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# NEWSLETTER

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## Community Policing Profiled In Q And A With Major Winkler

The Eastern District implements Community Policing next month. Eastern District Commander, Major Alvin Winkler, recently sat down for a question and answer session with Public Affairs Director, Samuel Ringgold.

**Question.** How is it going, as you prepare to implement Community Policing in the pilot district?

**Answer.** I think it's progressing quite well. We have begun to identify those officers who are going to be Neighborhood Services Officers. Out of 24 neighborhood services officers, 16 are senior officers. We will add to that 16 just 8 officers that graduated out of the academy a little more than a month ago, and that will bring about a nice combination of senior officers, along with junior officers.

**Q.** Do you feel like you are on the hot seat being the pilot district?

**A.** I don't necessarily feel that I am on the hot seat, but I feel the strong sense of responsibility for myself and for my officers. I feel that my district

is in a position that we must excel. My biggest concern is to overcome the fear in the community, I don't believe we can truly be successful without the community being involved in working with us and the wall of fear is the first obstacle that we have to deal with.

**Q.** How are you going to go about that?

**A.** I think in order to break down the walls of fear, first we are going to do an introduction into our philosophy with community leaders and our political representatives in our district, after that our officers are going to go out and begin to profile the community. We hope that knocking on doors, going into businesses, will generate enough conversation with the community to know what is going on that people will start to come forward to get involved. We are not looking for everyone to be informants in the community. We want to see people come forward to form community groups, and block clubs, and to participate in clean up cam-

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## Major Russo Retires

Nearly 25 years after becoming one of Baltimore's finest, Major Frank A. Russo, Central District Commander, has retired. During his last day on the job, Major Russo took time to reflect on how it all began. Major Russo recalled, "I was the kid growing up who always wanted to be a police officer." Major Russo says, "Every position I've held in the agency has been a highlight in one way or another but my involvement with the formation of the Quick Response Team was especially rewarding."



While Major Russo is leaving the Department, he is in no way severing his ties with the police department. As head of security for the Downtown Partnership, Major Russo will continue to work hand-in-hand with the Department to deal with crime problems downtown. Having been involved with the Downtown Partnership since its inception, Major Russo says, "It's a unique and innovative attempt to address the problem of crime and grime in the downtown business district."

When asked to summarize his long and distinguished career, Major Russo replied, "Rewarding, satisfying, challenging and everything I thought it would be." ■



## Community Policing

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paigns, and just stand up for what is right in their community.

**Q. How is the process going of getting your men and women to buy into Community Policing?**

A. We have now trained 50 people in the academy as of today in the community policing aspect. They have come back and begin to ask questions. We are to give them all the answers to these questions in their minds. We have had a special training program with officers from another agency, Richmond, Virginia, come and talk to the officers, on top of that we are holding frequent community meetings and I have been addressing roll calls 2 to 3 times a week to bring our people on board to what is going on.

I believe our people can adapt, and I believe our people can excel, but I believe our people first must be informed as to what we are doing, and what is expected of them.

**Q. Isn't one of the tough things getting officers to buy into community policing? Does it encourage officers to be innovative and do different kinds of things as opposed to the past when they were pretty much handed the game plan?**

A. You are exactly right, and many officers have told me that when I came on this job I was hoping that I would have an opportunity to be innovative to use my own mind, but we can't do that because the radio is so busy that we are hampered and we are dictated to what we have to do, and that seems to be a concern of our police officers. I say the major concern if we were to look at it right now, what would our officers be most concerned with, first, is the 911 communications system going to allow them the opportunity to be innovative, work their neighborhood to prevent crime, and secondly will the city agencies support them in their endeavors to prevent crime.

**Q. What are the questions asked most often?**

A. One of the biggest questions we are hearing is when is this program going to be written down. Now we have to dispel the myth that it is a program, it will not be a program. The second

biggest question is are other city agencies going to buy into this, and we are letting them know yes, we have the support of City Hall, and the support of our agencies. The next concern we have is the manpower in order to support this endeavor, and I say to them, over the process of putting this together we should have the manpower in order to put this new philosophy in place.

**Q. How do you answer questions, when you have officers come up and say, "come on Major we don't want people to do this", how do you respond?**

A. When they say, we don't have people to do this, I say well do you think we will have enough people, will you work with me on a program if I insure you that our patrol section will have all its vacancies filled and we will have enough people to handle calls for service and you will be able to get a day off because we don't have a vacancy, and also have our 24 foot officers, if we have that covered will we have enough, they say yeah if we have that covered that is the concern.

**Q. Whose been more reluctant to buy into it the older officers or younger officers?**

A. The younger officers, and I would say not the younger officers from the last graduating class, because they were trained in community policing. Prior to our graduating class anyone between 1-6 years on this job is more reluctant, but these are our personnel that have come out of the academy and been glued to automobiles. The senior officers are very supportive of the idea because this is really the way they started policing. The only senior officers that we find that are not really pushing for it are those who have reached a certain age or certain health condition, where they themselves can not get out there and police. I have senior officers that have said to me I know it is going to work because we did it in the old days and all. I myself couldn't go out and walk a foot post, but I know it will work, but we have a place for those officers in the agency because we still need good patrol officers to investigate, and write reports out of a car, we still need wagon operators, we still need turn key, we still need all those jobs filled as well as neighborhood service officers.

**Q. As your fellow commanders look at you as being the first to go**

**into it, any words of advice as they prepare to move into community policing, just things that have worked for Al Winkler or just tips you have?**

A. My advice would be to my fellow commanders that would be for whoever is next or after me, in community policing take your time, interview and scrutinize your officers very carefully to insure that those who want to be neighborhood officers are people who really wants to do it, because from what I see this not going to be a get over job or easy job. It is going to require some intellect, require their initiative, their imagination, a lot of communication it is going to require that, so they need someone who is on the ball and really wants to do it and someone who is into the community. I would recommend that they keep their supervisors and their patrol officers totally informed as to the process in their district, because until we began to talk to officers in our district they were very optimistic and they just didn't know were to go. I would also recommend that they would give myself and some of my officers that are involved in this an opportunity to talk to people in their roll calls so they can hear first hand from their own peers just what the process is like. ■

## Captain Dickens Appointed to Major

### Named New Commander of Central District

Captain Charles M. Dickens was appointed to Major by Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods on January 7th. Major Dickens who will have 31 years in the Baltimore Police Department next month says, "I feel confident I can make a contribution."

Addressing roll call on his first day as Commander of the Central District, Major Dickens called on officers to continue doing a fine job and told them he would have an open door policy and wanted their input. "Crime is the priority," says Major Dickens, "I look forward to the move into the Community Oriented Policing. I see it as going back to basics with the advantage of modern technology."



Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods says, "Any selection of this magnitude is difficult because of the vast number of qualified people." The Commissioner added, "I feel Major

Dickens is uniquely qualified to meet the needs of the Central District which is the most diverse of all 9 police districts." ■

## Officers of the Month

*Officers of the Patrol Division of the Baltimore Police Department are daily called upon to use fully their abilities, energy and sheer force of will to serve the interest of justice and meet the challenges of each tour of duty. Though there are commonalities in their experiences, though they confront the same dilemmas and choices while working the street, in certain instances, their actions deserve special notice and acknowledgment. Every month each District Commander submits the name of an officer to be recognized for distinguished service and performance. It is with pride in their accomplishments and appreciation for their efforts that those names are printed here in the NEWSLETTER.*

**Police Officer Martin Kimball, Southwestern District.** For his initiative, resourcefulness and untiring efforts in the area of drug enforcement.

**Police Officer DiTanya Washington, Northwestern District.** During a four week period made 20 arrests,

including 10 narcotics arrests and an arrest of an armed robbery suspect.

**Police Officer Alan Savage, Eastern District.** Consistently displays a high level of patrol initiative and productivity with particular success in the area of follow-up investigations leading to multiple case clearances.

**Police Officer Angela Wilson, Western District.** Conducted an independent investigation of a series of robberies in the Upper Eutaw-Madison area that was key to identifying the suspect and obtaining a search and seizure warrant which yielded vital evidence.

**Police Officer Larry McMullen, Northeastern District.** Distinguished himself by exemplary performance in connection with the arrest of five persons wanted for assault with intent to murder two police officers, two armed robberies, burglary of a gun shop, and stolen auto.

**Police Officer Wiley A. Fair, Northern District.** Recognized for actions beyond the call of duty which contributed to the rescue of an injured child who had fallen over an embankment into the Jones Falls.

**Police Agent Stephen C. Nalewajko, Southeastern District.** For consistent effectiveness and efficiency in performance which yields a high volume of quality arrests and serves to strengthen public confidence in law enforcement. ■

## Southern District Officer Shot



At 10:17 p.m. on New Years Eve 1992 Police Agent Andrew Snakowsky was in the process of breaking up a large street fight in the 1100 block of Washington Boulevard when he felt a sharp pain in his back. As he felt his back and discovered a tear in his sweater, Sergeant Michael Newton observed a bullet fall from Agent Snakowsky's clothing. The officer was immediately transported to University Hospital where examination revealed that though the officer had indeed been shot the bullet did not penetrate his departmental vest. Agent Snakowsky was found to have a bruise to his lower back but was otherwise uninjured. It is unknown whether the shooting of Agent Snakowsky was an inadvertent event resulting from haphazard gunfire in celebration of the New Year, or a deliberate attempt to shoot a police officer or someone in the crowd.

## News in Brief

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** - Deepest sympathy is extended to Agent Roderick C. Pullen on the recent passing of his aunt, Mrs. Charlotte Hackett. Mrs. Hackett was also the grandmother of Police Officer April Fulwood of the Eastern District.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Police Officer Robert Ort on the recent passing of his mother, Mrs. Virginia Ort.

Congratulations to Sergeant Regis Flynn who received his Law Degree Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore School of Law in September, 1992.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** - Congratulations to Police Officer Julie Morgan, Northern District, and Police Officer Charles Morgan,

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Southern District on the birth of twins. Mary Patricia, born 9/21/92, 5 lbs., 13 ozs., and Charles James, born 9/22/92, 5 lbs., 10 ozs.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION/ROBBERY UNIT** - Congratulations to Detective Hank Martin and his new wife Linda on their recent October, marriage. Best Wishes to you both!

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION/STATE'S ATTORNEY'S UNIT** - Congratulations to Sergeant Frank W. Phillips, on his marriage to Police Agent C. Karen Jackson, Special Operations Division, Executive Protection. The couple took their vows on December 30, 1992.

**TACTICAL SECTION** - Congratulations to Police Agent Albert H. Taylor, Jr., Special Operations Division, upon receiving the Navy Achievement Medal "for professional achievement in the superior performance of his duties" while in the service of the United States Marine Corps Reserve.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** - Congratulations to John Hagan, son of Police Agent Gerard Hagan, a member of the Patterson High School Football Team on winning the M.S.A. B Conference Title, defeating Dunbar 24-14.

## Births

**WERTZ, CAILEY LORETTA**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Harold Wertz, Eastern District, 8 lbs., 11 ozs., October 15.

**JENKINS, JOSHUA THOMAS**, son of Police Officer Joyce Jenkins, Central District, 7 lbs., 12 ozs., November 11.

**SMITH, STEPHEN WENDELL**, 5 lbs., 10 ozs., and **REBECCA MARGARET**, 6 lbs., 2 ozs., son and daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Howard Smith, Eastern District, November 13.

**POWELL, DONYAE CHANNEL**, daughter of Police Officer Tawna Powell, Eastern District, 8 lbs., 6 ozs., November 25.

**HENDRICKSON, BETHANY LYNN**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Terry Hendrickson,

Western District, 5 lbs., 9 ozs., December 8.

**CASSELLA, THOMAS, III**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Thomas Casella, Western District, 8 lbs., 9 ozs., December 8.

**SPALT, BRITTANY COLLEEN**, daughter of Robert and Office Assistant II Kimberly Spalt, Gunpowder Range, 5 lbs., 15 1/2 ozs., December 8.

## Retirements

**ROBINSON, WILBUR C.**, Crimes Against Property Section, Auto Theft Unit, 69 years of age, 38 years of service, August 1.

**BELL, JAMES H., JR.**, Police Officer, Northern District, 42 years of age, 20 years of service, November 1.

**HEWITT, RICHARD H.**, Police Officer, Central Records Division, 53 years of age, 29 years of service, November 11.

**HERPEL, JOHN F., JR.**, Police Officer, Southern District, 48 years of age, 23 years of service, November 17.

**JOHNSON, JOAN C.**, Police Officer, Criminal Investigation Division, 57 years of age, 31 years of service, December 3.

**McCORMICK, WILLIAM J.**, Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 52 years of age, 24 years of service, December 10.

**SHARP, JOHN A.**, Sergeant, Special Operations Division, 45 years of age, 23 years of service, December 12.

**HENSLEY, MILTON R.**, Police Agent, Southern District, 43 years of age, 20 years of service, December 16.

**DEAN, ROBERT L.**, Sergeant, Community Services Division, 50 years of age, 24 years of service, December 18.

**BERGER, BOBBY A., J.**, Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 44 years of age, 20 years of service, January 1.

**MILLER, WILLIAM W., SR.**, Police Officer, Central District, 52 years of age, 20 years of service, January 5.

**MOYNIHAN, JAMES F.**, Police Officer, Criminal Investigation Division, 38 years of age, 20

## Chaplain's Corner

Those members of the Baltimore Police Department who desire to seek spiritual guidance and assistance, may call the Police Chaplain Unit at 396-2057.

years of service, January 6.

**RUSSO, FRANK A.**, Major, Central District, 46 years of age, 25 years of service, January 14.

## Final Roll Call

**HINTON, SEAN**, active Police Trainee, Education and Training Division, 22 years of age, 5 months of service, November 3.

**KENDALL, ALLAN H., JR.**, retired Police Officer, Central District, 71 years of age, 23 years of service, November 3.

**ARNOLD, RICHARD D.**, retired Police Officer, Communications Division, 67 years of age, 31 years of service, November 3.

**LONG, HENRY F.**, retired Police Officer, Southeastern District, 66 years of age, 19 years of service, November 8.

**PONDER, NATHANIEL LEO**, retired Police Officer, Property Division, 62 years of age, 32 years of service, November 30.

**AIREY, HERBERT E.**, retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, 77 years of age, 19 years of service, December 4.

