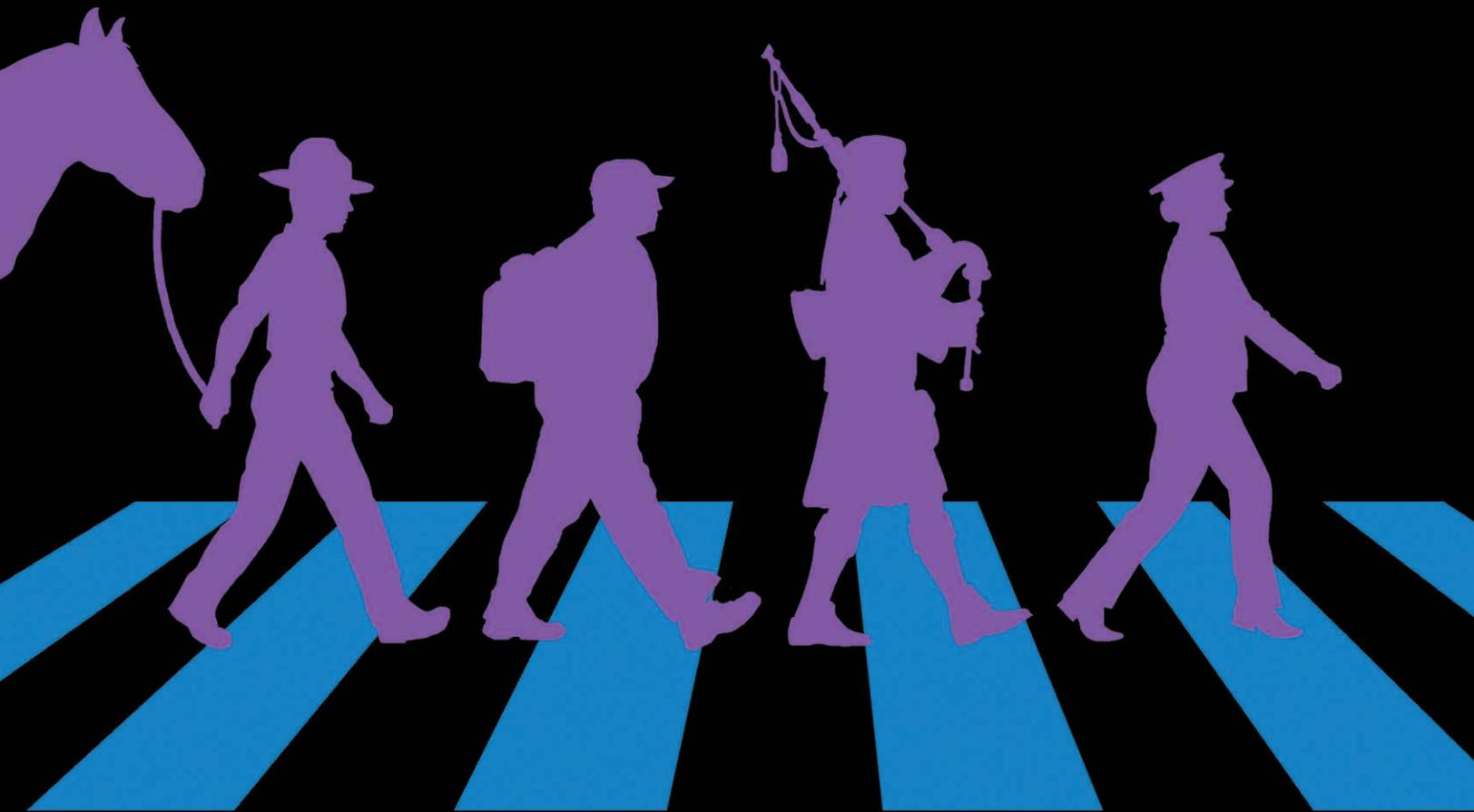


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Saturday November 15, 2014



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To Celebrate Excellence in Service to the Community



“On behalf of the members of the Cleveland Division of Police, I extend our sincere appreciation to the Cleveland Police Foundation and their community partners for supporting our efforts to make Cleveland a safer city.”

Chief Calvin D. Williams





# Thank You

## FOR MAKING OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS POSSIBLE

The Cleveland Police Foundation is an alliance of business and civic leaders, organizations and individuals committed to the ideal that an educated, well-trained and modernly equipped police department leads to a safer community for all.

Its mission is to strengthen the bond between members of the Cleveland Division of Police and the citizens it serves by providing funding for youth and community outreach programs, community policing initiatives, crime prevention and safety programs, police charities, support for the members of the Division of Police to help them better perform their duties, investment in advanced education and training, and funding for specialized equipment and technology.

