



Cincinnati Police Department
STAFF NOTES

January 08, 2008

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief

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1. THANK YOU LETTERS

Attached to these Staff Notes are letters of appreciation and praise written to the Police Chief for the professionalism displayed by our Department and specifically the following officers:

Lieutenant Michael Fern
Police Officer Darren Hoderlein

Sergeant Danita Kilgore
Police Officer Gregg Coleman

2. FLEXIBLE BENEFIT PLAN CHANGE

Effective January 1, 2008, the City of Cincinnati has a new administrator for the Flexible Benefit Program. All claims for Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA) reimbursements must be filed with the new administrator. This includes the health care spending account, dependent care spending account, transportation expense reimbursement account, and the new health reimbursement program.

The new administrator is Custom Design Benefits, Inc. They may be contacted at 598-2929 or 800-598-2929; or via email at flex@customdesignbenefits.com.

2008 claim forms are on the City of Cincinnati intranet at <http://citymatters.org> under Medical/Flex the Flex Plan.

November 28, 2007

Chief Thomas H. Streicher, Jr.
Cincinnati Police Department
310 Ezzard Charles Dr.
Cincinnati, OH 45214

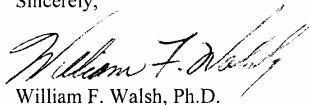
Dear Chief Streicher:

Thank you for permitting Lieutenant Michael D. Fern and Sergeant Danita W. Kilgore to attend the 118th Administrative Officers Course at the Southern Police Institute. They have successfully completed a rigorous academic program designed to assist in the development of police administrative and command personnel. To successfully complete this program the student is required to master its academic requirements, prioritize course objectives, manage time appropriately, while identifying and using resources available within their fellow students and the University. Lieutenant Fern and Sergeant Kilgore applied themselves diligently to this effort.

We are grateful for the support and confidence you have shown in the Southern Police Institute by providing us with the opportunity to instruct your officers. It is our hope that you will continue that support by providing a similar opportunity for others under your command to participate in our future programs. Your support helps us achieve our mission of advancing the professional preparation, knowledge and skills of current and future law enforcement administrators.

Lastly, we are a customer oriented learning institute. Please feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions that would assist us in our mission.

Sincerely,



William F. Walsh, Ph.D.
Director
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December 21, 2007

Chief Tom Streicher
Cincinnati Police Department
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Sir,

I am writing to commend officer Darren Hoderlein, of District One. Darren has patrolled my neighborhood, Mt. Adams, for several years, at least.

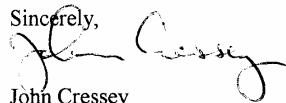
On several occasions I have witnessed him diffuse volatile situations with courtesy, integrity, and reason. I have always known him to be outgoing and friendly to all. He is truly concerned for others and dedicated to the city—we are very lucky to have him as a public servant.

Several months ago I left the front door of my house ajar while I took my dog for a walk. I should mention that cooking is not my forte, by any means—I had burned something on the stove and needed to air-out the house. Officer Hoderlein noticed the front door was open and entered the house to investigate with another officer. At that time I returned home and was surprised to find the two officers leaving the owner a note as they proceeded to close the premises.

I appreciate the initiative and concern officer Hoderlein took in this situation. I was not surprised that he was securing my house—I have come to know he has earned an excellent reputation in our neighborhood. He always has a kind word for everyone and is a dedicated professional.

I am simply writing this letter to let you know I greatly appreciate the work that he and all of the members of the police force undertake every day. I am sure it can be a thankless and frustrating occupation, at times. I have lived in major cities including Los Angeles, so I feel comfortable stating there is no doubt in my mind that we enjoy an excellent police force.

Sincerely,



John Cressey

cc: Mayor Mark Mallory
Kathy Harrell, President, Fraternal Order of Police
Officer Darren Hoderlein

December 17, 2007

Dear Captain,

We at the American Legion Post 484 in Mt. Washington would like to express our thanks to Officer Coleman for spending his Sunday afternoon with us at our annual Children's Christmas Party. I think that the families and children had an enjoyable time talking to Officer Coleman. He may need some time off because he was active during the party meeting with everyone in attendance. I'm sure that he had many other things that he could have been doing at this busy time of the year, but he was very cheerful and stayed for the entire event.

Thanks and have a Merry Christmas and a safe 2008,

Bill Hosking

Bill Hosking
Squadron 484

P. S. Have Office Coleman show you his chicken dance moves. If he resist, we can send you the pictures.

Great work!
MLS