**KRIEGLESTEIN, FRANCIS H.**, retired Emergency Call Clerk, 80 years of age, 9 years of service, December 11.

**ABBOTT, DEAN**, active Police Officer, Community Services, 36 years of age, 11 years of service, December 24.

**BACKOFF, GERALD**, retired Police Officer, Eastern District, 78 years of age, 20 years of service, January 3.



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## Supervisory Ranks Bolstered By Recent Promotions

On January 27, 1993, Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presented Certificates of Promotion to one Captain, six Lieutenants, and twenty Sergeants. The morning ceremony was held in the 9th Floor Lounge of Police Headquarters.

The newly promoted members and their assignments are as follows:

**Captain Eugene T. Yeager** — Western District

Captain Yeager is a 22 year veteran of the Department who has garnered eight Official Commendations, which include four Bronze Stars. A native of Baltimore and graduate of the University of Baltimore with a B.S. Degree in Criminal Justice, Captain Yeager joined the Department after serving in the U.S. Marine Corps.

**Lieutenant Steven E. McMahon** — Central District

In twelve years of service in the Department, Lieutenant McMahon has compiled a record of achievement highlighted by ten Official Commendations, including two Bronze Stars and one Unit Citation. A native of Cheverly, Maryland, educated at the University of Maryland and Frostburg State College, Lieutenant McMahon served nine years in the Northwestern District.

**Lieutenant Timothy J. Longo** — Northwestern District

Lieutenant Longo is a twelve year veteran of the Department who began his career as a Police Cadet in 1981. A graduate of Towson State University with a B.S. Degree in Law Enforcement, Lieutenant Longo is presently completing the requirements for a Juris Doctor Degree at the University of Baltimore Law School.

**Lieutenant Carl D. Brown** — Northeastern District

Lieutenant Brown is a 21 year veteran of the Department who has received four

Official Commendations. These include a Unit Citation for his participation in highly successful DEU operations during assignment to the Criminal Investigation Division. Lieutenant Brown is a native of Baltimore and veteran of the U.S. Army.

**Lieutenant Thomas E. Douglas** — Eastern District

Lieutenant Douglas is a 23 year veteran of the Department and holds a B.S. in Law Enforcement from the University of Maryland, and a Master of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from George Washington University.

**Lieutenant Frederick H. Taber, Jr.** — Community Services Division

Lieutenant Taber, who will complete his twentieth year of service in May, is a native of Baltimore, educated at the Community College of Baltimore and the University of Maryland. He is the recipient of a Bronze Star.

**Lieutenant Leonard D. Hamm** — Education and Training Division

Lieutenant Hamm is a native of Baltimore and 19 year veteran of the Department. He has received three Official Commendations, including a Bronze Star. Lieutenant Hamm holds a B.S. Degree in Business Administration from Philadelphia College of Textiles & Sciences.

**Sergeant David R. Dull** — Community Services Division

Sergeant Dull is a highly decorated twelve year veteran of the Department. He is a native of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, who since joining the Department in 1981 has received ten Official Commendations, including a Unit Citation and the Citation of Valor.

**Sergeant Reginald Hendrix** — Northern District

## Rookie Officer Shot

Officer Gregory A. Jenkins was scheduled to work a midnight tour in the Southwestern District on Wednesday the 3rd of February; it would have been only his second day of work since graduating from the Police Academy the previous Friday. But shortly after 9:00 a.m. that morning he would find himself the focus of attention at his first major crime scene; not as a Police Officer, but as a victim.



It was a scene Officer Jenkins will see played out countless times with nameless, faceless, yet to be victims, with whom his recently inaugurated career will bring him into contact. But on this day the legion of television trucks, their satellite dishes pointed toward the City, had descended on the block of Truesdale Avenue he called home. Television reporters swarmed through the area, pushing microphones into the face of anyone who might offer a morsel of information. By 10:00 a.m., the news types were in a feeding frenzy jockeying for camera position and

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Sergeant Hendrix is a native of Baltimore and eight year veteran of the Department. He has received two Official Commendations and a Commendatory Letter. Sergeant Hendrix holds a B.A. Degree in Economics from the University of Maryland.

**Sergeant Melvin A. Wilson—  
Western District**

Sergeant Wilson is a Baltimore native and ten year veteran of the Department, educated at the Community College of Baltimore and Morgan State University.

**Sergeant Scott D. Williams—  
Eastern District**

Sergeant Williams is a seven year veteran of the Department. A native of Baltimore, he is the recipient of a Bronze Star.

**Sergeant Van S. Johnson, Sr.—  
Western District**

Sergeant Johnson will complete fourteen years of service in March of this year. A native of Baltimore and graduate of Coppin State College with B.S. Degree in Criminal Justice, Sergeant Johnson joined the Department after serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. He has received two Official Commendations.

**Sergeant William L. Marcus—  
Central District**

Sergeant Marcus is an eight year veteran of the Department who has received six Official Commendations, including a Unit Citation. A native of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, he graduated from Harrisburg Academy and later attended Morgan State University and Johns Hopkins University.

**Sergeant Timothy L. Devine—  
Special Operations Division**

Sergeant Devine is a native of Buffalo, New York and holds a B.S. Degree from Canisius College, New York. He has served seven years with the Department in the Western District.

**Sergeant Samuel J. Taylor, III—  
Communications Division**

Sergeant Taylor is a native of Baltimore and 18 year veteran of the Department. He has received four Official Commendations including a Commendatory Letter.

**Sergeant John R. Cannon—  
Northern District**

Sergeant Cannon is a native of Hazleton, Pennsylvania and holds a B.S. Degree in Police Science from York College of Pennsylvania. A twelve year veteran of the Department, he has received 2 Official Commendations.

**Sergeant Brian J. Horton—  
Special Operations Division**

Sergeant Horton is a native of Wilmington, Delaware who began his career as a Police Cadet in 1981. He is the recipient of three Official Commendations including two Bronze Stars.

**Sergeant James W. Starleper —  
Northeastern District**

Sergeant Starleper is a native of Baltimore who joined the Department in 1982. He assumes his present assignment following service in the Eastern District and Communications Division.

**Sergeant Samuel F. Bosley, III—  
Southwestern District**

Sergeant Bosley joined the Department in 1986 after serving in the United States Navy. He served in the Northwestern District until his promotion and re-assignment.

**Sergeant Edward C. Jackson  
Western District**

Sergeant Jackson will complete 10 years of service with the Department in March of this year. Assigned to the Northeastern District until his recent promotion, he is the recipient of one Official Commendation.

**Sergeant Terry J. Valentine—  
Community Services Division**

Sergeant Valentine is a twelve year veteran of the Department who has received two Official Commendations including a Commendatory Letter. He is a native of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and holds an A.A. Degree in Law Enforcement from the Community College of Baltimore.

**Sergeant Kevin F. Chubb—  
Southern District**

Sergeant Chubb will complete 10 years of service with the Department in April of this year. A native of Baltimore, educated at the Community College of Baltimore, he served in the Eastern District prior to his promotion.

**Sergeant Charles J. Morgan, III—  
Northeastern District**

Sergeant Morgan is a nine year veteran of the Department, born and educated in Baltimore, whose assignments include the Northern and Southern Districts.

**Sergeant Ronald E. Kennedy—  
Communications Division**

Sergeant Kennedy joined the Department in 1973 after serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. A native of Grafton, West Virginia, he is the recipient of five Official Commendations and has twice been

awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service.

**Sergeant Sandra M. Joyce—  
Education & Training Division**

Sergeant Joyce will complete ten years of service with the Department in June of this year. A native of Baltimore, educated at the Community College of Baltimore, she is the recipient of one Official Commendation.

**Sergeant Glenn D. Williams—  
Central District**

Sergeant Williams is a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and 10 year veteran of the Department. He served in the U.S. Navy prior to joining the Department and is the recipient of two Official Commendations including a Unit Citation.

**Sergeant William J. Ritmiller, Jr.—  
Northwestern District**

Sergeant Ritmiller is a Baltimore native and graduate of the University of Baltimore with a B.S. Degree in Criminal Justice. An 18 year veteran, he joined the Department following service in the U.S. Navy, and is the recipient of five Official Commendations including a Unit Citation.

## Officer Shot

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desperate to identify friends, relatives and neighbors for an interview.

No one imagined at that point that Officer Jenkins, who by this time was under care at University Hospital, would emerge from the Shock Trauma Unit eight hours later to the same cameras and throng of reporters after being discharged to convalesce at home.

It all began when Officer Jenkins returned home that morning after taking his wife to work and dropping his son off at school. When he unlocked his door and entered the house he came face to face with an armed intruder apparently in the act of burglarizing the residence. The suspect, who was armed with a 20 gauge shotgun, fired at Officer Jenkins there and a number of more times as he retreated, ultimately taking refuge in nearby Herring Run Middle School. The suspect made good his escape and is still at large. Officer Jenkins sustained gunshot wounds to the head and shoulder which miraculously proved noncritical.

This episode serves to illustrate that we must all confront the essential reality

that violent crime honors no sanctuary. It strikes when least expected, often when the victim is doing the most commonplace things. On this occasion we can be thankful that providence smiled on the Baltimore Police Department and spared one of the newest members of our family.

## That's Life

### Question:

What do the Prince and Princess of Wales and Western District Officer Martin Young have in common?

**Answer:** They share space as the subject of pictorial essays in the *Life Magazine* February 1993 issue.

There are few sure things in life, but when you are the subject of an eight page spread in *Life Magazine*, replete with photographs, chronicling "A Cop's Life," you should be reasonably certain that becoming a celebrity of sorts for the moment is a likely outcome.

Martin Young's boyish earnestness and affable manner belie the experience and toughness born of eight years patrolling 732 post in the Western



District. He is a more obvious choice for the much coveted "Cop's Life" piece than you might expect. Editors from *Life Magazine* interviewed officers from police departments nation wide before settling on Young. It was Officer Young's dedication and joie de vivre, he was later told, that set him apart. Raised on Southwest Baltimore's Harlem Avenue, he is a product of the neighborhoods he now patrols and he draws on that background to balance

the idealistic side of his nature with the reality based experience of 8 years in street level law enforcement. "I love it," he says of the job. "There is no place I'd rather be and nothing I hold more dear than the brotherhood of the badge where men and women come together in the service of their community to enforce the law for the common good. You know, 'This is me and this is what I do.'"

A grateful community and a proud Police Department are glad he made that choice.



Officer Young's daughter, Brittani (age 5).

## Commendation Ceremonies

On Friday, January 29, 1993, following the Graduation Exercise for Class 92-3, a Commendation Ceremony was held to honor members of the Department who have been cited for exemplary action taken in the line of duty. The ceremony took place at the Police Headquarters Building Auditorium.

Friends and relatives looked on with pride as Commissioner Edward V. Woods decorated the following named members for meritorious service.

### MEDAL OF HONOR

#### Western District

Sergeant Gerard G. Demanss  
Officer Terry K. Hendrickson  
Officer Ira N. Weiner (Posthumous)

### SILVER STAR

#### Southeastern District

Officer Vincent C. Moore

### BRONZE STAR

#### Southeastern District

Officer Vincent C. Moulter

#### Western District

Officer Brandon E. Beard  
Officer William D. Crim  
Officer Stanley Gasque  
Officer Urica N. Jenerette  
Officer Michael K. Norris  
Officer Martin R. Pietryak

#### Special Operations Division

Agent Ronald G. Berger  
Officer David C. Cheuvront, II  
Officer Charles M. Crocker  
Officer Dorsey J. McVicker, Jr.  
Officer Melvin T. Russell



## Printing Operations Supervisor Donald J. Huebel Retires

Don Huebel will always be remembered as a consummate professional who approached his work with enthusiasm and good humor. His retirement will leave a void that, those familiar with his work know, will be difficult to fill. On the occasion of his retirement, after 38 years with the Department, Don wrote to Commissioner Woods: "I would appreciate your conveying to my Police Department family my thanks and gratitude for many years of friendship . . ." We thank you Don, for your professionalism, dedication and many years of service.

## News in Brief

**TACTICAL SECTION** - On January 9, Police Officer Melvin Russell S.T.O.P. Squad wed Vashti Savoy. Vashti Savoy-Russell, a Howard University graduate, is a therapist at Johns Hopkins Hospital. The wedding was performed by our own Officer (Pastor) John Harrod at the Western District.

**SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION - SERVICES SECTION** - Congratulations to Lisa Michele

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Dobrzycki, daughter of Dolly Dobrzycki on completing her "on the job" training as an Aero Space Propulsion Specialist with the U.S. Air Force, at Dover Air Force Base, Delaware. Lisa was promoted to Senior Airman and is now furthering her career at Rice Aviation, Martin State Airport, where she is studying for her A & P license and F.A.A. certification as an Aviation Maintenance Technician. She will continue her military career as a Reservist in the U.S. Air Force.

**PERSONNEL DIVISION - RECRUITMENT SECTION** - Congratulations to Police Officer Joseph J. Kundrat, Jr., on his promotion to First Sergeant and receiving the Navy Achievement Medal for professional achievement in the superior performance of his duties in the United States Marine Corps Reserve. Veteran of the Vietnam War and over twenty-two years with this agency, Officer Kundrat was called to active duty during Operation Desert Storm. His other military decorations include the Purple Heart Medal and Combat Action Ribbon.

## Births

GOODWIN, DAYNA CIMONE, daughter of Police Officer Robin and Dan Goodwin, Central District, 7 lbs., 3 ozs., January 14.

SAVAGE, VICTORIA ANN, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Alan Savage, Eastern District, 7 lbs. 9 ozs., January 31.

SHAW, TRENT DANIEL, son of Police Agent and Mrs. Scott Shaw, Eastern District, 7 lbs., 3 ozs., February 3.

## Retirements

MARTIN, DONALD D., Police Officer, Central District, 65 years of age, 33 years of service, January 28.

ELTON, JOHN B., Police Officer, Southwestern District, 48 years of age, 24 years of service, February 6.

## Final Roll Call

LUKAS, FRANK W., retired Medical Services

Administrator, Personnel Division, 77 years of age, 5 years of service, December 20.

WELLER, EDWARD, active, Auxiliary Lieutenant, Special Operations Division, 84 years of age, 11 years of service, January 1.

BACKOF, GERARD H., retired Police Officer, Eastern District, 78 years of age, 20 years of service, January 3.

HOUCK, LEONARD, retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, 75 years of age, 30 years of service, January 12.