The Cleveland Police Foundation has achieved many remarkable accomplishments in its short history.

The six (6) Cops For Kids Fishing Outings concluded the first week of August 2014 and were a great success. They serve as outstanding examples of how the Cleveland Police Foundation (CPF) is achieving its mission to support our police officers and facilitate youth outreach and community policing initiatives.

There are many who played key roles in its success. This includes collaboration with agencies and organizations such as the five neighborhood police districts, the Bureau Community Policing, the CPF board & staff and CPD liaison officer, other federal, state, county, and local law enforcement agencies, and the police umbrella charities: Cops For Kids, PAL, Cleveland Police Historical Society & Museum, Cleveland Police Pipes & Drums, the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society, CPD Honor Guard, and the CPD Mounted Unit Charitable Trust. However, most importantly it's due to the support of the many individuals, civic and business leaders, and organizations. It's their support and stewardship that makes it possible for the CPF to succeed in its mission.

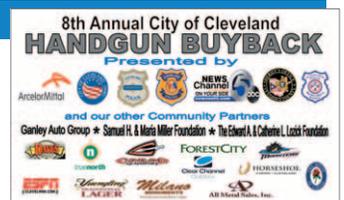
As these seemingly small success stories continue to happen, they are added to the CPF's other accomplishments, and the cumulative impact will be huge. The CPF has:

### UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY

Provided funding in support of numerous youth outreach events and community policing initiatives such as See More Sweeps, Unity in the Community, Voices Against Violence, National Night Out Against Crime, neighborhood ice cream socials, and other events in the community.

### HANDGUN & ASSAULT WEAPON BUY BACK

Facilitated collaboration and funding to host the 8th Annual City of Cleveland Handgun and Assault Weapon Buyback on September 6, 2014, which was responsible for removing 264 firearms from the community. Over the last six years, this effort has removed over 2,750 unwanted firearms from our neighborhoods, thus preventing their use in deadly accidents and in the commission of violent crimes against our citizens and police officers.



### COPS FOR KIDS FISHING OUTINGS

Facilitated collaboration and funding to host nine (9) total Cops For Kids Fishing Outings the last three years. One (1) in 2012, two (2) in 2013, and six (6) in 2014. NOTE: In 2014, the project was expanded to include each Neighborhood Police District as a partner on the events; and on one event facilitated partnering with the Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland Heights, Shaker Heights and University Circle police departments; as well as other community organizations, including the City of Cleveland Division of Recreation, Cleveland Municipal School District, and the Boys & Girls Club of Cleveland.



Supported the 4th District fishing event, and in partnership with the CPD Bureau of Community Policing, stocked the pond at Camp Forbes with live fish that also served to benefit other programs such as for senior citizens.

## CLEVELAND POLICE CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

Contributed to the funding of the Cleveland Police Children's Holiday Party the last three years, thus helping to make the Christmas season a little more special for thousands of kids and families in need.



## HELPED PURCHASE UNIFORMS

Led the campaign to provide funding for the purchase of uniforms for the Cleveland Police Pipes & Drums.

## SUPPORTING OF YOUTH ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Purchased a boxing ring for the PAL Youth Boxing Program at Estabrook Recreation Center.



## SUPPORTING GCPOMS MEMORIAL & SERVICE

Contributed to the funding of the Greater Cleveland Police Memorial Service the last two years.

Contributed to the funding of the renovation of the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial in 2010.



## COPS FOR CAUSES

Coordinated the Cops For Causes event to benefit the umbrella police charities in support of their missions.

## PARTNERING WITH UMBRELLA CHARITIES

- Coordinated a Cleveland Indians Suite Raffle to benefit the umbrella charities.
- Collaborated in Sponsoring a reverse raffle to benefit the five Neighborhood Police District gymnasiums, the CPD's Plane Pull Team in support of the Ohio Special Olympics, the 2nd District Community Relations Committee Children's Christmas Party and the CPD Annual Children's Holiday Party.
- Coordinated collaboration by the police umbrella charities in two 5k runs/walks to promote health, fitness and cooperation amongst the police, businesses, and other organizations.
- Facilitated the partnering of Progressive Insurance Business Operation Group with the CPD Bureau of Community Policing in adopting a family in need in order to make the Christmas holiday 2014 special for them by donating gifts, food, clothing, furniture and a lot of good karma.
- Contributed to the funding of the Cops For Kids program administered by the CPD Bureau of Community Policing to provide gifts, clothing and support of children and families in need, victims of violent crime or abuse; and in recognition of kids' accomplishments, leadership, or community service.

