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The holiday season is upon us, and our thoughts turn to our family, friends, and co-workers who take this journey through life with us. This year’s journey has been uniquely challenging in so many ways. If you’re like me, you may have postponed a long overdue ‘Thank You’ or two to those special people in your lives who have inspired you to remain strong, persevere, and overcome during tough moments. Make that visit, dial that phone, or write that note or email of gratitude.

I want to thank each BPD family member for welcoming me into this great organization. It is an honor to work by your side as we strive to create a safer Baltimore and build community trust based on mutual respect. We will get it done, and history will long remember us for this comeback that we’re kicking off as a team.

I hope everyone is enjoying the return to patrol posts. This holy grail of policing that identifies a small geographic area in a neighborhood and assigns a cop to keep residents and businesses safe from harm is a community policing strategy that stands the test of time. Your voices have been heard on this important matter and your numbers are back on your jerseys! I promise to continue to listen in the days ahead. We don’t improve by clinging to things that don’t work or by standing still.

We will take patrol posts to the next level of policing with community foot patrol training to bring us closer to our residents. Getting out of our patrol cars, walking down a sidewalk, and communicating with people is as important as locking up bad guys and taking guns off our streets. We are more than good enough to be crime fighters **AND** community ambassadors.

No matter whom we interact with, good guys and bad guys and everyone in between, remember the words of Maya Angelou:

“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”

Happy Holidays to you and your families!

Police Officer Patrick Deachilla

By Acting Captain Sheri Sturm



On October 26, 2015 the Baltimore Police

Department held its graduation ceremony for class 2015-01. This ceremony, however, wasn't a typical one. This one was special, not only for one particular graduate, but because

BPD history was made.

Graduate and new Police Officer Patrick Carl Martin Deachilla was only three years old when he lost his father, Baltimore Police Officer William J. Martin. On February 10, 1985, after serving for 10 years, Officer "Billy" Martin was shot and killed while responding to a report of drug dealing in the 1500 block of Pennsylvania Avenue. He was only 37 years old, leaving behind his wife, Kim, and two children.

Although Pat may not have many memories of his father, he chose this career to honor him and to carry on his legacy. After riding in the Police Unity Tour – an annual event to raise awareness of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty and to raise funds for the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial and Museum – Pat felt a calling, and he entered the academy a short time later.

As Commissioner Kevin Davis called Pat to the stage to accept his graduation certificate, he acknowledged this as the first line of duty legacy in BPD history. He pinned Pat with a shield bearing his father's badge number, 2025, which was brought out of retirement. Deputy Commissioner Dean Palmere then presented Pat with an engraved wooden espantoon that reads, "C535... The legacy continues... J746."

Many current and retired BPD members attended the ceremony to share their excitement and show support for Pat and his family. One special guest, Retired Officer Herman Brooks – Billy's partner that fateful night – expressed how touched he was over Pat's decision and achievement. He stated to a WBAL news reporter, "It was almost like Billy was here." Officer Brooks, who was also shot during the incident, stated to academy

personnel that, he "thinks of Billy often," and is "still troubled by the events of that night, but being there for Pat has helped [him] in some small way."

There was one more gift for Patrick. After the ceremony, Pat was presented with a new black leather wallet to hold his precious badge. Inside one of the pockets of the wallet held the driver's license and departmental identification of Officer Billy Martin. Pat had always carried, and unfortunately lost, these irreplaceable items during an outing in Federal Hill several years ago. It was by happenstance – or perhaps



Left to Right: Paul Deachilla, Police Officer Patrick Deachilla, Kim Deachilla, Retired Lt. Col. Michael Andrews, Retired Detective Herman Brooks

something greater – that an Evidence Control Unit staff member came across these items in a desk drawer only a few days before graduation. They were returned to their rightful owner so that Pat can once again carry a part of his father with him every day.

Chaplaincy Program

The Baltimore Police Chaplaincy Program was revamped in March to become more relevant. BPD chaplains are now trained to effectively respond to the needs of our police officers and to assist our communities. We believe that an engaged presence helps reduce crime.



Chaplain John Hadley

One of the Department's chaplains is John Hadley, Dean of Students for Maryland Bible College and Seminary and the Director of Biblical Counseling at Greater Grace Church. He holds a Master's degree in Biblical Counseling from Luther Rice Seminary in Lithonia, Georgia, and has been serving as a BPD chaplain since May.

