim. Several suspects were arrested and a shotgun was recovered.

Officer Ronald Kennedy, Northwestern District, was investigating a complaint of a person who was armed. When he approached, he was confronted with a .38 caliber revolver that the suspect removed from his belt. Officer Kennedy quickly disarmed the suspect, recovered the weapon and arrested him without further incident.

Officer Thomas Cassella, Western District, received information from a citizen that several persons were trapped inside an apartment on fire nearby in the Central District. He responded and ascended nine floors, and assisted firefighters in rescuing five persons.

Officer Gloria Melvin, Western District, apprehended a suspect, who had fired several shots in the direction of a group of citizens. The suspect was later charged with Aggravated Assaults.

Officer John F. Herpel, Southern District, was on foot patrol when he observed a robbery in progress inside a commercial establishment. After a brief foot chase and with the assistance of an off duty member of the department, an arrest was made for the offense.

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## NEWS NOTES

Beginning with the 9 a.m. docket on Friday, August 1, 1986, all cases docketed for trial in the Northern District Court shall be tried in Courtroom Number Two (2) at the Edward F. Borgerding District Court Building, located at 5800 Wabash Avenue, just north of Northern Parkway in Baltimore City.

Beginning with the 9 a.m. docket on Friday, August 1, 1986, all cases arising out of arrests made in the Northeast Police District shall be docketed for trial at the Eastern District Court, located at 1620 Edison Highway in Baltimore City.

Court Commissioners shall continue to give Initial Appearance (Bail) Hearings and to issue Charging Documents (Warrants and Summonses) at the Northern District Police Station, located at 34th Street and Keswick Road.

The handling of Initial Appearance (Bail) Hearings and the issuance of Charging Documents (Warrants and Summonses) on complaints arising in the Northeast Police District shall be handled by the Court Commissioner at Eastern District Court, located at 1620 Edison Highway in Baltimore City.

Bail Reviews for all cases arising in the Northeast Police District shall be held at the Eastern District Court, 1620 Edison Highway.

The University of Maryland Dental

School will be conducting a 12 week oral care study. They are in need of volunteers to participate in the program. Department members can participate during non-working hours.

Each volunteer will receive free of charge, two dental cleanings, toothpaste and toothbrush. At the completion of the study the participants will receive \$50.00.

The program will begin in August and run through December 1986. Dental screenings will take place beginning July 21, 1986. For more information, call 528-7401.

The Department's Education and Training Division is in need of furniture such as: bureau, baby crib, sofa, chairs, and other items for the practicum studio on the 10th floor. Members of the Department who would like to donate used items, contact Sergeant Frank K. Melcavage, Education and Training Division on Ext. 2518.

The Department's Quartermaster Unit will order uniform shirts with additional length and width. Members of the Department must submit a request on a 95 form, directed to Colonel Leon Tomlin, Property Division, stating shirt size, height and weight.

Persons interested in forming a Commodore-64 Users Group are asked to contact Major Patrick Bradley, Education and Training Division, ext. 2518.



Chief of Baltimore City Fire Department, Peter J. O'Connor, (rear left), presented Sergeant George B. Kirchenbauer, and Officers John E. Bunker, and William G. Giegen, Marine Unit, with a Distinguishing Civilian Award. They rescued firefighter Don J. Schaefer from a burning pier on May 18, 1986. Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson (right second row) attended the ceremony.



McGruff, America's Famous Crime Dog, was recently out in a Baltimore Neighborhood informing citizens of the 1986 National Night Out, which takes place on August 12, 1986 at 8 p.m. Thousands of citizens will come out of their homes and turn their porch lights on, joining others across the Nation bringing awareness to crime prevention programs.

Above McGruff is handing Mr. J. C. Hooper an application to register his community in the National Night Out program and to encourage them to turn their lights on.

## Retiree Notes

Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer has signed two measures which affect members and retired members of the Police Department. The Retirement Military Service Credit, used to determine retirement benefits, goes into effect January 1, 1987.

The Self Insurance Program, approved by the Board of Estimates, was also signed by the Mayor. The measure increases the self-insured death benefit to all Active and Retired members of the Department. The benefit is now \$2,500.

## LIBRARY NOTES

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Congratulations to Mr. Mark D. Johnson, son of Office Assistant II Ellen Johnson. Marc entered the Naval Academy on July 7, 1986, after graduating from the Naval Academy Preparatory School, Newport, Rhode Island, with an academic average of 93.5. We wish him success in being a graduate of the Naval Academy Class of 1990!

## WEDDINGS

MAY, GARY C., Sergeant, Central District, and the former Christine C. Stutz, June 1.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

KEEL, RACHEL ERIN, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Timothy Keel, Southeastern District, 8 lbs., 15 oz., June 11.

DANIEL, JUSTIN MATTHEW, son of Lieutenant Ronald L. Daniel and wife Vicki, 8 lbs., 15 oz., July 13.

## RETIREMENTS

WEHAGE, BERNARD L., Sergeant, Southeastern District, 28 years of Service, July 5.

NORRIS, BESSIE R., Major, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 21 years of service, July 6.

BIESCHKE, ROBERT W., Sergeant, Western District, 31 years of service, July 24.

STOUT, PAUL L., Police Officer, Central Records Division, 22 years of service, July 24.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

DEASEL, HENRY, retired Captain, Tactical Section, July 5.

GARRITY, BERNARD E., retired Lieutenant, Southeastern District, July 5.

MARCUS, JOHN J., retired Police Officer, Northern District, July 8.

## IN MEMORIAM

WILSON, RICHARD WOODBURY, son of Motor Pool Worker II Harry Wilson, July 2.

AMENT, NAOMI D., mother-in-law of Police Officer William R. Anderson, Tactical Section, July 4.

NEAL, WALTER W., grandfather of Police Officer John R. Bailey, Northeastern District, July 5.

LUCAS, CONRAD, father-in-law of DEO II Sarah Alfonso, Communications Division, July 9.

HERPEL, CHARLES EDWARD, brother of Police Officer John Herpel, Southern District, July 13.

ALIE, HILDA, grandmother of Police Officer Betty L. Gobin, Southeastern District, July 6.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: 35mm Canon AE-1 Program camera with 1-50mm lens, 1-wide angle lens and 1-200mm macro-zoom lens. Asking \$250.00. Contact P. O. Frank Stallings, Property Division.

For Rent: Ocean City Townhouse, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths and sleeps 6. Few good weeks available. Contact Det. Bob Edwards, Services Bureau.

For Sale: Sears washer/gas dryer. Excellent condition — 1 year old. Large capacity. Best offer. Contact P. O. Olszewski, NDist. or 661-3328.



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# NEWSLETTER

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## Officer Miller Succumbs To Injuries

On July 24, 1986, hundreds of members of the Baltimore Police Department and other Law Enforcement Agencies joined to give a final tribute to Officer Richard T. Miller, Traffic Division, who died of injuries received while on duty June 12, 1986.



RICHARD T. MILLER

That evening began normally at Memorial Stadium with the usual excitement prior to a baseball game. Thousands of fans were enroute to watch the Baltimore Orioles. Officer Miller was near the west parking lot of Memorial Stadium, directing traffic in a one way traffic pattern.

Several officers observed a 1977 Toyota which was about to drive into oncoming traffic. They attempted to stop the car. The vehicle swerved in the direction of the officers, traveled a short distance striking Officer Miller and carrying him several feet and hitting two cars going in the eastbound lane before coming to rest.

Officers quickly administered first aid to Officer Miller while an ambulance was summoned. He was taken to University of Maryland's Shock Trauma Unit. For several weeks he fought to live. Medical staff at the Shock Trauma Unit performed several operations to repair internal injuries while his fellow officers comforted the family.

On July 21, 1986, Officer Miller died just one day before his 32nd anniversary with the Department.

He joined the Department in 1954 after serving in the United States Army. After graduating from the Police Academy, he worked a short time in the Traffic Division before his assignment to the Northwestern District. He remained in the Northwestern District for sixteen years before returning to the Traffic Division in 1970.

Officer Miller worked the downtown area of Baltimore in traffic enforcement on a three-wheeled motorcycle. When the Baltimore Orioles had a home game, Officer Miller directed traffic at Memorial Stadium. His Commanding Officer, Captain George D. Tiburzi, describes him as, an officer who was dedicated to his job and knew his responsibilities. "He was always prepared for the duties prior to his shift, often coming an hour before he was scheduled for work," continued Captain Tiburzi.

Officer Miller's outstanding work performance and his display of heroic actions were recognized many times during his 31 year career. He received nine official commendations including two Commendatory Letters.

A native of Baltimore, Officer Miller

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## Terrorism Seminar

Security Managers from nearly 40 of the larger corporations located in Baltimore attended a seminar concerning Terrorism and Risk Management which was presented by the Baltimore Police Department in two, one-day sessions, July 16 and 17.

The seminar was designed to provide updated information on the general subject of Terror for executives who are responsible for corporate security.

Topics covered by the Department's expert speakers included current trends in terrorism, executive protection, intrusion counter measures, hostage survival techniques and bomb threat resolutions.

Speakers included Detective Steven M. Burrier of the Criminal Intelligence Section of the Inspectional Services Division, Lieutenant Sidney R. Hyatt of the Staff Inspections Section of the Inspectional Services Division, Sergeant Robert C. Novak of the Crime Resistance Unit, Lieutenant Samuel D. Tress of the Tactical Section and Lieutenant Robert J. Kues of the Tactical Section.

Those attending the seminars were informed that the key to prevention of some types of terrorist acts is awareness. They were given a thorough review of planned terrorist activities which never took place because plans had been detected by law enforcement agencies who were able to take effective countermeasures.

The lectures included charts, photographs, slides and films designed to emphasize particular parts of the training or information being shared with the corporate security managers.

The Department plans to host future seminars on the subject in the upcoming months.

# Officer Miller

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attended local area schools. He received a Law Enforcement Certificate in 1963 from the University of Maryland.

On July 21, 1986, during a morning roll call before Officer Miller's fellow officers, Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Officer Miller's Badge to his wife and two children. In presenting Badge #1998 to the family Commissioner Robinson said that, "Our most precious possession is life, and our most important gift is love. When we have lost those that we love, mementos then become our most precious possession. We too will remember Dick."

## Asset Sharing Nets \$198,000.00

A check for \$198,000.00 was given to Baltimore Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson by the Special Agent-In-Charge of the Baltimore Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Joseph V. Corless, on July 28, 1986.



Special Agent-In-Charge of the Baltimore Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Joseph V. Corless (right) presents a check in the amount of \$198,000.00 to Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson as part of the Asset Sharing Net Program.

The \$198,000.00 represented Baltimore's equitable share of monies seized as the result of a drug investigation which had been undertaken in cooperation with Federal authorities.

On May 22, 1985, Detectives of the Drug Enforcement Section and Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation confiscated the contents of a safe deposit box which had been opened during an investigation into an illegal cocaine operation.

Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer has approved the use of the money to supplement drug enforcement

which he recognizes as the Department's #1 enforcement priority. Applications for additional Asset Sharing have already been made to the Federal Government.

Provisions of the Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984 make it possible for local law enforcement agencies to apply to the Attorney General's Office to have an equitable portion of monies, which have been seized, returned to the local jurisdiction.

The check presented to Commissioner Robinson represents the first such payment to the Baltimore Police Department under the program. One of the purposes of the program is to enhance inter-agency cooperation and while creating a way for local law enforcement to share assets seized or forfeited as the result of joint investigations.

## Commendation Ceremonies

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### BRONZE STAR

*The Bronze Star is awarded when the circumstances of bravery, dedication to duty and general achievement exceed those standards established as routine police work.*

Officer Gregory V. Fischer, Western District, was chasing a robbery suspect when he saw a wheelchair bound citizen in the line of fire of the suspect. Officer Fischer shielded the citizen with his body and rendered aid after learning that the citizen had been wounded by the gunman.

Officers William White and Christopher Rayburn, Western District, while on patrol, saw a narcotic transaction in progress. Their investigation continued after the initial arrest of the suspects. It involved the execution of a Search and Seizure Warrant that resulted in the recovery of 900 bags of narcotics valued at approximately \$80,000, and nearly \$1,000 in U.S. Currency.

Officer William J. Denford, Southwestern District, was given a description of a man with a gun. He approached the suspect. As he was about to make the apprehension, Officer Denford saw the suspect pull a handgun. After a struggle for control of the weapon and with the

assistance of other officers, Officer Denford made the arrest and recovered two loaded revolvers.

Officers Roman Goral and Frederick A. Miller, Southwestern District, discovered a prisoner who was attempting suicide in a cell block. Both officers immediately began CPR on the unconscious man, and restored breathing before the ambulance arrived.

Officers James Kincaid and Curtis Willis, Tactical Section, stopped a suspicious vehicle which they later learned was stolen. The driver attempted to escape on foot after pausing several times to fire a handgun at the pursuing officers, however, the officers were able to make an arrest without injury.

Detective John Kowalczyk, Criminal Investigation Division, Drug Enforcement Section, was awarded the Bronze Star for his successful infiltration of a narcotic trafficking organization. As a result of the successful investigation, a neighborhood narcotic operation was suspended.

Detective Lloyd Caster, Criminal Investigation Division, Drug Enforcement Section, completed a 16 month investigation of a major narcotic organization operating in the Metropolitan Baltimore area. As a result of the investigation, ten individuals were indicted and eight Search and Seizure Warrants were obtained which narcotics valued at \$38,000 were recovered along with several weapons.

### CITIZEN AWARDS

#### *Certificate of Appreciation*

Mr. Paul Alexander  
Mrs. Tammy Alexander  
Mr. Don Anderson  
Mr. Anthony Arbin  
Ms. Cheryl Clements  
Mr. Phillip DeLustell  
Mr. John C. Hammond  
Mr. Albert L. Ludwig  
Ms. Rhonda Harris  
Mr. Milton Nichols  
Mr. Glenn Howard  
Mr. William Jackson  
Mr. Charles Parson  
Mr. Wayne Williams  
Mr. William Wagner



## Remembering Those Who Proudly Served . . .

The City of Baltimore is undertaking an important fund raising campaign . . . the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund. The money raised will be only a portion of the money needed to erect a monument to remember Vietnam Veterans who gave their lives, and so proudly served. The design, similar to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., was created by Mr. Robert Tennerbaum and Michael Elliott employees of Market Center Development Corporation. It will be pillows of pink granite bearing 1,009 names of Marylanders who died and MIA's during the Vietnam War.

To achieve Baltimore City's contribution to this state wide project, a \$2.00 donation is requested from all city employees. The donation is on a one-time basis and can be given through payroll deduction, check or cash. The donation of \$2.00 from each Baltimore City employee will go towards Baltimore City's goal of raising \$50,000 to pay for the Monument.

Major George L. Christian, Community Relations Division, is serving as coordinator for the Department's participation in the campaign. He says that the collection of funds is underway throughout the Department.

In addition to the payroll deduction effort, members of the Maryland Vietnam Veterans Fund, Inc. will sponsor a 365 mile walk to cross the state of Maryland. Hundreds will walk beginning in Oakland, Maryland on August 9, 1986 and reaching Baltimore City on August 17, 1986 at 6:30 p.m. A special observance will be conducted at Federal Hill, where the Monument will stand, and then the walk will continue, ending on August 23, 1986, in Berlin and Ocean City, Maryland.

The 365 mile walk, called the "Last Patrol," symbolizes the one year or 365 days tour of duty veterans served during the Vietnam War.

Warden Paul Davis of the Baltimore City Jail, co-chairperson from the City's fund raising project and also a Vietnam Veteran says that a \$2.00 contribution is not only a token to remembering those who served in the war but it is also a means in which "we welcome the men of the Vietnam War home."

## Health Care for Baltimore's Homeless

*This article is a part of a continuing series of feature stories designed to share information of interest to the law enforcement community.*

By: Mary Cowgill  
and  
Michele Kearns

Health and Welfare Council of Maryland, Inc.

On any given night in Baltimore City, an estimated 1,200 persons are in need of shelter. Neglect, exacerbated by inadequate nutrition and rest results in both acute and chronic health problems for the homeless. Alcoholism, drug abuse and mental illness frequently complicate once minor health problems. Many of the homeless are reluctant or unable to seek care from established sources and often lack medical insurance or money to pay for care. For the past year, Health Care for the Homeless of Baltimore City's two walk-in clinics, supported by grants from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Pew Memorial Trust, have provided non-emergency health care and health referrals for almost 1,500 different men and women of Baltimore's homeless community.

The clinics, My Sister's Place at 123 West Mulberry Street for women, and Christopher Place at 709 East Eager Street for men, offer on-site medical evaluation and treatment, psychiatric and mental health services, case management and referrals to other services. Staff are able to treat illnesses such as diabetes, vascular disorders, skin disorders, high blood pressure, colds and flu. Dental cases are referred to the Baltimore City Dental Clinic and podiatry problems to Old Town Podiatry.

The clinics are not a substitute for hospital emergency rooms. Anyone seriously injured—unconscious, bleeding, in need of stitches—would be referred to an emergency room.

Of the women seen at My Sister's Place clinic, about one-third have drug or alcohol problems and almost 80 percent are what Jackie Gaines, nurse practitioner, calls "emotionally troubled."

Some are de-institutionalized and in need of medication, others are displaced homemakers with no support system to fall back on. In the past two months, staff at the women's clinic have noticed an increase in the number of pregnant women coming in for prenatal care. Ms. Gaines, a specialist in OB-GYN, encourages homeless pregnant women to come in for treatment. Children, no matter what the illness, are treated at Mercy Hospital's pediatric clinic.

Homeless men in the city suffer from many of the same physical problems as homeless women, however, while more men (60 percent of those treated) are drug or alcohol abusers, only half are emotionally troubled; and according to a service coordinator at the Christopher Place clinic about 20 percent are released from institutions without needed medication and often before they are ready to make it on their own.

Anyone obviously intoxicated or under the influence of drugs will not be treated at the clinic. Kate Walsh, nurse practitioner, states, "If they're not coherent they can't tell us what's wrong. Anyone with a serious problem would be sent to an emergency room. Someone having D.T.'s would be referred to a detox program."

Both clinics are open Monday through Friday. The hours for the women's clinic is 9:30 to 3:30. The men's clinic, 9:30 to 4:30. Patients are seen by appointment or on a walk-in basis.

Because many homeless people are alienated from traditional and established health care providers, they are sometimes reluctant to seek help. But while they may need more encouragement to get help initially, the number of patient visits in the past year—over 8,000—prove that the patients are keeping their follow-up appointments. Perhaps just as important, they receive emotional as well as medical care. Mary Ellen Vanni, the service coordinator at My Sister's Place clinic says of the homeless, "They are missing a support system, and the shelter [My Sister's Place] provides this support; it becomes a family for them."