## D.A.R.E. TO RESIST DRUGS AND VIOLENCE

Provided funding for elementary school students who successfully complete the D.A.R.E. program to attend professional sporting events in celebration of their accomplishment.



## OUR OFFICERS WELLNESS AND PHYSICAL FITNESS

Contributed to gym improvements in each of the five (5) Neighborhood Police Districts' fitness programs to benefit the wellness of the members of the CPD.

## CPD LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORER POST

Supported the CPD Law Enforcement Explorer Post, a program for high school students and young adults interested in a career in law enforcement or other public service fields. Youths work with volunteer police officers and other professionals who provide mentoring and law enforcement career-related instruction, including civic responsibility, making smart and healthy life choices, and giving back to the community.



As you can see, we've been busy, and we hope to get even busier.

With your support and encouraging others to do so, the Cleveland Police Foundation can continue on its path to achieve our goal of creating a safer community, furthering youth outreach programs, community policing initiatives, support for our police officers and charities, and funding for advanced education and training.

The potential is great and the possibilities are endless for us all to play a role in having a positive impact on the entire community. Let's take full advantage of this opportunity

To become a community partner, or for more information, go to: [www.clevelandpolicefoundation.org](http://www.clevelandpolicefoundation.org).

*Thank You.*

*In addition to supporting youth and community outreach programs, community policing initiatives, crime prevention and safety programs, education, and training, we are proud to support these police charities in furthering their mission:*



## *Invest in a Safe Community* **Become a CPF Partner**

To become a community partner for the events, projects and programs the CPF supports, contact Kathy Delaney, Director of Community Partnerships: [kdelaney@clevelandpolicefoundation.org](mailto:kdelaney@clevelandpolicefoundation.org).

Any level of support is welcome, and a member of our staff is happy to discuss how you, your company, or foundation can best invest in our mission to make our community safer.

To learn more about Cleveland Police Foundation's programs and giving opportunities, contact us at [info@clevelandpolicefoundation.org](mailto:info@clevelandpolicefoundation.org) or 216-623-3333.

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**CITY OF CLEVELAND**  
Mayor Frank G. Jackson



Dear Friends:

As long as I have been Mayor, I have worked to strengthen the partnership between our citizens and our police officers to improve safety in our neighborhoods and to improve the quality of life for all Clevelanders.

On November 15, 2014 the **3rd Annual Cleveland Police Foundation Gala** will be held at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel Grand Ballroom. The evening will feature an exciting line-up that includes the internationally acclaimed "*The Return*" a modern-day band that recreates the great music of The Beatles, and a tribute to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of their first visit to the U.S.

I invite you to join me as one of the Honorary Co-Chairs, along with **Mr. Thomas D. Ganley, Mr. Edward A. Lozick, and Mr. Samuel H. Miller**, Master of Ceremony **Russ Mitchell of WKYC TV3** and Keynote Speaker, **CNN's Martin Savidge** for an evening of camaraderie, entertainment and awards recognizing those who contribute significantly to making our community safer:

- *Founders Award*: **Mr. Michael McGrath**, Safety Director of the City of Cleveland
- *Man of the Year*: **Mr. Mitchell Schneider**, CEO, First Interstate Properties
- *Lifetime Achievement Award*: **Mr. Edward P. Kovacic**, (Ret) Chief Cleveland Division of Police
- *Police Officer of the Year*, **PO Anna Mercado**, Bureau of Community Policing
- *Outstanding Community Service Award*: **Second District Community Relations Committee**
- *Outstanding Community Service Award*: **Block By Block**, Downtown Cleveland Ambassadors

Please demonstrate your commitment and support the Cleveland Police Foundation, which is building a safer community and helping to provide our officers the resources they need to further improve their outreach to our citizens.

Thank you for supporting the Cleveland Police Foundation, the Cleveland Division of Police and Cleveland's residents.

Sincerely,

  
Frank G. Jackson, Mayor &  
Honorary Event Chairman



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# Cops For Kids Fishing Outings

The Cleveland Police Foundation, with a grant provided by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, held six fishing outings for over 400 kids this summer. The children of all ages were from the Boys and Girls Clubs, the Police Athletic League, and various neighborhoods from the City of Cleveland. Two of the outings were land based, one at Camp Forbes in Highland Hills, and the other at Rockefeller Lagoon, in University Circle. The other four were held on Lake Erie with fishing boats from Edgewater Yacht Club (Holiday), the Wildwood Reservation of Cleveland Metro Parks (Linda Mae), and numerous private vessels from Eastlake Ohio.