Even though Chaplain Hadley has been working with the BPD for less than a year, he has already made a tremendous impact. His experiences in the Northeastern District demonstrate the potential of the Chaplaincy Program to help the Department build bridges with the community. During a four-and-a-half-hour ride-a-long, Chaplain Hadley responded with patrol officers to a call for a missing teen. When the missing teen's young sister entered the home, her mother told her that the police were there to take her away because she had misbehaved in school. The girl burst into tears (Chaplain Hadley said he had never seen such a spontaneous outburst of tears)! While the mother and officer completed paperwork, Chaplain Hadley sat with the girl, explaining to her that the officers weren't there to take her anywhere; they were there to help find her sister. Chaplain Hadley and the girl talked about school, hopscotch, jumping rope, her favorite foods, and other things she liked to do. This conversation relaxed her and removed her fear.

Later that evening, the officers responded to a call where juveniles were reportedly harassing an elderly woman in her yard. When they arrived the youth were not there, but many of the neighbors were. As the officers spoke to the neighbors, Chaplain Hadley noticed one of the little girls staring at him. He asked her name, and she said she is a student in the Good News Club at Moravia Park Elementary, where Chaplain Hadley is one of the club's teachers. The girl was confused by seeing him with the police. Chaplain Hadley explained why he was there and met her parents. It turned into a celebration. Chaplain Hadley stated, "I'm looking forward to many, many more [ride-alongs]. I must say that I had the privilege to ride with two fine, professional young officers. They are a blessing to this city!"

Crime Lab Corner

By Director Steven O'Dell

Welcome to the first edition of the "Crime Lab Corner." With each issue of *Your BPD News*, it is my hope you will learn something new about the Crime Laboratory. This month I will introduce you to the services we offer, and some exciting new technology and testing over the last year.

The Baltimore Police Department has one of the oldest crime laboratories in the United States, and it is the largest and busiest – many times over – of any crime lab in Maryland. Established in 1948, the Crime Laboratory started as a one man, one room operation performing testing in one area: laundry and dry cleaning marks.



Candra Johnson, Criminalist II - Preparing the Genetic Analyzer for DNA Analysis



Ryan Coley, Criminalist II - Serology looking for Semen/Saliva Staining

Approximately 70 years and four directors later, your Crime Laboratory has one of the largest scopes of accreditation in the United States, covering 9 major categories and 36 sub-categories of testing. This all amounts to more than 1,000 required standards that must be met at ALL times with more than nine audits a year. There is only one other ISO (International Organization of Standards) Accredited laboratory that is found to have more categories of testing listed on their scope: the U.S. military's Defense Forensic Center.

The Crime Laboratory provides internationally recognized, accredited testing in the major categories of forensic biology, latent prints, trace analysis, questioned documents, drug

chemistry, firearms, crime scene inspection, photography, and forensic art. This includes testing in serology, DNA, fingerprints, palm prints, AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Identification System), latent print development (physical and chemical), gunshot residue, low explosives, physical matches, fire debris analysis, glass, footwear and tire impressions, photocopier markings, indented writing, paper analysis, alterations, obliterations, erasers, rubber stamp examination, handwriting, controlled pharmaceutical



Kelly Miller, Criminalist II and Jennifer Bresett, Criminalist II - Getting ready for DNA Extraction

and illicit drugs and related chemicals and paraphernalia, botanical material, firearms and tool mark identification, trigger pull examination, trace material, serial number restoration, IBIS, distance determinations, photography, comparative photography, mapping/sketching, crime scene search, ALS (Alternative Light Source) examinations, physical measurements, casting, laser scanning, film processing, cognitive interviews, and forensic facial imaging. This translates into testing in more than 80 recognized analytical techniques.

This past year the Crime Laboratory has been on the cutting edge of forensic science in crime fighting. In addition to achieving multiple international accreditations, the Crime Laboratory won the Department's first ever innovation funding awards. We have since converted from film photography to digital, rolled out a digital management system, acquired and are validating a new advanced mobile crime scene case management system to go paperless, acquired and are testing Next Generation Sequencing in DNA, started the Baltimore Forensic Institute of Training and Innovation, and held multiple external training sessions generating revenue, have presented posters and lecture talks at major conferences, implemented the TruAllele DNA

casework automated system (4th in the US and 6th in the World), overhauled all of drug chemistry with all new instruments and process changes, validated and deployed 360 degree crime scene laser scanning, and have acquired the Vampire Forensic Tactical Device that is beginning testing. That's a long breath and a year of whirlwind accomplishments in your Crime Laboratory.

There is a lot going on in the Crime Lab and a lot to learn. In upcoming issues we will begin to chew this information into digestible pieces, explaining how these services can assist in your investigations.

Promotional Ceremony

The Baltimore Police Department held a promotional ceremony on October 29th at the *National Aquarium*. This was the first time the Department held a promotional ceremony at such a distinguished venue and would not have been possible – or as memorable – without the tireless work



Promotional Ceremony

of personnel assigned to the Office of Deputy Commissioner Darryl DeSousa, Professional Development and Training Academy, and Finance Section.