BENNETT, MARION W., retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, 69 years of age, 29 years of service, January 14.

MAGNESS, MARY, active Office Assistant II, Property Division, Evidence Control Unit, 55 years of age, 6 years of service, January 18.

REGNER, ROGER A., retired Police Officer, 84 years of age, 16 years of service, January 22.

## In Memoriam

JONES, CHRISTINE, grandmother of Police Officer Therman Reed, Mounted Unit, January 1.

WAGNER, EDWARD, JR., father of Police Agent Edward Wagner, III, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, January 3.

HAY, ELIZABETH, mother-in-law of Police Officer Arnold Saboy, Central Records Division, Staff Review Section, January 7.

FRUHWIRTH, CHARLES, father of Police Officer Charles Fruhwirth, Jr., Personnel Division, Casual Section, January 7.

BUTLER, MINNIE, mother-in-law of Police Officer Larry Johnson, Western District, January 7.

COSTA, LEWIS, uncle of Police Officer Robert Letmate, Education and Training Division, Gunpowder Range, January 7.

KLEIN, CHRISTINE, L., mother-in-law of Sergeant Jay Landsman, Criminal Investigation Division, Homicide Unit, January 8.

## Chaplain's Corner

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VANDERMAST, MARIE, aunt of Flight Officer Lawrence G. Lester, Tactical Section, Helicopter Unit, January 10.

BUZZURO, MATTEO, grandfather of Police Officer Ross Buzzuro, Southeastern District, January 12.

GOODWIN, ROOSEVELT, uncle of Police Officer Robert Mays, Northwestern District, January 17.

HUGHES, THOMAS, uncle of Police Officer Leonard C. Neidhardt, Sr., Western District, January 17.

CHRISTENSEN, VIOLET ROSE, aunt of Police Officer Stephen T. Colburn, Jr., Traffic Enforcement Unit, January 17.

HOOD, MAURICE, uncle of Police Officer Trainee Johnathan Brickus, Education and Training, January 18.

GRIER, WILLA MAE, mother-in-law Police Officer Ronald Rideout, Education and Training Division, Gunpowder Range, January 19.

SHAMLEFFER, EDGAR, uncle of Police Officer Gary Shamleffer, Tactical Section, K-9 Unit, January 20.

KLEIN, MARGARET, mother of Sergeant George L. Klein, Criminal Investigation Division, Vice Enforcement Unit, January 22.

BLACKWELL, JAMES, stepfather of Sergeant Gary West, Personnel Division, Recruitment Section, January 22.

WILSON, OLA FRANCES, mother of Office Assistant II Patricia Cox, Central Records Division, January 24.



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# NEWSLETTER

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Commissioner

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## Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies

On Friday, March 24th, 38 new officers that composed the Class of 92-4 received Certificates of Completion from Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods in a morning ceremony held in the auditorium of the Headquarters Building. Each new officer proudly striding the stage to salute the Commissioner and receive their Certificate did so to the applause of friends, family and members of the Department who filled the hall. These officers embark on their new career with the distinction of being the third Academy Class to be trained in Community Policing.

Commissioner Woods in his address to those gathered for the ceremony encouraged the graduates to be true to the tenets that formed the basis of their training and take with them to the tasks ahead the "Spirit of Community." He called for a reawakening of our allegiance to the shared values and institutions that sustain us - from our marriages and families to our schools and our neighborhoods. He pointed out that the method and rigor with which the community oriented style of policing was implemented would be the key to its success. He said that the new officers could take pride in the fact that they would be at the forefront of the changing role of police and that they should strive to serve as advocates and initiators of solutions to identified problems by becoming an integral part of the neighborhoods they will be assigned to patrol.

Following the Graduation Exercise, a Commendation Ceremony was held to honor members of the department who have been cited for exemplary action taken in the line of duty. Twelve members in all received Commendations from the Police Commissioner who recognized each individually for

their distinguished service.

Listed below are the members who were decorated for meritorious performance.

### SILVER STAR

*The Silver Star is awarded by the Police Commissioner for an exceptional act or 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 to clearly indicate that the sworn member displayed outstanding ability and judgment in the performance of duty.*

#### Southeastern District

Sergeant Frederick J. Dillon  
Officer Nicholas Louloudis  
Officer Reginald L. Robey

### 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.*

#### Northeastern District

Officer Christopher D. Cooper  
Officer William R. Furlong, Jr.  
Officer John H. Gipe, III  
Officer Michael L. Hennlein  
Officer Edward M. Vogt

#### Southwestern District

Officer John T. Viel, III

#### Western District

Officer Edward T. Gorwell, II

#### Northern District

Officer Paul D. Coursey  
Officer Clyde S. Day

## Community Policing Kick-Off

It was standing room only at the Eastern District last month to celebrate a major milestone in Community Policing. With community leaders, elected officials, representatives from city agencies and members of the police family in attendance, Community Policing kicked-off in the Eastern District. The Community Policing kick-off luncheon which was sponsored by the Eastern District's Community Relations Council brought all segments of the community together. Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods said, "For me, this day is a source of great personal satisfaction. The new initiative which was only an idea last summer is now reality."

During a brief program, students from Elmer Henderson Elementary School performed a skit on the meaning of partnership. The students who recently formed a safety patrol at the school have a signed partnership with the Eastern District to work together on mutual concerns. The luncheon also provided a unique opportunity for residents to meet Neighborhood Service Officers who are assigned to their communities.

After being introduced by Eastern District Commander, Major Alvin Winkler, the 24 Neighborhood Service Officers immediately opened up the lines of communication by talking with community leaders in their assigned areas. The officers then hit the streets of east Baltimore to begin neighborhood profiles. Since February 25th, the officers have interviewed almost 800 citizens, attended 27 community meetings, talked with 2,454 citizens, solved 7 persistent problems, made 37 referrals to other agencies, 21 arrests, 80 on-view calls, 31 radio calls, 20 follow-ups, and identified 64 community leaders. WOW!!!!!!!!!!

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## Kick-Off

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Community Relations Council President, Lucille Gorham, along with other community leaders had high praise for the "New Era" in police-community relations. Many said Community Policing will mobilize citizens of Baltimore to get more involved in working with the police department to make our streets safer.

## John E. Gavrilis Promoted to Captain



On March 5th in an afternoon ceremony held in the Commissioner's Board Room, John E. Gavrilis was formally and officially elevated to the rank of Captain. The promotion was conferred upon the new Captain by Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods, before a throng of well-wishers that included Command Staff, friends, family and coworkers.

In announcing the promotion, Commissioner Woods remarked that he derived great satisfaction from being able to recognize, by means of tangible reward, the accomplishments of hard working members of the agency. Said the Commissioner: "In the long run, what must be counted on to reinvigorate the Department are those individuals chosen to lead; because it is they upon whom we rely to accept and properly exercise the responsibilities and authority of command." He added that, "Dedication, professionalism and proper performance must be displayed by those who would demand it of others." The Commissioner expressed complete confidence that Captain Gavrilis would fulfill that role.

Captain Gavrilis will serve as Deputy District Commander of the Southwestern District. A native of Baltimore and graduate of the University of Baltimore, the Captain is an eighteen year veteran of the Department, who began his career as an officer in the Eastern District. He has since served in assignments to Criminal Investigation Division, Inspectional Services Division, the Northeastern District and Internal Investigation Division, punctuated by promotion to Sergeant in 1985 and Lieutenant in 1989. Captain Gavrilis is the recipient of four Official Commendations.

## Officer Cheuvront Awarded Citation of Valor



At a ceremony which took place in the Police Commissioner's Board Room on February 4th, Commissioner Edward V. Woods presented the Citation of Valor to Police Officer David Cheuvront of the Tactical Section. Officer Cheuvront was wounded in the line of duty on March 6th of last year during a narcotics raid in the Western District.

## Lieutenant Bunch Selected as Housing Police Chief

On March 15th, Lieutenant Hezekiah Bunch, Jr. retired after 20 years of distinguished service. The veteran lieutenant, who garnered sixteen Official Commendations during his career with the Baltimore Police Department, will take that record of achievement and his vast experience to the post of Chief of the City's Housing Authority Police Force. Chief Bunch said that he will endeavor to have the public housing force incorporate some of the same community policing strategies being adopted by the Department.

## Tip of the Hat Award



On February 17th, in a ceremony in the Commissioner's Board Room, the manifold good works of the Signal 13 Foundation were recognized with a presentation of the Tip of the Hat Award. Pictured receiving the Award from Officer George Eckert is former Police Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia. Also on hand for the presentation were Lieutenant Elmer Dennis and Signal 13 Board President Jay Matricciani.

Those seeking scholarships awarded by the Signal 13 Foundation are reminded that applications must be received by April 1.

## Officers of the Month

**Police Agent Michael C. Regan, Northwestern District.** Demonstrated skill and dedication in the investigation of a shooting, which produced the arrest of two suspects.

**Police Officer Frank Zapushek, Southern District.** Effectuated the on-scene arrest of an armed robbery suspect and subsequently apprehended two accomplices; later clearing unrelated multiple robberies.

**Police Officer Risa Sullivan, Southwestern District.** Recovered 101 vials of cocaine, 13 bags of heroin and \$654.00 as the result of investigative efforts and execution of a Search and Seizure Warrant.

**Police Officer John Woollen, Eastern District.** Led his sector with 10 arrests, 6 of which were for narcotics violations, netting 53 vials of cocaine, 5 caps of heroin and \$200.00.

**Police Officer Kenneth Richard,**

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**Central District.** Solved the armed robbery of a pizza deliveryman; personally effected the arrest of the suspect and by subsequent investigative efforts closed 5 additional pizza delivery robberies.

**Police Officer Jonathan Walter, Northern District.** Handled 135 calls, made 38 vehicle stops, issued 53 moving citations, registered 33 field interviews and made 15 arrests in a single month.

**Western District, Special Operations Unit.** Cleared 3 shootings and 7 armed robberies by arrests. Made 3 additional Controlled Dangerous Substance arrests and executed 2 Search and Seizure Warrants.

**Police Officer Charles Smoot, Northeastern District.** Over the past two years participated in more than 325 arrests, served 58 search warrants and seized 60 guns - 20 vehicles and \$88,000.00.

**Police Officer Anthony Singleton, Southeastern District.** Handled 102 calls for service, made numerous quality arrests and issued 16 moving violation citations as well as 12 parking citations.

## Home - Inside

### A Weekend on the Snowing Streets

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The word is out, caveat lector: Baltimore Police enthusiasts and followers can soon begin scouring book shelves for the sequel to the much ballyhooed literary offering of a local reporter/author, who with the assistance of his "sources" is writing a new book which will focus on crime related events connected to the Blizzard of '93. The scene again is Baltimore; the subject: the same group of haggard detectives who populated the earlier work which spawned a television series set in Charm City.

It is four years later and the real life counterparts of Crosetti and Lewis, Munch, Bolander and Pembleton are newly assigned to the Department's Home-Inside Unit (so named because they swing into action when everyone else is home inside because of hazardous weather conditions). The book will chronicle their exploits as they investigate snowstorm related crimes which fall into the categories of cases that are easy ("dumpers" - because they are dumped on patrol to follow-up), cases that are hard ("stumpers"), and of course the biggest cases ("snowballs").

According to the Newsletter's own sources, the film rights have already been purchased and negotiations are underway to cast a number of megastars in the roles of the detectives. An excerpt from a draft of the manuscript was obtained for our Newsletter readers. From first line to last, Home-Inside will hold you spellbound with its complexity of motive and feeling as it delves into the gritty world of these detectives, who are the thin blue line between us and those who would commit such heinous crimes as stealing the parking places of motorists who spend hours shoveling out their cars.

Saturday, March 13 —

As an enormous storm, part hurricane, part blizzard, blankets the City with snow and rages beyond all predictions of the local TV stations forecasting wizards, a detective seated in a stairwell of the Headquarters Building (driven to isolation there, like a leper, to satisfy his nicotine craving) is summoned to the Squad Supervisor's office.

He knows instinctively from the grim countenance of his Sergeant that he is about to be presented with a case which in Home-Inside Unit parlance is referred to as a snowball. As he looks at the weather map on the wall where "the board" used to be, the Sergeant hands him a scrap of paper.

"What's this?"

"It's a call."

"We're not supposed to be taking calls. All the shovels are checked out. What am I going to do, put a plow on the front of one of the cavaliers."

"Just handle the call."

"What is it?"

"Seems there's a plot afoot to cop free pizza by swamping Dominos with orders. The perps know they can't make deliveries in 30 minutes or less in this weather. And when the drivers do arrive they are pelted with..."

"Snowballs"

"That's right. So if you make an arrest be sure to check for SBR (snowball residue). And if there's a pizza recovered as evidence bring it back; we haven't eaten yet."

Just a sampling - be sure to buy the book.



Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Primary Solicitors in the Combined Charity Campaign 1992. (L to R) Major Bernard Harper, P/O Abraham Martin, P/O Joseph Kleinota, Criminalist Manager Marvin Mullen, Sgt. Mary Stout, P/O Princess Coleman, P/O Clarence Smith, OA III Myrna Milburn, Lt. William Pritchett, Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods, OA III Patricia Gooch, P/A Jim Edmonds, P/O Bennie Crump, Sgt. John Slaughter, and P/O Mason Loudon.



## News in Brief

**TACTICAL SECTION** - Congratulations to Flight Officer Kevin and Dr. Georgea Peters on the birth of their son, Steve Gregory, 7 lbs., 11 ozs., January 27.

**VIOLENT CRIME TASK FORCE** - Congratulations to Police Agent Albert M. Marcus on being a Big Brother of Central Maryland for over 17 years. Agent Marcus' current little brother is Morgan.

**TRAFFIC SECTION** - Congratulations to Police Officer John Emrick and his wife Moni on the birth of their son, Kyle Guenther, 6 lbs., 14 ozs., February 24.

**SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION** - Congratulations to Secretary II Patricia Ann Grace (Grammy) and Police Officer Ronnie C. Grace (Granpop), Army Unit, on the birth of their grandson, Ryan Purcell Konig, 8 lbs., 11 ozs., November 1, 1992. Thank you Mandy and Eric.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** - Congratulations to Aaron K. Roof, son of Lieutenant Ronald L. Roof on receiving appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. Aaron's superior academic standing, which included membership in the National Honor Society, as well as achievement of the highest order in a range of extracurricular activities, placed him in the company of a select few offered acceptance to the best colleges and universities in the country. He has elected to major in mathematics and will begin his studies at West Point in June of this year. Well done Aaron and best wishes for continued success.