The children and the officers had a blast and the interaction between them was heartwarming. The kids also were presented with an educational component which included being a friend of the environment, practicing good safety principles and good sportsmanship.

Upon completion of the fishing, the group enjoyed lunch and stories of how the big ones got away. The children then left for home with a promise that we will do it again next year.

A big thank you goes to the five Cleveland Police Neighborhood Districts, the CPD Bureau of Community Policing, the Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland Heights, Shaker Heights and the University Circle police departments, and Passion For Fishing, for partnering with us and for making sure the kids had a great time while learning about respect for

the environment, sports fishing as a hobby and working together as a team. . . and getting to know police officers in a fun situation.

Thanks also to all of our community partners, especially those that helped to make it possible for the Cleveland Police Foundation to facilitate these events: the Edward A. and Catherine L. Lozick Foundation, Ganley Auto Group, Samuel H. and Maria Miller Foundation, All Metal Sales, ArcelorMittal, Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association, D. G. Yuengling & Son Brewing Company, ESPN Cleveland, Forest City, Milano Monuments, State of Ohio Department of Natural Resources & Division of Wildlife, Sports Fishing Restoration, The House of LaRose, and the City of Cleveland Division of Parks, Recreation & Properties.

To the countless men and women who keep our neighborhoods Safe,

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## National Night Out Against Crime, Cleveland, Ohio

On August 5, 2014 the 8th Annual National Night Out Against Crime was held at Steelyard Commons on Cleveland's near west side. Hosted by First Interstate Properties, the event drew approximately 5,000 people, including Mayor Frank Jackson, Chief Calvin Williams, 2nd District Commander Tom Stacho and numerous city officials and dignitaries.

Steelyard Commons has hosted National Night Out Against Crime (NNO) for each of the eight years on the first Tuesday in August, and this year welcomed over 5,000 adults and children during just four short hours.

The NNO campaign involves local citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials. National Night Out is designed to heighten awareness of crime, drug and violence prevention as well as strengthen police and community partnerships.

In 2012, the National Association of Town Watch recognized NNO at Steelyard Commons for its Outstanding Participation in "America's Night Out Against Crime." The award is currently on display at Cleveland City Hall, in the Community Relations Department.

Attendees took advantage of the opportunity to meet civic officials and safety forces members, learn about public safety, crime and fire prevention, as well as enjoy games, activities and prizes handed out by local merchants.

Thanks to all that participated, especially the divisions of police, fire, & EMS and other city departments, as well as other federal, state, county and local law enforcement agencies and civic organizations.

A very big thank you goes to First Interstate Properties, for being such a gracious host and making the event one which does our region proud!



Children visit the tent manned by Community Policing Officers, and receive handouts, and safety tips from them.



Officers from the Cleveland Police Mounted Unit were on hand to visit with the children.



Captain Keith Sulzer (middle) is flanked by, First Interstate Property's, Mitchell Schneider, (right) and Scott Ochocki (left) of U-Haul Inc.

## Employee Group at Progressive Insurance Make the Holidays Brighter for a Family in Need

Greater Clevelanders are known for their generosity. Our region is blessed with caring individuals; businesses and organizations that give back to the community making it a better place to live. Good citizenship doesn't stop with voting, obeying the law, and paying taxes; community service is also part of it.

An example of good corporate citizenship is Progressive Insurance. The company encourages its employees to engage in activities that work to improve the quality of life in the community. The results are numerous acts of kindness without fanfare or public recognition, but with great impact.

This year, Progressive's Creative Business Operations Group decided to partner with the Cleveland Police Foundation and one of its umbrella charities, the "Cops For Kids Program" in making the holidays a little brighter for an 11-year-old young man and his family (See related "Cops For Kids Program" article below).

Working with Sgt. Tim Higgins, manager Jan Grega passed on to fellow employees a few suggestions as to what was thought to be needed by the family. Things took off from there with Brenda Henley and Karen Leaphart leading the charge. Members of the group donated new toys, clothing, money, sporting goods, and their good karma. Jan stated, "This was definitely a team effort and everyone enjoyed shopping, wrapping gifts and watching the piles of gifts grow."

Delivery day was Friday, December 20, 2014 and started with pick-up at the Creative Business Operations Group offices. Sgt. Higgins explained to those assembled the reason this family was designated for "adoption" and expressed appreciation to everyone for their efforts. He was taken somewhat aback when the employees applauded and thanked him for allowing them to get involved in the project. A pallet full of wrapped gifts

was then loaded into the police van and it was off to the house for the "gift-drop" before the kids got home from school.