For more information on the Health Care for the Homeless program, call Hope Gleicher, project director, at 752-4146.

## Post Scripts

The following postscript was written by a youth who has been enrolled in the Baltimore Police Department's Court Sanctioned Limited Adjustment Program (L.A.P.). The objective of the program is to redirect first time juvenile offenders from involvement in criminal activity.

Rehabilitation is achieved through providing counseling for families, and Educational and Community Service Programs for the youth.

This letter was addressed to Police Officer Daniel J. Markowski, Youth Service Officer of the Central District. The identity of the writer will remain confidential.

... My experience through this program has been well worth it. I really began to find myself, I very much wonder what would make me take something that didn't belong to me in the first place. Shoplifting is a crime and I really took it lightly, I now know that the laws are to be respected and thought of as a strict rule to obey. I really felt ashamed while sitting there with those hand-cuffs on when my mother walked in. That moment is imbedded in my mind. I am now working to become a good person. God and I have had a very long talk. My school work is improving and my other activities are the same. The relationship between my parents and I is still the same although there was some static during that crazy week, but I expected that. I really like very much to thank you for allowing me to be in this program.

Thank you Officer Markowski for your guidance.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**OPERATIONS BUREAU** — Congratulations to Sergeant Charles S. Moser on the birth of his 14th grandchild - Charles Stanley Moser III, born on July 14, weighing 7 lbs., 7½ oz.

**CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION** — Printing Press Operator I Gregory A. Smith, assigned to the Central Records Division, is currently in Montebello Center undergoing rehabilitation training and therapy. Friends and co-workers wish him a speedy recovery.

**TACTICAL SECTION** — Congratulations to Officer Charles C. Owens Jr. who has celebrated his 38th Anniversary with the Department.

## RETIREMENTS

**BARNHARDT, RALPH E.**, Police Officer, Northeastern District, 27 years of service, July 9.

**CODD, CHARLES S.**, Lieutenant, Community Services Division, 36 years of service, July 17.

**MORGAN, KENNETH J.**, Sergeant, Traffic Division, 35 years of service, July 17.

**BRANDNER, GERARD C.**, Sergeant, Criminal Investigation Division, 26 years of service, July 18.

**MELLO, HENRY P.**, Police Officer, Central District, 18 years of service, July 22.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HARPER, ASHLEY MARIE**, daughter of Office Assistant II Patricia R. Harper, Central Records Division, and Police Officer Leonard Harper, Northern District, 6lbs. 3 oz., July 7.

**KRECZMER, CHAD**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Robert Kreczmer, Southwestern District, 7lbs., 1 oz., July 11.

**MAURER, JENNIFER ANN**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Michael J. Maurer, Western District, 6lbs. 6½ oz., July 20.

**SCARDINA, PATRICK PAUL**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Paul Scardina, Southeastern District,

8lbs., 11½ oz., July 24.

**HARLEE, JOSEPH M.**, son of Police Agent and Mrs. James Harlee, Northeastern District, 7lbs., 14 oz., July 30.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

**MATIAS, MANUEL R.**, retired Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, formerly from the Northwestern District, July 14.

**MILLER, RICHARD T.**, Police Officer, Traffic Division, July 21.

## IN MEMORIAM

**CARTER, MILDRED L.**, mother of Police Officer Byron Carter, Northern District, July 11.

**WALLACE, WILLIAM**, son of Police Officer James Wallace, Southeastern District, July 14.

**WALLACE, WILLIAM**, son of Police Officer James Wallace, Southeastern District, July 14.

**HOLLAND, THEODORE R.**, father of Supervisor Teddi Bittinger, Central Records, and father-in-law of Police Officer Robert Bittinger, Eastern District, July 18.

**RICHARDSON, HARRY**, father-in-law of Police Officer James Jefferson, Western District, July 21.

**REYNOLDS, JESSE**, grandfather of Police Officer James Allen, Western District, July 24.

**KUHN, NELLIE**, great grandmother of Police Officer Samuel Suter, Southern District, July 25.

**GYERKES, ELIZABETH**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Conrad Hendrichs, Northeastern District, July 29.

**LARICOS, BETTY P.**, sister of Sergeant William G. Laricos, Southwestern District, August 2.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: 1984 Chevrolet Chevette, blue, AM/FM Cassette Stereo, four door, standard transmission, 30 miles/gallon, only 16,000 miles on same. Excellent condition. Call Sgt. Jack Ames, Planning & Research Division.

For Sale: 1985 19' Bayliner cutty cabin boat, easy load trailer, inboard/outboard motor 125 Volvo engine. Contact Helen Was, SEDist. or call 633-7612 after 8:00 p.m.



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## They're Blowing The Whistle!

It's a busy Friday in a Public Housing Complex in Baltimore. As the noon-day sun creates steamy temperatures, residents of the low-rise units seek a spot of shade. Children scurry and tumble playing kid-games which pass away another day when schools are closed for vacation.

At the far end of the block, there's what appears to be a utility services truck, seven men in work uniforms peering down a man-hole. A moving van is backing into position in a rear parking lot. Workers move children out of harm's way as a large rented truck backs up over the curb, apparently to off-load a delivery of furniture.

Then the normal routine of a typical summer day is shattered!

Police cars, marked and unmarked, screech to a halt, the utility workers join a rush toward several of the low rise apartments. They are joined by dozens of other Officers piling out of the moving van and the rented truck.

It's a narcotics raid!

Children are gathered by parents as doors are shattered. After a few moments of confusion, it becomes "normal" again as Detectives and Officers search for narcotics and other evidence listed in their Search and Seizure Warrants.

Residents from various buildings gravitate to the street. There's talk of "pushers," crime and other neighborhood problems. But the mood is surprisingly upbeat. In fact, the people who are standing around talking are actually happy. You see, they are the ones who made the raids occur . . . by making a telephone call to 685-DRUG.

What that neighborhood had just experienced was its participation in a program called Blow The Whistle on Drugs.

Instituted on September 4, 1985 at the request of Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer, the Blow The Whistle on Drugs Program has received more than 8,600 calls on its 24-hour 685-DRUG hotline. The arrests which will result from these raids will be added to the 1,735 arrests which have resulted from the program so far.

The program is designed to impact against those street level drug dealers who have permeated many neighborhoods. It was the Mayor's concern that many of the "victims" of illegal drug dealers had nothing to do with the use of narcotics. These "victims" were the majority of people residing in neighborhoods who had to change the way they lived out of fear of the drug dealers.

The Mayor and Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson had heard concerns from virtually every area of the community and this program provided a way for the citizens to fight back.

Information coming into the Drug Hotline Office is often of high quality. Neighbors are often able to give the names of the violators, descriptions of vehicles being used in their operations, and sometimes can even tell detectives what types of drugs are being sold and where illegal drug supplies are stored. As a result, Drug Enforcement Units in each of the Districts are provided with a great deal of information on which to begin an investigation.

When an investigation results in raids, seizures and arrests, participants in the Blow The Whistle on Drugs Program see the results of their calls to the hotline. Often after a series of raids in a particular area, other neighbors will call the Hotline and provide information on other dealers in the area who were not

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## Your Donations At Work

Can you remember your first summer job? Did it help you decide on career goals? Did it help develop good working habits that are important in the work place now? Summer jobs are one of the best learning experiences in a young persons life. This year more than 9,000 youngsters were employed in Baltimore through the Blue Chip-In/Summer Jobs Program. If it were not for your donations to the Blue Chip-In Program, many high school students would not have the opportunity to have a summer learning experience.

The Baltimore Police Department has been one of the Blue Chip-In/Summer Jobs Program work sites since the early 1970's.



Blue Chip-In/Summer Jobs Program employees (L to R) Anna S. Nikolettas 16, and Margo N. Neofitou 19, washing police cruisers at South-eastern District. Their other job assignments included filing, light typing, and other office duties.

This summer 25 young people worked six weeks during July and August at several Districts, the Inner Harbor, and Youth Section.

Their job assignments varied from office skills such as typing, filing, and xeroxing to light general maintenance of police buildings and departmental vehicles.

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## Blowing The Whistle

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the target of the initial investigation. And the process then repeats itself, cycle after cycle until neighborhoods can see improvements in their situation.

Word of the success of Blow The Whistle on Drugs is getting around. The Department has received inquiries from several major cities requesting details of how the program works. Several national television network news operations have also asked for information.

Blow The Whistle on Drugs is not the answer to the drug problem in our community. It is, however, an important component in the Department's over-all effect. It, in addition to the many fine investigations carried out by uniformed Officers and Detectives, has made the pushers change habits. Illegal drug activities have moved out of some areas. Most important is the fact that citizens, by their continued participation in the program, are sending a strong message to the illegal drug dealers that they'd better watch out because now they never know just who is going to blow the whistle.

## Your Donations

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Program participants must be between the ages of 14 and 21 and meet federal family income guidelines. To be selected for the program they must have had good attendance in school and achieve a satisfactory grade point average.

Office Supervisor Vera H. Smith, Community Relations Section, Coordinator for the Department's work sites, says that, "Developing good working habits is another requirement of the program." Each student must report to work on time and regularly, thus preparing them for the "real world." At the completion of this year's Blue Chip-In/Summer Jobs Program, the NEWSLETTER Staff asked several participants what the Blue Chip-In/Summer Jobs meant to them?

Miss Dana E. Johnson, who was assigned to the Property Division, Motor Pool Section said that, "It gives me a chance to think about how lucky I am to have the experience in learning the responsibilities for myself and my life."

Paul Jennings, 16 years, assigned to the Northwestern District says, "Summer

jobs help me to respect time."

John Ward, 17 years, whose site was Community Relations, said, "My Summer job is great. It gives me the chance to travel, I get to see what police work is all about."



Judy S. Barnes, 14, asks Accounting Assistant III Beverly Crist, Fiscal Division, about salary verifications. Ms. Barnes hopes that some of the skills she has learned will be helpful when she enters college to study business.

Christopher A. Rodgers, who worked at the Northwestern District said, "The Summer Jobs Program will keep most kids out of trouble by giving them something to do, and it's putting money in their pockets."



Lt. Alvin Winkler, Tactical Section, (right) stops to check with Anthony Wilson 17 years (foreground) and Maurice Lovelace 18 years, assigned to the Inner Harbor McKeldin Fountain, one of more than eight Blue Chip-In/Summer Job Program work sites within the Department.

The Blue Chip-In/Summer Jobs Program is not only a valuable experience to the students but have been helpful to Department members as well. Lieutenant Alvin A. Winkler, Tactical Section said, "Anthony Wilson, 17 years, who attends Carver Vocational Technical Senior High School, and Maurice Lovelace, 18 years, a student at Douglas Senior High School assisted Officers assigned to the Inner Harbor's McKeldin fountain on Pratt and Light Streets to make sure that the area around the fountain remained safe. Unsupervised children, and adults, enter in the water finding the fountain appealing and the cool waters a tempting way to cool off on a hot summer day.

Lieutenant Winkler says that, "More than 30 complaints a month would be reported to Officers at the Inner Harbor concerning people in the fountain. Since Maurice and Anthony have been assigned to the Inner Harbor, we have not had one complaint." They do not have any authority to make arrests or enforce laws, however, they remain in contact with patrol officers at the Police Inner Harbor Kiosk through a hand held radio if assistance is needed.

Ms. Vera Smith says that, "We have been fortunate to have some of Baltimore's Best youth working for us over the 16 years." Some students have made career choices from their summer job experiences and joined the Department on a full time basis.

## Persistent Investigation Brings Justice

Members of the Baltimore Police Department have been recognized over the years for their intense investigative skills used to solve crimes. These skills became evident in an investigation which began in the Department nearly eight months ago.

On November 29, 1985, a citizen called the 911 Emergency Telephone System to report that she and her children had been victims of a crime. Within minutes a uniformed Patrol Officer was at her home to take a report and conduct a preliminary investigation for rape and sexual child abuse against seven children and herself.

The next day the case was assigned to Officer Edward N. Henneman, Southern District, for a follow-up investigation. Based on the statements from the victims



and other evidence, an arrest warrant was obtained for the victim's estranged husband. He was later arrested by the Salisbury Police Department, transported back to Baltimore and charged at the Southern District.

Ordinarily, once an arrest has been made and charges placed, the investigation is concluded. In this case Officer Henneman felt that some details were not revealed and continued to probe. He requested the assistance of Detective Dorothy A. Woods of the Sex Offense Unit. She reinterviewed the mother and her seven children and learned that their first statements were not accurate accounts of what occurred.

Further, at the time the victims said the crimes occurred, more than eight people stated the suspect was in his Salisbury home hosting a Thanksgiving party.

More discrepancies began to appear during the investigation. Officer Henneman learned that the victim had also filed rape reports in three other police departments prior to the November 29, 1985 report in Baltimore City. Six separate reports had been filed with the Richmond, Virginia Police Department. Additionally, the Hopewell, Virginia and Salisbury, Maryland Police Departments each had three reports on file.

Further perusal of the cases revealed that many similarities existed between the prior reports and the case under investigation with the Department. These similarities included the times the victim stated the crimes occurred, the times the police were called, and the fact that the victim always had a confrontation with the accused just prior to the report being made. In three of the reports, the victim identified her estranged husband as the perpetrator. The other ten reports identified neighbors as the suspect.

With these facts accrued, Officer Henneman had enough probable cause to obtain an arrest warrant for the 29 year old mother. She was later convicted on charges of making a false statement to a police officer.

The estranged husband was cleared of the rape and sexual child abuse charges in the November 29, 1985 incident. At this point, the Baltimore City investigation was complete, however, Officer Henneman did not stop there. He ascertained that a person was convicted in one of the

alleged rapes in Salisbury, Maryland. This person was sentenced to life plus thirty-five years. Officer Henneman contacted the Public Defender's Office and with their assistance was able to gain the release of a man who had already served three years in the Maryland Penitentiary.

On August 1, 1986, Officer Henneman completed his investigation and proudly escorted the released man to the bus station.

Officer Henneman's persistent investigation exposed facts which changed the lives of more than a dozen people.

## NEWS NOTES

A public boating course for both sail and power craft is being offered by the Sue Island Power Squadron. The course is open to anyone over the age of 12. Instruction is free, with a small charge for course materials. The course is given in 10 lessons on Thursdays from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Kenwood Senior High School, Stemmers Run Road and Marlyn Avenue, Essex, Maryland. Registration is September 4, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. at Kenwood Senior High School, late regi-

stration is on September 11th.

Topics include: Boat handling under normal and adverse conditions, Seamanship, rules of the road, aids to navigation, compass and chart familiarization, running light and equipment, trailering, inland boating and piloting.

The next public boating course will be offered in January, 1987, in Towson. For information, call 254-3174 or 252-0870.

## LIBRARY NOTES

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On August 14, 1986, Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented a Certificate of Completion for Phill (center horse) to Mr. Gerald M. Tyler, Vice President, Murdock Development Company (left), Phill was donated by the Market Center Development Corporation (MCDC) and the Murdock Development Corporation and is the Department's most recent graduate from the Mounted Unit Police Training Program. Also attending the graduation ceremony were Mr. Anthony R. Diana, Division Manager for Murdock Management (right), (background left to right) Sgt. John A. Sharp and Officer Robert J. Petza members of the Mounted Unit



On July 16, 1986, Colonel Edward V. Woods, Traffic Division, presented Certificates of Promotion to five members of the Auxiliary Police Unit. The ceremony took place in the Traffic Division Roll Call Room. Those who were promoted: (left to right) Auxiliary Sergeant JoAnn Aiello, Auxiliary Sergeant Vileen Hicklin, Auxiliary Lieutenant John C. Blueford, Auxiliary Captain Howard Margolin and Auxiliary Major Charles W. Wells.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMMLER, ZACKERY CHARLES, son of Lieutenant and Mrs. George M. Immler, Northwestern District, 8 lbs. 7 oz., June 23.

MANDRODT, ANNIE MARIE, daughter of Police Agent and Mrs. Thomas Mandrodt, Tactical Section, 7 lbs. 2 oz., July 27.

SEXTON, KENDRA MONAI, daughter of Police Cadet Myrna L. Sexton, Operation Bureau, 7 lbs. 1 oz., August 4.

FALLON, CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL, son of Police Officer and Mrs. James Fallon, Southwestern District, 8 lbs. 10 oz., August 6.

MAZER, ELIZABETH CARYN, granddaughter of Secretary II Carolyn Mazer, Tactical Section, daughter of Dr. Steven Mazer, and wife Joan, 6 lbs. 11 oz., August 11.

### RETIREMENTS

PAYNE, ROBERT A., Detective, Criminal Investigation Division, 28 years of service, July 17.

CARLIN, BRUCE M., Police Officer, Office of the Chief of Patrol, 16 years of service, August 1.

ARNOLD, RICHARD D., Police Officer, Communications Division, 31 years of service, August 6.

WHITE, RONALD C., Police Officer, Northeastern District, 28 years of service, August 7.

BURFORD, JOHN M., Police Officer, Northeastern District, 29 years of service, August 14.

ENGLESTAD, WILBUR J. JR., Radio Maintenance Technician II, Communications Division, 13 years of service, August 21.

HERGET, CARL F., Police Officer, Southern District, 26 years of service, August 26.

ITTNER, CHARLES F., Police Officer, Northern District, 25 years of service, August 26.

SNYDER, CARRIE E., Office Assistant III-D, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Administrative Bureau, 23 years of service, August 30.

### FINAL ROLL CALL

MARDERS, IRVIN, retired Sergeant, Property Division, July 31.

### IN MEMORIAM

RAINEY, ELSIE K., mother of Computer Operations Supervisor Freda Waters, Services Bureau-Data Center, grandmother of Office Assistant II Trieste R. Valls, Personnel Division, and Police Officer Victor E. Epps, Northern District, July 29.

LEWIS, NATHANIEL, grandfather of Office Assistant II Deborah V. Berkley, Criminal Investigation Division, Fugitive Unit, July 29.

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For Sale: 3 bedroom townhouse, L/R, D/R, eat-in kitchen with refrigerator, gas range, oven, washer, & dryer. W/W carpet and more. Close to busline, shopping and schools. Located off of Erdman Avenue. Contact P.O. Robert Bigos, WDist. or call 488-4400 or 483-5894.

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For Sale: Sear's Kenmore heavy duty washer and gas dryer - yellow. Both for \$325.00. Contact P.O. Malfettone, NDist. or 665-775.

Owner sale: Mobile home, like new, 14' x 70' only 2 miles to Bethany Beach, Del. 2 large BR's, 2 full baths, paddle fan and cathedral ceiling in LR and kitchen, central A/C, fully furnished, washer/dryer, built in microwave, dishwasher, stereo and storm windows, cable TV, 12' x 30' treated deck all on a 1/4 acre wooded lot. Priced in the low 50's. Contact Det. Chris Davis, C.I.D., Narcotics Enforcement Section or 243-6781.