## Births

**McLAIN, HASSAN MAURICE**, son of Police Officer Paul McLain, Eastern District, 4 lbs., 7 ozs., January 12.

**BROWN, BRANDI RUSSELL**, daughter of Police Officer Robert L. Brown, Western District, and Police Officer Rosalind Brown, Northern District, 6 lbs., 15 ozs., February 20.

**HILL, JAYLEN C.**, son of Police Officer Andre Hill, Southern District, and Police Officer Tarshia Townes, Western District, 7 lbs., 6 ozs., February.

**BATES, RYKEARA JEANAY**, daughter of LaShawn Gibson, Central District, 7 lbs., 8 ozs., March 3.

## Retirements

**FRITZEL, EUGENE J.**, Police Agent, Community Services Division, 42 years of age, 20 years of service, February 6.

**WHITE, PAUL J.**, Police Officer, Special Operations Division, 43 years of age, 20 years of service, February 13.

## In Memoriam

**BURGER, CHARLES J.**, son of retired Detective, Clarence L. Burger, Sr. Criminal Investigation Division, Robbery Unit, and retired School Crossing Guard, Arling J. Burger, Southeastern District, November 2.

**KIAH, ALICIA CHRISHAN**, second triplet daughter of Police Agent Wanda Kiah, Education and Training Division and Mr. Charles Kiah, February 2.

**PRESCOTT, CATHERINE M.**, grandmother of Police Officer Paul Loomis, Services Section, February 4.

**RIGGS, WILMER**, grandfather of Police Officer Thomas Mallon, Western District, February 8.

**DAUGHTREY, ALBERTA**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Henry Sorrell, Emergency Vehicle Unit, February 9.

**BLOSKY, EDWARD A.**, father of Police Emergency Dispatcher Danny Bosky, Communications Division, February 10.

**RINALDI, ERICA**, daughter of Sergeant Anthony Rinaldi, Central Records Division, February 10.

**McKINGIE, CORNELIA**, aunt of Data Entry Operator II Jackie Harres, Central Records Division, Chase Section, February 12.

**DYSON, ROBERT**, father of Office Assistant II Shirley Wiley, Central Records Division, February 13.

**BARNES, CLARENCE, SR.**, father of Police Officer Joynae V. Barnes, Northern District, February 13.

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**MATHIAS, JAMES C.**, father-in-law of Police Officer George Leichling, Southwestern District, February 13.

**HARDESTY, MARGARET**, mother of Detective Willard C. Hardesty, Criminal Investigation Division, Vice Enforcement Unit, February 13.

**WHEELER, PEARL M.**, grandmother of Police Officer Michael Wingler, Southern District, February 14.

**LEWIS, HENRY SPENCER**, step-father of Sergeant Walter Vaughn, Tactical Section, K-9 Unit, February 17.

**O'HALLORAN, MARY**, mother of Sergeant Edward O'Halloran, Southeastern District, February 18.

**SMITH, ROBERT**, father of Fingerprint Technician Lynne C. Smith, Central Records Division, Identification Section, February 19.

**JORDAN, ADELAIDE**, aunt of Sergeant Charles Hymiller, Central District, February 19.

**SULLIVAN, LEWIS**, uncle of Detective Sergeant William L. Sullivan, Criminal Investigation Division, Robbery Unit, February 19.

**GUARINO, ANTHONY**, uncle of Police Officer Annette Guarino, Southeastern District, February 22.

**PALMERE, FLORIAN**, father of Cadet Dean Palmere, Criminal Investigation Division, Homicide Unit, February 25.

**JONES, GEORGE ALLEN**, uncle of Police Officer Herman A. Jones, Central District, February 26.



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## Signal 13

Dear Friends of Signal 13:

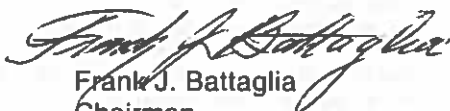
*The following letter is to acknowledge the members of the police department who made contributions to the Signal 13 Foundation during the Combined Charity Campaign.*

On behalf of Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods, the men and women of the Baltimore Police Department, and this membership, we would like to personally thank you for designating funds to the Frank J. Battaglia Signal 13 Foundation, Inc. through the Combined Charity Campaign for Baltimore City.

The success of the foundation is only made possible because of the generosity of people, such as yourself, and enables us to help police personnel during hard times. Additionally, a scholarship program has since been initiated and is moving along very well.

Again, many many thanks for your support of this worthwhile endeavor.

Sincerely,

  
Frank J. Battaglia  
Chairman

  
Jay Matricciani  
President



## Police Officer Daniel Brown Injured

Eastern District Police Officer Daniel K. Brown was injured in the line-of-duty on April 9th while on patrol. Officer Brown was back-up for officers who were investigating a report for shots being fired. When he and two other officers were attempting to arrest one of the suspects, a struggle broke out. The suspect grabbed one of the officers' weapons and it accidentally discharged. Bullet fragments struck Officer Brown in the foot.

A five year veteran, Officer Brown says it was a grim reminder of the life and death situations that officers face everyday. Officer Brown commended the Eastern District Command Staff and fellow officers for helping him through some difficult days.

## Ninth Inning...Lt. Farace Retiring

### Excerpts from the April 2nd Edition of the *Orioles Gazette*

If all goes according to plan, this will be Lieutenant Phil Farace's last season as head of the police detail at the Orioles games.

But it won't be the end of his association with the job he grew to love after first trying to avoid the assignment. Somewhere down the line, he expects to make a dramatic return...of sorts. "When I die, I want to be cremated," he said, "and I have it in my will that I want half of my ashes scattered at Memorial Stadium and the other half at Camden Yards."

Lieutenant Farace turned 65 in March and the countdown toward retirement has begun. "The All-Star Game would be a good time to bail out," he said, "unless the Orioles get into post season play."

Lieutenant Farace first started working the detail in 1959. He took over as head of the unit when he was promoted to Lieutenant in the middle of the 1975 baseball season.

His most memorable moment: "Once I asked a guy who was mouthing obscenities if he would use such language in front of his mother or sister," Lieutenant Farace recalled, "and the man leaned over and said, 'I would like you to meet my mother,' 'who was sitting next to him.' Both of them were arrested Farace said. And of course there was that unforgettable day in December 1976 when a plane crashed into Memorial Stadium following a Colts game.

Lieutenant Farace you've been through 2 World Series, the closing of an insitution (Memorial Stadium), the move into Camden Yards, numerous presidential visits and 42 years in the police department. What are you going to do next? "I'm going to my cabin in the mountains."



## Miss Annie Retires

On Wednesday, March 24th, the members of the Laboratory Division honored Mrs. Annie Williams, of the custodial staff, at a luncheon for her excellent service to the division.

The luncheon, which took place in the lobby of the Headquarter's Auditorium, was attended by more than fifty persons from the Laboratory Division, the General Services Staff, and by numerous friends throughout the Headquarter's Building.

Miss Annie, as she is affectionately called by her coworkers, was pleasantly surprised by "all the trouble gone through for her."

Miss Annie's favorite expression will always remain etched in our memories: "It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice!"



Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presented a Citation of Valor to Police Agent Andrew Snakovsky on March 31st in the Commissioner's Board Room. Agent Snakovsky was injured during a New Year's Eve shooting incident while on patrol.



Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke and Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods took part in the ceremony which announced the second "Turn in the Guns" program. The program which was held in the Headquarters Lobby was also attended by several members of city council, religious leaders and community leaders. The two day gun turn in program which was held April 3rd and 4th, took 11 guns off the streets. The first "Turn in the Guns" program took 41 illegal guns off the streets.



Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presented Western District Police Officer Martin Young with a Citizen's Citation from Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke on April 8th. Officer Young made the women and men in blue shine in a feature article about him in the February issue of *LIFE MAGAZINE*. During the presentation at the Western District, Commissioner Woods said, "Officer Young is an example of the energetic and caring officers who have joined the Department." The Mayor's Citation commended Officer Young for his efforts to improve relations between citizens and the police department.

## News Notes

The 1993 Maryland Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics will occur on Friday, June 18, 1993, 1200 hours. Any police personnel can participate in the Torch Run. T-shirts and golf shirts are on sale to benefit the Maryland Special Olympics. For further information, contact Police Agent Bennie Crump, Community Relations Section.

Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke and Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods, in association with police department employees, proudly present Ron Woodson's "God Expects Change," an original new play and musical, on Saturday, May 8, 1993, at 4:00 p.m., Baltimore Police Department, 601 E. Fayette Street, 5th Floor Auditorium. Benefits the Maryland Food Bank. Admission is two items of non-perishable food per ticket.



## Police Officers of the Month

**Police Officer Keith Owens**, Central District, has made 14 arrests, 6 were for felonies, 6 for narcotic violations, 1 misdemeanor and 1 traffic violation. During a 28 day period, Officer Owens handled 179 calls for service, 510 business checks, 182 cab checks, 34 field interviews and 32 bank checks. Also, he arrested two armed robbery suspects.

**Police Officer Michael Ogle**, Southeastern District, has made 9 arrests for narcotic violations, 3 of which were for possession with the intent to distribute cocaine and/or heroin. Additionally, Officer Ogle made arrests for Part I Index crimes, misdemeanor and traffic offenses.

**Police Officer Howard Smith**, Eastern District, a superior law enforcement officer possessing outstanding knowledge of his career field, has received numerous unsolicited comments of praise from citizens and supervisory personnel. His knowledge of current directives and police procedures enable him to assume and handle responsibility normally associated with higher rank.

**Police Officer Derrick Layton**, Northeastern District, has made outstanding contributions in his district. He has consistently displayed high productivity, professional competence and sensitivity in performing a difficult job under adverse conditons. Officer Layton always exhibits a willingness to help new officers learn the duties of patrol. He is also an excellent role model for the younger children he encounters daily while on patrol.

### Birth Announcements

**WATSON, LAURA ELIZABETH**, daughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Van Watson, Western District, 7 lbs., 3 ozs., March 3.

**NOONEY, SEAN MICHAEL**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. John J. Nooney, Tactical Section/K-9 Unit, 4 lbs., 3 ozs., March 14.

**HARTMAN, MARY GRACE**, granddaughter of Police Officer and Mrs. Charles M. Markiewicz, Planning and Research Division, 7 lbs., 1 oz., March 30.

**Police Officer Stuart Parker**, Northern District, has made numerous arrests for narcotic violations, breaking and entering, automobile thefts and traffic violations. Officer Parker has established an outstanding rapport with residents and owners/employees of commercial establishments within his area of patrol. Every opportunity he gets Officer Parker is out of his patrol vehicle talking with residents.

**Police Officer Ronald Laramore**, Northwestern District, a 31 year veteran, who has been assigned to the Northwestern District since 1962, has been an exemplary model for new employees to emulate. Though sidelined to permanent limited duty status due to a line-of-duty injury since 1975, he had refused to be limited in his continuing efforts to be of assistance to new members of the department and citizens alike.

**Police Officers Charles Dillon and Clementine Russum**, Western District. Assigned to a "Community Oriented Policing" post in Sandtown-Winchester, Officers Dillon and Russum have impacted on the community in a positive manner. The two officers have worked tirelessly to bridge the gaps that exists between citizens and police officers. Officers Dillon and Russum were the subjects of a front page article in the local newspaper, *The Sandtown-Winchester Viewpoint*.



Deputy Commissioner Michael C. Zotos presents Retirement Certificate to Police Communications Assistant I George M. Koerner. After joining the Police Department in September, 1959, Mr. Koerner worked all 33 years in the Communications Division.

**Police Officer Richard Guerin, Jr.**, Southwestern District, has consistently performed in a professional manner. Serving as his Sergeant's number one Officer-in-Charge, Officer Guerin has handled every problem that has arisen in an exceptional manner. He is very capable in all aspects of police work and is a shining example of an exceptional police officer to younger officers who does not hesitate to share his knowledge with new members of the department.

**Police Officer Josiah Massey**, Southern District, has handled 104 calls for service and has made 20 arrests. He is a 20 year veteran who maintains a high standard of performance and always keeps the communities well-being in mind. Many of the arrests were in response to complaints from citizens about drug activity on his post.

## Announcing

### News-In-Brief

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** - Congratulations to Police Officer and Mrs. Russell Wilson on the recent birth of their second grandson, Matthew Albert.

The Southwestern District basketball team once again brought home the gold. The Elite Squad completed their season with a won-lost record of 15-2, winning the A Division and the league championship.

The team members were Officers Larry Holland, Dino Gregory, Juan Oliver, Sam Morant, Willis Richardson, Garry Brown, Edward Wilson, Alfred Mayo, Ernest Washington and Robert Smith. The team coach was Officer Larry A. Johnson.

Congratulations to Lieutenant Allen Kogut and his wife Maureen on the birth of their son, Gregory, 6 lbs., 12 ozs., March 5.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** - On March 24, 1993, Police Officer Richard Robinson received the Maryland Law Enforcement Award. As a member of the Baltimore Police Department as well as a member of the Western District, I thank everyone who nominated me, as well as all the men and women I work with.

## Retirements

MISTER, GEORGE C., Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 48 years of age, 20 years of service, February 6.

ROSE, ROGER G., Sergeant, Property Division, 51 years of age, 21 years of service, February 17.

BORLIE, STANLEY L., Police Officer, Criminal Investigation Division, 46 years of age, 24 years of service, February 23.

DECEWICZ, JOSEPH A., Police Officer, Central District, 44 years of age, 22 years of service, March 9.

PERRY, AZARIE K., Data Entry Operator I, Central Records Division, 51 years of age, 19 years of service, March 12.

BUNCH, HEZEKIAH, JR., Lieutenant, Services Section, 43 years of age, 21 years of service, March 15.

HOWE, JOHN L., Police Officer, Western District, 65 years of age, 26 years of service, March 31.

KOERNER, GEORGE M., Police Communications Assistant I, Communications Division, 61 years of age, 34 years of service, March 31.

EVANS, FRANCES T., Office Assistant III-D, Western District, 62 years of age, 33 years of service, April 30.

## Final Roll Call

BRUNS, THOMAS JAMES, JR., retired Police Officer, Northwestern District, 70 years of age, 15 years of service, March 15.