Brenda Henley, Mark Dreimiller and Brian Dubasik accompanied the officers to the house, and after meeting the mother; joined the assembly line in delivering the goods to the upstairs apartment. The hard part was done.

PO Anna Mercado picked-up the kids at school in her police car, and so as not to arouse suspicion explained that she was in the neighborhood, and because it was raining, would drive the kids home. Sgt. Higgins went shopping for groceries and a

warm early-Christmas dinner with the cash that remained from the Progressive employees' donations, and timed his arrival after the kids got home.

Can you imagine their reaction when the kids came into the apartment and saw the mountain of gifts waiting for them in the living room? Higgins stated, "We wish everyone could have witnessed that, especially

those at Progressive that made it all possible."

The kids and mom expressed their thanks to the police officers present, one youngster passed along a hearty "Thanks Progressive Auto Insurance!," testimony that they watch a little TV.

The generosity of the members of the Creative Business Operations Group of Progressive Insurance made for a very special Christmas for a family in need. We commend and thank them for their community service!

*Editor's Note: Although this act of kindness was done with no expectation of being publicized, we thank Progressive Insurance for allowing us tell this story. We invite other businesses, organizations or individuals who may be looking for ways to get involved in similar community outreach activities to contact Kathy Delaney, Director of Community Partnerships, at 216-623-3333 or [kdelaney@clevelandpolicefoundation.org](mailto:kdelaney@clevelandpolicefoundation.org).*





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November 6, 2014

Dear Friends of Law Enforcement:

It brings me great pleasure to be a part of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Police Gala. This is an excellent opportunity to recognize the hard work and dedication of our police officers and acknowledge the support of our community.

No law enforcement agency can truly be successful without partnering with the organizations and people who comprise the community. An important link to that community is the Cleveland Police Foundation. Their work is invaluable to building those partnerships and educating the public on our mission and the manner in which it is carried out.

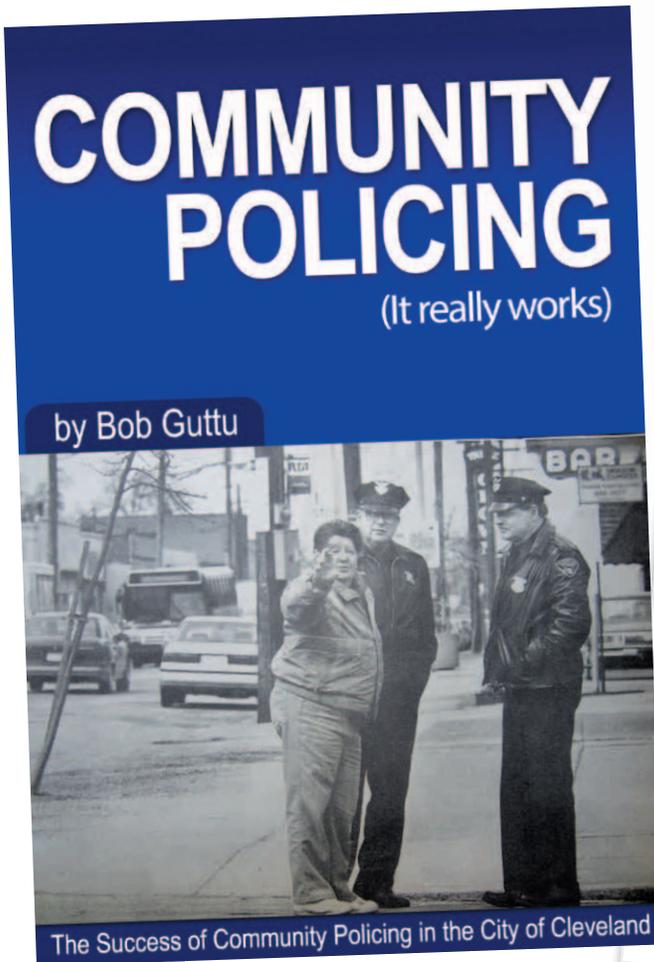
The work of the Cleveland Police Foundation cannot be sustained without the support of the many individuals, business and organizations that support it throughout the year, especially the sponsors of this year's Annual Police Gala.

The Cleveland Division of Police is very grateful for the hard work of the members who comprise Cleveland Police Foundation and look forward to many more years of our mutually beneficial relationship.

Sincerely,

Calvin D. Williams  
Chief of Police

## Community Policing Cleveland Style



June 30, 2014

Michael McGrath  
Public Safety Director, City of Cleveland  
601 Lakeside, Room 230  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Director McGrath,

The Cleveland Police Historical Society & Museum and Cleveland Police Foundation believe the goal of establishing and maintaining safer neighborhoods is everyone's desire *and* responsibility, and the entire community should share in this ideal.