The *National Aquarium* opened its doors to over 70 sworn and civilian honorees; they were joined by nearly 500 friends and family to celebrate their achievement. All attendees were encouraged to tour the *Aquarium's* 18,000 various marine species and to explore the Tropical Rainforest, Shark Alley, and Living Seashore, where guests were able to touch and feel horseshoe crabs,



Lt. Anthony Smith



Lt. Natalie Preston

stingrays, and jellyfish. The evening ended with guests continuing the celebration at a reception on Pier 4 in the Dolphin Discovery and Jellyfish Invasion areas.

Reading Partners

The BPD began its partnership with *Reading Partners* in 2012 at the Friendship Academy in Cherry Hill. Since then, the partnership has expanded to 14 public schools. *Reading Partners* allows the Baltimore Police Department to work with youth and help them improve academically. The ability to read at a proficient level sets a student on a pathway for success, whereas the consequences of not being proficient by fourth grade are profound. Students are four times more likely to drop out of high school if they are not proficient readers. Eighty-five percent of juvenile offenders are illiterate and more than 60 percent of all prison inmates are illiterate. Through tutoring with *Reading Partners*, BPD officers help students become successful, develop relationships with our City's youth and, as Commissioner Davis said during an October 20th press conference, give students the opportunity to "know an officer before you need one."

More BPD employees serve as tutors for *Reading Partners* than any other City agency. As of November 30th, the Department has 23 active tutors and another 24 personnel in the application/orientation stage. Last year, 41 members of the Department participated; this year's goal is 100. To support these efforts, the Mayor signed an executive order granting all municipal employees two hours of paid leave each week to volunteer.



**Police Officer Clarence Gear tutoring with
*Reading Partners***

Some may think tutoring a student is a daunting task, but *Reading Partners* makes it easy for any tutor to be successful. Each volunteer is paired with a student one or two days each week throughout the school year. There are preset lessons for each session with an easy-to-follow lesson guide. On-site coordinators at each school provide any guidance a tutor may need.

Information for Reading Partners can be found at <http://www.thirdgradereads.com/>.

Employee Affairs

By Detective Derreck Sargent

The Employee/Retiree Affairs Unit of the Human Resources Section/Management Services Division is currently staffed by Detective Derreck Sargent and Officer Veronica Green.



**Officer Veronica Green and Detective
Derreck Sargent**

The purpose of the unit is to act as the Police Department's liaison between active and retired members and the various entities provide benefits. These entities include the Fire and Police Pension System, Fraternal Order of Police, Baltimore City Employee Benefits Office, and the Baltimore Retired Police Benevolent Association. The unit also works with the Police Beneficial Association, Police Department Pension, and Police Widows' Fund.

A primary role of the unit is to support retiree families when their loved one dies, including providing for the transfer of benefits. At the request of family, the unit also coordinates the provision of uniforms for burial and escorts for funeral processions.

When an active member passes, the unit assists with the application and receipt of all benefits (local, state and federal) that are due to survivors, whether the death occurs off-duty or in the line-of-duty. It also facilitates funeral protocol for all sworn members with the assistance of the Police

Commissioner's Office, Media Relations, Traffic Unit, Professional Development and Training Academy, Honor Guard, and the member's parent command.

In the event of an off-duty or line-of-duty critical incident, Officers Sargent and Green respond to the hospital to support the needs of the member's family, including the coordination of lodging, transportation, and meals. This support is provided with the help of the member's parent command, the Signal 13 Foundation, and F.O.P. Lodge #3.

The unit fosters and maintains relationships with the survivors of "line-of-duty families" and facilitates their involvement with the Maryland Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) at various retreats and fundraising events throughout the year. The unit is responsible for coordinating departmental and survivor attendance at Fallen Heroes Day at Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens, and National Police Week in Washington, D.C.

In contrast to the unit's role in times of loss and tragedy, it also coordinates two annual pre-retirement seminars for active members. These seminars include presentations by the pension office, health benefits office, MECU, deferred compensation, and various insurance and financial consultants.

Pizza in the Precinct

November saw the third installment of an exciting new program hosted by Live Baltimore for Baltimore Police Academy Trainees aimed at encouraging city living.

Pizza in the Precinct was launched in July and since then classes, 15-02 and 15-03 experienced neighborhoods in the Central, Northern and Southern Districts.

This event brings trainees out of the academy and directly into neighborhoods around a common interest: a good pizza restaurant. The event takes place in a local pizza establishment in each police district throughout the calendar year. During the event, Live Baltimore takes the trainees on a tour of the neighborhood and presents a short program on life/work balance within the district. Trainees are then able to ask questions of their own. Perspectives from neighborhood residents, officers who live in the city, and officers who work in the district are shared during each event.