JOHNSON, JOHN T., retired Detective Patrolman, Headquarters, Racket Squad, 70 years of age, 22 years of service, March 18.

HOJNOWSKI, JOHN JOSEPH, retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, 68 years of age, 20 years of service, March 18.

HOGAN, WALTER E., retired Police Officer, Traffic Section, 86 years of age, 24 years of service, March 25.

MINKEY, EDWARD W., retired Police Officer, Northwestern District, 80 years of age, 25 years of service, March 27.

ZEMAN, JOSEPH P., retired Police Officer, Community Services Division, 71 years of age, 33 years of service, April 1.

## In Memoriam

WALLNER, JOSEPH, uncle of Police Officer Robert Wallner, Southeastern District, March 5.

BAKER, SARAH, aunt of Police Officer Donna White, Western District, March 8.

HENSON, WILLIAM SR., uncle of Office Assistant II Vera Boone, Southern District, March 11.

CAMPBELL, JAMES V., uncle of Police Officer William Gerbes, Central District, March 11.

ROBINSON, VIRGINIA E., wife of retired Detective Sergeant Wilbur Robinson, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, mother of Detective Sergeant Earl Robinson, Criminal Investigation Division, Auto Theft Unit, mother-in-law of Detective Sergeant Roger Brown, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Unit, aunt of Police Officer William Garmer, Northern District, and sister-in-law of retired Sergeant Luther P. Robinson, March 11.

ANDREWS, JOAN, wife of retired Police Officer Roland E. Andrews, III, Tactical Section, Emergency Vehicle Unit, March 12.

OHLE, MARGARETE., mother-in-law of retired Colonel Gilbert Karner, Property Division, March 12.

TYNES, NORRIS, uncle of Supervisor Pia Butler, Central Records Division, Staff Review Section, Central Records Division, March 14.

LAKE, JAMES, uncle of Police Agent Lawrence Ames, Western District, March 16.

GILYARD, CLARENCE A., uncle of Police Agent Lawrence Ames, Western District, March 16.

FRAULA, MARY GAIL, mother-in-law of Police Officer Gregory Fonseca, Tactical Section, Marine Unit, March 17.

COLLETT, DAVID S., stepfather of Lieutenant Timothy Keel, Tactical Section, Operations Unit, March 17.

PAYNE, DOROTHY G., aunt of Police Officer Karen Rood, Western District, March 18.

BARBEE, DOROTHY, aunt of Detective Dionysia Dameron, Criminal Investigation Division, Drug Enforcement Section, March 19.

SHARPLOUISE, grandmother of Police Officer Eric Sharp, Central District, March 19.

SHOWELL - ALSTON, HELEN, sister of Police Communications Assistant I Emma Garrison, Communications Division, and aunt of Crime Lab Technician, Crystal Garrison, Laboratory Division, March 19.

HEIL, BETTY, aunt of Police Officer Charles Prehn, Western District, March 20.

## Chaplain's Corner

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SCHECK, WILLIAM, uncle of Detective John Burns, Criminal Investigation Division, Robbery Unit, March 20.

FERNANDEZ, MARY, mother of Crime Lab Technician Supervisor Pat Fernandez, Laboratory Division, March 21.

LEON, HARRY, father of Police Officer Keith Godbolt, Northern District, March 22.

TALLEY, DUANE, brother of Police Emergency Dispatcher Janice Ford, Communications Division, March 23.

DINGLE, KINGSLEY ALONZO, father of Fingerprint Technician Supervisor Kingsley Dingle, Central Records Division, Identification Section, March 26.

MCGEE, RICHARD HENRY, grandfather of Police Cadet Lance P. McGee, Central Records Division, March 27.

STUHMER, HENRY, father of Sergeant Richard Stuhmer, Northern District, March 29.

PETRELLI, JOSEPH, uncle of Office Assistant I Patricia Butta, Southern District, March 30.

MCGRATH, FRANCIS, father-in-law of Police Officer John Kuhl, Southeastern District, March 31.

NAULT, MARIE, grandmother of Sergeant Lester Geesey, Southeastern District, April 2.

LOSS, GEORGE, uncle of Police Officer Charles Johnson, Southeastern District, April 2.

BATTY, MABLE, mother of retired Police Officer Allen L. Ringgold, Community Relations Section, and grandmother of Police Officer Larry M. Johnson, Western District, April 3.

LAND, PREATHEUS CHRISTOPHER, (Reverend) father-in-law of Lab Technician Karl Harris, Laboratory Division, April 3.



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# NEWSLETTER

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## Department Mourns the Death of Two Officers

### Twenty-Three Year Veteran Officer Slain in Shootout with Armed Robbers



We are all creatures of habit, bound to patterns of behavior acquired through frequent repetition that make up the routine of our lives. Officer Herman

Jones was, in the early morning hours of May 26th, performing a ritual of sorts, the kind of thing each of us does without thinking, every day. He had just finished working the evening shift in Central District, and as he was frequently known to do - stopped at the Jung Hing Carryout in the 1500 block of N. Gay Street to place an order. It was there that three teenagers lie in wait, armed, and united in criminal motive to target a customer for robbery. Officer Jones became that target and the routine that he had followed countless times now placed him in unexpected peril. The suspects confronted the officer at gun point and demanded his money. Acting in defense of his own life as well as to prevent any attendant threat to the restaurant's proprietor, Officer Jones attempted to stop the robbery, which occasioned an exchange of gunfire in which two of the assailants were shot and the officer was mortally wounded. A

feverish investigation by the Homicide Unit soon produced the arrest of the three suspects, all of whom were charged with murder and handgun violations.

On June 1st, Officer Jones was laid to rest in a plot appropriately reserved for "Fallen Heroes" at Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens. Herman Jones was indeed a hero in every sense of the word. In his twenty-three years as an officer in the Baltimore Police Department he quietly demonstrated courage and nobility of purpose by dedicating his life to protecting and serving the community. It was in furtherance of that enterprise that he risked and ultimately sacrificed his life. In a four hour memorial service at the Little Ark Missionary Baptist Church, Officer Jones was eulogized by, among others, Mayor Schموke and the City Comptroller, but the most poignant tributes came from his family. From the slain officer's wife, Linda Jones, there was this: It takes a lifetime to learn how to live, How to share and how to give, How to face tragedy that comes your way, How to find courage to face each new day. How to smile when your heart is sore, How to go on when you can take no more. How to laugh when you want to cry, How to be brave when you say goodbye. How to still love when your loss is so great, How to forgive when your urge is to hate. How to be sure that God's really there, How to find Him, seek Him in prayer.

### Northern District Officer Dies in Motorcycle Accident



On Saturday, May 22nd, less than one month following his twenty-eighth birthday, Officer Craig Joseph Simms, of the Northern District, was killed when his motorcycle collided with an automobile at the intersection of Northern Parkway and Jonquil Avenue. The driver of the car was not injured in the accident, but was arrested for a license violation and suspicion of driving under the influence. The sudden and tragic loss of a fellow officer is always difficult to accept and understand, but it was particularly so

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## Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies

### *Northern District Officer Dies* (Cont'd, from page 1)

for the officers of the Northern District, where Officer Simms was assigned during his three years of service in the Department. Their sense of loss was especially profound because of the tie that binds those who work shoulder to shoulder on a daily basis; who begin and end each tour of duty together, expectant and hopeful that the next roll call will find all present in the familiar surroundings of the edifice at Keswick and 34th Streets that is their fortress and refuge.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on May 27th at All Saints Catholic Church, 4408 Liberty Heights Avenue. Family, friends and members of the Department gathered there to pay their final respects. Officer Simms will be remembered and missed by his family and those which whom he served as a Baltimore Police Officer.



### **Sergeant Sessomes Wounded**

On May 11th, Sergeant Hezzie T. Sessomes of the Community Services Division was wounded while attempting to thwart an armed robbery at Wendy's Restaurant in the 4400 block of W. Northern Parkway. The incident occurred at 11:40 p.m. when Sergeant Sessomes, working in a security capacity at the restaurant, confronted an armed suspect who entered and announced a hold-up. The suspect opened fire on Sergeant Sessomes, who subsequently took cover and returned gunfire. In

Graduation is a day for pride - in achievement and worthwhile sacrifice - and for rewarding hard work. May 7th was such a day for thirty-nine new officers, who were presented with Certificates of Completion by Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods. The ceremony marking the occasion was held in the auditorium of the Headquarters Building and trumpeted into the Department's ranks the fourth Academy Class to have successfully undergone the course of training and specialized instruction in Community Oriented Policing. Program speakers included: Commissioner Woods, Class Valedictorian Sung H. Yi (recently featured in a *Baltimore Sun* article chronicling a day in the life of a rookie officer), and Special Agent Craig Chretien of the Drug Enforcement Administration, who delivered the graduation address.

### **Graduates Class 92-5**

NICOLA BENJAMIN  
JOHN A. BONDURA  
JOHN W. BRANDT  
LEE M. ESWORTHY, JR.  
TRACY R. GEHO  
RODERICK S. HENRY  
JOHN D. JACKSON  
LYNETTE M. WRIGHT-MELLO  
ERIC E. PAIGE  
ANTHONY C. SCHADT  
MARK M. SMITH  
GUY O. THACKER, III  
SHAWN WILLIAMS

NICOLE B. BENNETT  
DONALD V. BRADSHAW  
WAYNE S. BROWN  
LEO M. FURMAN  
TIMOTHY D. HALL  
TIMOTHY A. HOLT  
JAMES J. KOZLOWSKI, III  
BRYANT D. MOORE  
DELSIE E. PARKER  
DANNY W. SCOTT  
ROBERT L. TARTER  
ANDREW P. WHEELER  
CHOL S. YI

TIMOTHY L. BOND  
ONTERIA M. BRANCH  
WAYNE A. EARLY  
RONALD A. GALE  
SHELDON C. HAMILTON  
LAWRENCE H. HOVERMILL  
LARRY W. LANCASTER  
WILLIAM J. NICKOLES  
THOMAS C. PETTIFORD, III  
ERIC C. SHUFFELBOTTOM  
ROBERT D. TAYLOR  
CRAIG M. WILLIAMS  
SUNG H. YI

Following the Graduation Exercise, a Commendation Ceremony was held to honor four officers for meritorious service. Conferred upon each was the Bronze Star, which is awarded when the circumstances of bravery, dedication to duty and general achievement exceed those standards established as routine police work. The names of the officers so honored and the actions by which they distinguished themselves is presented as follows:

### **Police Officer Kenneth J. Driscoll Central District**

While on patrol, Officer Driscoll was dispatched to an apartment building fire where he was met on the scene by Firefighter Larry Barnwell (cited separately at the ceremony and presented with a Special Certificate of Recognition). Unassisted, the two evacuated approximately 25 persons and

### **Sergeant Sessomes Wounded (Cont'd)**

the ensuing gun battle the Sergeant was wounded in the leg. The suspect fled from the restaurant but was captured shortly thereafter by Northwest District uniformed patrol officers. Sergeant Sessomes was treated and released from Sinai Hospital. The suspect was charged with attempted armed robbery, assault with intent to murder and handgun violations.

upon being informed that a male resident remained trapped in one of the apartments, again entered the burning structure, located the victim and carried him to safety.

### **Police Officer Rodney R. Giacomelli Southeastern District**

Responding to a call for an Alarm of Fire at a public housing high rise apartment building, Officer Giacomelli, in a rescue undertaken at great personal risk, saved the life of a five year-old child. Subsequent on scene investigation by Officer Giacomelli resulted in the identification and arrest of a suspect who was charged with Arson in connection with the incident.

**Police Officer  
Michael Hill  
Northern District**

While off duty, Officer Hill, in a chance encounter with an armed robbery suspect at a McDonald's Restaurant, came to the assistance of another officer who was there working in a private security capacity. Circumstances brought Officer Hill into a situation of armed confrontation with the suspect, who was neutralized in the ensuing exchange of gunfire and subsequently apprehended without injury to any other persons.

**Police Officer  
John W. Ambrose  
Northwestern District**

Officer Ambrose and Officer Patrick Arnone were dispatched to a residence where an infant had stopped breathing. The Officers responded to the home and began life-saving procedures, which restored the child's breathing. Because of the Officer's quick assessment of the situation, clear thinking and prompt action, the infant survived.

The Commendation phase of the program was concluded with the presentation of Citizen Awards to five outstanding members of the community who received Certificates of Appreciation from the Police Commissioner. They are: Mr. Kenneth Hodez, Mr. Robert McIlhenny, Mr. Daniel Theodore Rogers, Mr. Brian Curran and Mr. Brian Bloom.

**Police Officers of the Month**

Officers of the Patrol Division of the Baltimore Police Department are daily called upon to use fully their abilities, energy and sheer force of will to serve the interest of justice and meet the challenges of each tour of duty. Though there are commonalities in their experiences, though they confront the same dilemmas and choices while working the street, in certain instances their actions deserve special notice and acknowledgment. Every month each District Commander submits the name of an officer to be recognized for distinguished service and performance. It is with pride in their accomplishments and appreciation for their efforts that those names are printed here in the NEWSLETTER.

**Police Officer Scott Ripley and  
Police Officer Keith Owens, Central  
District.**

Outstanding work production, marked by diligent enforcement action leading to a significant number of arrests which include a homicide and multiple armed robberies. In addition, the officers have been active in the recovery and seizure of firearms as well as drug interdiction.

**Police Officer Terry Hendrikson,  
Southern District.**

Recognized for exhibiting a consistently high standard of performance and for commitment to fostering positive police/community relations.

**Police Officer Donald F. Kramer, Jr.,  
Southwestern District.**

Demonstrated superior performance and investigative acumen in connection with narcotics enforcement action and leads the Southwestern District Drug Enforcement Unit in the number of Search and Seizure Warrants obtained.

**Police Officer Darren Blackwell,  
Western District.**

Recognized for his prompt action, judgment and restraint in the apprehension of an armed suspect and subsequent recovery of a firearm.

**Police Officer Don Lee, Eastern  
District.**

Exhibits superior patrol initiative and high productivity with particularly outstanding results in the areas of drug enforcement and auto thefts.

**Police Officer Vernon Robinson,  
Southeastern District.**

In a single month, handled 130 calls for service and conducted a number of in-depth investigations which resulted in the clearance of an armed robbery and forged prescription case by arrest.

**Police Officer Charles Steele,  
Northeastern District.**

Recognized for outstanding performance in the area of crime reduction services rendered to the Ednor Gardens Neighborhood.