We know well the value of developing and maintaining a strong partnership between the police and the citizens they serve. Within the mission of both the CPHS&M and CPF is to work to facilitate partnerships that bring the police and citizens closer together and investing in a safe community.

In an effort to encourage a dialog about how we as a community can work to forge partnerships that work collaboratively in making our community safer, we are pleased to present to you the book *Community Policing (It Really Works)* by retired Cleveland Police Patrol Officer Bob Guttu.

During his career, Bob was an advocate of the Cleveland model of community policing. He still is. In his twenty-plus years working in the Bureau of Community Policing, Bob recognized early on that the philosophy of community policing, when properly applied and administered, *works*. He and other officers assigned to the Mini-Station Unit applied a grass roots and common sense approach, encouraging individual citizens, neighborhood groups & leaders to work together to improve the quality of life in their own communities; leading them to collaborate on building a greater sense of community and working to make their neighborhood safer. The Mini-Station that Bob was assigned to was one of the most successful in the program.

The book is not meant as a "be-all, end-all" solution, but is a great source to begin the discussion on how to build more bridges and forge partnerships within the community, laying out a most important piece of that vision, which is the building of trust, communication and empowerment to the benefit of all.

We hope those who read this book develop a greater understand of what community policing really is, and the potential it has for a positive impact on our community.

Respectfully,

*Thomas E. Armelli*

Thomas E. Armelli, President  
Cleveland Police Historical Society

*Charles W. Lane, Jr.*

Charles W. Lane, Jr., Executive Director  
Cleveland Police Foundation

Cc: Mayor, Safety Director, Chief of Police, Members of Council, CPF Executive Committee

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To obtain a copy of the book visit the Cleveland Police Museum located in the main lobby of Cleveland Police Headquarters, or go to [www.clevelandpolicefoundation.org](http://www.clevelandpolicefoundation.org).

## 8th Annual Handgun Buyback A Great Success



The 8th Annual City of Cleveland Handgun Buyback held on September 6, 2014 surpassed its goal of removing 250 unwanted handguns and assault weapons from the community. The event resulted in a total 270 firearms being turned in, which included 253 handguns, seven shotguns, and 10 rifles, five of which were assault weapons.

Over the last eight years over 2,750 unwanted firearms have been removed via the annual gun buyback. By providing citizens an opportunity to turn in unwanted firearms in a safe and secure environment, it avoids them falling into the wrong hands such as children, or those who might use them to commit violent crimes.

The buyback event is but one method used to reduce violent crime and injury from firearms. Others include educating the public to be responsible gun owners by practicing proper safety and security measures, and arresting criminals who use firearms to perpetrate violent crimes through proactive law enforcement initiatives.

One citizen turning in a handgun in exchange for a \$100.00 gift card from TruNorth Shell, one of the event partners, stated "I never wanted a gun in my house. When my husband died, I didn't know what to do with it. Now it's going to good use by getting some gas for my car."

Mayor Frank Jackson thanked ArcelorMittal and the other community partners who made the project possible. CPD Chief Calvin Williams added, "There are 270 more firearms that are out of our neighborhoods and can't be used to injure our residents and officers."

"Gun Melt Day" was held on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at ArcelorMittal Steel, Blast Furnace No. 1.

Prior to the gun melt, police officers from the CPD Property and Inspection units processed the firearms and prepared them for disposal. After a brief press conference it was on to the melting pot where officers threw all 270 firearms into the 3,000-degree contents of the pot, never to be used again ... except to make a refrigerator, vehicle or other consumer product.

ArcelorMittal VP and General manager Eric Hauge welcomed the opportunity for their employees to play a role in the program that helps remove unwanted firearms from the City's neighborhoods. Adding, "Steel is the most recycled product in the world. It's was good to know that these weapons will be put to good rather than violent use.

"Although it can't be measured how many lives were saved or injuries prevented by destroying these firearms, I can assure you that one or more families in this City were saved from the tragedy of a loved one being killed or seriously injured." said Safety Director Mike McGrath.

Sincere thanks to our community partners who demonstrated their commitment to making our neighborhoods safer through their support of this event: **ArcelorMittal and US Steelworkers Local 979, Cleveland Gladiators, Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association, Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department, , D. G. Yuengling & Sons Brewing Company, Dave's Markets, Lake Erie Monsters, The House of LaRose, TruNorth Shell, WEWS News Channel 5**, and the many other community partners through their support of the Cleveland Police Foundation.

To become a community partner of the events the CPF supports, contact us at [info@clevelandpolicefoundation.org](mailto:info@clevelandpolicefoundation.org), or 216-623-3333.