The trainees benefit from the intimate, open nature of this format, and ultimately experience a part of the city

they may not have otherwise. Because *Pizza in the Precinct* gets trainees into neighborhoods they do not often have the chance to visit during their time in the academy, this will go a long way toward creating positive perceptions among both trainees and the community. Detective Elliot Cohen has attended every session, contributing as an officer who lives in the city and feels it is important. "The city has so much to offer and is a great place to live. I think hearing that from current officers carries a little more weight." The next *Pizza in the Precinct* will be in the Southeast in January.



Commissioner Davis stopped by in November at Zella's in the Hollins Market neighborhood

Western District

Fall Festival

On October 24th, the Western District sponsored its first annual community fall festival. The fall



festival was held at Carey and Laurens Streets and was the conclusion to a month-long *Safe Zone* in the Sandtown community. The goal of the *Safe Zone* was to bring the police and community

together through non-traditional means while building relationships, calming crime, and working collaboratively to resolve concerns and affect change.

Western District officers, Carver High school, and Green Street Academy students worked together to build the game booths that were featured at the community festival. For adults, informational support was provided by the Center for Urban Families, Board of Elections



(voter registration), Enoch Pratt Library book mobile, Fire Department (CPR training), Department of Human Resources, and University of Maryland Hospital. For youth, the festival offered face painting, carnival games and prizes, bounce houses, cotton candy, popcorn, hot dogs, hamburgers, potato chips, a bike raffle and a day of community celebration and fun.

Over 300 Western District community residents and leaders came out to participate in a day designed simply to engage one another and have fun. Games, prizes, live music and community were the ingredients for a successful community day of being Western District Strong!

Leadership for Outcomes in Scotland

By Major Sheree Briscoe

I had the pleasure and privilege to spend eight days at Police Scotland College in Tulliallan, Scotland, where over 30 members of the public safety community had the opportunity to dialogue about several topics of professional focus: collaborative leadership, inequalities, and community empowerment. We examined these themes from both sides of the pond as we engaged in very intense discussions as to how we perform and what impact our performance has on the communities we serve. Our goal was not only to share experiences while using our diversity as a place of insight, but to find common ground and walk away with tangibles of best practices to improve upon the services we provide to our communities at large. Through dialogue, photography, activity and demonstration, we experienced both cultures and found



Major Briscoe with a Police Scotland Officer

true value in the summit and the experiences of all those gathered.

We toured Castle Edinburgh and learned points of historic leadership that merged nine different police entities under one umbrella known now as Police Scotland, led by the Chief Constable, Sir Stephen House. One of his campaigns has been to bring gender balance and diversity to his organization. As such, 29% of the 17,000-plus member force is female, and there is a desire to continue growing



Leadership for Outcomes

that percentage.

Perhaps the most impressive moment, among many, was the day spent at Jackton, one of Police Scotland's training facilities. We observed the use of the agency's National Decision Model (NDM) through a scenario, and how they answer the needs of the community while focusing on their mission and The Human Rights Act 1998. The constant use of de-escalation and tactical positioning as they negotiate their way to the best possible outcome spoke to the goal of minimizing loss of life and use of force.



Police Scotland College in Tulliallan, Scotland

In the months to come, a few members of the Leadership for Outcomes, Scotland, will visit America. I am certain they will gain just as much from the experience in coming to the United States as I did in going there.

#WantedWednesday & BPD Case Files

By Director T.J. Smith

The Baltimore Police Department Media Relations team is using social media on several fronts. Recently, the unit launched #WantedWednesday, a weekly profile of wanted suspects in Baltimore. During mid-November, one of the suspects turned himself in after seeing his profile. If you have a suspect wanted on a warrant and would like assistance in publicizing him, please contact Media Relations.

Media Relations also recently started *BPD Case Files*. Each week, a member of the Media Relations team meets with a homicide detective to gather information on an open homicide investigation. These cases are profiled on WBAL Radio on the *C4 Show* each Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. The cases are also streamed on the app *Perscope*. Thus far, the following cases have been profiled: Devin Cook, a 20-year-old lacrosse player; Kester Brown, 7, and his mother, Jennifer Jeffery, who were shot in the head in their home; and Michael Mayfield, a 17-year-old student, baseball star, and ROTC member. Links to the show can be found on Facebook and Twitter.

Look for yourself in "The Month in Pics." At the end of each month, various photos of BPD members will be selected and put together in a photo collage, which will be distributed to district commanders for display.

Be sure to keep up with the BPD by following on Periscope, where Media Relations will livestream most press conferences. If you miss it there, you can access the livestreams on katch.me/baltimorepolice.