**Police Officer Norman Sauter,  
Northern District.**

In recognition of thirty-one years of faithful and dedicated service to the Baltimore Police Department and for maintaining outstanding present day performance which is an example to junior officers.

**Police Officer John Jendrek,  
Northwestern District.**

Outstanding work production, as demonstrated by monthly statistical credits which include: 91 calls for service, 17 car stops, 2 moving citations, 8 parking citations, 32 cab checks, 66 field interviews and 13 arrests (4 felony - 4 narcotics - 4 misdemeanor - 1 warrant).

## In Memoriam

**BOYCE, CLARA**, grandmother of Sergeant Elfago Moye, Southern District, April 5.  
**MULDOWNEY, JAMES**, uncle of Police Officer James Muldowney, Tactical Section, K-9 Unit, April 8.  
**KIMBRELL, EVELYN**, grandmother of Police Officer Deborah A. Owens, Education and Training Division, April 9.  
**MCCOY, JANISTER**, grandmother of Police Officer John McCoy III, Central District, April 10.  
**ROBINSON, GERTRUDE**, grandmother of Police Officer Jamie Phillips, Northern District, April 11.  
**COX, CURTIS**, father of Police Officer Jerry Weaver, Southwestern District, April 11.  
**CLARK, CARL**, uncle of Police Officer Melvin Miller, Southeastern District, April 12.  
**BRIGUGLIO, DOROTHY**, aunt of Police Officer Melvin Miller, Southeastern District, April 13.  
**TOMALAVAGE, ELIZABETH**, mother of Office Assistant III Sharon A. Tomalavage, Property Division, April 15.  
**THESS, ROBERT**, father of Police Officer Eric Thess, Northwestern District, April 17.  
**DENITTO, ANASTASIA**, mother of Police Officer Jules A. Denitto, Northwestern District, April 17.  
**LAMBDIN, JOSEPH**, uncle of Lieutenant Clifton Cavey, Southern District, April 21.  
**VANCE, ELWOOD**, uncle of Police Officer Phillip W. Sexton, Western District, April 23.  
**BOLTE, CHARLES**, uncle of Police Officer Thomas L. Bolte, Northwestern District, April 24.

**ESSERWEIN, JOHN P.**, father-in-law of Police Officer John F. Carberry, Communications Division and brother-in-law of retired Lieutenant Richard Flynn, Criminal Investigations Division and Sergeant Joseph Flynn, Northwestern District, April 24.  
**FELDER, CHARON**, father-in-law of Police Officer Garnell Green, Northwestern District, April 26.  
**BOWSER, MAILIZA**, aunt of Police Officer Kim Brown, Central District, April 26.  
**MASSONI, NICHOLAS**, father-in-law of Police Officer Milton Krysztofiak, Traffic Section, April 26.  
**HEINBUCH, GEORGE**, uncle of Police Officer Robert Hennlein, Southern District, April 26.  
**WALTERS, SOPHIE**, mother-in-law of Detective Franklin Galaski, Criminal Investigations Division, Administrative Unit, April 26.  
**STEWART, BRUEST**, uncle of Police Officer Bryant Stewart, Southern District, May 1.  
**ROBINSON, NEARINE**, aunt of Police Officer Calvin Belle, Western District, May 4.  
**STEWART, MARIE**, grandmother of Police Officer William Anderson and Sergeant Kenneth Anderson, Southwestern District, May 5.  
**JACKSON, LACY**, grandfather of Police Officer Daniel Jackson, Northern District, May 6.  
**DAVIS, LAMBERT**, step-father of Police Officer Richard Henninger, Southeastern District, May 6.

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**PERONE, THERESA**, aunt of Police Officer Michael Lear, Western District, May 6.  
**LANE, ERNEST**, uncle of Police Officer John Kuhl, Southeastern District, May 8.  
**BYRD, LEROY**, uncle of Police Officer Ivory Bryd, Western District, May 8.  
**MORFE, MARGARET IRENE**, grandmother of Police Officer Elizabeth Geiselman and Police Officer Kevin Ege, May 9.  
**WOODSON, DORIS L.**, mother of Office Assistant II Benjamin R. Woodson, Central Records Division, May 9.  
**PULLEN, PAULINE**, mother of Police Agent Roderick Pullen, Southwestern District, May 9.  
**SCHISLER, BETSY**, mother of Secretary II Deborah Dickus, Personnel Division, May 11.  
**BROKUS, MARY**, aunt of Sergeant James Brokus, Southeastern District, May 11.  
**CARTER, LUTHER JAMES**, uncle of Police Officer Charles Carter, Southern District, May 16.



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## A.I.M. - PHASE 2

In 1991, the City of Baltimore initiated the A.I.M. program (Assessing and Improving Management). The purpose of the program is to evaluate and seek to improve upon the management of various city agencies. To that end, a questionnaire was designed to identify areas of concern and solicit recommendations for change from city employees to raise the quality and value of services for the benefit of all. Phase One of the survey was highly successful and produced a wealth of information which was used to fashion a number of changes directly effecting some of the Department's policies and management techniques.

This year's A.I.M. effort was designed to assess whether or to what extent management systems need to be changed

in order to facilitate the implementation of Community Oriented Policing. A total of 748 questionnaires were mailed to a randomly selected group of members of the Baltimore Police Department. Members received a questionnaire packet containing a questionnaire, instruction sheet, answer sheet and a personal letter from the Police Commissioner. The responses have been returned and the final report is being prepared. Preliminary evaluation and scoring of the returns has served to demonstrate significant trends in opinion on the many and varied issues confronting the Department. Members are encouraged to review the results, which will be made available on request by the Human Resources Bureau.

## Birth Announcements

**HARVIN, LARRY JR.**, son of Larry Harvin and Police Officer Cheryl Harvin, Personnel Division, Casual Section, and nephew of Rosa Queen, Communications Division, 6 lbs., 15 ozs., April 27.

**FIELDS, DUSTIN THOMAS**, son of Police Officer and Mrs. Dale R. Fields, Southern District, and grandson of retired Police Officer Donald A. Fields, Evidence and Control Unit, 7 lbs., 5 ozs., March 25.

## News-in-Brief

### SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT

Congratulations to Office Assistant Agata Quattrocchi, who received her advanced Catechist Certificate from the Archdiocese of Baltimore on May 18, 1993, a verification that the requirements for certification in accord with the Archdiocesan Regulations, Faith Lived-Faith Served, have been fulfilled.

Congratulations to Police Officer Frank Baker and wife Diane who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on May 15, 1993, at the Ranger Social Club in Hampden. Their daughters, Christine, Valerie and Stephanie had a surprise reception, attended by 60 friends and relatives. The affair was complete with a wedding cake, DJ and plenty of food and drink.

**PATROL BUREAU** - Congratulations to John and Mike Bolesta, sons of Lieutenant Colonel Joseph R. Bolesta. Both boys have been named to the Baltimore Metro area High School All Star Lacrosse Team which will play for the South Squad in the Annual North-South Game at Hopkins on June 19. Only 60 high school seniors are selected nationwide to play in this annual classic. Both boys have committed to attend and play Lacrosse at Villanova University in September.

### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Detective Willie Cole of the Homicide Unit, who is convalescing at home after a recent illness.

### PROPERTY DIVISION - Police Officer Gary

Best of the Evidence Control Section will be a competitor in World Professional Kickboxing Championship scheduled for May 30th in Moscow.



(L-R) Deputy Commissioner Eugene Tanzymore, retired Sgt. William Thieman, President of the Retired Police Benevolent Association, Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke. On May 21, 1993, a tribute to the "Fallen Heroes" of the Baltimore Police Department was held at the Memorial Shrine on the first floor of the Headquarters Building. The annual ceremony is sponsored by the Baltimore Retired Police Benevolent Association and serves to honor those members of the Department who gave their lives in the line-of-duty.

## Final Roll Call

**FINK, FRANCIS H.**, retired Lieutenant, Northeastern District, 71 years of age, 31 years of service, April 4.

**SCHMAUS, EDWARD**, retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, 70 years of age, 19 years of service, April 6.

**HILL, JOHN M., JR.**, retired Police officer, Southeastern District, 64 years of age, 22 years of service, April 14.

**KELLY, WILLIAM H.**, retired Police Officer, Property Division, Automobile Maintenance, April 16.

**KELLER, WILLIAM E.**, retired Sergeant, Traffic Section, 88 years of age, 29 years of service, May 7.



Disabled Baltimore Police Officer Mark Frye, shot in the line-of-duty in 1982, is greeted by Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods and Deputy Commissioner Melvin C. McQuay during a stopover at Headquarters en route to the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial in Washington. The cycle ride, led by the retired officer, is an annual event during National Police Week to raise money for the families of officers killed in the line-of-duty.



As a special event to mark the 118th running of the Preakness - the Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore hosted a Preakness luncheon for the Baltimore Police Mounted Unit. All who gathered to partake in the festivities declared it a great success. Pictured (L-R) P/O Anthony Brown, P/O Staccato R. Butler, Gacquine Keeim, and P/O Thurmon Reed.



On June 18, 1993 Major Linda J. Flood, Commander of the Southern District, graduated from the 173rd Session of the FBI National Academy Program at Quantico, Virginia.

Internationally famous for its academic excellence, the National Academy Program, consists of 11 weeks of advanced investigative, management and fitness training. This Program has long been a vital element in the continuing process of improvement in the national and international standards of law enforcement.

### Index Crime Report SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES FOR THE FIRST THREE MONTHS 1992-1993

Type of Crime	1992 Last Year	1993 This Year	Amount of Increase/ Decrease	Percent of Increase/ Decrease
MURDER	75	80	5	6.7%
FORCIBLERAPE	176	146	-30	-17.0%
ROBBERY	3,039	2,788	-251	-8.3%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	1,818	1,763	-55	-3.0%
BURGLARY	3,603	3,736	133	3.7%
LARCENY	9,196	8,980	-216	-2.3%
AUTOTHEFT	2,906	2,226	-680	-23.4%
GRAND TOTAL	20,813	19,719	-1,094	-5.3%
Index Crime Comparison/First Three Months 1992-1993				
Violent Crime.....	-6.5%			
Property Crime.....	-4.9%			
Total Index Crime.....	-5.3%			



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## DEPUTY COMMISSIONER NIXON RETIRES

Most people chart time's passage with mementos and memories of their experiences. This may be the one way the past can be given a personal perspective relative to one's own life. If Deputy Commissioner Joseph W. Nixon were to muse on the three decades he spent in service to the Baltimore Police Department, and asked to assign significance to the prominent events of that period, it would require a sense of something beyond the particulars. It would mean separating out those things that really mattered; re-viewing, if you will, with respect to time and place the happenings which shaped the development of the agency as a whole and Joseph Nixon individually.

When Joseph W. Nixon joined the Baltimore Police Department in 1960, James M. Hepbron was Commissioner and Eisenhower was in the White House. During the span of his career, there would be eight more Presidents and seven more Police Commissioners. The last in the line of Police Commissioners under whom he would serve was our present Commissioner Edward V. Woods, who was himself a



*Recently retired Deputy Commissioner Joseph W. Nixon flanked by his Human Resources Bureau staff (l.-r.) Office Assistant III Charlene Carr, Police Officer Abraham Martin, Office Assistant III Joanne Williams, Deputy Commissioner Joseph W. Nixon, Secretary III Dawn Walters and Lieutenant Eugene M. O'Hara.*

patrolman in 1960. To say that the two go way back speaks to beginnings that predate any professional association. The two men both graduated from Douglas High School in 1956. One would rise to the pinnacle of his profession and other to the tier of authority nearest that point. The future Deputy Commissioner would ultimately, in terms of assignment, move fourteen times to various positions in the department and receive eight promotions.

He would witness such seminal events in the agency's development as: the creation of

the Police Helicopter Unit, the establishment of the Police Cadet Program, the implementation of department-wide motorized patrol, a new reporting system and modernized communications network, as well as the issuance of walkie-talkies

and soft body armor, and the introduction of 911 and Print-track. Moreover, Joseph Nixon was there for the appointment of the first African-American Police Commissioner and to see women take their position alongside men throughout the ranks of the department. Then too, there would be strife and conflict in the form of riots and a police strike.

Through it all, he was there to watch the old fade and the new begin. Sometimes however, the lines between past and present became blurred as bygone programs came back into vogue.

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There were the Bike Patrols of 1972, which would return twenty years later; and the foot patrolman of yesteryear with us again as the modern day concept of community policing.

On the occasion of his retirement Deputy Commissioner Nixon said, "The Baltimore Police Department has always been committed to progress and I'm pleased to have been a part of its proud history." And so it is that history with its flickering lamp stumbles along the trail of the past, trying to reconstruct its scenes, to revive its echoes and kindle with pale gleams the passions of former days. What is the worth of all this? Perhaps it is only to say that the only guide to a man is his conscience. What may have mattered most about these years to Joseph Nixon is that he left the department better than he found it - and that he made a difference in his community through public service.

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## Lieutenant Powell Appointed to Major, Named Northwest District Commander

Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods appointed Lieutenant Barry W. Powell to Major during promotion ceremonies held at police headquarters on July 29th.

A 22 year veteran of the Department, Major Powell joined Baltimore's finest as a Police Cadet in June, 1971. Major Powell's assignments include tours of duty at the Eastern, Southeastern and Western Districts, the Office of the Chief of Patrol and the Patrol Bureau. A past president of the Vanguard Justice Society, Major Powell was promoted to Sergeant in 1980 and

to Lieutenant in 1990. He has received two Official Commendations including one Bronze Star for the arrest of a suspect on 4 counts of murder.

Major Powell was named Commander of the Northwest District by Commissioner Woods. Major Powell called this a highlight in what has been a rewarding career in law enforcement. "My goal to become a District Commander dates back to when I joined the Department as a Cadet, few have reached this level in the Department especially African-Americans." Major Powell added, "Growing up in East Baltimore I knew the importance of being a leader and not a follower, I've tried to be a leader for the past 22 years with the Police Department." He says being entrusted with the responsibility that comes with being District Commander is a tremendous challenge. A challenge that he looks forward to.

Previous Northwest District Commander, Major Ronald B. Collins was named commander of the Traffic Section. Police Commissioner Woods also announced the appointment of Major Robert L. DiStefano to Director of the Central Records Division.



*Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presents newly appointed Major Barry Powell with his Certificate of Appointment.*

## Foot Patrols Hit the Street



*Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods and Sergeant Roderick Pullen walk foot post along North Avenue.*

To combat an increase in violent crime, Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods announced the deployment of 52 overtime foot patrol officers on July 23rd. The overtime foot patrol officers will be deployed in the most violent sections of the city and areas notorious for illegal drug activity. There are overtime foot posts in all 9 police districts. The posts were selected based on crime statistics and input from District Commanders and residents. The posts may change based on crime patterns. Officers volunteer to work the overtime foot posts which will remain in place until the end of 1993.

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## Paddle for People

Those interested in participating in this year's Paddle for People can sign up now. It will be held in Baltimore's Inner Harbor from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on October 16th. For information, call 547-7157. Proceeds are donated to the Fuel Fund of Central Maryland.

## Officer Boyter Retires After 45Years



Officer Boyter

When word began to spread along Eastern Avenue that Officer John Boyter was retiring, residents and business owners asked him to reconsider. For the past 45 years, Officer Boyter has been much more than the foot officer in their neighborhood, he's been a friend.

Starting on March 11, 1948, Officer Boyter spent his entire career patrolling along Eastern Avenue. While he spent some time in a cruiser, Officer Boyter preferred to be on foot. "The only thing an automobile is good for in law enforcement is getting somewhere fast, I always felt I was more effective on foot," Officer Boyter said. He says people gave him information about various crimes because they knew him and saw him as a friend and not an enemy. He said, "Many officers must learn the value of public relations." Needless to say, Officer Boyter is a strong advocate for community policing saying getting more police officers on the streets is essential.

As for retirement, Officer Boyter, who turned 72 years old in August, says he looks forward to getting some things done around the house.



Detective William Burley of the Criminal Investigation Division, Drug Enforcement Section, was recently commended for his distinguished service and contributions to the successful conclusion of a major case investigation. Presenting Detective Burley (r) with a plaque honoring his achievement is U.S. Attorney Brent Gurney.



On August 3rd, the Police Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, President of the Baltimore City Lodge No. 3 Fraternal Order of Police (F.O.P.) and members of the Labor and Management Negotiation Team signed the Memorandum of Understanding between the Baltimore Police Department and Baltimore City Lodge No. 3, (F.O.P.) for fiscal year 1994. Pictured standing are Labor Commissioner Melvin Harris, F.O.P. Attorney Herbert R. Weiner / seated are Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods and F.O.P. President Leander S. Nevin.

# FINAL ROLL CALL

FRESHLINE, HARRY M., retired Storekeeper Supervisor, Property Division, 72 years of age, 32 years of service, May 12.

MARTIN, ARMAND P., retired Police Officer, Central District, 88 years of age, 30 years of service, May 26.

MESSNER, WALTER V., retired Captain, Civil Defense, 86 years of age, 24 years of service, June 2.

CUSTIS, JAMES WESLEY, SR., retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, 59 years of age, 30 years of service, July 10.

CLARK, RONALD J., retired Police Officer, Eastern District, 51 years of age, 18 years of service, June 13.

MCGEE, ARTHUR, retired Sergeant, Northwestern District, 81 years of age, 13 years of service, June 16.

TOMSHACK, JOSEPH, J., retired Sergeant, Southwestern District, 66 years of age, 35 years of service, June 16.

MCCREER, NORMAN T., retired Police Officer, Pine Street Station, 73 years of age, 20 years of service, June 22.

MCDONNELL, MARGARET, retired Senior Administrative Assistant, Personnel Division, 77 years of age, 29 years of service, July 8.

GREFZU, JOHN F., retired, Detective, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, 68 years of age, 19 years of service, August 9.

HEAPS, MICHAEL G., retired Police Officer, Northern District, 52 years of age, 9 years of service, August 13.

SIEGELIN, EMMA, retired Police Clerk, Central Records Division, 86 years of age, 12 years of service, August 13.

SIMMONS, MARY BELLE, active Office Assistant III, Central District, 51 years of age, 24 years of services, August 27.

## Chaplain's Corner

Those members of the Baltimore Police Department who desire to seek spiritual guidance and assistance, may call the Police Chaplain Unit at 396-2057.

## RETIREMENTS

WINGATE, PAUL P., Police Officer, Criminal Investigation Division, 47 years of age, 24 years of service, June 10.

BOYTER, JOHN PAUL, Police Officer, Southeastern District, 72 years of age, 45 years of service, June 30.

SCHMELZ, ROBERT S., III, Sergeant, Criminal Investigation Division, 45 years of age, 24 years of service, July 8.

BEARES, LOUIS, R., Police Officer, Southwestern District, 55 years of age, 32 years of service, July 22.

SHAMLEFFER, GARY M., Police Officer, Special Operations Division, 48 years of age, 25 years of service, August 9.

KIMBALL, MARTIN F., Police Officer, Southwestern District, 38 years of age, 20 years of service, August 19.



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## NEWSLETTER

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**Police Officer William J. Chubb -**  
Property Division  
**Police Officer Richard K. Patton -**  
Property Division

## CAN-DO Patrol Gets Life Line



*Mayor Schmoke greets members of CAN-DO patrol.*

A donation that was described as a life line was given to a new citizen patrol in east Baltimore on August 11th. Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems donated a cellular telephone and a pager to the CAN-DO Patrol. CAN-DO stands for Citizen Action Now-Drugs Out. During a brief ceremony with Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke, police officials, members of CAN-DO, and Clifton Park neighbors in attendance, Bell Atlantic Mobile regional Vice President Robert L. Johnson said, "The donation was a way of giving something back to the community." Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke said, "The new partnership between Bell Atlantic and CAN-DO will increase community policing efforts in east Baltimore."



*Bell Atlantic Mobile Vice President Robert L. Johnson presents a cellular telephone to CAN-DO founder, Police Officer Deborah Ramsey as Mayor Schmoke looks on.*

## Collective Bargaining Agreement Announced

As a result of contract negotiations between the City and the Department, the following improvements to both salaries and working conditions were agreed to:

1. 2.25% across the board pay raise for all members hired prior to March 1, 1993
2. A one year contract
3. Uniformed secondary employment will now be a reality
4. Death benefit for active unit II members increased to \$25,000.00
5. Retiree death benefit increased to \$7,000.00
6. Detectives will retain their detective classification under the community policing plan
7. Bereavement leave - 4 days for grandparent, 1 day for grandchild

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## NEWS NOTE

The Baltimore Retired Police Benevolent Association is now taking orders for the 1994 Dining Out Entertainment Books. The price is still \$35.00 each - books will be available in late September. Proceeds to benefit our widows health and welfare benefits. Contact retired Police Officer Ken Withers, Personnel Division, Employees Affairs on any Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



*Members of the Criminal Investigation Division, Drug Enforcement Section, recently hosted a delegation of members of the Russian Parliament, who were here studying U.S. law. Pictured here with the delegates (without hats) are (kneeling from left to right) Detective Gary Fischer, Captain Michael Andrew, Sergeant Norman Meads and Lieutenant Nicholas Palmeri. Standing are Detectives John Wissman and Richard Wohkittel.*

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## Torch Run



Officer Troy Lewis carries the Torch in the Law Enforcement Run for Special Olympics held on June 18th. Members of the Department and recruits in Class 93-1 participated in the run. City police officers carried the Torch from the Southern District and through the city before handing it over to Baltimore County police officers at the county line.



## BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# NEWSLETTER

KURT L. SCHMOKE  
Mayor

EDWARD V. WOODS  
Commissioner

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## COMMISSIONER'S RETIREMENT

**I** recently announced my intention to retire from the Baltimore Police Department effective November 1, 1993, after 33 years of serving the citizens of Baltimore. When I was appointed Police Commissioner on July 17, 1989, I dedicated myself to making Baltimore City a better place



to live and the Baltimore Police Department the finest in the United States. I knew from the start that being the head of a major city law enforcement agency would be a difficult and challenging job.

However, I am leaving at this time with a great sense of satisfaction. I know that progress has been made in creating a Police Department that is more representative of the citizens we serve. These important changes reflect those that are taking place in our society.

Additionally, the foundation has been laid for making "Community Policing" the cornerstone of policing in this great City. In the near future a new Police Commissioner will be appointed by Mayor Schmoke to take command of the department. I am sure each of you will do everything possible to make the adjustment a smooth one. To every member of the department, sworn and civilian I want to acknowledge that our successes are due to your fine work.. I am proud to have served with each and every one of you and thank you for your support, loyalty and dedication to duty.

Sincerely,

*Edward V. Woods*  
Edward V. Woods Commissioner.

## THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE

As we come to the end of 1993, I want to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Baltimore City Police Department for another excellent year of service to the people of Baltimore. Once again, you have carried out your duties with honor, courage, discipline and effectiveness. Every day you risk your life to protect the lives and property of your fellow citizens. So everyone in our community owes you a debt of gratitude - a debt that I am pleased to have the opportunity to express.

This has been an especially important year for the Baltimore City Police Department. As you know, my top priority this year was to hire and train more police officers. We now have the money to hire at least 180 new officers between now and the end of 1994.

Also, 1993 saw the retirement of the Police Commissioner Edward Woods after many years of service to the people of Baltimore. The search for a new police commissioner is continuing. One of my criteria for the new commissioner is that he or she be a person that communicates and works effectively with officers at all levels of the Department. I want a strong, well informed and experienced leader who has the confidence of both the community and the officers under his or her command.

Again I want to thank the officers of the Baltimore City Police Department for all you do for the people of Baltimore. Crime continues to be one of our city's most difficult problems. And although there was some reduction in index crimes in the early part of this year, the murder rate remains high, and violent crime, especially crimes in which a gun is used, continue to endanger both our citizens and you.

Your courage and commitment is as important as ever, and I hope that you will continue your great service as the guardians of safety for our communities. Have a great holiday and a healthy and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

*Kurt L. Schmoke*  
Mayor



## Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies

On Friday, September 17th, thirty-nine new officers that composed the Class of 93-1 received Certificates of Completion from Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods in a morning ceremony held in the auditorium of the Headquarters Building. Six months earlier they were a group of individuals, strangers to one another, from a variety of backgrounds. On this day they were a unified body of superbly trained officers, truly worthy to serve in the finest police organization of its kind. The Police Commissioner's remarks to the class, as well as the address of guest speaker Daniel Coulson (Special Agent-in-Charge of the F.B.I., Baltimore Field Office), stressed the need to adapt to the new professional challenges of law enforcement. The graduates listened intently as they were told that as Police Officers they represent the fundamentals of social stability and are the most visible representatives of the law. That the citizens of Baltimore will judge the law's value and effectiveness on the basis of their conduct, on their courtesy and firmness, on their decency and integrity, and on their honesty and compassion. It is a great responsibility. But one to which the men and women of Class 93-1 are more than equal. The new officers and their assignments are as follows:

Dana S. Austin - Central District  
Alvin S. Barton - Southeastern District  
Harvey L. Baublitz, Jr. - Southern District  
Verna L. Bell - Northern District  
Keith S. Blackwell - Central District  
Patty A. Brinkley - Southern District  
William T. Bristol - Southern District  
Timothy M. Dixon - Northern District  
Manuel Eldridge, Jr. - Northern District  
Glen M. Fell - Northeastern District  
Marvin L. Gaynor, Jr. - Northwestern District  
Kyle E. Gooden - Northern District  
Dennis R. Gunther, Jr. - Central District  
Ronald L. Haley - Southern District  
Duane A. Henry - Southeastern District  
Darryl R. Howard - Central District  
Ronald W. Howard - Western District  
Karl M. Klinke - Northwestern District  
Dean A. Kolackovsky - Northeastern District  
Anthony D. Lansey - Northwestern District  
Sean E. Lawrence - Northwestern District  
Thomas H. Lovett, III - Northwestern District  
William B. McKittrick - Southwestern District

Michael McNamara - Northwestern District  
Francis V. Moulter - Northern District  
Lennie E. Mungo - Central District  
Mark A. Noppenberger - Western District  
Derek L. Phyll - Southern District  
Sandra D. Red - Eastern District  
Raymond P. Rock - Western District  
Derrick E. Rowe - Central District  
Sean P. Ruane - Western District  
John W. Schindhelm - Northern District  
Donald J. Schultz - Northern District  
Stephen J. Sloan - Northwestern District  
Dennis R. Smith - Western District  
Charles M. Smothers - Central District  
Parrish T. Whitaker - Southeastern District  
Michael J. Williams - Northeastern District

Following the Graduation Exercise, a Commendation Ceremony was held to honor members of the Department who have been cited for exemplary action taken in the line of duty. Friends, comrades and family looked on with pride as Commissioner Woods decorated the following named members for meritorious service.

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Property Division  
**Police Officer Richard K. Patton -**  
Property Division.

## PROMOTIONS

On July 29th, Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presented Certificates of Promotion to three Lieutenants and fifteen Sergeants. The morning ceremony was held in the auditorium of Police Headquarters. The newly promoted members and their assignments are as follows:

**Lieutenant Anthony G. Cannavale, Jr. - Eastern District**

Lieutenant Cannavale is an 18 year veteran and one of the most highly decorated Officers in the history of the Department. He is the recipient of twenty-one Official Commendations, including eight Bronze Stars, two Commendatory Letters and two Unit Citations. Beginning his career as a Police Cadet, he progressed to the rank of Police Officer and served in the Western District before transfer to the Criminal Investigation Division where he was promoted to Sergeant in 1985. Lieutenant Cannavale is a native of Baltimore and is married, with one child.

**Lieutenant Joseph C. Gutberlet, III - Special Operations Division**

In thirteen years of service in the Department, Lieutenant Gutberlet has compiled a record of achievement highlighted by seven Official Commendations, including a Bronze Star. Following graduation from the Police Academy he served in the Southeastern, Northeastern, Eastern and Northwestern Districts before promotion to Sergeant in 1990. As a Sergeant he held assignments in the Internal Investigation Division and Education & Training Division. Lieutenant Gutberlet is a life long resident of Baltimore and is married, with three children.

**Lieutenant Elmer K. Finkenbinder - Communications Division**

Lieutenant Finkenbinder is a twenty-two year veteran of the Department who has garnered eleven Official Commendations, including three Commendatory Letters and two Bronze Stars. A native of Baltimore and graduate of the University of Baltimore with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business, Lieutenant Finkenbinder has served in the Central and Southern Districts. He is married and the father of two children.