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# NEWSLETTER

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## Crack Awareness

Pennsylvania Station had been a busy place all day long. Passengers boarded trains bound for the nation's Capitol or for longer trips to New York or Boston. But now that the midnight hour had arrived, the level of activity had slowed to the point of tranquility.

A southbound train, headed to Washington, D.C., slowed and stopped. A few passengers, who had boarded in New York City, walked off, a few others got on. The train slid, almost quietly, out of the platform area of the station.

The young girl was seventeen. She stepped from the platform area, her eyes looking for something or someone familiar. The eyes of an older woman met her. There was a brief conversation and they walked through the Charles Street exit.

A few steps brought them to an automobile.

Quiet signals were passed. Members of the Baltimore Police Department's Drug Enforcement Section and Agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration took hurried steps and closed in.

After a brief moment of identifying themselves as police, an article of luggage was seized. The ensuing search produced one grey sock containing 598 small vials of off white substance.

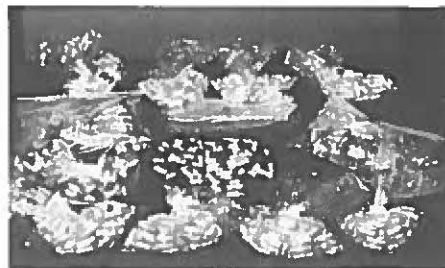
CRACK had come to Baltimore.

It arrived about midnight on August 22, 1986.

Government and law enforcement officials in Baltimore and Baltimore County had been anticipating the arrival of CRACK, a free-base form of cocaine, for several months.

Mid-summer brought the formation of a joint City-County Task Force to find ways to avert the spread of the drug to the Baltimore area.

Conceived by Mayor William Donald Schaefer's Coordinating Council on Criminal Justice and the Baltimore County Executive's Drug Abuse Coordinator, the Task Force is mobilizing City and County resources to impact against the spread of CRACK into the Baltimore area.



The above 598 vials of Crack, a free-base form of cocaine, was seized by the Baltimore Police Department's Drug Enforcement Section and Agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration during an arrest on August 22, 1986.

CRACK is a free-base form of cocaine which is sold in the form of tiny ready-to-smoke pieces. It is cocaine hydrochloride which has been converted to cocaine base.

Officials in New York City, where CRACK abuse has attained epidemic proportions, says that CRACK can be produced from common street cocaine or high-quality cocaine (cocaine hydrochloride) which is combined with baking soda and dissolved in water to make a paste. The paste is stirred while being heated until evaporation has been completed. The solid substance remaining is broken into small pieces. The final product, CRACK, ranges in color from white to light tan.

Because of the relative ease of manufacture, CRACK production has been described as a "cottage industry." The drug is placed in tiny see-through vials,

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## Graffiti Investigation

Northern District Police Agent John C. Gentry and Police Officer Robert E. Rupkey recently completed a lengthy Graffiti Investigation.

Their report, which follows, contains information which can be useful to every member of the Department:

The following is a brief account of an investigation beginning in the month of April, 1986, concerning the continuing problem of graffiti in the Northern District. The first several weeks of our investigation resulted in an awareness of a problem much larger than had initially been anticipated.

We at first discovered that the graffiti writers did not isolate themselves to a particular area, but in fact would travel throughout the City in order to deface property. Our second discovery was that the graffiti writers were organized into what they called "Crews." A "Crew" generally consisted of anywhere from 4 to 10 members with membership based on community boundaries. We discovered approximately 15 "Crews" operating in the Northern District, the three largest being, "The Graffiti Crew" (TGC — Hampden; "The Keswick Crew" (TKC) — Remington; and "Graffiti Rock Crew" (GRC) — Medfield. These three crews, along with the others, would cross over each others community boundaries in order to "tag" one another's neighborhood. This type of vandalism not only served as a form of retaliation but also served as a form of recognition for an individual crew member and his crew.

The word "tag" is the graffiti writer's reference word for his or her particular nickname and "tagging" is the defacing of property with one's "tag." "Tags" are generally written with one of three in-

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# CRACK

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each containing one or two "pieces" and they are sold for \$10.00 to \$25.00 per vial.

CRACK is becoming a popular choice of drug abusers for a number of reasons. It produces an intense euphoria only seconds after being ingested by smoking. It is often cheaper per "hit" than is ordinary cocaine hydrochloride.

Studies indicate that many intravenous drug users have switched to CRACK because an intense "high" is produced without having to use a needle that might expose the user to the risk of acquiring AIDS. About one-third of the AIDS victims in New York City are intravenous drug users believed to have contracted the disease through needle sharing. Still others, it has been learned, prefer smoking CRACK to swallowing pills.

CRACK is usually smoked. It can be pulverized and sprinkled on a regular cigarette or a marijuana "joint." Most often, however, it is vaporized at the top of a specially designed glass pipe by applying a butane flame to the pipe's glass bowl and inhaling through the pipe's stem. The vaporized CRACK is drawn from the heated bowl down through a water reservoir at the bottom of the pipe to cool the vapor before it is transmitted to the user's mouth, lungs and bloodstream for transport to the brain.

In New York City one year ago, no complaints were received by law enforcement officials or drug treatment experts about addiction to CRACK. Twelve months later, a survey showed that 29% of the adult callers to a special drug hotline said they were addicted to the drug.

As is the case with all illegal drugs, CRACK spreads throughout a society. It is reported that many young persons are being turned on to CRACK. Although the majority of street sellers and buyers of CRACK appear to be between 20 and 35 years of age, many more teenage buyers are being noticed by officials in New York City. It is also reported that children as young as ten years of age are being introduced to CRACK, mainly by their older siblings who encouraged them to take a puff of their loaded cigarettes.

Members of the Department are cur-

rently alert for discoveries of CRACK. The Drug Enforcement Section and Drug Enforcement Units in the nine Districts can be contacted for more information concerning the drug. The Drug Enforcement Administration, as it did in the August 22, 1986 case, stands ready to assist members of the Department in interdicting CRACK as attempts are made to bring it into the Baltimore area.

Although this is the sixth incident where CRACK has been seized, it remains for every member of the Department to be alert to the dangers which CRACK brings with it and to be prepared to take appropriate law enforcement action when information is verified that CRACK is becoming available.

## Graffiti

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struments: 1) spray paint, 2) shoe polish or 3) magic markers. The actual "tag" itself is done in one of the three styles: 1) "A Piece" - a large design of a crew members "tag," usually a fancy form of block letters spray painted with various colors. At the end of the piece the writer would place his crew's initials such as "KSW" - (Kan't Stop writing), "VIA" - (Vandals In Action) or "PIC" - (Painters In Crime). The average size of "a piece" varies from 20' to 40' in length and from 5' to 15' in height and can take as many as 30 cans of spray paint to complete. 2) "A Throw-Up" - similar to "a piece" except that the large block letters are not colored in with spray paint. "A Throw-Up" is generally done because the writer lacks enough spray paint to do "a piece." Note: not all graffiti writers are capable of doing "a piece" or "a throw-up." 3) "A Tag" - the writer's particular nickname, usually exclusive to himself. "A tag" is the most common form of graffiti and usually written randomly throughout the City with any available writing instrument.

Most graffiti writers will "tag" as many locations as possible in order to gain recognition from both within their "crew" and from members of other "crews." No object is sacred; they have been known to "tag" bridges, buildings, mailboxes, telephone booths, schools, recreation centers, churches, public bathrooms, light poles, the Subway, tunnels, houses, garages, cars, streets signs, Transit & Traffic control boxes, stores, gas

stations and let's not forget buses.

The MTA buses have been a favorite target of the graffiti writers. The buses provide the graffiti writers with a moveable form of recognition enabling them the chance to be known by "crews" throughout the City. Some graffiti writers specialize in writing on the interior of buses with the hope of being recognized as the "King of the Insiders." The school bus pass entitles the graffiti writer to ride buses as often and as long as he desires, tagging at will.

The make up of "crew" members varies from "crew" to "crew" and generally consists of what they call "artists" and "toys" (this appears to be consistent with "crews" throughout the City). "Artists" are generally capable of doing "a piece" or "a throw-up"; usually work in teams of 2 to 4, consisting of one person acting as a lookout and have been known to use walkie-talkies to communicate the police whereabouts. The "Artist" has a certain level of recognition by other graffiti writers. "Toys" on the other hand are considered not to have the talent to be "Artist" and usually will "tag" in a rather non-descript manner. "Toys" are usually looked down upon by the "Artist".

Although the majority of graffiti writers have no previous criminal records, as often happens, crime breeds crime. The enormous cost of keeping a graffiti writer supplied with writing instruments (spray paint, shoe polish and magic markers) necessitated what the graffiti writers call "racking." "Racking" is nothing more than the graffiti cult word for stealing. Three or four crew members would enter a store (usually an art supply store or a hardware store) and while one or more "crew" members create a disturbance, the other members would clear a shelf of spray paint. They have been known to "rack" 20 cans per store, hitting several stores a day. Another trick is to enter a store carrying a rolled up poster and to slide paint markers and magic markers inside the tube opening. They will also slide a half dozen markers up each shirt or jacket sleeve.

Graffiti writers carry their supply of spray paint, markers, and additional spray nozzels (to alter and vary the spray paint width) in a day pack that they carry on their back. This affords them maneuverability while traveling and writing and provides concealment



of their instruments from police visibility.

In summary, the graffiti "crews" are semi-organized bands or groups composed mostly of teenagers going throughout their neighborhoods, and quite often crossing their established neighborhood boundaries and entering various communities throughout the City with the sole intent of defacing real property.

The information incorporated in this report was gathered through an intense 4 month investigation. During the course of our investigation we worked closely with the personnel from the Mayor's Task Force on Vandalism/Graffiti, and also established a dialogue with the Juvenile States Attorneys Office in reference to charging procedures and subsequent prosecution. City owned and private property that was defaced with graffiti was photographed and documented for future prosecution. We utilized the cooperation of the MTA police in identifying MTA property that was damaged, in particular, subway property and individual buses. We spoke with numerous property owners who were victimized with graffiti in an attempt to educate them on how to better protect their property. We contacted store owners where thefts occurred and advised them of methods being utilized by graffiti writers to steal property. A photo booklet was put together identifying all known graffiti writers in the Northern District. Finally, we interviewed and took statements from over 60 graffiti and suspected graffiti writers.

Our primary target of investigation centered on three neighborhoods within the Northern District; Remington, Hampden and Medfield. The tangible results are as follows:

- A) 59 arrests involving 46 individuals resulting in 88 charges.  
Break down of charges:
  - a) 3 charges of conspiracy w/intent to murder
  - b) 6 theft charges
  - c) 3 charges of common assault
  - d) 76 charges of vandalism/graffiti
- B) Admission, post Miranda Rights, to having defaced 973 locations.
- C) Recovery of numerous cans of spray paint, markers, a graffiti handbook (published in NYC), several underground newspapers glorifying graffiti.

D) Of the 46 individuals arrested 22 have been tried as of this date with 22 convictions resulting in:

- a) 3,088 community service hours
- b) \$1,600.00 in fines
- c) total of 120 days of detention at MTSB

## Citizens Come To Officer's Aid

Citizens have been involved in the Department's efforts to prevent crime and enhance crime awareness. The success of such programs as Blow the Whistle on Drugs and Neighborhood Block Watchers are examples of this community-police partnership. That partnership extends beyond just forwarding information about a suspect but in this instance, helping in an actual arrest. Two residents of the Lafayette Community came to the aid of an Officer involved in an altercation. Their intervention saved the Officer from serious injury and possibly saved her life.

On the morning of June 27, 1986, Police Officer Barbara J. Price, Southeastern District, was investigating a larceny of a bicycle. She was interviewing the victim when the victim saw the suspect. The victim identified the 16 year old as the person who took the bicycle. Officer Price approached the suspect to

continue her investigation when an altercation occurred. During the struggle, the suspect lifted Officer Price into the air and threw her to the ground, then attempted to take her service revolver.

Ms. Iris N. Bradford and Ms. Dianne R. Randall, both housewives, were walking through the court yard of their apartment complex when they saw a large crowd which had gathered. "We were curious," said Ms. Randall, "about what everybody was gathering around." When we saw the man had the Officer's hair, arms, and was trying to get the Officer's gun, my friend said to me let's help. Several citizens in the crowd called 911 to report the incident while Ms. Randall and Ms. Bradford kept the suspect from reaching the Officer's gun. Both women grabbed the suspect's arms but were not able to free Officer Price.

Within seconds back-up units arrived and with the assistance of the two citizens subdued the suspect. Officer Price was transported to a nearby hospital for lacerations and contusions of the head, back and arms. Officer Price has recovered from her injuries and has returned to work.

The suspect was arrested and charged with the Larceny of the bicycle, Attempt Assault and Robbery, and Resisting Arrest.

On August 20, 1986, in the Mayor's Ceremonial Room, Mr. Paul J. Nevin,

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Mr. Paul J. Nevin, Special Assistant to the Mayor (center) presented Citizen Citations to Ms. Iris N. Bradford (second from left) and Ms. Dianne R. Randall, (second from right). Also attending the ceremony were Major Charles J. DiPino, Commander of Southeastern District (far right) and Officer Barbara J. Price, Southeastern District.

## Citizens Aid Officer

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Special Assistant to Mayor William Donald Schaefer, presented Ms. Bradford and Ms. Randall with Citizen Citations. During the presentations he said, "You ladies have set a fine example for the citizenry of this City. On behalf of the Mayor and the City, I thank you. It makes us proud to know that our citizens are ready to help. You have proven you are one of Baltimore's Best."

Ms. Randall says, "I have never been involved in anything like this before, but if I saw an Officer in trouble, I would not hesitate to help again."

## Sgt. Ellwood Graduates

Sergeant Richard J. Ellwood of the Arson Unit of the Criminal Investigation Division recently attended the National Fire Academy at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmittsburg, Maryland. Sergeant Ellwood received a Certificate of Achievement after completing the 80-hour course of instruction.

Material included in the course ranged from Behavior of Fire to Determining Point of Origin, Accidental Fire Causes, Incendiary Fire Causes, Motivation of the Fire Setter, Fire Scene Investigation and the Follow-Up Basics of Insurance, Fire Protection Systems, Vehicle Fires, Fatal Fires, Legal Aspects of Fire Investigation and Interview Techniques.

He attended the National Fire Academy on his own time and at his own expense.

## Post Scripts

Dear Commissioner Robinson:

Baltimore is a great city. Its greatness is enhanced when people help each other. Recently, members of the Baltimore City Police Department acted in support of Mayor Schaefer's call to assist our schools to be the very best.

The Vanguard Justice Society, under the leadership of Sergeant Wendell France, adopted Fernhill School #310 located on Fernhill and Garrison Boulevard. Fernhill is a school for special students, some of whom are confined to wheelchairs and others have limited mobility. Many of the students live in foster homes or with single parent families.

It is particularly gratifying that these officers chose a school where students have both physical and emotional handicaps. They will be providing a real positive role model.

Because of their dedication and willingness to share with others, Baltimore will continue to be BEST.

Sincerely,  
Lester Buster  
Special Assistant

## NEWS IN BRIEF

C.I.D. — Congratulations to the Department's Criminal Investigation Division Softball Team who finished second in the 1986 Law Enforcement

Softball Tournament. It was held at Loch Raven High School on August 16, 1986. The team was coached by Sergeant Richard J. Ellwood Jr., C.I.D.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #3 Softball Team comprised of eighteen members of the Department who won 4th place in the Men's Son's of Highlandtown Tournament.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLIVI, DANIEL, son of Detective Agent and Mrs. Glen Olivi, C.I.D., Drug Enforcement Section, 87bs., 10 oz., August 6.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

MARTINDALE, WILBUR L., retired Lieutenant, Criminal Investigation Division, Auto Squad, father of Detective Dorothy Woods, Criminal Investigation Division, Sex Offense Unit, August 22.

## IN MEMORIAM

SEAY, BESSIE, mother of Office Assistant III Vera Seay, Planning & Research Division, August 11.  
LEISURE, JOHN W., SR., father of Police Officer John W. Leisure, Jr., Northwestern District, August 16.

STEINHICE, CHARLES JOSEPH, father of Detective Donald Steinhice, Criminal Investigation Division, Homicide Unit, August 17.

ARVIN, ALLEN, grandfather of Detective Police Officer Gregory Fonseca, Internal Investigation Division, August 17.

BOCKLAGE, EDMUND G., brother of Police Officer James Bocklage, Northeastern District, August 18.

BERENDS, MARY, wife of Sergeant Thomas M. Berends, Northern District, August 27.

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September 17, 1986

## In-Service Training Leads to Arrest

The methods of identifying individuals by the impressions from ridge formations on the insides of their fingers have been used for over two thousand years. In the Orient, Japanese and Chinese merchants certified legal documents with a thumb print. Not until the twentieth century did the criminal justice system employ fingerprinting to determine the identities of suspects of crimes. Today, fingerprinting is a perfected method of swift identification — a major tool used by police departments in linking suspects to crimes and determining the identities of psychologically disabled persons and murder victims.

While fingerprinting is used in a broad range of criminal investigations (larceny, robbery and homicide, etc.), it is especially crucial in auto theft cases.

First, there are usually no witnesses in cases of auto theft, primarily because cars are generally stolen from dark secluded places while most of the public is peacefully asleep.

Secondly, suspects are rarely apprehended in possession of the stolen vehicle. The suspect is quick to abandon or dispose of the property for fear of being caught "red handed." Besides fingerprints, very little evidence is left by the suspect.

"Fingerprints place the suspect at the scene of the crime," reports Lieutenant William I. Kearney, Auto Theft Unit of the Criminal Investigation Division. Fingerprint evidence recovered at the scene of homicides, larcenies and robberies is sometimes weakened when a suspect provides an alibi for having been at the location of a crime. Rarely can a suspect offer an alibi for having had possession of an automobile without permission of the owner. "Recovered prints in auto theft strengthen the investiga-

tion's probable cause for an arrest," says Lieutenant Kearney.



Crime Laboratory Technician Ray M. Jones instructs Officer Timothy J. Moran of Class 86-3 on the method of lifting latent fingerprints from glass. Officers and Agents completed this instruction during In-Service Training classes. The training, when applied to stolen car investigations, has been successful in identifying suspects. Although In-Service Training classes of fingerprinting techniques have been completed, Entrance Level Officers receive this block of instruction.

