



Cincinnati Police Department
STAFF NOTES

November 3, 2009

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief

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1. FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Children's Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 12, 2009, from 1000 hours to 1400 hours at the FOP Lodge #69, 1900 Central Parkway. All active and retired Cincinnati police officers and their family members are invited. Children 10 years of age and under are eligible to receive a Christmas gift.

Reservations to attend must be made no later than November 6, 2009, by 1600 hours. To reserve a time call Ms. Bobbie Hendershot at 381-2550.

2. REVISION OF THE CINCINNATI POLICE VEHICLE INSPECTION REPORT, FORM 427

The Cincinnati Police Vehicle Inspection Report, Form 427, has been revised to remove **beanbag shotguns** from the inspection list. This revision is in response to the recent revisions to procedures 12.545, Use of Force, and 12.030, Vehicles: Assignment, Use, and Maintenance, which removed the beanbag shotguns from patrol use.

The revised Form 427 is available on the "H" drive.

3. 2010 PEER REVIEW PANEL

The current Peer Review Panel's term will expire at the end of the calendar year. Personnel wishing to serve on the panel for the year 2010 must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a sworn member with at least three years experience in the Department.
- Must not have any sustained suspensions or demotions within the previous three years.
- New members must undergo a two hour Peer Review Process training session.

Interested members should submit a Form 17 to the Police Chief, through the chain of command, by December 1, 2009.

**4. COMMENDATION FOR THE WEEK OF 11/02/09-11/09/09
POLICE OFFICER RONALD KINER
DISTRICT THREE**

On October 8, 2009, after serving for four years as a member of the Cincinnati Police Department SWAT Team, Police Officer Ronald Kiner requested that he be relieved of his duties as an active member of the team. Officer Kiner was selected for the team from a group of other highly qualified candidates. He has served with distinction as a member of the SWAT Team and made a significant contribution to the SWAT program. Officer Kiner is deserving of the Chief's official commendation because of his commitment and dedicated service to the SWAT Team and the Department.

5. 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 personnel:

Mr. S. Gregory Baker
Sergeant Julian Johnson
Police Officer Steven Ventre
Police Officer Steven Shaw

Lieutenant Kurt Byrd
Police Officer Evan Evans
Police Officer Darwin Gulley
Police Officer Jawanda Brown



Midwest Gang Investigators Association

October 2, 2009

Lt. Kurt Byrd
Cincinnati Police Department
310 Ezzard Charles Drive
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Dear Lt. Byrd and Officer Evans:

In unison with our partners in the U.S. Attorney's Office and MAGLOCLIN, the Midwest Gang Investigators Association would like to thank you both for your assistance in making this conference a success.

Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to prepare for and to present at the Tri-State Conference on Gangs.

Here are a few comments from the evaluations:

- This presentation met my expectations.
- Well done – good presenters
- Both of you received Exceeded Expectations from an attendee
- Both of you received good from another

We wish you many more years of success in law enforcement. And, we look forward to working with you both again.

Sincerely,

Linda M. Schmidt

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S. Ohio Representative
Midwest Gang Investigators Association – Ohio Chapter

TO: Chief of Police

FROM: Lorrie Strickley Hahn
On behalf of Birkigt Family

RE: Outstanding Service

Dear Chief

I just wanted to express my utmost gratitude for the 3 officers who were at Sayler Park on Oct 13, 2009 to help assist in a death.

My brother in law, Steven Birkigt passed away suddenly at home. Even though it was a very chaotic moment in our lives the 3 officers who were at the scene were absolutely 100% out of this world.

Officer Steve Ventre Sargeant Julie Johnson and Officer Darwin Gulley

We as a family never realized all of the hats that officers must wear. Each one of the officers were caring and very attentive to our needs. This happened to be an indigent case and they walked us through every step of the way.

It was a very cold morning, temperatures dropping and they really tried to make sure that even though we were not allowed to be in the apartment with the body that we stayed inside where it was warm.

They were able to assist us with phone # that we needed since we had no access to phone book and stayed with us every step of the way.

During one of the most difficult times we had to go through they were there to meet our needs.

I commend each one of them with very high regards, I know you must be proud to be the Chief of these three outstanding police officers.

Thanks you

Lorrie Strickley-Hahn

City of Cincinnati



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801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Phone (513) 352-3241

October 20, 2009

Mr. S. Gregory Baker

Dear Greg:

It was my good fortune to be in the audience last Saturday evening to hear Judge Dlott, Herb Brown, and Doreen Cudnik talk about the consistent contributions you have made to healing and advancing this city. Giving eight years of your life to work that can only be characterized as extremely challenging is a testament to the kind of person you are.

Your wife, mother, siblings, and children were all justifiably proud of your recognition. Thank you for being a man of patience and integrity who is universally respected. Cincinnati is the better for it.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Milton".

Milton Dohoney, Jr.
City Manager

c: Col Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief



Date: October 23, 2009

To: Chief Thomas Streicher

From: Melanie J. Reising, Senior Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Copies to: P.O. Shaw, Capt. Frey

Subject: Police Officer Steven Shaw

I would like to take a moment of your time to commend Police Officer Steven Shaw for his assistance on a Domestic Violence case I prosecuted on October 8, 2009 (09 CRB 28013). The defendant and victim were married and engaging in violent behavior which resulted in the defendant having to receive hospital treatment. The victim failed to appear for the trial setting.

I contacted District Three for assistance in trying to locate the victim. P.O. Shaw responded to the residence and obtained personal service of a subpoena on the victim. P.O. Shaw remained on scene and using his personal cell phone maintained telephone communication with me in the courtroom while a determination was made on how to proceed. It was clear that the victim was not going to voluntarily cooperate. P.O. Shaw volunteered to allow me to speak to the victim on his personal cell phone. Considering the victim's agitation towards prosecuting her husband, P.O. Shaw's use of his personal property to assist me is commendable.

As a result of P.O. Shaw's excellent assistance, the victim agreed to immediately respond to court where we were able to successfully negotiate a plea and obtain an outcome to address the underlying alcohol problems of the defendant. In a time when domestic violence victims fail to appear in court on a daily basis, P.O. Shaw truly went above and beyond what was required to successfully prosecute the defendant.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Fisher

Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2009 7:18 AM

To: Bailey, David

Subject: A BIG THANK YOU

NOT OFTEN ENOUGH DO WE AS PRIVATE CITIZENS TAKE THE TIME TO SAY THANKS. I WAS INVOLVED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT YESTERDAY AND OFFICE BROWN ANSWERED THE CALL. SHE WAS VERY PROFESSIONAL AND WAS TRULY CONCERNED ABOUT MY WELL BEING.

MS. BROWN EVEN CALLED MY HOME LAST EVENING TO SEE IF I GOT THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT NUMBER SHE LEFT ON MY PHONE. I JUST WANTED TO TAKE A MINUTE AND SAY THANKS TO HER AND THE CINCINNATI PD.

A GRATEFUL CITIZEN.

Bill

Bill Fisher