## Cleveland Police Foundation's 2014 Awards

*Youth and Community Outreach are an integral part of the mission of the Cleveland Police Foundation. Tonight we are proud to recognize these amazing individuals and organizations that have demonstrated their commitment to community service, thus making our City a better and safer place for all.*

### • Outstanding Community Service by a Grass Roots Organization •



## Second Police District Community Relations Committee

The Second District Community Relations Committee was formed in 1981 with the primary mission to promote productive communication between the police and the community. Thirty-three years later, that is still their focus, and they have been most successful at accomplishing that mission.

The committee promotes a dialogue through regular monthly meetings with the district commander and other officers assigned in their community. They host special events and other initiatives throughout the year to encourage residents to get involved in working together with the police to solve problems in their neighborhoods.

District Commander Tom Stacho stated, "The members of the Second District Community Relations Committee give tirelessly to the community. Their philanthropic fund raising and many volunteer efforts serve to strengthen our community by building bridges between the diverse residents of Cleveland's near west side and the dedicated men and women who make up the Second District police force. From volunteering their time to beautify the Monroe St. Cemetery, to funding and organizing a Seniors Dinner and a Christmas party for underprivileged youth in our community,

the members of the Second District Community Relations Committee have established themselves as a model for the other committees in the City of Cleveland."

The committee supports numerous safety events, including the National Night Out Against Crime at



Steelyard Commons, which attracts about 6,000 visitors every year to enjoy each others company, meet the officers that serve their neighborhoods, learn about crime prevention and safety tips, and more.

In 2011 they were the first committee in the City to launch a Facebook page. And now they have over

4,100 Facebook friends and 1,200 Twitter followers. Their objectives are to invite visitors to the page so they get to know the officers assigned to the district, to promote the committee's good work, to help to solve crimes, and to inform the public of crime prevention and safety tips . . . all in an effort to strengthen their community.

It is our honor to recognize the Second District Community Relations Committee for their outstanding community spirit and service. They are a shining example of how citizens and police officers can work together to make their neighborhoods a better and safer place to live.

• Outstanding Community Service by a Business Organization •

## Block by Block, Cleveland, Ohio Downtown Ambassadors Program

 Downtown Cleveland Alliance<sup>SM</sup>



Block by Block is an SMS Holdings Company that provides safety, cleaning, hospitality, and outreach solutions for downtown improvement districts throughout the U.S. by deploying their “Ambassadors” to work in the assigned area. These teams of “people persons” are selected and trained to meet the specific needs of each city they serve, and they continually work to find new and better concepts to improve the service they deliver to their customers.

Over the past 15 years Block by Block has grown to serve over 30 programs in 20 states across the nation. The company is extremely proud of their great success with long-term customer relationships. Through them they are able to maintain a customer retention rate of nearly 95%. In turn this has led to serving more improvement districts than any other company in the nation.

Block by Block has seen nearly every possible issue facing an urban environment. It’s their passion for urban centers that allows them to create the protocol and training they use to address downtown

needs, as they surely have done in their tenure serving in Cleveland.

Since 2009, they have worked alongside Downtown Cleveland Alliance to cultivate a culture of ownership with one mission “To do whatever it takes to positively shape the downtown Cleveland experience through safety and appearance”. Their district boundaries go North and South from Lakeside to Carnegie and East and West from East 18th to West 10th, covering roughly 105 city blocks.

Block by Block employs 79 staff members including; 68 ambassadors, five full-time leaders, one outreach specialist, one training manager, one office administrator, 2 operations supervisors, and two operations manager.

In 2013, they were responsible for removing 509,056 pounds of trash, removed 5,950 graffiti sites, resolved 5,929 panhandler issues, safely escorted 3,419 people, and assisted people 50,421 times with directions, answering questions and being exemplary ambassadors for our city.

• Police Officer of the Year •

**Patrol Officer Anna Mercado**  
**CPD Bureau of Community Policing**

Growing up on the City's near west side, Anna Mercado has always felt a passion to help people. Upon graduation from Lincoln West High School in 1988, she began nursing school studying to become a registered nurse at Cuyahoga Community College. She also started a family with her fiancé and their daughter.

One night, her fiancé went out for the evening with a group of friends. He didn't make it home. He was shot and killed while a bystander at an argument between two other males. While coping with that devastating loss, Anna took time to pray and reflect on her future. She came to reevaluate her goal in life and decided that she would rather try to prevent such tragedies, rather than treat them in the hospital after they occurred.

Anna then took the entrance examination for the Cleveland Division of Police and was appointed in September 28th, 1998. Upon graduation from the police academy, she was assigned to basic patrol in the Second District.