The importance of latent fingerprints to auto theft investigations prompted the Baltimore Police Department to provide all police officers and agents training in recovering latent fingerprints from stolen vehicles. The training began as a pilot program involving the Northern and Northwestern Districts. Because of its success, In-Service Training in recovering fingerprints was incorporated into the curriculum in 1985. Instructors, who are members of the Laboratory Division, train officers to select types of surfaces where fingerprints can be found. Other training included practicums of actually lifting fingerprints to be sub-

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## One Lieutenant and Four Sergeants Promoted

Last Wednesday, Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson awarded Certificates of Promotion to a new Lieutenant and four Sergeants.

Listed below are the newly promoted members and their assignments:

*Lieutenant Joseph M. Russell — Northwestern District*

Lieutenant Russell is a 14 year veteran of the Department. After Entrance Level Training, he was assigned to the Eastern District. While at the Eastern District, Lieutenant Russell was designated a Police Agent. In 1976 he was transferred to the Northeastern District and remained there until his promotion to the rank of Sergeant and assigned to the Southern District. He also worked in the Central District and Tactical Section.

Lieutenant Russell holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Towson State University and a Master's Degree in Liberal Arts from Johns Hopkins University.

*Sergeant James P. Carnes, Jr. — Northwestern District*

Sergeant Carnes has received twelve Official Commendations during his twelve years with the Baltimore Police Department. These awards include a Special Commendation given for his arrest of a suspect who was later charged with Assault with Intent to Murder in 1977. He received three Bronze Stars, one was awarded for giving first aid to a nine day old infant who had particles of glass lodged in the throat, mouth and eyes.

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## In-Service Training

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mitted to the Department's Printrak computer. At the conclusion of the In-Service Training, each district station was supplied a fingerprinting kit for processing stolen cars.

Officer David Stevens, Central District, investigated a stolen vehicle on his post, applied his knowledge and skill in recovering fingerprints. After he submitted the fingerprint evidence to Printrak, it not only provided an identity, it also match-linked his prints from a stolen vehicle that was recovered in the Southern District. Officer Stevens, with the assistance of the Auto Theft Unit, was able to make an arrest, clearing both cases of stolen vehicles.

"Investigators have been very successful identifying suspects' latent prints through Printrak fingerprint comparisons," says Lieutenant Kearney. This year, a total of eleven percent of the cases where fingerprints have been recovered have resulted in the discovery of the suspect's identity. The Criminal Investigation Division's Auto Theft Unit has had a twenty-five percent success rate to date.

Sharon Talmadge, Latent Print Unit Supervisor, says that her Unit is readily available to assist any officer who needs informational assistance processing a stolen vehicle. Investigators can contact the Latent Fingerprint Unit on ext. 2290.

## Promotions

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Sergeant Carnes has been assigned to the Eastern and Southern Districts and the Criminal Investigation Division.

*Sergeant Donald F. Kramer — Property Division*

Sergeant Kramer joined the Department in 1969 and has been assigned to the Southeastern District and Property Division. He was certified by the Maryland Police Training Commission as a firearms instructor and is a

member of the Baltimore Police Department's Pistol Team.

Sergeant Kramer has received three Official Commendations.

*Sergeant Neil E. Hansen — Western District*

Sergeant Hansen, an eleven year veteran of the Department, has been assigned to the Central and Southeastern Districts and the Personnel Division. He is a native of Baltimore and has attended Essex Community College.

*Sergeant Ernest C. Judd — Western District*

Sergeant Judd, a native of Long Island, New York, joined the Department after serving in the United States Army. After Entrance Level Training, he was assigned to the Southern District and was appointed a Police Agent in 1981.

Sergeant Judd holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in History from the State University of New York.



Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Certificates of Promotion to five members of the Department. Promoted to the rank of Sergeant were (left): James P. Carnes, Jr., Donald F. Kramer, (right) Neil E. Hansen and Ernest C. Judd. Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant was (center) Joseph M. Russell.

## Graduation And Commendation Ceremony

Thirty-two new Baltimore Police Officers, three Mass Transit Administration Officers and two Baltimore City Sheriff's were members of the Graduating Class of 86-2.

Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Certificates of Completion to each of the graduates during the morning ceremony in the Auditorium of the Headquarters Building.

Class 86-2 began its training on

March 31, 1986. For twenty-four weeks the class endured physical, academic and field training. Class Advisor Sergeant Robert P. Wolfe says the class was very dedicated and he is confident they would be good law enforcement officers. Many have received commendable evaluations during their field training in the police Districts.

Officer Mytokia M. Friend, a member of Class 86-2, was able to obtain an arrest warrant for a suspect charged with Assault with Intent to Murder. Officer Friend began with little information and through research and good investigative skills learned the suspect's identity in several days of field training in the Western District.

Officer Louis J. Averella, Jr., class



Commander of 86-2, received the Commissioner's Award of Excellence. The award is given to a class member, selected by his peers, as having exhibited outstanding leadership abilities and professionalism.

Special Agent Edward J. Tully, Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy, gave the Graduation Address. Following his remarks to the graduating officers, their families and friends, Special Agent Tully assisted Commissioner Robinson in presenting Certificates of Completion to the officers.

At the conclusion of the graduation exercises, Commendation Ceremonies recognized six citizens and forty-five members of the Department who have rendered outstanding service to the community.

The commendations included three Unit Citations and the Medal of Honor, awarded posthumously to Police Officer Vincent J. Adolfo. Officer Adolfo was killed in the line of duty while investigating a stolen car incident. The officer was placing a suspect under arrest when he was shot twice and later died at a nearby hospital. The Medal of Honor is given by the Police Commissioner to . . . "Any sworn member who distinguished themselves conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of their own lives, above and beyond the call of duty in an extraordinary act of heroism and bravery.

While presenting the award to Mrs. Adolfo, Commissioner Robinson said, "With pride, dignity and love, I present to you the highest award of the Department."

Following the Medal of Honor presentation, other commendations and citizens awards were given, they are as follows:

#### UNIT CITATION

*The Unit Citation is presented from the Police Commissioner and is to be awarded for extraordinary law enforcement performance, attention to duty and contribution to the Police Department from any Bureau, Division, Unit or Squad.*

The Eastern District Drug Enforcement Unit received a Unit Citation for two outstanding narcotics investigations.

"Operation Hollywood" was an investigation which involved undercover police officers who purchased drugs. As a result of the controlled narcotics purchases, 41 Arrest Warrants were obtained

for charges of Distribution of Heroin, Cocaine, Marijuana, Conspiracy and other violations. There were also 3 Search and Seizure Warrants executed as a result of that investigation.

"Operation 685-DRUG" was the second two-month undercover investigation conducted by the Eastern District Drug Enforcement Unit. Like Operation Hollywood, the investigation began as a result of citizen calls to the Department's Blow the Whistle 685-DRUG Hotline. This investigation resulted in 65 Arrest Warrants and 17 Search and Seizure Warrants.

The Eastern District Drug Enforcement Unit members are:

Sergeant Donald Morgan  
Officer Edward Bochniak  
Officer Debra Evans  
Officer Melvin Russell  
Officer Frank Schoff  
Officer Carl Trogdon

On August 6, 1984, Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson initiated a reorganization plan for the Baltimore Police Department to enhance narcotics enforcement in many communities of Baltimore. As a result of that plan, additional officers were assigned to narcotic investigations, which increased the number of persons arrested and narcotics seized. Submissions to the Drug Analysis Unit of the Laboratory Division increased 121%, however, members of that unit aggressively worked to keep up with the 10,300 submissions to be analyzed.

Their drug analysis report is essential to an investigator's Court Room testimony and other stages of an investigation.

To have maintained an accelerated work load was an outstanding accomplishment and has contributed to the success of the Department's intensified enforcement of illegal drug trafficking violations.

Laboratory Division, Drug Analysis Unit:

Criminalist-Section Supervisor Joseph V. Lanzetta  
Criminalist II Robert F. Covington  
Criminalist II Faud A. Jarjoura  
Criminalist II Karamber G. Rao  
Criminalist II Howard S. Rosenkoff  
Criminalist II Shiv K. Soni  
Criminalist II Stephen L. Thomas  
Criminalist II Daniel Van Gelder  
Crime Laboratory Technician Rosalind A. Bowman

The Western District Drug Enforcement Unit also received a Unit Citation for its extensive investigations. During 1985, four police officers under the supervision of a sergeant, made 323 narcotic arrests, confiscated \$49,000, 13 handguns and 5 automobiles.

There were several investigations undertaken by the Western District Drug Enforcement Unit which involved undercover purchases that resulted in 9 Search and Seizure warrants. Community support and cooperation was one of the major factors in the successful conclusion of the investigation and decreasing the drug trafficking in the Western District.

The members of the Western District Drug Enforcement Unit are:

Sergeant Carl D. Brown  
Officer Jerome Grayson  
Officer Edward Hanko  
Officer Thomas Jeffries  
Officer Sheree Peterson

## A Decade of Summer Fun

Police Officers encounter senior citizens on calls for service and as victims of crimes, but there is a section within the



Ms. Gwendolyn Johnson, Coordinator for Cherry Hill Eating Together Program, presents Ms. Clarice Lav Brooks, Community Relations Section (left) with a plaque to show appreciation for 10 years of service to Baltimore's Senior Citizens. The plaque was given during the 10 year celebration of the Department's Senior Summer Fun Program.

Department whose members see them at happier moments and contribute to their well-being.

A celebration recently took place to

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## Summer Fun

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commemorate the tenth year of the Department's Senior Summer Fun Program. More than 200 of the City's senior citizens gathered at Cahill Recreation Center for a picnic and entertainment.

The program is designed to provide summer activities for senior citizens of the community. The Department initiated the program in 1976 as an eight week film festival. Each Thursday, Ms. Clarice Lav Brooks (assigned to the Community Relations Section, Coordinator for the program, showed movies at the Department's Headquarters Building. To the Department's surprise, the film festival grew in popularity and generated interest. Other group activities were planned including bus rides, shopping trips and luncheons.

Ms. Brooks says that the program has new and unique activities each year. "We don't have statistics or other data to show the successful growth like other Departmental programs, but you can see the progress in the smiles expressed here today," says Ms. Brooks.

The program reaches those citizens who may not normally come into contact with police. Its primary goal is not necessarily crime related, but Ms. Brooks says that a police department needs to reach as many of its citizens in as many ways as possible. This provides another source of community relations.

"I get requests from members throughout the Department asking for contacts in the various communities we serve.

I can tell them the name of a citizen who would be very helpful in getting the community involved in solving a crime related matter," says Ms. Brooks.

Ms. Lillian Thompson, one of the program's participants, says that the program can be looked upon as a means of crime prevention. She says that the trips are for many, the only opportunity for seniors to get out and travel safely. "Many of our families just don't have the time to take us to all of the places we would want to go," Ms. Thompson says, "and we would be venturing out alone to many of the activities."

One of the most significant aspects of the program is that it promotes a major policy of the Baltimore Police Department, it simply demonstrates that we care.

Ms. Thompson describes the impact of the program on the participants by saying, "Although the Department is busy catching those who commit crimes, they do have time for those of us who aren't."

## NEWS NOTES

The Traffic Division is sponsoring a Dinner-Dance on October 17, 1986 starting 8:00 p.m., in honor of Captain Elmer R. Turner, Traffic Division, who retired on September 11, 1986.

The affair will consist of dancing, cocktails, and hot buffet dinner at Council's Restaurant, 1110 E. Patapsco Avenue.

Contact Lieutenant Martin L. Beauchamp, Ext. 2370 or Office Supervisor Sharon Guizzardi, Ext. 2372, for details and tickets.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION** — Wishes a speedy recovery to Sergeant Richard L. Klein, who is recuperating from injuries sustained in a recent automobile accident.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Frank E. Wagner, Jr., of the Southern District's Running Team, who finished a 10K (6.2 mile run) in just 33 minutes and 58 seconds during the Provident Harvest Express 10K Race. The competition was held on September 1, 1986. Officer Wagner's outstanding time placed him among the top 30 finishers. There were over 1,200 runners who competed in the race.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Deepest sympathy to Police Officer Bonnie Brereton and her family on the recent passing of her father.

## PROMOTIONS

**WALZAK, HOPE A.**, Accounting Assistant Supervisor, Fiscal Division, September 9.

## RETIREMENTS

**HELFRICH, JOHN O.** Stores Supervisor I, Property Division, 16 years of service, August 21.

**NIWERTH, RITA T.**, Secretary II, Inspectional Services Division, 23 years of service, August 23.

**SMITH, ROBERT M.**, Police Officer, Traffic Division, 38 years of service, September 3.

**TURNER, ELMER R.**, Captain, Traffic Division, 26 years of service, September 11.

**FERENC, PHILLIP C.**, Police Officer, Central Records Division, 28 years of service, September 11.

**WOS, HELEN M.**, Office Assistant II-D, Southeastern District, 26 years of service, September 11.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

**BAXTER, GRAYSON L.**, Police Officer, Southeastern District, September 3.

**VALENTI, CHARLES**, retired Sergeant, Central District, September 5.



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## Officer Alexander Killed

During the early morning hours on September 20, 1986, a citizen was traveling home from work. As he was stopped for a red light at Frederick and Boswell Avenues, his 1978 Dodge was struck in the rear by a pickup truck. They flagged down a motorist who offered help and said he would call the police



ROBERT ALEXANDER

Officer Robert Alexander, Southwestern District, was assigned the call for service and responded to the scene. He turned on the blue emergency lights of his police cruiser while parking, and got out to interview the drivers.

Suddenly, a 1985 Nissan pickup truck came around the curve, speeding towards them, out of control. Officer Alexander pushed the citizens into a wooded area, out of the path of the oncoming truck. The truck crossed over the center line, hitting the police car and then Offi-

cer Alexander. The truck overturned and struck one of the vehicles involved in the first accident before stopping.

The two drivers rushed to assist Officer Alexander, who just moments before saved their lives.

Another citizen traveling down Frederick Avenue saw the accident scene and ran to the patrol car to look for a radio to summon help.

Off-duty Officer John W. Parrott, Southwestern District, was driving by, saw the accident, and stopped and called for help using Officer Alexander's portable radio. However, an ambulance was already on the way, Officer Alexander had called for an ambulance for one of the citizens involved in the first accident. Paramedics arrived within seconds. Officer Alexander's injuries were so serious that the Paramedics, administering first aid, could not restore life. Officer Alexander died at the scene.

A seriously injured passenger in the overturned truck was flown to the University of Maryland Hospital's Shock Trauma Unit.

Members of the Traffic Investigation Section and Homicide Detectives arrived on the scene and began their investigations.

The driver of the pickup was arrested, taken to the Southwestern District, and charged with numerous traffic violations including Driving While Intoxicated, Speeding, Failure to Keep Right of Center, Automobile Manslaughter and Homicide

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## Officer Wade Wounded

On September 12, 1986, around 11:00 p.m., Officer Timothy Wade, Northwestern District, was patrolling the 4200 block of Pimlico Road when he saw suspicious activity. He stopped his patrol car and approached a suspect to conduct a field interview. Suddenly, the suspect bolted and ran. Officer Wade pursued. After a short foot chase, he turned toward the officer, removed a handgun from his waistband and fired several shots at Officer Wade. The officer slumped to the ground after one of the shots struck him in the left side, just below the protective portion of his soft body armor.

Fellow officers rushed to Officer Wade's location after hearing his transmission over the radio. An ambulance was called to transport him to Sinai Hospital. Officers at the scene began compiling information on the suspect's identity. Within hours, they had identified the shooter with the cooperation of citizens from the community. It was later learned that the felon that Detectives were searching for was wanted on two Warrants on charges of Attempted Murder, Assault by Shooting and a previous Handgun Violation.

Members of the Patrol Division, Fugitive Unit, and Homicide Unit continued to search for four days in the Pimlico area for the suspect. They developed information that the suspect was hiding in an apartment located in the 2500 block of Edgcomb Circle North. As the Officers approached the building, the suspect hid in a crawl space under the roof of the apartment building. Members of the Department's Quick Response Team were able to capture him. He was transported to the Northern District Station

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## Officer Wade

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and charged with Assault With Intent to Murder Officer Wade.



TIMOTHY F. WADE

Officer Wade, 21 years old, has been a member of the Department nearly a year. He joined as a Police Cadet and after graduating from the Education and Training Division was assigned to the Northwestern District in May of this year.

He has been released from the hospital and is recuperating at home.

## Officer Alexander

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with a Motor Vehicle.

Officer Alexander, 22 yrs. old, a soft spoken dedicated member of the Department had recently graduated from the Education and Training Division's Class 85-3 and was assigned to the Southwestern District only nine months ago. He joined the Department as a Police Cadet and worked in the Central Records Division until Police Officer's Entrance Level Training.

Officer Alexander was a native of Baltimore, graduated from Carver Vocational High School in 1984. He also attended the Community College of Baltimore.

On September 24, 1986, hundreds of members of the Depart-

ment, law enforcement officers representing more than 15 agencies, family and friends, gathered at Fountain Baptist Church in the 1200 Block E. Monument Street to pay a final tribute to Officer Alexander. He was layed to rest at Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens in the Fallen Hero's Hill alongside other officers and firefighters who have shown outstanding examples of courage, jeopardizing their lives to help others.

## Commendations

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### SILVER STAR

*The Silver Star is awarded by the Police Commissioner for an exceptional act performed in the presence of great danger and personal risk without endangering or jeopardizing the lives of others. This duty performed in such a manner as the performance must clearly indicate that the sworn member displayed outstanding ability and judgment in the performance of duty, resulting in the prevention or solution of a crime and the arrest of those responsible. It is thereby set apart and distinguished from other members.*

Sergeant George Kirchenbauer, Officer John Bunker and Officer William Geiger of the Tactical Section, received the Silver Star award for their rescue of a Baltimore City Firefighter who was trapped under a burning pier at a fire scene in the Fells Point area.

The three members of the Marine Unit navigated a 25 foot Boston Whaler through intense smoke and flying embers to within several feet of the flames in order to reach the firefighter. Officer Geiger plunged into the water and pulled the injured and exhausted firefighter into the rescue boat.

### BRONZE STAR

*The Bronze Star is awarded when the circumstances of bravery, dedication to duty and general achievement exceed those standards established as routine police work.*

Officer Gary Altenburg, Central District, was alerted by a citizen that a bank robbery had just taken place and that the suspect was fleeing the scene in a taxicab. He had also received information that the suspect was armed with an explosive device.

Officer Altenburg located the suspect, recovered the suspect's device, which was not combustible, and recovered \$13,000 taken in the robbery.

Officer Derek Ledbetter, Central District, pursued a robbery suspect in a foot chase which included several blocks, and jumping over an eight foot wall into a railroad yard. He apprehended a suspect and recovered the property taken.

Officer Edward M. Frost, III and Officer Herbert J. Brown, Southeastern District, responded to the ninth floor of an apartment building to investigate a disturbance. They were confronted by a man armed with a 12" butcher knife. The officers successfully disarmed the suspect without injury to themselves or to citizens nearby.