BALTIMORE POLICE
BPDCaseFiles

Name: Michael Mayfield
Date & Time: April 16 2014 - 5:55 pm
Location: 2300 block of Lyndhurst Ave
Please share on social media
Metro Crime Stoppers: 1-866-7LOCKUP

#MichaelMayfield

On Wednesday April 16, 2014 at approximately 5:55 p.m., officers responded to the 2300 block of Lyndhurst Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218, for a report of a shooting.

Upon arrival, officers discovered a male in the driver's seat of a Dodge Caravan, slumped over toward the center console. The male, who was later identified as 17-year-old Michael Mayfield, was suffering from a gunshot wound to his head. He was pronounced deceased a short time later.

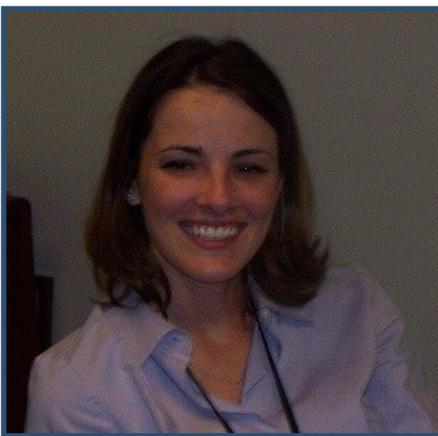
Michael was in the company of his girlfriend and his four-year-old sister at the time of this incident. They were not injured. Witnesses described a lone male approaching the vehicle on foot from the rear. The suspect began shaking into the vehicle. The suspect, described as an African American male, wearing a blue sweat shirt with the hood pulled up, pants and tennis shoes tied on foot towards Maryland Avenue. The suspect then returned, which is believed to be a silver four-door vehicle, possibly a Toyota or Nissan.

Michael was a member of the Edmondson High School baseball team and the ROTC program. He had recently attended the Marine Corp Ball in Washington, D.C., and he was scheduled to graduate high school in May of 2014.

If you have any information on this incident, please contact detectives at 410-386-2100 or Metro Crime Stoppers at 1-866-7LOCKUP.

Call your anonymous tip into **1-866-7LOCKUP** or **866-LOCKUP** directly for information leading to the arrest of the individuals responsible for this crime, or call 911.

Professional Staff Spotlight



Deputy Director Rana DellaRocco has served the Baltimore Police Department for more than 17 years by way of exemplary forensic science bench work and leadership. Ms. DellaRocco began her career in the Mobile Unit as a Crime Laboratory Technician I and II, where she worked thousands of crime scenes while primarily assigned to the Western District. After four years she became a Criminalist I in Serology, and later earned promotions to Criminalist II and III in DNA, DNA Technical Leader, Serology Technical Leader, and Criminalist Supervisor over Trace Analysis to include Arson and Questioned Documents, Serology, and DNA.

Through Ms. DellaRocco's leadership from 2010 to 2014, the DNA backlog was decreased from more than 1,500 submissions awaiting analysis to approximately 150 submissions, representing one of the largest DNA backlog reductions the state of Maryland has ever seen in one of its crime laboratories. This accomplishment, among others, earned her promotion this year to Deputy Director.

Ms. DellaRocco holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from UMBC and a Master of Science in Pharmacy with a major in Pharmaceutical Sciences and a concentration in Forensic DNA and Serology from the University of Florida. Furthermore, Ms. DellaRocco is Board Certified with the American Board of Criminalistics as a Fellow in Molecular Biology. Ms. DellaRocco is also an Adjunct Professor at Towson University where she has been teaching DNA and Serology classes for the last 9 years in the Graduate Program for Forensic Science.

You wouldn't likely learn any of these things if you spoke to Ms. DellaRocco at length. She is humble, and a protective cheerleader of her employees. She's a woman you want on your team when you want to win, even though she claims to not be competitive. She is a mother, a wife (married to Sgt. Albert DellaRocco, assigned to

Sworn Spotlight



SWAT), and an exceptional leader.

Police Officer Robert Horne joined the Baltimore Police Department in August 1994 and, upon graduating from the academy, was assigned to the Southwestern District. While in the Southwestern District, he immediately found his passion in serving the community and joined

the Neighborhood Services Unit.

Officer Horne's interest in Islam drove him to pursue more knowledge of the faith. In 2000, he traveled to Cairo, Egypt to study the Arabic language, and in 2001, he took additional Arabic classes at Fort Meade's Joint Language Training Center. This study and interest led him to becoming the BPD's Islamic/Arabic liaison in 2004. The liaison position put Officer Horne in the circles of African, Arabian and various Middle Eastern communities throughout Baltimore. His position created opportunities to build a relationship between these communities and the Baltimore Police Department. From 2006 to 2010, Officer Horne continued his studies abroad, mastering the Arabic language.