**Sergeant Errol E. Etting - Central District**

Sergeant Etting is a native of Bay, Florida, and holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Northeastern University, Massachusetts. An eighteen year veteran of the Department, he has received two Official Commendations and served in assignments to the Northern District, Southeastern District and Criminal Investigation Division. He is married and the father of one child.

## RETIREMENTS

**WADE, WILLIAM W., SR.,** Police Officer, Special Operations Division, 65 years of age, 42 years of service, September 22.

**DAWKINS, CHARLES A.,** Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 39 years of age, 16 years of service, September 29.

**NESBIT, EARL I.,** Lieutenant, Criminal Investigation Division, 52 years of age, 25 years of service, October 1.

**TAYLOR, CYRIL O.,** Office Supervisor, Central Records Division, 60 years of age, 18 years of service, October 4.

**WOOD, ROBERT G.,** Police Officer, Personnel Division, Casual Section, 40 years of age, 12 years of service, October 11.

**ROOP, HARRY E.,** Police Officer, Northeastern District, 50 years of age, 20 years of service, October 11.

**WEBB, DAVID E.,** Police Officer, Criminal Investigation Division, 46 years of age, 20 years of service, October 14.

**STANKE, MATTHEW W.,** Police Agent, Special Operations Division, 46 years of age, 24 years of service, October 15.

**BOLEK, ROBERT N.,** Police Officer, Eastern District, 53 years of age, 26 years of service, October 18.

**RIDDLE, RICKEY A., SR.,** Police Officer, Property Division, 46 years of age, 24 years of service, October 24.

**BARCZAK, DOLORES, M.,** Police Report Review Supervisor, Central Records Division, October 28.

**GECKLE, DAVID, A., JR.,** Police Officer, Southwestern District, 48 years of age, 20 years of service, October 30.



(l-r.) Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke, William Ramsey, Buddies, Inc. and Deputy Police Commissioner, Melvin C. McQuay. Buddies, Inc. awarded 3 scholarships during the graduation program.



One step closer to the Academy ... 39 explorer scouts graduated from the Police Department's Explorer Program, September 25, 1993.



Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presents Citation of Valor to Police Officer James Young as Captain John F. Meeks looks on.

## SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT

Valerie Ruth Baker, daughter of Police Officer Frank Baker and wife Diane has been awarded a Talent Scholarship, to the College of Notre Dame of Maryland.

Valerie is a member of the Anne Arundel County Dance Ensemble, Peer Counseling, Outreach Aid (assisting mentally disturbed students), the Pom Squad, SGA. She also, is a student teacher of french and is a member of the United States Achievement Academy National Honor Roll. She is a graduate of Glen Burnie High School and will attend Notre Dame as a 4 year nursing student.



Sgt. Frederick Dillon, joined by wife Lisa, received the Citation of Valor and the Secret Service Harry F. Neal Law Enforcement Award.

## Promotions

On October 26th, Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presented Certificates of Promotion to ten Sergeants.

The newly promoted members and their assignments are as follows:

**Sergeant Michael W. Jordan - Northwestern District**

Sergeant Jordan is an eighteen year veteran of the Department and lifelong resident of Baltimore. He began his career as a Police Cadet in 1975 and progressed to appointment of Police Officer in 1978. Sergeant Jordan served in the Eastern District prior to promotion.

**Sergeant Richard C. Fahlteich, Sr. - Criminal Investigation Division**

Sergeant Fahlteich is a native of Newark, New Jersey, and nineteen year veteran of the Department. He was a member of the armed forces prior to joining to the Department and is married with three children. He has received five Commendations, four Bronze Stars, one Unit Citation, Commendatory Letters and The Baltimore Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Law Enforcement Medal of Honor. Sergeant Fahlteich will remain in his current assignment with the Criminal Investigation Division.

**Sergeant Mark E. Howe - Community Services Division**

Sergeant Howe is a thirteen year veteran of the Department, born and educated in Baltimore, who began his career as a Police Cadet in 1980. His assignments include the Southern District, Special Operations Division, Personnel Division and most recently the Southwestern District. Sergeant Howe is the recipient of two Official Commendations including one Unit Citation, awarded for outstanding performance as a member of the Crisis Negotiation Team.

**Sergeant Kirk R. Fleet - Central District**

Sergeant Fleet is a nineteen year veteran of the Department who began his career as a Police Cadet in 1974. He was born and educated in Baltimore and is married with two children. Sergeant Fleet assumes his new assignment following service in the Northwestern District.

**Sergeant John N. Sturgeon, Sr. - Community Services Division**

Sergeant Sturgeon is a twenty year veteran of the Department whose assignments include the Tactical Section, Criminal Investigation Division, Special Operations Division, Southwestern and Central Districts. He is a native of Baltimore and is married with two children. Sergeant Sturgeon has received three Official Commendations including a Bronze Star.

**Sergeant Richard L. James - Criminal Investigation Division**

Sergeant James is a twenty-one year veteran of the Department who has garnered three Official Commendations and a number of Commendatory Letters. A native of Baltimore and graduate of the University of Baltimore with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice, his tenure of more than a decade as a Detective in the Homicide Unit of the Criminal Investigation Division will continue in a supervisory capacity with the promotion. Prior assignments include the Tactical Section and Central District. Sergeant James is married and has two children.

**Sergeant John J. McNamara - Communications Division**

Sergeant McNamara is a twenty-two year veteran of the Department who has received five Official Commendations including the Citation of Valor and two Bronze Stars. He is a native of Baltimore and holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Law Enforcement from the University of Maryland. Sergeant McNamara was assigned to the Central District until his recent promotion and is married with two children.

**Sergeant Berry L. Grant - Criminal Investigation Division**

In sixteen years of service in the Department, Sergeant Grant has compiled a record of achievement highlighted by three Official Commendations for outstanding performance and attention to duty. He was born and educated in Baltimore and holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts from the University of Baltimore. His present and continued assignment to the Criminal Investigation Division was preceded by service in Eastern District. Sergeant Grant is married with two children.

**Sergeant David B. Munyan - Western District**

Sergeant Munyan is a native of Baltimore and thirteen year veteran of the Department. He has received five Official Commendations including a Commendatory Letter and Bronze Star for the evacuation of residents from a burning building. He assumes his present assignment following service in the Western and Southern Districts. Sergeant Munyan is married with three children.

**Sergeant Zeinab Rabold - Eastern District**

Sergeant Rabold is a native of Brooklyn, New York, and an eleven year veteran of the Department. She was educated at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York and Morgan State University. Sergeant Rabold began her career as a Police Officer following service in U.S. Army and upon completion of training was assigned to the Southern District. She was at the time of promotion a Detective in the Criminal Investigation Division. Sergeant Rabold is the recipient of one Official Commendation and is married with two children.

## FINAL ROLL CALL

**KENNEDY, DANIEL J.**, retired Lieutenant, Laboratory Division, 79 years of age, 30 years of service, August 23.

**PREISS, JOHN JR.**, retired Sergeant, Traffic Division, 68 years of age, 26 years of service, August 25.

**TREACLE, ELIZABETH**, retired Police Officer, Community Services Division, 68 years of service, 19 years of service, August 26.

**DOMZALSKI, EDWARD WILLIAM**, retired Police Officer Western District, 50 years of age, 21 years of service, August 30.

**SCHLICK, FERDINAND**, retired Sergeant, Southeastern District, 86 years of age, 35 years of service, September 12.

**WOOD, JOHN A., III**, active Police Officer Northern District, 34 years of age, 11 years of service, September 24.

**MICHAEL, JOSEPH G.**, retired Police Officer, Traffic Division, 67 years of age, 20 years of service, September 26.

**HALLAMEYER, JAMES H.**, retired Police Officer Southwestern District, 73 years of age, 26 years of service, October 4.

**WILFSON, DANIEL**, retired Chief Physician, Personnel Division, 82 years of age, 19 years of service, October 9.

**DICKERSON, WILLIAM P.**, retired Police Sergeant, Community Services Division, 71 years of age, 25 years of service, October 10.

**CORBIN, HOWARD**, Active Detective, Homicide Unit, 68 years of age, 43 years of service, December 7.

## Sergeant Snow Honored

Congratulations to Sergeant Michael T. Snow upon receiving the *Parade*

International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Special Citation Award for outstanding bravery, diligence and dedicated community service in the finest tradition of American law enforcement.

This Award was presented to Sergeant Snow at a ceremony on 19 October 1993, in St. Louis, Missouri.

## News Notes

Attention - Members of the Police Department Pension Special Fund (2%). Any retiree who has remarried or whose circumstances involve a second marriage should immediately contact retired Sergeant Robert List (1629 Sherwood Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21239 - phone # (410) 433-0849. The retrieval of information from the members affected is essential to legislative action that will enhance benefits.



**Sergeant John M. Mack -  
Southwestern District**

Sergeant Mack joined the Department following service in the United States Marine Corps and will complete his tenth year in December. He is the recipient of three Official Commendations and served in the Central and Northwestern Districts prior to promotion. He is married, with three children.

**Sergeant John W. Dodson, III -  
Communications Division**

Sergeant Dodson is an eleven year veteran of the Department, born and educated in Baltimore, who began his career as a Police Cadet. Upon becoming a Police Officer he was assigned to the Central District. He is the recipient of one Official Commendation and is married, with three children.

**Sergeant Laurie A. Cooper -  
Western District**

Sergeant Cooper began her career as a Police Cadet in 1980 and upon change in classification to Police Officer was assigned to the Southwestern District. She has subsequently served in the Southeastern and Western Districts, as well as the Inspectional Services Division and Criminal Investigation Division. Sergeant Cooper has received three Official Commendations, including a Unit Citation, awarded for outstanding performance as a member of the Crisis Negotiation Team. Born and educated in Baltimore, Sergeant Cooper is married and the mother of two children.

**Sergeant Roderick C. Pullen -  
Northeastern District**

Sergeant Pullen is a Baltimore native and graduate of the University of Baltimore with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. A twenty-two year veteran, he joined the Department as a Police Cadet and has served as an Officer in the Eastern and Southwestern Districts, the Tactical Section and Criminal Investigation Division. Sergeant Pullen has three children.

**Sergeant Leroy Stanton, Jr. -  
Eastern District**

Sergeant Stanton is a nineteen year veteran of the Department who has received two Official Commendations including a Commendatory Letter and Unit Citation. He joined the Department as a Police Cadet and continued his career as an Officer in the Southern District. Sergeant Stanton is married and has two children.

**Sergeant James H. Kirkpatrick, Jr. -  
Human Resources/Services Bureau**

Sergeant Kirkpatrick completed twelve years of service with the Department in February of this year. He was born and educated in Baltimore and began his career with appointment as a Police Cadet in 1981. He assumes his present assignment following service in the Northwestern and Southern Districts. Sergeant Kirkpatrick is married and the father of two children.

**Sergeant Andrew Snakovsky -  
Northwestern District**

Sergeant Snakovsky is a fourteen year veteran of the Department who has received four Official Commendations including a Commendatory Letter. A native of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and graduate of the University of Baltimore with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice, Sergeant Snakovsky joined the Department following service in the U.S. Air Force. He has been assigned to the Western, Northern and Southern Districts and is married with two children.

**Sergeant Donald M. Weeks, Jr. -  
Communications Division**

Sergeant Weeks is a native of Oakland, Maryland, and holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Law Enforcement from the University of Maryland. A seventeen year veteran of the Department, he has received four Official Commendations including a Commendatory Letter. Sergeant Weeks is married with two children and worked in the Central District prior to promotion.

**Sergeant Vincent C. Moulter -  
Eastern District**

Sergeant Moulter was born and educated in Pennsylvania and joined the Department following service in the United States Army. His assignments include the Western District, Traffic Division and Southeastern District. Sergeant Moulter is the recipient of four Official Commendations including a Bronze Star.

**Sergeant Albert E. Heinbaugh -  
Southern District**

Sergeant Heinbaugh completed twenty years of service with the Department in February of this year. Assigned to the Northern District until his promotion, he is the recipient of six Official Commendations including a Unit Citation. He is a native of Baltimore and holds an Associate in Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from Essex Community College. Sergeant Heinbaugh is married and has three children.

**Sergeant James W. Allen, III -  
Community Services Division**

Sergeant Allen is a twelve year veteran of the Department and recipient of four Official Commendations including two Bronze Stars and a Commendatory Letter. His prior assignments include the Western and Southern Districts. He is originally from Long Beach, California, and is married with two children.

**Sergeant Charles J. Holthaus -  
Western District**

Sergeant Holthaus is a native of Baltimore and attended Essex Community College, the Community College of Baltimore and Harford Community College. He completed twelve years of service with the Department in June of this year and has been assigned to the Northern and Northeastern Districts.

**Sergeant Michael A. Pristoop -  
Community Services Division**

Sergeant Pristoop is a seven year veteran of the Department who began his career as a Police Cadet in 1986. Upon change in classification to Police Officer he was assigned to the Northwestern District and prior to promotion served in the Special Operations Division. Sergeant Pristoop is the recipient of one Official Commendation and is presently completing the requirements for a Bachelor Degree at the University of Baltimore.

**Sergeant James M. Boyd -  
Communications Division**

Sergeant Boyd is a native of Baltimore and fourteen year veteran of the Department. He is the recipient of one Commendatory Letter and until his promotion served in the Southwestern District. Sergeant Boyd is married and the father of two children.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SCHLERETH, ERIC MICHAEL**, son of Police Officer Barbara Schlereth, Central District, 9 lbs., 10 ozs., August 11.

**GEARHART, STEPHEN, MICHAEL**, son of Sergeant and Mrs. Victor Gearhart, Southern District, 9 lbs., 13 ozs., September 3.

**LONG, ALISSA MARIE**, daughter of Police Officer Thomas Long, Northern District, 7 lbs., 6 ozs., September 7.

Congratulations to Police Officer Charles M. "Mike" Crocker, Special Operations Division, and his wife Hope on the birth of their daughter, Nicole Ann, 8 lbs., 3 ozs., born September 30.



*Police Commissioner Edward V. Woods presents Citation of Valor to Sergeant Hezzie Sessomes.*





Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke, City Officials, National Housing Partnership officials and residents applaud the opening of the new community policing office in Eastern District.

## Chaplain's Corner

Those members of the Baltimore Police Department who desire to seek spiritual guidance and assistance, may call the Police Chaplain Unit at 396-2057.



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