Officer Michael Dunn, Eastern District, and Officer Frederick Roussey, Southeastern District, were told by three citizens that a robbery was in progress.

The officers went to the scene and saw the suspect pointing a gun at a citizen seated on the ground. The suspect saw the officers approaching, fired a shot at them, and fled. The officers chased the suspect and arrested him, recovering the weapon. A second suspect was also arrested and charged with the robbery.

Officer Russell Merritt and Officer Charles Struchan, Eastern District, responded to a call for a disorderly crowd. Upon arriving, the officers saw a suspect fire a weapon into the crowd from his vehicle and drive away. They stopped the vehicle several blocks away. The suspect brandished a second weapon, a sawed-off shotgun, and fired at the officers, striking the windshield of their patrol car. After a foot chase, the officers caught and arrested the suspect and recovered the shotgun and a .38 caliber handgun.

Officer Osborne McCarter, Southwestern District, was investigating a narcotic violation when he was told of an armed robbery that had just occurred. Officer McCarter saw the suspect and pursued him on foot. The suspect fired a number of shots as he fled, but Officer McCarter continued, chased the suspect and arrested him.

Officer Jack L. Patterson, Southwestern District, responded to a call for a family disturbance. When he arrived,



he confronted a juvenile holding an eight inch kitchen knife. The youngster lunged at Officer Patterson, who was able to disarm her without injuries to the suspect or family members.

Members of the Auto Theft Unit, Detective Sergeant Robert Sharp, Detectives James T. Russell, Scott T. Geller, Franklin G. Barlow and Frederick V. Ballard, conducted a 3 month joint investigation with the Maryland State Police involving car thefts in the Baltimore Metropolitan area. The investigators used unique investigative techniques and many hours of their own time to recover 31 stolen vehicles worth one-quarter of a million dollars, and arrested nine persons who are faced with 204 criminal charges.

Detective Frederick Ballard infiltrated the car theft ring to gather additional information and evidence.

Trooper First Class William Ritcher, Maryland State Police also participated in the investigation.

Detective Warren Gadowski, Criminal Investigation Division, began a narcotic trafficking investigation with only an anonymous tip. He applied his investigative skills to build a case that became a joint investigation with the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. At the conclusion of the investigation, ten people were arrested, four automobiles worth \$60,000 were seized and \$200,000 in cash was recovered.

Officer Antonio E. Rodriguez, Western District, was conducting a car stop when a citizen walking by assaulted Officer David B. Munyan, his partner. The suspect attempted to get the Officer's service revolver. Officer Rodriguez quickly tackled the suspect and, with assistance, was able to subdue him, saving his partner from serious injury.

Officer Phillip W. Sexton, Western District, heard sounds of gunfire on an adjoining street. He ran to the location and was told by a citizen that a suspect had just fired several shots. Officer Sexton discovered the suspect running away from the scene, chased and arrested him.

Agent Edward T. Wagner, Traffic Division, was directing traffic during rush hour, when he was advised by a citizen that an armed robbery was in progress. Agent Wagner approached the suspect

from the rear, was able to apprehend him and recover a fully loaded handgun.

## Academic Achievement Honored

Members of the Department recognize the importance of higher education as a valuable resource to their career development.

Each year, members take the initiative to achieve college degrees in their spare time in addition to maintaining a demanding work schedule.

The Baltimore Police Department has, for over 20 years, encouraged and assisted those persons who desire to obtain a Baccalaureate Degree through the Police Agent Program and College Tuition Assistance programs.

Today there are 829 members who have accomplished their educational goals and nearly 100 had enrolled in college for the Spring semester of 1986.

This year, sixteen members were recognized during an Academic Recognition Ceremony on September 11, 1986.

The NEWSLETTER extends its congratulations to those members who have attained academic excellence during the past year.

### Juris Doctorate

University of Maryland  
LEGAL ADVISOR'S OFFICE  
Sergeant William H. Stone, Jr.

### Masters Degree

University of Baltimore  
SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT  
Sergeant Gerard F. Busnuk  
INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIV.  
Sergeant Richard P. Rieman

St. Mary's Seminary  
CRIME RESISTANCE UNIT  
Agent Robert E. Douglas

### Bachelor of Science

University of Baltimore  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
Officer Edward J. Hanko

Towson State College  
CENTRAL DISTRICT  
Officer Timothy Longo

Coppin State College  
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIV.  
Detective Shawn Dashiell

TACTICAL SECTION  
Officer Albert Taylor  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
Officer Isabella Washington

### Bachelor of Arts

Towson State College  
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIV.  
Detective Paul E. Murphy

### Associate in Arts

Community College of Baltimore  
COMMUNITY RELATIONS SECTION  
Officer Lawrence B. Ames  
NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT  
Officer Barbara Chandler  
Officer Frances Edwards  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT  
Officer Earl C. Robinson

Dundalk Community College  
COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION  
Officer Lisa M. Kryglik

Essex Community College  
CENTRAL DISTRICT  
Officer Craig A. Mosier

## Retiree Notes

The Baltimore City Retired Police Association, Inc., is attempting to obtain information relative to retired members of the department in the 2% Retirement System who have prior military service.

The information is needed to introduce an amendment to City Council Bill 1096, which provides for retirement credit for prior military service. The current bill, as written, benefits only active members of the F & P Pension System and the Employee Retirement System. It precludes the inclusion of retired members of the Police Department from sharing the benefits of military time served.

Under Bill 1096, in order to receive credit for prior military service an employee must have:

1. At least 10 years of service in the Department and be at least 50 years of age
- or
2. Have acquired 25 years of service in the Department

An immediate response is important in an effort to submit amendments to cover retired members of the Police Department with military service.

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# Handguns

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Spot A Gun?  
Tell Someone  
Call 685-GUNS  
It's self-defense

The phone number is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Callers may remain anonymous.

A massive publicity campaign designed to encourage telephone calls will begin in the near future.

Police Commissioner Robinson feels that the Joint-Baltimore Police, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Armed Criminal Program, when added to the Department's already enhanced efforts against illegal drugs, will result in a measurable reduction in the number of handguns used in crimes in the City of Baltimore.

## Appointments

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ized Information Management Bureau will have state-of-the-art equipment that will reduce paper work within the Department.

Deputy Commissioner Burritt joined the Department after serving in the United States Marines in December of 1960. As a Patrol Officer, he served in the Southwestern District and was a member of the Emergency Vehicle Unit and the Inspectional Services Division.

In January 1968, he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and remained in I.S.D. until his promotion to Lieutenant in 1971.

As a Lieutenant, he served in the Criminal Investigation Division and Operations Bureau.

He was promoted to Captain in 1973 and was transferred to the Northeastern District as its Commander where he remained for one year before being transferred to Command the Central Police District, in the exempt rank of District Commander until 1978.

In 1978 he was appointed as Director of the Planning and Research Division.

Division.

Deputy Commissioner Burritt is a graduate of the 91st Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy and the Southern Police Institute. He has also attended the University of Virginia and Essex Community College.

Throughout his 26 years, he has received four Official Commendations, including two Bronze Stars.

JOSEPH W. NIXON

Appointed to the position of Chief of Patrol was Joseph W. Nixon.



He is a 26 year veteran with the Baltimore Police Department. He began his distinguished career serving as an Officer in the Traffic and Criminal Investigation Divisions. In 1968, he was promoted to Sergeant and was assigned to the Western District and Internal Investigation Division. He returned to Western District as Shift Commander, after his promotion to the rank of Lieutenant. In 1977 he was promoted to Captain and assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division. As a Major, he was Commander of the Eastern District. He was appointed Lieutenant Colonel in 1984 and served as Deputy Chief of Patrol Areas I and III. In his new position as Chief of Patrol, he is responsible for directing approximately 2,500 uniformed Patrol Officers.

A native of Baltimore, Colonel Nixon holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Social Science from the University of Baltimore. He is a graduate of the 94th Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy. He is also

## Bond Issues

Election Day is Tuesday, November 4, 1986. Each of us will have the opportunity to exercise one of our most important duties as a citizen of Baltimore City. The NEWSLETTER is providing its readers with information on Bond Issues that will effect the communities in which we live. Below are nine proposals which will appear on the ballot.

### QUESTION A

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOAN

\$5,000,000

Will fund programs in neighborhoods throughout the City, as well as continued support for federally-funded community development block grant projects.

### QUESTION B

AQUARIUM LOAN

\$3,500,000

To be used with private donations and matching State Funds. Expansion will provide exhibit tanks for whales, dolphins, and other marine mammals, classrooms, a library and a research laboratory.

### QUESTION C

RECREATION AND PARKS LOAN

\$2,300,000

\$1 million will be added to \$600,000 in State funds to renovate Druid Hill Park including redesign of vehicular circulation and reforestation. Remaining \$1.3 million along with State funds will be used to complete the Children's Zoo boasting 48 exhibits, an otter slide and more.

### QUESTION D

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN

\$2,500,000

Among the many projects this loan will aid, are public improvements at the Center of Medical Biotechnology and the Hopkins-Bayview Biomedical Research Campus adjacent to Francis Scott Key Medical Center.

### QUESTION E

CIVIC CENTER (Baltimore Arena) LOAN

\$1,000,000



renovation in the past year.

### QUESTION F

#### OFF-STREET PARKING LOAN

\$2,500,000

Will be used to construct a new parking garage in the Inner Harbor East area where existing spaces are being lost to new development while demand for parking increases.

### QUESTION G

#### NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES LOAN

\$3,000,000

Will rehabilitate public service buildings throughout the City including libraries, health centers, recreation centers, fire and police stations, multi-purpose centers and urban services buildings.

### QUESTION H

#### STREETS, ALLEYS AND BRIDGES LOAN

\$5,500,000

Will be used for the City's share of costs for resurfacing or reconstructing streets, alleys and bridges throughout the City.

### QUESTION I

#### SCHOOL LOAN

\$4,000,000

Will fund the City's share of the State School Construction Grant Program, and will provide funding for improvements which are not eligible for State grants.

## New Southern District Opens

A bright October sun rose shortly before 7:00 a.m. as the men and women of the Southern District began their first week working in a brand new facility at a new location on October 20, 1986.

At 11:00 a.m., a crowd of several hundred citizens, government officials, and members of the Police Department's Command Staff gathered for a ribbon cutting ceremony to officially dedicate the building.

The new Southern District, which replaces the 89 year old facility located at the corner of Ostend and Patapsco

Streets, represents a significant improvement in working conditions for those assigned there.

Located at 10 Cherry Hill Road, the new Southern District occupies a 28,000 square foot structure arranged on a single level. This represents nearly triple the floor space available at the old location.



Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson (left) cuts the ribbon during dedication ceremonies for the new Southern District. He is assisted by City Council President Clarence "Du" Burns and a young citizen.

The new Southern District also features ample parking for employees and visitors.



Commissioner Robinson (left) addressing more than 200 citizens, elected officials, business and community representatives and members of the Department who gathered for the official opening of Southern District. Major Joseph H. Cooke, Jr., (right) Commander of Southern District, looks on.

The Dedication and Ribbon cutting ceremony began with the presentation to the District of an American Flag by the Ladies Auxiliary, VFW Post #3026

from Locust Point. As the colors were being raised for the first time, the National Anthem was sung by Police Officer Trina J. Thompson of the Eastern District.

After remarks from District Commander Major Joseph H. Cooke, Jr., Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson and several elected officials, a ribbon tied to the front doors of the station house was cut and the more than 200 on-hand for the ceremony were invited inside for a tour and to enjoy lunch which was catered by South Baltimore General Hospital which is located directly across Hanover Street.

Music for the occasion was supplied by "Sounds of an Era" which is made up of members of the Police Department.

For the members of the Southern District things have changed dramatically. Cramped work spaces, jammed with furniture and people have given way to plenty of space and bright colors in what must be considered a show place police district station house.

Major Cooke says he hopes that members of the Department, not assigned to the Southern District, will stop by when they are in the neighborhood.

## A Home, A Family, A Dream

Room For One More, a shared adoption program of Family and Children's Services and Baltimore City Department of Social Services, was created to find families for the many school-aged black children in Baltimore needing permanent adoption homes.

Most of these children are over five years of age; most are boys; and many are part of a sibling group of two or more.

Room For One More is making it possible for families to adopt, and for children to have the love and care they need. We do not have a fee for this program and there is no waiting list. Single persons as well as couples are urged to apply.

"Where There Is Room In The Heart, There Is Room In The House."

For more information, call: ROOM FOR ONE MORE, 669-9000.



Youngsters cheer as Commissioner Robinson gives them the thumbs up sign that the Southwestern Baltimore Police Youth Club will remain open. The heating and cooling system needs to be repaired costing \$66,000.00. Mayor William Donald Schaefer and 6th District City Councilmen Joseph J. DiBlasi, Timothy D. Murphy and William M. Myers found the necessary funds. They have become special heroes to hundreds of boys and girls who live in Southwest Baltimore. The youth club is the only recreational facility available to more than 650 children who participate in a variety of after school programs.

## NEWS NOTES

The Tenth Anniversary Banquet of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (N.O.B.L.E.) is scheduled to be held at 7:00 p.m., November 21, 1986, at the Omni International Hotel, 101 West Fayette Street. Proceeds from the banquet will go to the Major McNeal Brockington Criminal Justice Scholarship Fund, Inc., and

the Blue Chip-In Program.

Tickets are \$50.00 per person.

For additional information, contact Major John A. Barnes, Eastern District.

## Hoop Ball

This is the third week of the Department's Basketball Seasonal Program. All games will be played at three local high

schools. Southwestern High School, 200 Font Hill Avenue, Calverton Middle School, 1100 Whitmore Avenue, and Mergenthaler Vocational Technical Senior High School, 3500 Hillen Road. Games begin at 6:00 p.m. and admission is free.

Listed below are the 3rd week team standings:

	Won	Lost
Eastern District	3	0
Maryland Penitentiary #1	3	0
Headquarters	2	1
Northwestern District	2	1
Western District	2	1
Maryland Penitentiary #2	2	1
Northeastern District	2	1
Southern District	2	1
M.R.D.C.C.	1	2
Vulcan Blazers	1	2
Central District	1	2
Maryland State Police	0	3
Northern District	0	3
MTA Police	0	3

## RETIREMENTS

BOYLE, JOHN D., Lieutenant, Southeastern District, 26 years of service, October 14.

WESTVEER, ARTHUR E., JR., Lieutenant, Southwestern District, 26 years of service, October 14.

LONG, MARGARET R., Office Supervisor, Planning and Research Division, 24 years of service, October 16.

KNOTT, MARY J., Police Officer, Laboratory Division, 34 years of service, October 18.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: .38 Colt Det. Sp. with "Pachmyer" rubber grips and one belt holster. \$195.00. Contact P.A. Paul E. Davis, TacSec., E.V.U.

For Sale: 85 Holman sailboat, 21' excellent cruiser, 6 hp Johnson OB, slip paid until 1-87. \$13,000.00. Contact P.A. Nelson, NDist.



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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

November 12, 1986

## Index Crime Increased

The number of serious Violent Crimes reported to the Baltimore Police Department during the first nine months of 1986 decreased 1.4% compared with the same period last year. Property Crimes, however, increased 1.8%.

The combined total of serious crimes reported produced an overall increase in Index Crime of 1.1%.

Arrests for those same crimes also increased by 1.1% for the first nine months of this year compared with 1985.

The number of handguns which were used by Criminals continues to be of great concern. During the first nine months of this year, 107 of the 176 murders reported involved handguns as the fatal weapon, an increase of 16.5%.

Handgun involvement in Rapes increased 14.8%. An increase of handgun involvement in Robberies was also noted.

The Department has undertaken a special program designed to impact against those who choose to carry handguns illegally.

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson noted that continued activities by members of the community in partnership with their Police Department has kept the increase in crimes reported to police at moderate levels. He is particularly pleased with the continuing success of the Blow the Whistle on Drugs Program which has netted more than 10,000 calls to the 685-DRUG Hotline. Those calls have resulted in more than 2,000 arrests of persons charged with illegal drug dealing.

## Crime Statistics

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES FOR THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 1986

TYPE OF CRIME	1985 Last Year	1986 This Year	Amount of Increase or Decrease	Percent of Increase or Decrease
MURDER	154	176	+ 22	+ 14.3
FORCIBLE RAPE	447	513	+ 66	+ 14.8
ROBBERY	5,538	5,838	+ 300	+ 5.4
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	5,409	4,865	- 544	- 10.1
BURGLARY	10,279	10,779	+ 500	+ 4.9
LARCENY	23,132	22,704	- 428	- 1.9
AUTO THEFT	4,395	5,011	+ 616	+ 14.0
GRAND TOTAL	49,354	49,886	+ 532	+ 1.1

Index Crime Comparison / First 9 Months of 1986

Violent Crime \_\_\_\_\_ - 1.4% Decrease  
Property Crime \_\_\_\_\_ + 1.8% Increase  
Total Index Crime \_\_\_\_\_ + 1.1% Increase

## Five Lieutenants and Five Sergeants Promoted

On October 31, 1986, during an afternoon ceremony in the Education and Training Division Lounge, Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson awarded Certificates of Promotion to five new Lieutenants and five Sergeants.

Listed below are those who were promoted and their assignments:

Lieutenant James H. Freeman —  
Southwestern District

Lieutenant Freeman, a native of Fort Kent, Maine, holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore and an Associate of Arts Degree in Law Enforcement from Anne Arundel Community College. He joined the Baltimore Police Department after serving in the United States Armed Forces. As a Police Officer, he was assigned to the Traffic Division, Central, Southern and Southwestern Districts. He remained in Southwestern District after his promotion to the rank of Sergeant. Lieutenant Freeman has received two Official Commendations in his 23 years with the Department.

Lieutenant Robert C. Novak —  
Central District

Lieutenant Novak, a 16 year veteran of the Department, is the recipient of three Commendations, which includes a Unit Citation while he was a member of the Crime Resistance Unit for outstanding achievements. He began his career as a patrolman in the Southeastern District. Two years later, he was transferred to the Criminal Investigation Division. He also served in the Eastern District. In March, 1975, he was appointed Police Agent. Seven months later, he was pro-

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Newly promoted Lieutenants (left to right) are Robert A. Haukdal, Robert C. Novak, Gary E. Martin, George J. Smith, James H. Freeman.

## Promotions

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moted to Sergeant and was assigned to the Northern District. He has earned a Master of Science Degree in Applied Behavioral Science from Johns Hopkins University and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from the University of Maryland.