In addition to his liaison duties, Officer Horne is a strong advocate for the prisoner re-entry program, which he has participated in since 2005. In fact, his volunteer work in the prison system dates back to 1998, when he voluntarily joined the chaplains program at the Maryland Division of Corrections. He has also actively participated in the BPD's "Get Out the Game" initiative and currently serves as the Re-entry Coordinator for the Community Collaboration Division.

Officer Horne is a tremendous asset to the Department and the many communities he serves. He has received numerous awards and recognition for his outstanding work, but describes the greatest reward as the one he receives after helping someone transition from despair to hope and success.

Where Are They Now?



Retired Detective Kenny Driscoll joined the Baltimore Police Department in 1987 and was assigned to the Central District after graduating from the academy.

Kenny worked patrol until 1994 when he transferred to the Central District's Major Crimes Unit (MCU), the predecessor to the District Detective Unit (DDU). Kenny's training in Scientific Content Analysis (SCAN), wherein an investigator identifies linguistic cues and gaps in a suspect's statement to help identify discrepancies, opened the door for his transfer to the Major Crimes Unit because he helped clear cases while using the technique as a patrol officer.

Kenny never hesitated to help his colleagues when they needed it, or when his sergeant called at three in the morning to work a case. Kenny was always on top of his cases and often two steps ahead. When Detective Sergeant Randy Dull suggested an investigative avenue or next step, Kenny had already completed it or was working on it. He always had a positive outlook, and this buoyed the men and women he worked with him. Another way Kenny helped his fellow officers was as a member of the Critical Incident Stress Team (CIST). Kenny joined CIST after he experienced two police-involved shootings. Kenny wanted to help his fellow officers by providing them the opportunity to talk with someone who had experienced these critical incidents first-hand.

Kenny was known for his interview and interrogation skills. He mastered the art of building rapport with suspects, which led them to telling Kenny their life stories and confessing to their crimes. Detective Sergeant Dull described Kenny as the "truest sense of a cop" - a teacher and a leader. For example, after learning the SCAN technique, Kenny taught it to other detectives. Detective Sergeant Dull said Kenny was not

only respected by his fellow officers but by the suspects he arrested. After Kenny retired, suspects asked after Kenny and never said anything negative about him.

An injury ended Kenny's active-duty career in 2001 when he was chasing an armed carjacking suspect on foot in the Northern District. While chasing after him, Kenny fell more than 40 feet into a ravine. Even though his hips were hurt and his gait was altered, he continued to chase the suspect. The suspect went into the Jones Falls, where Kenny traversed waist high water. Kenny's injuries were later diagnosed as a broken wrist, sprained wrist, and broken and cracked L3 through S1 vertebrae.

The passion Kenny demonstrated throughout his career continues in his preservation of BPD history and commitment to the construction of the Baltimore Police Museum. Kenny's goal is to ensure the history of the Department is remembered and shared with new generations of police officers. His aspiration for all BPD officers is that we live up to the motto, "Semper Paratus – Semper Fideles – Ever on the Watch," established in 1880 and translated as, "Ever Ready – Ever Faithful – Ever of the Watch."

To learn more about our history and Kenny, visit <http://baltimorecitypolicehistory.com/>.

Kenny is married to his high school sweetheart, Patty, and they have 4 children together.

CRC President



Charlene Bourne has been a resident of the Barclay Community for over 30 years. After serving as a Block Captain, she became President of the East Baltimore Midway Community Development Corporation, the community association for

the area, and oversaw its first development project. Shortly thereafter she was elected as President of the Eastern District Police Community Relations Council (CRC). In addition to her duties on the CRC, Mrs. Bourne is the current Chairperson for the Baltimore City Civilian Review Board.

Mrs. Bourne is married to Deacon Franklin Bourne and attends Mt. Sinai Baptist Church. She loves the Eastern District and encourages everyone to make the District safe for anyone who lives, works or worships in the "Great Eastern District."

Sign Dedication

On November 22, 2015, Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, Deputy Police Commissioner Darryl DeSousa, and members of the Baltimore Police Department joined the Chandler family, community members, and other elected officials to unveil a street sign dedicated to Police Officer Craig Chandler. After the street sign dedication on Kirk

Avenue, a plaque was dedicated to Officer Chandler in the Northeastern District roll call room.



Officer Chandler had served with the BPD for six years when he died on January 9, 2015, as a result of injuries sustained in a line-of-duty vehicle accident two months earlier. Officer Chandler is survived by his wife and two children.



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Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
Mayor

BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Kevin Davis
Police Commissioner

November 19, 2015

To the Distinguished Personnel of the Baltimore Police Department:

I am honored to join with Commissioner Davis in presenting you with this recognition of your service on behalf of the City of Baltimore during last spring's unrest.