**Lieutenant Robert A. Haukdal —**  
Education and Training Division

Lieutenant Haukdal, a native of Jersey City, New Jersey, joined the Department in 1969. After Entrance Level Training, he was assigned to Central District. While there, he was designated Police Agent and was later transferred to the Internal Investigation Division. In March, 1975, he was promoted to Sergeant and was transferred to the Northern District. As Sergeant, he also served in the Personnel Division and Education and Training Division. Lieutenant Haukdal holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from the Baltimore College of Commerce.

**Lieutenant George J. Smith —**  
Central District

During Lieutenant Smith's 17 years with the Baltimore Police Department, he has received nine Official Commendations including three Bronze Stars, two Commendatory Letters and a Unit Citation. A native of Goldsboro, North Carolina, Lieutenant Smith has been

assigned to the Northern and Northwestern Districts, Criminal Investigation Division and Tactical Section. When promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1979, he returned to Northern District and was later assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division. He has attended Bowie State College.

**Lieutenant Gary E. Martin —**  
Southeastern District

Lieutenant Martin, a 14 year veteran of the Department began his career as a Patrolman in the Southwestern District. He remained there until his promotion to Sergeant in 1979 and was transferred to the Eastern District. As Sergeant, he has also worked in the Criminal Investigation Division. He is the recipient of seven Official Commendations, including a Unit Citation and two Bronze Stars. The Bronze Stars were awarded for rescuing several people from a burning building and an arrest of a homicide suspect. Lieutenant Martin, a native of Spartansburg, South Carolina, attended high school in Baltimore and Morgan State University.

Below are the newly promoted Sergeants and their assignments:

**Sergeant Regis L. Flynn, Jr. —**  
Southwestern District

Sergeant Flynn joined the Department in 1974 after serving in the United States Navy. Throughout his 12 years of service, he has been assigned to the Tactical Section. In 1975 he was appoint-

ed Police Agent.

Sergeant Flynn has a Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Saint Vincent College in Pennsylvania.

**Sergeant Robin W. Thacker —**  
Eastern District

Sergeant Thacker, a native of McClellandtown, Pennsylvania, joined the Department in 1968. He has worked in the Southeastern District until his recent promotion. He has received three commendations.

**Sergeant Allen S. Kogut —**  
Western District

Sergeant Kogut holds a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from the University of Maryland. He joined the Department after honorably serving in the United States Marine Corps. While a member of the Marine Corps, he achieved the rank of 1st Lieutenant. A five year veteran, he has been assigned to the Southern District. In 1985 he was designated as Police Agent.



Newly promoted Sergeants (left to right) are: Allen S. Kogut, Henry Herold, Jr., John W. Betso, Robin W. Thacker and Regis L. Flynn, Jr.

**Sergeant John W. Betso —**  
Southern District

Sergeant Betso has worked in the Western District and the Traffic Division since joining the Department in October, 1975. Two years later he was appointed Police Agent. He is a native of Brooklyn, New York, and has an A.A.S. Degree from Nassau College, a B.A. Degree from C.W. Post College and a Masters Degree in Special Studies from George Washington University.

**Sergeant Henry Herold —**  
Northwestern District

An 18 year veteran of the Department, Sergeant Herold has been the recipient of five commendations. He joined the Department after serving in the United States Marine Corps. Sergeant



Herold has worked in the Western District and Internal Investigation Division. He was appointed Police Agent in 1977. He has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore.

## Combined Charity Campaign Update

The 1986 Combined Charity Campaign draws to a close on Friday, November 14th.

So far, the 1986 campaign appears to be on the upswing. At last report 79.5% of the members of the Baltimore Police Department have returned their pledge cards earmarking donations to the many agencies which provide valuable assistance to people in need.

The remaining 10.5% of the members of the Department who have not yet returned their pledge cards have an opportunity to donate more pledges through payroll deductions to assist those in need. They are encouraged to return their pledge cards before the Friday deadline.

In last year's Combined Charity Campaign, members of the Department contributed \$54,026.00. So far, this year's campaign has resulted in donations of \$55,029.81.

This is the first year that the Signal 13 Foundation has been included among agencies which can be designated to receive your pledge. So far, more than \$15,000.00 has been designated for this organization which exists solely to assist members of the Department during times of severe financial emergency.

## Paddle for People

Four members of the Department participated in the Paddle for People Fuel Fund charity. Major Joseph P. Newman and Police Agent Paul Murphy, Internal Investigation Division, and Agent Marilyn Gordon and Officer Sonya Moore, Education and Training Division, working in teams of two, paddled a boat the width of the Inner Harbor to retrieve balloons. More than 43 people pledged a dollar amount for each balloon collected. The two teams collected balloons resulting in more than \$300.00 in donations to the Fuel Fund.

Mr. Sam Zervitz, Staff Specialist for Human Services, Baltimore Health De-

partment, says that the Fuel Fund was able to assist 1,200 people in 1985 to meet heating expenses. "With the Paddle for People fund, we expect to help considerably more this year," says Mr. Zervitz.

## When You Need Help Neighborhood Foot Officer is There !

The Department's Back to Basics Program which began a year ago, has been successful. It was the first major re-deployment program in which officers were assigned to foot patrol in areas of the community where they are needed. The Neighborhood Foot Patrol Officer is available to hear, firsthand the concerns of the residents and focus attention on areas of increased criminal activity.



Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson (left) pins a Bronze Star on Officer Thomas J. Niemiera with the assistance of Mrs. Cynthia Niemiera.

An example of the program's effectiveness and its success is demonstrated in an incident which occurred on September 2, 1986.

Officer Thomas J. Niemiera, Central District, a Neighborhood Foot Patrol Officer, was walking on his post in the 1800 block of E. Charles Street when he saw two citizens in pursuit of a suspect. The two citizens shouted to Officer Niemiera that a McDonald's Restaurant nearby had just been robbed. Officer Niemiera chased the suspect into a dimly lit alley and arrested him. Recovered was \$200.00 taken during the armed robbery.

Sergeant Albert E. Denis, Neighborhood Foot Patrol Supervisor, says that

if Officer Niemiera had not been a foot officer, readily seen by the public, the suspect could have escaped apprehension.

On September 18, 1986, Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson awarded a Bronze Star to Officer Niemiera during a ceremony in his Board Room.

Officer Niemiera has received seven Official Commendations during his 13 years with the Department.

## Class 86 - 3 Graduates

Graduation ceremonies took place for Class 86-3 on October 31, 1986. Forty Baltimore Probationary Police Officers were presented Certificates of Completion by Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson. Twenty-four weeks ago, the class began its Entrance Level Training, which included courses in law, the Department's rules and regulations and defensive driving.

Sergeant Leonard Hamm, Class Advisor, said that throughout the training, focus was not only on the Department procedures but also on the important role that police officers have in serving the needs of the public. "Our theme throughout the training," Sergeant Hamm said, "was to stress that citizens will call on them for their advice, compassion and understanding, and not just to solve a crime." The graduates received extensive training in dealing with cases of Domestic Violence and methods to assist victims of crimes.

During the graduation address, given by The Honorable Robert M. Bell, Associate Judge, Court of Appeals, he expressed the importance of serving the public. He said, "Your career involves more than the application of those principles of law enforcement. At times you may be mediator, negotiator, psychologist, lawyer and doctor."

"The public expects much and demands even more. People in public life such as you and I, are servants, not masters."

After the Graduation Address, the Commissioner's Award of Excellence was given to Class Commander, Officer Kerry D. Daniel. This award is presented to the class member who was elected by

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## Graduation

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his peers as having exhibited outstanding leadership abilities and professionalism.

Officer John C. Woods was class spokesman and graduated as class valedictorian with a grade point average of 94.4.

Following the graduation, the Medal of Honor was given posthumously to Officer Robert Alexander. Officer Alexander courageously gave his life while investigating a traffic accident on September 20, 1986.

Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented the award to Officer Alexander's mother, Mrs. Barbara Harris.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies, refreshments were served in the canteen where Commissioner Robinson personally congratulated each of the graduates.

### PROMOTIONS

REISIG, ROSEMARY C., Office Supervisor, Planning and Research Division, October 23.

### RETIREMENTS

BUCHHEIT, AUGUST W., Police Officer, Criminal Investigation Division, 24 years of service, October 17.

GOODING, KEENE L., Procurement Officer, Fiscal Division, 37 years of service, October 23.

MAJEWSKI, JOSEPH P., Police Officer, Tactical Section, 27 years of service, October 29.

MOSER, CHARLES S., Sergeant, Office of Deputy Commissioner, Operations Bureau, 29 years of service, October 30.

SMITH, LEO L., JR., Police Officer, Tactical Section, 25 years of service, October 30.

KNOTT, THOMAS A., Sergeant, Education and

Training Division, 35 years of service, November 1.

GRUENINGER, MELVIN A., JR., Police Officer, Tactical Section, 27 years of service, November 3.

WRATCHFORD, RAYMOND W., Police Officer, Communications Division, 29 years of service, November 6.

WALTER, PHILLIP J., Police Officer, Traffic Division, 29 years of service, November 8.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HARRIS, AARON MARCELLUS, son of Detective and Mrs. Kevin L. Harris, C.I.D., Arson Unit, 6 lbs., 12½ oz., September 15.

BLAIR, LAUREN MICHELLE, granddaughter of retired Police Officer and Mrs. Thomas A. Blair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Michael Blair, 6 lbs., September 24.

GINGLES, DERRICK LEANELL & DANIELLE NICOLE, twins of Police Officer and Mrs. Anthony Gingles, Central District, 6 lbs. 4½ oz., and 6 lbs. 8 oz., September 25.

HIGGINS, JUSTINE M., son of Office Assistant III Joyce Higgins, C.I.D., State's Attorney's Office, 6 lbs. 4 oz., September 29.

### FINAL ROLL CALL

TYLER, GERALDINE, PCA 1, Communications Division, October 19.

MURPHY, CLARENCE E., retired Police Officer, Northern District, October 22.

EHATT, EDMUND A., retired Chauffeur, Central District, October 27.

### IN MEMORIAM

GLINOWIECKI, MARY, grandmother of Accounting Supervisor Hope Walzak, Fiscal Division, September 20.

THORNTON, REBBECCA J., mother of Detective Ernell Thornton, C.I.D., Property Crimes Section, September 23.

LAZERNIK, JANICE, sister of Police Officer Robert Kutchy, Communications Division, and aunt of

Police Officer Michael Kutchy, Southeastern District, September 26.

FLEMING, LINDA, mother of Police Officer Ronald Fleming, Central District, September 30.

HENDERSON, CATHERINE, grandmother of Police Officer Timothy Green, Central District, October 2.

DELUCA, TONY and ANN, father-in-law and mother-in-law of Police Officer John Emminger, Central District, October 3.

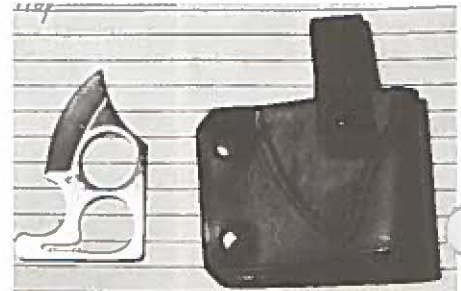
### CLASSIFIED

For Sale: Complete ski package, Dynamic skis (170's), Look bindings, Nordica Boots (size 8½), and poles. \$110.00. Contact Sgt. Heddings, EDist. or 574-7671.

For Sale: 1985 Dodge Ram 50, 26,000 miles, 4-speed, am/fm cassette, excellent condition. Contact P.O. S. Pagotto, EDist. or 483-3997. \$4,500.00 firm.

For Sale: 14' Aluminum boat and trailer, very good condition. \$450.00 firm. Please contact Doris Potee, TacSec. or 437-3829 or 752-3825.

## ALERT



Police Agent Charles Hymiller, Western District, recently seized the knife, (above) from a suspect during an arrest. The knife is completely concealed when in the sheath. The knife has holes for fingers so that it can be worn like brass knuckles to be used for slashing. The knife and sheath were fastened to the suspect's belt.



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November 26, 1986

## Metro Crime Stoppers Combines Police, Citizens, and the Media to Solve Crimes

Written by  
Sergeant Lawrence E. Leeson  
Crime Resistance Unit

*Southeastern District police officers and Robbery Unit detectives had made every effort to identify the two suspects who were responsible for a series of bank robberies. With the assistance of Metro Crime Stoppers, surveillance photographs were publicized and a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00 was offered. Two television stations carried the news release, along with the confidential Hot Line number, 276-8888, and within fifteen minutes calls were received that led to the arrest and indictment of the wanted suspects. In addition to being charged with six bank robberies, an \$8,000.00 truck which the suspect had purchased with robbery proceeds, was also seized.*

*In August, residents of the 3400 block of Reisterstown Road heard yelling and a loud crash. They summoned the police, who on their arrival, found a 37 year old homicide victim lying in his back yard. On the scene investigation revealed that not only were there multiple stab wounds, but the victim had either been pushed or had fallen through a second floor window. The detectives working on the case were subsequently assisted by a tip received through the Metro Crime Stoppers Hot Line that led to the arrest and indictment of a 23 year old suspect.*

These are just two examples of how the Metro Crime Stoppers Program works.

The Metro Crime Stoppers Program involves police departments from Baltimore City, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, and Howard counties.

It is a cooperative effort of its Board of Directors, the law enforcement community, the media, and the public. By offering cash rewards, Metro Crime Stoppers has created a direct line of confidential communications between the public and the police and this united effort has had a tremendous impact on crime.

Since its inception in 1981, this non-profit volunteer organization has raised and authorized reward money in excess of \$78,000.00. Calls to Metro Crime Stoppers have resulted in cash rewards being paid to individuals who have provided information that has led to the arrest and indictment of persons responsible for felonies. Metro Crime Stoppers is organized, funded, and operated by a thirty member Board of Directors consisting of business leaders and private citizens. These members meet monthly and volunteer their time not only to raise the money needed to operate, but also to conduct business, to promote the program, and to review, approve, authorize, and present all of the cash rewards.

The Hot Line, 276-8888, is the major focus of the program. It allows private citizens to confidentially cooperate with police departments by giving helpful tips about the whereabouts and actions of suspected criminals. The Hot Line is manned 24 hours a day by sworn members of the Baltimore Police Department who are assigned to the Communications Division. All of the information phoned in is logged and the caller is given a confidential identification number. The

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## Wise Up

More than 120 teenagers from Baltimore Public Schools attended a Drug Abuse Forum and heard advice about narcotics abuse. The second annual Drug Abuse Forum entitled, "Wise Up, Get the Facts on Drugs and Alcohol" was held on November 17 and 18, 1986.

The two day seminar, in the Education and Training Division, was a cooperative effort among city and state agencies including, the Baltimore Police Department, Mayor's Co-Ordinating Council on Criminal Justice, Juvenile Services Administration, Baltimore City Jail and the State Alcoholism Control Administration, who had speakers discussing topics on the treatment, prevention, addiction and health problems associated with narcotics.

Sergeant James Comegna, Community Relations Section, said that it is important to reach this age group concerning drug prevention because it is during the early teens that the possibility of being introduced to drugs is increased. Officer Charles E. Smith, Northern District, talked about "How to Say No to Drugs" and the psychological problems caused by illegal narcotics.

"We have been working on this forum for several months," said Sergeant Comegna, who served on the steering and planning committee, "and our most important work will be following up on school activities." Each of the agencies which participated in the Drug Abuse Forum will serve as a resource to a school and assist in drug prevention programs. One of the major focuses of the Drug Abuse Forum is that the students develop activities that will inform other students what was discussed at the forum.

After the 1985 Drug Abuse Forum, the students from Hamstead Hill Junior

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## Metro Crime Stoppers

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caller, who never has to give his/her name, is then advised to call back for status reports using his/her assigned number.

There have been occasions when calls to the Metro Crime Stoppers Hot Line have required an immediate response. One such incident occurred when a call came into the Hot Line stating that a suspect who was wanted on a warrant for a drug related murder was in the 1200 block East 20th Street. Units were dispatched and an arrest occurred without incident, even though the suspect had a loaded .357 magnum revolver tucked in his waistband.

Metro Crime Stoppers is best known for the weekly T.V. reenactments of unsolved crimes. Each reenactment is chosen from open cases by the Police Council, consisting of law enforcement representatives from all of the four participating police jurisdictions and non-voting representatives from the Board of Directors. In order for a reenactment to be requested, the crime must be one in which the investigator has exhausted all

leads.

The scripts for the reenactments are prepared by Metro Crime Stoppers directly from police reports, and when possible, filming is done at the actual crime scene. Members of the police department and the private community volunteer for the reenactments and efforts are made to make the reenactment as similar to the actual incident as possible. The reenactments are produced and shown every week on WMAR-TV 2 during three different news broadcasts every Monday and Tuesday. Though many of these unsolved cases were at the point of being placed in a suspended file, Metro Crime Stoppers has assisted in the solution of fifteen reenacted crimes.

Every week, Metro Crime Stoppers focuses on two major wanted felons who are foiling law enforcement in their efforts to locate and arrest them. These felons are featured in television newscasts on WMAR-TV 2 on Wednesdays and Fridays and in the print media. One such feature led police to Georgia. A caller to the Hot Line stated that a suspect, who was wanted for the murder of a local disc jockey, was seen daily in Howard's Pool Hall on Olive Road in Augusta. Detectives here contacted the

sheriff's deputies in Augusta the same morning in which the call was received and at noon the deputies arrested the suspect in the pool hall. The suspect has since been extradited to Baltimore and indicted for his alleged crime.

When a call comes into the Hot Line, the police coordinator in charge who receives the call, passes the information obtained to the investigator assigned to the case. Baltimore has a full-time sworn police coordinator assigned to the Community Services Division. Each of the surrounding counties maintain a part-time coordinator. These police coordinators monitor the progress of each case. If the lead obtained through Metro Crime Stoppers results in the arrest and indictment of the individual or individuals responsible, the police coordinators gather all the information for presentation to the Metro Crime Stoppers Board of Directors.

The facts of the case and the investigator's information are reviewed by the Police Council for recommendation to the Board regarding the amount of reward to be paid.

Once the suspect is arrested and indicted and a reward is authorized, the caller may collect the cash. An agreed upon location is selected for a meeting with the caller and a Board member. The Board member is accompanied by a police coordinator in every instance, and when the caller arrives, he/she provides his/her confidential number to the Board member who gives the caller a special "thank you" and then hands the caller a plain white envelope which contains the reward.

Law enforcement officials credit Metro Crime Stoppers with helping to solve 690 major cases including 65 murders, 262 armed robberies, and 283 burglaries. The Hot Line calls have also aided in 234 arrests and the recovery of almost \$120,000.00 in stolen property.

Metro Crime Stoppers is a member of Crime Stoppers International which is an organization with more than 500 chapters throughout the United States and Canada. The metropolitan Baltimore chapter is a nationally recognized organization that has annually attracted such noted speakers as William Webster, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Edwin Meese, Attorney General of the United States.