Your efforts during that challenging period of time were nothing less than heroic. So many of you put yourselves in harm's way to protect the safety of our communities and our citizens, and I am beyond grateful for your work. The fact that our City did not experience any loss of life due to the unrest is something that all of us should take pride in.

I know that each of you made sacrifices during the countless hours that you worked – not just in the risks you faced performing your duties, but in the personal events you were forced to miss to help preserve public safety both during and after the unrest.

I am deeply grateful for your service to our City. I hope that each of you wears this ribbon with dignity and honor for your tremendous work.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
Mayor
City of Baltimore

Dear Distinguished Personnel of the Baltimore Police Department:

I am proud to award you the *Special Commendation of 2015* for your faithful service to the City of Baltimore during the riots and civil unrest of April and May.

Not since 1968 has Baltimore experienced challenges of this kind and magnitude. You confronted these challenges with tremendous courage, commitment, and professionalism. You restored public order in the face of riotous assault, looting, arson, and destruction of property. You answered the call of duty.

The months ahead will continue to test the Baltimore Police Department. During these times, I am confident you will uphold the principles of constitutional policing, protect the public's right to lawful protest, and serve as guardians of the community.

It is my honor to lead you and the other noble men and women of the Baltimore Police Department.

With gratitude and thanks,

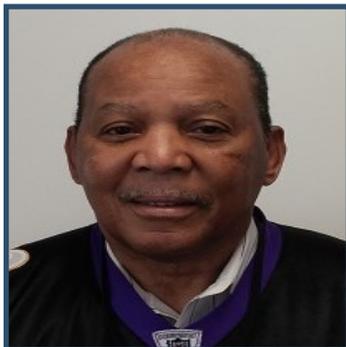
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BPD Officers - 1968 Riots

Retired Police Officers Lawrence Banks and Walter Heuer served for the BPD during the 1968 Riots. Now, 47 years later, Lawrence Banks is a Contract Specialist in Human Resources and Walter Heuer is a Contract Specialist in the UCR Unit.



Police Officer Brian Wassum

Commissioner Davis presented Police Officer Brian Wassum of the Southeastern District with his Special Commendation of 2015. Officer Wassum was seriously injured when he was hit in the head on April 27th with a cinder block during the height of the riots.



Spotlight on Cops

Baltimore Police Department

October 14 at 11:26am · 🌐

Some of our Special Operations Units stopped by Gwynns Falls Elementary School to visit today.



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Baltimore Police Department added 6 new photos.

23 hrs · 🌐

This past weekend, officers from our Northeast District helped out with a downhill derby in the community. Here are some pictures.



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Brandi Schmelz These are just the kind of stories that NEED to be flooding the media!!! The majority of police officers are truly good people but so few actually care about the good. They just insist on focusing on the few bad incidents or twisting an officers' needs... [See More](#)

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Elizabeth Miller It was a great event and wonderful to see the police presence. The police officers were kind and genuinely interested in watching the race. Thank you BPD.

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Kim Cleveland McCray Thank you. Our family had a great time at the derby.

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John McConnell Huge thank you to ALL the men and women in blue! You all put your lives on the line every day. Thank you! Thank you for making our city safe!

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Dell L. Wilson Again, great Community Outreach Event, but I would like to see positive interactions with ages 14-21. That's the critical age group that need to know that Officers are humans with feelings, before being protectors of our communities.

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↪ 2 Replies · 5 hrs



David Eastman That's great! They used to have one for years on Hillen Rd. near Mervo with thousands of folks watching.

Like · Reply · 👍 1 · 21 hrs



Robert Miller Would be great to see more often.

Like · Reply · 19 hrs



Robyn Culp High Five to you all!!!! 🙌

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Jennifer Dulaney Turner-Miller Great time. Thanks guys

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Baltimore Police @BaltimorePolice · Oct 29

Detectives from Operation Cease Fire make a significant drug arrest. Press conference scheduled for 1230pm.



← ↻ 42 ❤️ 41 ⋮



Baltimore Police @BaltimorePolice · Oct 31

A trick or treater stopped to take a photo with Officer Ojeda and Officer Lane from our Western District. #Halloween



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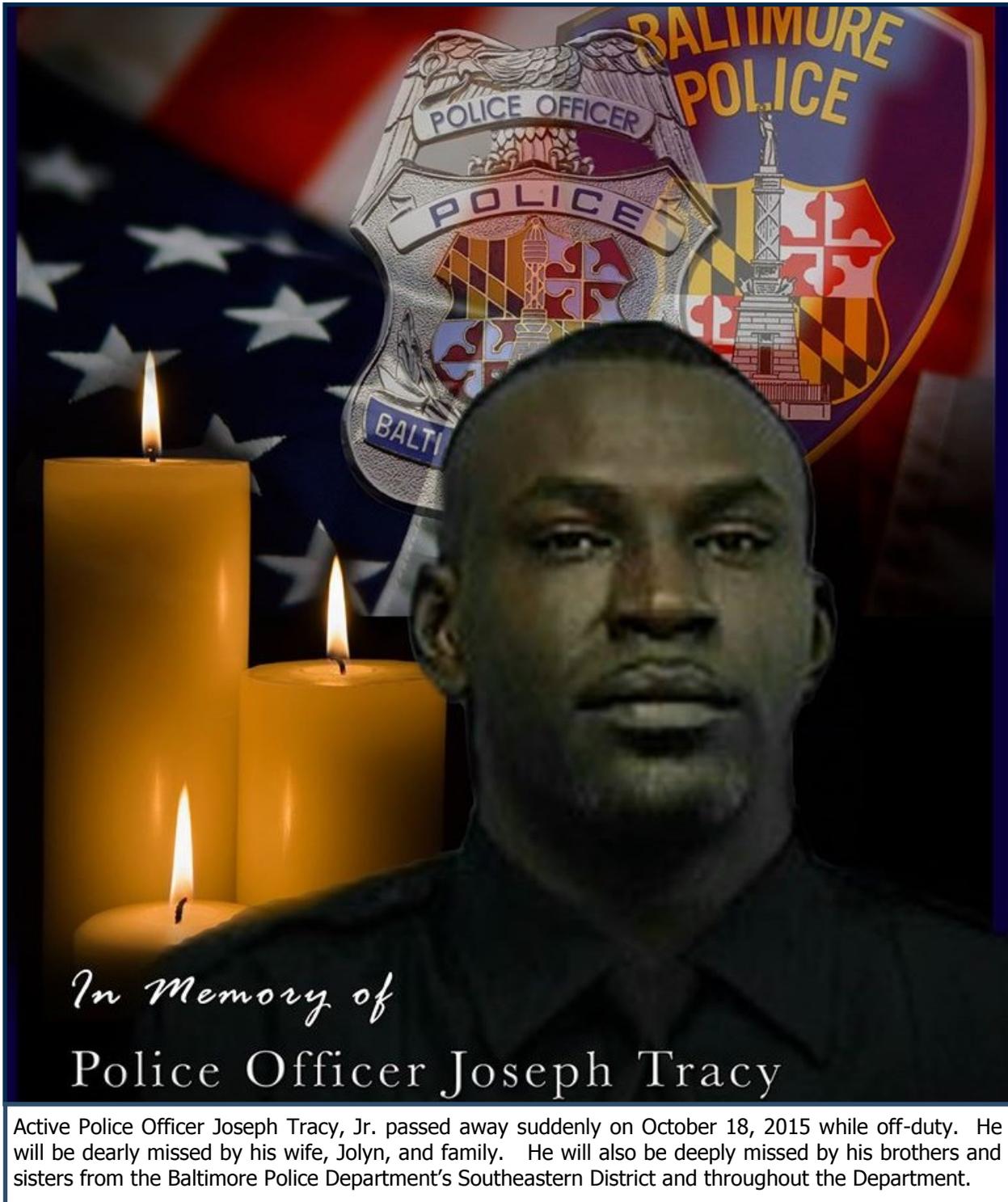
Baltimore Police @BaltimorePolice · Oct 31

So much fun earlier today at TRUNK or Treat with officers from our Northeast District: [facebook.com/permalink.php?...](https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?...)



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Farewell



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Retired Agent James B. Snyder passed away on October 27, 2015. He will be dearly missed by his wife, Dena, his children and extensive family and friends.

Retired Agent Charles M. Wells passed away on October 24, 2015. He will be dearly missed by his wife, Dallas, and friends.

Retiree Lieutenant Allen M. Baldwin passed on October 14, 2015. He will be dearly missed by Mrs. Rose Baldwin and their extended family.



Retired Police Lieutenant Kenneth L. Crispens passed away on October 10, 2014. He will be dearly missed by his son and daughter, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Retired Police Officer Michael E. Minitor passed away on November 8, 2015. He will be greatly missed by his wife, Mrs. Donna Minitor, son, Michael Jr., daughter Sherry and extended family.



Retired Sergeant Edward Chlan passed away on October 27, 2015. He will be dearly missed by his wife, June, and extensive family and friends.

Retired Police Officer Harry Edward Smith passed away on October 16, 2015. He will be greatly missed by his wife, Eileen Smith, children and his extended family.

Retired Police Officer Delano Emanuel Pennewell passed away on October 7, 2015. He will be greatly missed by his wife, Mrs. Pattie Pennewell, children and his extensive family.