(Left to right) WMAR-TV News Anchorman Ken Matz, Ms. Francia F. Johannson, Chairperson of the Board of Metro Crime Stoppers and Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson recently announced a new partnership with Channel 2 at a press conference. Also attending the press conference were Colonel Paul H. Rappaport, Chief of the Howard County Police Department, Deputy Chief Joseph J. Hock, Anne Arundel County Police Department, and Colonel Leonard Supenski, Baltimore County Police Department.



# Wise Up

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High School organized a year long drug prevention campaign which included displays, posters and guest speakers. Sergeant Comegna, who was the resource person to the schools, said that the campaign was very successful and will be continued.

At the conclusion of this year's program, each student was presented a Mayor's Citation and a T-shirt. Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson also presented plaques to the guidance counselors from the respective schools for their impact on youth and their commitment to providing guidance to the students throughout the years.

## ALERT!

The NEWSLETTER was recently informed of a device known as a Pager Holster. It is designed as a carrying case for North American Arms and Freedom Arms .22 LR mini-revolvers. The gun is completely concealed when in the casing, which resembles a telephone pager. The outside of the holster may be marked with the wording "Sat-Link wide area paging" and a phone number. It can be purchased for \$19.95. All members of the Department need to be on alert for this device.

## Auxiliary Graduation

Twenty-one Auxiliary Officers were presented Certificates of Completion from Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson during the Auxiliary Police Graduation at the Department's Auditorium on October 30, 1986. In presenting the Certificates, Commissioner Robinson told the graduates, "You have demonstrated what I consider the highest gift to this city. You have been with us for 10 weeks and I hope that you will remain with us for a long time to come."

The Auxiliary Officers completed a 10 week training program in courses that include Crime Resistance, Community Relations and Fire Aid.

These Officers will join 87 Auxiliary Officers who actively volunteer more than 10 hours a month each. They are as-

signed to Administrative positions throughout the Department and also assist in directing traffic during parades and other special events. Collectively, Auxiliary Police Officers have contributed over 62,800 hours of volunteer service.

Immediately following the graduation, Auxiliary Officer David Geraghty was promoted to the rank of Auxiliary Sergeant.

## Fraud In Maryland Medical Care Programs

*This article is a part of a continuing series of feature stories designed to share information of interest to the law enforcement community.*

By

Dan Hetrick

Division of Field Investigation

The Division of Field Investigation, Medical Assistance Compliance Administration, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene investigates cases of suspected fraud in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program. Medicaid fraud is defined by Article 27, Section 230B Annotated Code of Maryland. The Medicaid fraud situation is most likely to come to the attention of police as forgery or alteration of a Medical Assistance or Pharmacy Assistance prescription.

Forged prescription schemes typically involve an association of several individuals who steal blank Medicaid prescriptions from physicians' offices and hospital clinics, steal or purchase recipient eligibility cards, forge the forms to order abusable medications and utter the bogus "scripts" at pharmacies over wide areas of the State. Although the profits from "script busting" conspiracies do not approximate the money to be made in some other drug trafficking activities, the profits can be substantial. There is the added criminal appeal of being relatively safe from apprehension and conviction.

Historically, only a small percentage of uttering incidents are reported to the police. Even less likely is the successful prosecution of a forgery ring. Few police agencies have narcotic units with manpower to spare for forged prescription investigations.

It is the patrol officer who will most often encounter a prescription case. For example, during the conduct of an arrest, an officer may discover the un-

authorized possession of eligibility cards or blank prescription forms. Effective July 1, 1986 unauthorized possession of those items became a chargeable offense. Such discoveries should be reported to the Forged Prescriptions Section of the Division of Field Investigation.

The Forged Prescription Section of the Division of Field Investigation has investigative resources available to assist and inform. Not only does the unit maintain information resources of value to the investigator, it also conducts appropriate follow-ups with medical providers and recipients under regulatory authority.

Referrals are welcome.

Inquiries and referrals may be directed to:

Medical Assistance Compliance Administration

Division of Field Investigation

300 W. Preston Street, Room 213

Balto., MD 21201

(301) 225-1686

## City Agencies Holiday Decorating Contest

All divisions, districts, sections, and units are invited to join in the holiday festivities and participate in the 6th Annual Holiday Decorating Contest. This is an excellent opportunity for all City employees to display their creative talents and stimulate the holiday spirit throughout all Departments.

Two categories will be offered, Indoor Decorations and Outdoor Decorations. Each Department may enter in only one category.

Money prizes will be awarded for 1st place — \$100.00, 2nd place — \$75.00, and 3rd place — \$50.00.

Decorations must be displayed by Friday, December 5, 1986. Judging of the decorations will take place between December 8th — December 12th, 1986, and winners will be notified by December 19th.

To enter, fill out the entry form available in your units or district.

The deadline for entry forms is December 5th.

For additional information, call 396-4891.

# Hoop Ball

Week No. 5 Standings

Team	Won	Lost
Eastern District	5	0
Md. Penitentiary #2	5	0
Northwestern District	4	1
Southern District	4	1
Md. Penitentiary #1	3	2
Western District	3	2
Headquarters	2	3
Northeastern District	2	3
M.R.D.C.C.	2	3
Vulcan Blazers	2	3
Northern District	2	3
Central District	1	4
Md. State Police	0	5
M. T. A. Police	0	5

## NEWS NOTES

You may already know of the construction now underway on the Jones Falls Expressway. It will not be completed until late 1988. To accommodate commuters, an alternate route system and parking restrictions are now in effect. "The changes are necessary to minimize traffic delays," says Mr. Richard H. Trainor, Director of Transportation, "we've made every effort to be as fair as possible and to keep the changes to a minimum." Mr. Trainor further indicated that prior notification of the changes will be given.

Commuters can obtain information about alternate routes and exit ramp closings by calling JFX-INFO.

A man's ring was found in the Edu-

cation and Training Division Gym in the Headquarters Building. It has been submitted to the Evidence Control Unit. The owner of the ring may recover it by contacting Police Officer Sonya Moore, Education and Training Division, ext. 2518.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION — Congratulations to Police Agent Paul B. Hawkins who was elected to the position of Vice-President of the Maryland Association of Police Planners on October 23.

## PROMOTIONS

HUMPHRY, MARY J., Office Assistant II-D, Central Records Division, to Office Assistant III-T, Central Records Division, November 10.

## RETIREMENTS

PRKNA, RICHARD J., Police Officer, Southeastern District, 26 years of service, October 24.

HARTLOVE, BERNARD E., Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 22 years of service, November 13.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

GINGLES, DERRICK LEANELL & DANIELLE NICOLE, twins of Police Officer and Mrs. Anthony Gingles, Central District, and Grandchildren of Police Officer Gordon Gingles, Western District, 6 lbs. 4½ oz. and 6 lbs. 8 oz., September 25.

FATKIN, CLARISSA MARIE, daughter of Police Agent and Mrs. Kenneth Fatkin, Education and Training Division 7 lbs. 4 oz., October 2.

HICKS, NICOLE CARRIE, daughter of Sergeant and Mrs. Michael Hicks, Northwestern District, 9 lbs. 6 oz., October 24.

DIXON, REBECCA MICHELLE, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Charles Dixon, 9 lbs. 6 oz., October 27.

BOST, DONALD WEBB, III, son of Police Officer

and Mrs. Donald Bost, Eastern District, 10 lbs. 7 oz., November 9.

SMITH, ADAM DAVID, son of Police Officer and Mrs. William D. Smith, Central District, 7 lbs. 9¼ oz., November 11.

FOLTZ, MARY CATHERINE, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Robert Foltz, Tactical Section, 7 lbs. 11½ oz., November 18.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

SPEAKE, ROBERT K., retired Police Officer, Southeastern District, November 11.

ARNOLD, MARJORIE A., retired Policewoman, Youth Division, wife of retired Police Officer Richard D. Arnold, Communications Division, November 19.

## IN MEMORIAM

CANDELLA, PHILLIP, father of Police Officer Joseph Candella, Southeastern District, October 11.

GROSSKOPF, ETHEL, mother of Police Officer John Grosskopf, October 11.

HERR, BERNARD G., stepfather of Supervisor Joseph Schultz, Central Records Division, October 16.

GOONAN, MYRTLE, mother-in-law of Police Officer William McMeins, Communications Division, October 17.

KERLIN, ALBERT, father-in-law of Supervisor Regina Kerlin, Central Records, Identification Section, October 18.

RYAN, CHARLOTTE, wife of retired Police Officer John Ryan, Northeastern District, October 24.

POWELL, ROOSEVELT, stepfather of Printing Press Operator Eddie Devins, Central Records Division, October 24.

COUNCILL, PAUL, brother of Police Officer Kerry Councill, Central District, November 1.

SPERL, BIRDIE, mother of Police Officer Herman Sperl, Central District, November 3.

JOHNSON, ESTHER, mother-in-law of Police Officer Richard Hayes, Central District, November 4.

COX, GEORGE B., father-in-law of Lieutenant Donald A. Kent, Criminal Investigation Division, November 9.



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# NEWSLETTER

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## Department Receives Governor's Award

On November 24, 1986, during a morning ceremony at the Annapolis Hilton Hotel, Governor Harry R. Hughes presented the Baltimore Police Department with several 1986 Governor's Crime Prevention Awards. This program recognizes citizens, community groups, law enforcement agencies and police officers who make outstanding contributions to crime prevention efforts in their communities.

The Department received an award in the Law Enforcement Agency category for its comprehensive crime prevention programs. Many members are involved in distributing literature, speaking engagements and conducting residential and commercial security surveys. These surveys are performed at the request of residents to discuss the prevention of burglaries and robberies.

Another important crime prevention program, which contributed to the Department receiving the award, was the Neighborhood Watch Program. Since 1982, 110,000 Block Watchers have been enrolled in the program and more than 600 neighborhoods now have Neighborhood Watch warning signs posted.

Crime prevention programs also include personal security, information about robberies and crimes against children and the elderly.

On hand to accept the award on behalf of Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson was Colonel Michael C. Zotos, Chief of the Community Services Division. This is the 5th consecutive year the Department has been a recipient of the Governor's Award.

Lieutenant Robert C. Novak who formerly served as a Sergeant in the Crime Resistance Unit, and Officer Jack W. Kincaid, Crime Resistance Unit, received the Governor's Crime Prevention Achiever's Award for the completion

of 500 residential and commercial security surveys.

Awards were also given to community groups, organizations and individual citizens who have made outstanding contributions to crime prevention efforts in their communities. These organizations were nominated by law enforcement agencies which were represented on the Maryland Crime Watch Annual Governor's Crime Prevention Awards Subcommittee.

Several community organizations which were nominated by the Baltimore Police Department, received Governor's Crime Prevention Awards.

"Golden Ride" is a public service program developed by the Yellow Cab Company of Baltimore. It is designed to provide safe, cost effective transportation to senior citizens wishing to use taxicabs.

By offering a 20% discount on fare booklets purchased in advance, the Yellow Cab Company has increased the opportunity for senior citizens to participate in a variety of activities and reduce their vulnerability and apprehension about crime.

Door-to-door transportation, which eliminates the hazard of waiting at a bus stop, special driver training, a crime prevention booklet for seniors, and a whistle for use in an emergency are provided by the Yellow Cab Company.

Since the start of the program in October, 1985, more than 500 senior citizens have enrolled in the program and purchased discounted fare booklets.

The Security Training and Education Unit of the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company also received a Governor's Award for developing an in-depth awareness program for upper managers of their organization. The program, "Think Security — You Make the Difference,"

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## Citation of Valor Awarded

Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson presented Officer Paul A. Renaud, Northern District, with the Citation of Valor and a Silver Star during a commendation ceremony in his board room on December 1, 1986.

The Citation of Valor is issued by the Police Commissioner to "any sworn member who has sustained gunshot wounds, stab wounds, or serious injury under aggravated and hostile circumstances which could result in death or permanent disability."



Officer Renaud received the commendation for injuries he sustained while conducting an undercover robbery investigation.

On November 8, 1986, Officer Renaud was posing as a pizza delivery driver. He arrived at an address to which a pizza order was to be delivered. When Officer Renaud knocked on the door, the porch light was turned off and the side door of the home was opened. Suddenly, a suspect appeared in a crouched position holding a revolver in his hand. Officer Renaud, seeing the gun being aimed at his head, pushed it away and withdrew his revolver. The suspect

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## Citation of Valor

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shot at Officer Renaud, causing a grazing wound to his head. Officer Renaud, after falling to the ground, fired at the suspect who had turned and was running away.

Officer Brenda G. May, who is Officer Renaud's partner, was approaching the house as the gunshots were fired. Officer May ran to Officer Renaud's aid, then pursued the suspect. The gunman turned and fired one shot at Officer May. Officer May returned fire.

Medical help was summoned for Officer Renaud and additional patrol officers responded to the scene in search of the suspect, who was arrested several blocks away.

Fortunately, Officer Renaud's injuries were minor. He is a seven year veteran of the Department and received two commendations for outstanding performance prior to the shooting incident.

## Holiday Happenings

The Holiday Season offers many activities for you and your family to enjoy. The NEWSLETTER provides a list of these events.

### DECEMBER 11, 1986

- The Yule Fool magic and comedy show, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. at Lexington Mall & Market, 685-6169.
- Social Security Administration Chorus, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Lexington Market, 685-6169.
- A Candlelight Tour at the Cloisters Children's Museum, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., 823-2551.
- Washington Ballet will present "The Nutcracker Suite" at the Lyric Opera House and will run daily through December 14, 1986. For more information, call 225-3131.

### DECEMBER 13, 1986

- National Aquarium Tour of Mount Clare Mansion, 11:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., 576-3840.

### DECEMBER 14, 1986

- Wilde Lake High School Madrigals to be held at the Cloisters Children's Museum at 2:00 p.m., 823-2551.
- Christmas Concert to be held at Goucher College at 3:00 p.m. by

the Baltimore Choral Arts Society, 523-7070.

### DECEMBER 15, 1986

- Holiday Bazaar, Monday thru Friday, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at City Hall. It will run through December 19, 1986. For more information, call 837-INFO.
- Window Wonderland, Decorative Storefront Displays on Howard Street will be displayed daily through January 11, 1987, call 837-INFO.

### DECEMBER 17, 1986

- "A Child's Christmas in Wales" at the Baltimore School for the Arts, at 8:00 p.m. and will be held through December 19, 1986, call 396-1185.

### DECEMBER 18, 1986

- Candlelight Concert and Reception, Bellini and Ensemble, at the National Aquarium, 8:00 p.m., 576-3840.
- Holiday Concert of Baltimore Symphony Orchestra at the Meyerhoff Symphony Hall at 8:15 p.m. Ms. Catherine Comet, Con-

ductor. It will also be held on December 19, 1986.

### DECEMBER 19, 1986

- Christmas Illumination Decorations and Candles at the Old Otterbein United Methodist Church from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. It will be displayed through December 21, 1986. Call 747-3629.

### DECEMBER 21, 1986

- "Sugarplum Fantasy" Puppet Performance at the National Aquarium, 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., call 576-3840.
- "Twas the Night Before Christmas Juggling Duo at Lexington Market at Noon and 1:00 p.m., 685-6169.
- Renaissance Christmas Music Concert, Walter's Art Gallery, presented by the Choral Arts Society.

### DECEMBER 22, 1986

- Celebrity Santas will be at Santa's House at Harbor Place Monday - Friday from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. It will run through December 24, 1986, call 332-4191.



Roy Rogers' Restaurants donated 40 Thanksgiving Baskets which were given to families in the Baltimore community. On November 25, 1986 they were delivered to Police Headquarters to be distributed by the Department's Community Relations Section. This is the 9th year that Roy Rogers and the Department have participated in this project. If it were not for this donation, some families would have been without Thanksgiving Dinner. On hand to prepare and deliver the baskets were: (Rear - left to right) Officer Edward Gance, Southern District, Mr. Greg Jugo, Manager, Roy Rogers Restaurant, Baltimore Street, Lt. Jerome H. Cunningham, Community Relations Section, Officer Charles E. Tinker, Northern District. (Front - left to right) Mary F. Maguire, Public Relations, Marriott Corporation, Colonel Michael C. Zotos, Chief, Community Services Division.



## BG & E Cares

The Baltimore Gas & Electric Company has instituted a program which provides extra "eyes" for the Police and Fire Departments. The Citizen Alert Relay Emergency Program is reprinted from the publication "Folks Magazine," with permission.

*Two cars collided late at night. Within minutes, help arrived for the victims.*

*A woman is knocked to the ground by an assailant. Her purse is stolen and she lies badly bruised. Before anyone has time to call an ambulance, the police arrive.*

*Smoke billows from the back of a row house. As the fire escalates and family members emerge from the house, a fire engine pulls up.*

These decidedly different scenes all have a common thread: Help arrived faster than expected. The quick response has to do with a witness to each of these tragedies — a BG & E truck driver. In each case, a driver who happened to be on the scene radioed his or her dispatcher with information. The dispatcher in turn called authorities.

Although BG & E's employees on the streets have always kept their eyes open for possible emergencies, the good neighbor attitude was not part of a formal Company program. Now, a program called CARE, in the Transportation Department, has formalized the practice of watching out for others.



Police Agent Robert E. Douglas, Jr., Crime Resistance Unit, gives classroom instruction about the types of incidents which are suspicious, and should be reported to the police. Officer Charles E. Feaster, Crime Resistance Unit, (not in photo) also participated in the Orientation and Training for the Transportation Department drivers.

CARE stands for Citizens Alert Relay Emergencies and involves the drivers of about 80 vehicles in the Transportation Department. The eligible vehicles are equipped with radios linked to a dispatcher in Transportation headquarters at the Rutherford Business Center.

When out on the roads, drivers are encouraged to be alert to three different types of emergencies — crimes in progress, major traffic accidents where injuries are likely, and fires.

Drivers spotting such situations call their dispatcher with information pertaining to the accident. In the case of a car accident, the BG & E driver tells the dispatcher how many parties are involved, if anyone is injured, where the accident has happened, and if any road obstructions resulted from the accident.

The dispatcher then immediately summons appropriate help for each situation.

The Transportation Department, working with the Baltimore City Police, adapted CARE from a similar program at Delmarva Power and Light. Its objectives are to involve citizens in reporting criminal activities or emergencies, improve the time taken to respond to incidents, and hopefully, reduce criminal activities.

Transportation hopes that its program will be a pilot for possible use in other BG & E departments.

To introduce CARE to Transportation drivers, Ed Kiesling set up a series of orientation meetings with speakers from the Baltimore City Police Department. The meetings profiled CARE and talked about how to spot crimes and emergencies. They also focused on crime prevention. The meetings were completed in April and CARE is now fully in action.

## Governor's Award

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includes a slide program and a 14-page booklet which are used during one hour seminars. The slides and booklet focus on all phases of security awareness at home and on the job.

Since May, 1986, this program has been presented to all vice-presidents and upper level managers of the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company.

This program can be replicated for other businesses.



Officer John F. Heiderman, mounted on his horse "Sparky," models the new "dress uniform" for the Department's Mounted Unit.

## Santa Claus Anonymous

Many of us are shopping for special gifts for our loved ones on Christmas Day. We know what it means to see a child's smiling face as a present is opened.

Unfortunately, there are thousands of needy children who will not have the experience of opening a gift as a symbol of someone's love and thoughts.

There is hope and a solution for this problem . . . Santa Claus Anonymous. Santa Claus Anonymous has been a caring part of Baltimore's Christmas tradition for more than 50 years. Last year Santa Claus Anonymous raised more than \$26,700.00 providing a brighter Christmas for more than 3,100 children.

These gifts were made possible through the contributions of members of the Baltimore Police Department and other City employees. To once again provide a merrier Christmas for the children of Baltimore, everyone needs to be involved again with a donation toward this year's goal of raising \$400,000.00. Your donations can be submitted to your District, Division or Unit representative.

A certificate valued at \$8.00 will be given and can be redeemed for toys or clothing.

Now in its 53rd year, the Santa Claus Anonymous Campaign is underway. Get your donations in now because there is a child depending on you, Christmas day.



Officer Curtis N. Willis, Tactical Section, finishes a chin up as he participated recently in an Octathlon. Athletes who competed in the Octathlon were required to run 4 miles, bike 4 miles, complete 40 sit ups, unlimited chin ups, 25 push ups, and lift  $\frac{3}{4}$  of their body weight in bench presses and dead lifts. Officer Chavers S. Todd, Tactical Section, (not pictured) finished 1st overall, and Officer Willis came in 3rd among 20 competitors representing other law enforcement agencies. The Octathlon was sponsored by the Philadelphia Police Department's running and fitness club.

## Boating Course Announced

A public boating course for both sail and power craft is being offered by the Sue Island Power Squadron. The course is open to anyone over the age of 12. Instruction is free, with a small charge for course materials. The course is given in 10 lessons on Thursdays from 8:00 to 10:00 P.M. at Towson Senior High

School, Cedar Avenue, Towson, Maryland. Registrations is January 8, 1987, at 7:30 P.M. at Towson Senior High School; late registration is January 15th.

Topics include: Boat handling under normal and adverse conditions, seamanship, rules of the road, aids to navigation, compass and chart familiarization, running lights and equipment, trailing, inland boating and piloting.

The next public boating course will be offered in September, 1987 in Essex. For information, call 254-3174 or 252-0870.

## LIBRARY NOTES

Grady, James. *Razor Game*. Bantam Books. 1985. (paperback - Fiction)

A fanatical killer is on the loose. Before the Reaper strikes, a demoniacally religious notice appears in the daily paper. Then a prostitute is murdered, another strange ad appears in the paper, and then a young child is brutally slaughtered. It is suspected that the Reaper will hit Baltimore next. Detective Devlin Rourke, BCPD's brightest star in CID, is assigned to stop this maniac. — EBJ

## RETIREMENTS

MEEHAN, WALTER J., Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 21 years of service, November 21.

SMITH, GREGORY A., Printing Press Operator I, Central Records Division, 9 years of service, December 1.

GRAY, WILLIAM G., JR., Police Officer, Southeastern District, 28 years of service, December 4.

RUBY, EDWARD C., Police Officer, Southeastern District, 31 years of service, December 4.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SMITH, ADAM DAVID, son of Police Officer and Mrs. William D. Smith, Central District, 7 lbs. 9 oz., November 11.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

ARNOLD, MARJORIE A., retired Police Officer, Community Services Division, November 19.

SCHEIBE, HALLIE C., retired Sergeant, Criminal Investigation Division, November 19.

FRITZ, JOHN H., retired Police Officer, Pine Street Station, November 25.

SPERLEIN, PHILIP E., Sergeant, Northeastern District, December 1.

## IN MEMORIAM

GILBERT, WENDELIN, brother of retired Police Officer James Gilbert, and uncle of Sergeant Robert Ackerman, Central District, November 10.

McFILLIN, JAMES L., SR., father of Police Officer James L. McFillin, Jr., Tactical Section, November 13.

DIETZ, CHARLOTTE, mother-in-law of Police Officer Richard Nichols, Southeastern District, November 18.

MICHAEL, MILLIE, grandmother of Sergeant Robert Michael, Internal Investigation Division, November 18.

JONES, MARIE, grandmother of Police Officer Melvin Jones, Southern District, November 21.

RINGGOLD, CLARENCE C., brother of Police Officer Allen L. Ringgold, Northwestern District, November 27.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: Complete ski package — includes Nordica boots (size 8½), Dynamic ski's (160's), Look bindings with brakes, and a set of poles. \$110.00. Contact Sgt. Stan Heddings, EDist. or 574-7671.

Lost: On Friday, November 28, 1986, a white/gold wedding band was lost in either the headquarters building or headquarters garage. If anyone has found it, please contact Steve Converse, Photographic Unit.



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December 24, 1986

## Season's Greetings



The time of the year is upon us when everyone prepares for joyful celebration and quiet reflection. During the hustle and bustle of the season, let us be reminded of things for which we can be grateful.

So as we gather together with family and friends, let this holiday season enter our world bringing warmth and good cheer. May it bring us faith in place of doubt and strength instead of fear. May it bring us hope and love to guide our hearts forever and bring us all together.

May the peace and joy of the holiday season be yours today and always.

*Bishop L. Robinson*

Bishop L. Robinson  
Commissioner

## Sharing the Christmas Spirit

The Baltimore Police Department has traditionally participated in projects to help those in the community who are in need. During the holiday season, members of the Department organize and sponsor programs for sharing the Christmas spirit.

Those programs included the annual children's and senior citizens' parties given by the Community Relations Section, hundreds of food baskets delivered by the police districts, and donations to the Santa Claus Anonymous campaign.

This year, 2 additional programs were initiated expressing the generosity of members of the Department.



Deputy Commissioner Edward J. Tilghman, Administrative Bureau, accepts a check for the Santa Claus Anonymous campaign from 86-4 Class Commander Paul M. McClellan. Major George L. Christian, Community Relations Section (left) and Class Advisor Sergeant John L. Slaughter (right) were on hand for the presentation.

Education and Training Class 86-4 took time out of its strenuous training schedule to collect several boxes of clothing and canned goods for the Neighbors in Need Program. Neighbors in Need is coordinated by the Baltimore Health Department to insure that many Balti-

## Holiday Happenings

The NEWSLETTER staff and members of the Printing & Photography Units wish all readers a joyous holiday season. We have listed below some events which may be of interest to your family during the holidays.

### DECEMBER 24, 1986

Baltimore Brass Band will play at Lexington Market from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Call 685-6169.

The 30th Annual Christmas Garden

at Fire Engine 45/Truck 27 at Glen Avenue and Cross Country Blvd. will be displayed through January 4, 1986. This year the Garden features an illuminated waterfall, a Skyline Drive Scene and a Civil War Battlefield. Hours of display are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Another garden display is at the Wise Avenue Fire Company, 214 Wise Avenue, Dundalk. It will be open until

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## Sharing the Christmas Spirit

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moreans receive needed items. Those who received the donations were needy families, soup kitchens, shelters, the elderly and the disabled.

On December 16, 1986, Class 86-4 also presented a \$128.00 check to Deputy Commissioner Edward J. Tilghman, Administrative Bureau, for the Santa Claus Anonymous program. After the check was presented, Deputy Commissioner Tilghman personally thanked each member of Class 86-4 for their generosity.

Santa Claus Anonymous is a volunteer organization sponsored by the Baltimore Junior Association of Commerce to raise funds to provide Christmas gifts to needy children in Baltimore. An \$8.00 gift certificate was given to children between the ages of 2 and 12 to purchase what may have been the child's only gift for Christmas.

Major George L. Christian, Community Relations Section, who is the Department's coordinator for the 1986 Santa Claus Anonymous campaign, said that the check would increase the Department's contribution to the program.



Major Joseph H. Cooke, Jr., Southern District (left) and Police Officer Frank E. Wagner Jr. (background) look on as Santa (Officer Robert V. Ewing) helps Tyron Phillips on his new bicycle. The 10 year old youngster told Santa just moments before the mystery raffle drawing that his biggest wish for Christmas was to receive a new bike.

For the first time this year, Police Officers of the Southern District's Running Team also participated in providing Christmas cheer to 30 children, at

the Southern District Station House on Saturday, December 13, 1986.

A Christmas party was hosted by the team. Santa Claus arrived with many gifts for the children. The children's names were chosen based on the recommendations from teachers at elementary schools in the Southern District. The communities included Brooklyn, Cherryhill, Washington Village and South Baltimore.

When the children arrived at the party, each of them was given a raffle ticket with a chance to win one of the many door prizes as gifts.

Refreshments and the toys were donated by local businesses.

## Promotions Ceremony

On December 12, 1986, Police Commissioner Bishop L. Robinson awarded Certificates of Promotion to a new Captain, Lieutenant and 6 Sergeants.

Listed below are the newly promoted members and their assignments:

Captain Michael J. Andrew began his 13 year career with the Baltimore Police Department as a patrolman in the Southwestern District. In 1975 he was designated a Police Agent. He was transferred to the Criminal Investigation Division in 1976 and remained there after being pro-



Mrs. Ellen Andrew pins the Captain's badge on newly promoted Michael J. Andrew who will be working in the Central District.

moted to Sergeant in 1978 and Lieutenant in 1983. As Supportive Services Lieutenant of the Drug Enforcement Unit in C.I.D., he commanded Sergeants and Detectives while they conducted investiga-

tions of major drug violators. Captain Andrew has received 2 Unit Citations for the Drug Enforcement Unit's outstanding investigations. One was given because more than 2,000 arrests were made in 10 months. These arrests represent a 16 percent decrease in Part I crimes for the first 6 months of 1982.

The second Citation was for the disruption of 14 major drug organizations that had combined estimated annual gross sales in excess of \$82,000.00.

Captain Andrew has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business from the University of Maryland.

Lieutenant Robert E. Rabold is a native of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, who joined the Department after serving in



Mrs. Zelinab A. Rabold places a Lieutenant's badge on her husband during promotional ceremonies on December 12.

the United States Marine Corps. During his 15 year career, he has received 15 Official Commendations including 1 Unit Citation, 3 Bronze Stars and 4 Commendatory Letters.

After graduating from the Police Academy, Lieutenant Rabold was first assigned to the Western District. He remained there until his promotion to Sergeant and transferred to the Tactical Section in 1978. As a Sergeant, he served in the Education and Training Division, Western District, Criminal Investigation Division and Southern District.



Sgt. John M. Wheeler  
Southern District

Sergeant Wheeler is an 18 year veteran of the Department. He has received 9 Official Commendations, including 2



Unit Citations and 2 Bronze Stars. The Unit Citations and Bronze Stars were awarded while he was a Detective in the Drug Enforcement Unit. He was recognized as an aggressive investigator. One of the Bronze Stars was given for his arrest of 1,181 persons charged with armed robberies, handgun and narcotic violations.

He was assigned to the Southeastern District after joining the Department in 1968 and later served in the Chief of Patrol's Office before going to C.I.D.

Sergeant Wheeler has an Associate of Arts Degree in Law Enforcement from the Community College of Baltimore.



Sgt. George P. Parsons, Jr.  
Southwestern District

Sergeant Parsons has worked 2 years in the Eastern District and 11 years in the Special Operations Division, Tactical Section. While in the Tactical Section, he was assigned to the Emergency Vehicle Unit. He received special training to investigate explosive devices and terrorist threats.

He joined the Department after serving in the United States Navy. Sergeant Parsons has an Associate in Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from Essex Community College.



Sgt. James E. Buckmaster  
Western District

Sergeant Buckmaster is a 7 year veteran of the Department. He has been assigned to Southern District. In 1980 he was appointed Police Agent. He has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore.



Sgt. Douglas M.F. Womack  
Tactical Section

Sergeant Womack is a member of the Department's Helicopter Unit and the

first Flight Officer to be promoted to the rank of Sergeant. An 8 year veteran, he has flown the Department's 5 light observation helicopters. The Helicopter Unit has received awards for aerial observation and locating suspects and vehicles.

Sergeant Womack has received 7 Official Commendations, including 1 Commendatory Letter.



Sgt. Edward L. Paugh  
Southwestern District

Sergeant Paugh is a native of Keyser, West Virginia, who received a Distinguished Service Award during his 13 year career with the Department. The Distinguished Service Award was given in 1982 for the arrest of a suspect responsible for deaths of 14 victims. The suspect received life imprisonment without parole. Sergeant Paugh has received 7 other Official Commendations. As an officer, he was assigned to the Central and Northeastern Districts and Criminal Investigation Division.



Sgt. Tharmon Percell, Sr.  
Eastern District

Sergeant Percell joined the Department in 1967. After Entrance Level Training, he was assigned to the Northern District. He was subsequently assigned to the Western, Northwestern and Southwestern Districts.

Sergeant Percell has attended American University and Coppin State College.

## Citation of Valor

Following the promotional ceremony on December 12, 1986, the Citation of Valor was awarded to Police Officer Timothy Wade, Northwestern District. Officer Wade was shot on September 12, 1986, while investigating the suspicious activity of a suspect in the 4200 block of Pimlico Road. He was conducting a field interview when the suspect suddenly ran from him. After a short chase, the suspect turned and shot Officer Wade in

the left side and escaped.

Investigators searched for the suspect for four days before he was captured several blocks from the shooting scene.

It was later learned the suspect was wanted on two warrants charging attempted murder, assault by shooting and a handgun violation.

The Citation of Valor is given by the Police Commissioner to "any sworn member of the Department who has sustained gunshot wounds, stab wounds, or serious injury under aggravated and hostile circumstances which could result in death or permanent disability."

Officer Wade has recovered from his injuries and has returned to work.

## Holiday Happenings

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January 4, 1986. Eleven model trains will be in motion at the display.

### DECEMBER 27, 1986

Magician Bob Touart will appear at the Cloisters Children's Museum at 1 p.m. He will also have a show on December 28, 1986, at 2 p.m. For more information call 823-2551.

### DECEMBER 29, 1986

Holiday Camp for Kids during the hours of 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., at the Metropolitan YWCA. It will run through January 2, 1987. Call 685-1460.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States will hold their Annual Children's Christmas Variety Show at St. Bernard's School Hall, 928 Gorsuch Avenue at 2 p.m.

### DECEMBER 30, 1986

"The Nutcracker" Puppet Show at the National Aquarium, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Call 576-3840.

"Best Fishes for a Happy New Year" party 6:30 - 9 p.m. at the National Aquarium.

### DECEMBER 31, 1986

Kwanzaa - Kumba Festival will be held at A'Peke Yake Galley on 423 Merryman Lane. For more information call 467-7919.

New Year's Eve Cruise on the Port Welcome from 8 p.m. - 12 midnight. Call 727-3113.

Baltimore's New Year's Eve Extravaganza, Four Thematic Parties at the Convention Center 837-INFO.



## Post Scripts

Dear Commissioner Robinson:

I would like to take this opportunity to highly commend each employee of your organization for their role in the success of the President's visit to Baltimore on October 15, 1986. Your organization's cooperation and willingness to work long hours was instrumental in the completion of our protective mission.

On behalf of the U.S. Secret Service, it is my sincere pleasure to highly commend your organization for the outstanding contributions they have made to this Service over the years.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Coppola  
Special Agent in Charge  
Baltimore Field Office

## Visitors



On November 25, 1986, two retired members of the Baltimore Police Department returned to visit the Headquarters Building. Pictured from left to right are Retired Detective Captain Loch Hum-

phries, Retired Colonel Joseph F. Carroll and Deputy Commissioner William F. Rochford, Services Bureau, Retired Captain Humphries was appointed to the Department on July 29, 1938, and retired from the Criminal Investigation Division on May 26, 1966. Retired Colonel Carroll was appointed on August 17, 1942, and retired as Chief of the Criminal Investigation Division on April 21, 1977.

The visitors returned to view some of the innovations since their departure. Among those are the Automated Fingerprint Identification System — Printrak, which went into service in November, 1984, and 911 the Emergency Telephone System, which became operational in March 1985.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Congratulations to Detective Jeane Mewbourne, Sex Offense Unit, who received an "Award of Recognition" from the Soroptimist International of Baltimore. The award was given to Detective Mewbourne for her outstanding achievements in law enforcement. The Soroptimist International is an organization comprised of 43,000 women employed in professional and executive fields.

**CRIME RESISTANCE UNIT** — Retired Sergeant Donald Farley is now at home in Ocean City recuperating from his recent stay in Mercy Hospital. We know he would welcome hearing from his many friends in the Department. You might send Don a card or note at:

3701 Coastal Highway, Apt. #202  
Ocean City, Md. 21842

Our deepest sympathy to Police Agent Robert Douglas upon the death of his mother, Mrs.

Ethel Douglas of Tampa, Florida, on December 3.

## PROMOTIONS

TOMALVAGE, SHARON A., Office Assistant II-D, Personnel Division, to Office Assistant III-T, Property Division, December 18.

## RETIREMENTS

KAPP, RONALD W., Police Officer, Eastern District, 25 years of service, December 4.

DULL, DONALD D., Sergeant, Eastern District, 26 years of service, December 17.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

McKINNEY, CARL D., retired Police Officer, Central District, December 8.

## IN MEMORIAM

WILKENS, THELMA, mother of retired Police Officer Albert Wilkens, aunt of Police Officer Louis R. DiStefano, Jr., Southern District, November 5.

KUHL, CATHERINE, mother of Police Officer John Kuhl, Southeastern District, November 26.

DOUGLAS, ETHEL, mother of Police Agent Robert Douglas, Community Services Division, Crime Resistance Unit, December 3.

HARPER, ELIZABETH A., mother of Sergeant Harry E. Harper, Property Division, December 4.

BAKER, MARY, mother of DEO I Brenda Baker, Central Records Division, December 6.

SPINDLER, MARY, mother of PCA I Shirley Whet-sell, Communications Division, December 9.

WHITEHEAD, DELLA, grandmother of Lieutenant Alvin Winkler, Tactical Section, December 14.

## CLASSIFIED

For Sale: 1981 CJ5 Jeep Renegade, 6 cylinder 258, 4-speed, full roll cage. Asking \$5,500.00. Call 574-0517 or 457-4319.

For Sale: One 16" girl's bicycle, Huffy style - Sweet-thunder, pink/white with training wheels. Price, \$40.00. Contact Agt. Albert Marcus, Northwestern District.



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