She stated that during her encounters as a police officer she was rewarded with the opportunity to touch people's lives... many times with something as simple as a smile, a hello, taking time to listen or offer advice, and treating people with respect.

In July of 2013, Anna was transferred to the Bureau of Community Policing and became a D.A.R.E. instructor in Cleveland's elementary schools. D.A.R.E. is the acronym for Drug Abuse Resistance

Education. By teaching youngsters about avoiding substance abuse, making smart decisions, and becoming good citizens, Anna is a positive role model and demonstrates to the kids that police officers really are there to help.



When asked about what she likes best about her position Anna stated, "I was so excited to be given the opportunity to become a D.A.R.E. officer. During my first year I taught over 1,100 students and when I returned to my schools for the new year, I was received by many of my children with smiles and hugs. Moments like that confirm that this is where I belong."

Sgt. Tim Higgins, Anna's immediate supervisor, remarked, "Anna's a very dedicated officer. She takes a genuine interest in the kids' welfare, and they know that she cares. After she's done instructing, she stays

and has lunch and spends time with them at recess. The positive relationships that she forges is worth its weight in gold"

It is an honor to recognize Patrol Officer Anna Mercado as the 2014 Police Officer of the Year.

*Editor's Note: PO Mercado is unable to attend this evening as she and her family are on a vacation that was arranged prior to her being selected to receive the award. When notified about the award she stated, "I am humbled to be recognized for something that I think is my job and find so rewarding. Thank you all very much."*

## • Cleveland Police Foundation Founders Award •

### Director Michael McGrath

### Cleveland Department of Public Safety

Three gentlemen were instrumental in the creation of the Cleveland Police Foundation. These “Founding Fathers,” Edward A. Lozick, Thomas D. Ganley and Samuel H. Miller formed the core for the organization that was established to support the members of the Division of Police, youth and community outreach, and the collective mission of the police charities under its umbrella. The award named in their honor, really has a fourth “founder.” The man who gave birth to the idea and the ideals that forms the basis of its mission. Tonight, we are honored to name the 2014 Cleveland Police Foundation Founders Award to Michael McGrath.

On February 10, 2014, Michael McGrath was sworn in as the Director of Public Safety of the City of Cleveland after a distinguished career of forty-one years as a law enforcement officer. McGrath is responsible for directing the operation of Division of Police, the Division of Fire, the Division of Emergency Medical Service, the Office of Professional Standards and Animal Control Services.

After serving as a police officer in both East Cleveland and Strongsville, McGrath graduated as Top Cadet from the Cleveland Police Academy in June 1981. He was assigned to Cleveland’s First District, where he later became a Strike Force Detective.

In 1985, he was promoted to Sergeant and assigned to the Fourth District. Two years later, he was assigned to the Special Weapons and Tactics Unit (SWAT). While handling the rigorous demands of SWAT, he developed several long gun certification and training courses and was instrumental in the training of numerous tactical units throughout northeast Ohio. McGrath’s managerial and organizational expertise led to his appointment as Commander of the Fourth Neighborhood District in 1997.

The Fourth District provided a tremendous learning experience for the new Commander. He developed an accountability system to track Part 1 crimes and citizen complaints and he sought the expertise of

business leaders, community groups, social service organizations, and governmental agencies to work collaboratively to decrease crime. He was instrumental in using the Children Who Witness Violence program and the Domestic Violence Project to provide his personnel with additional social services training and experience. Finally, he motivated staff to implement technology – the Mobile Computer Project – to increase the efficiency of the workforce.

On March 30, 2005, he was sworn in as the 39th Police Chief of the City of Cleveland. During his tenure as

Chief he guided the Division of Police through significant and positive change, including: realignment of the police districts from six districts to five, launching the Fusion Center and the use of data analysis to strategically address crime in the city, establishing an Early Intervention Protocol for employees, developing a protocol and implementing the use of non-lethal weapons (TASERS) by front line officers, and significant review and revision of critical policies and general police orders, including the use of force and investigations of sex crimes and missing persons.

As Chief, he built strong partnerships with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and community organizations including: Stand Together

Against Neighborhood Crime (STANCE), and VGRIP to address and reduce violent crime and improved safety in the neighborhoods.

During his career, McGrath has received several awards, including community service awards, Distinguished Service medals, merit awards, the Medal of Heroism, the Medal of Honor, and a Congressional Certificate of Recognition. He serves on several executive and advisory boards, including the Family Justice Center and Human Trafficking Projects, the Children Who Witness Violence Program; Family to Family Care Program, and the advisory board for the Cleveland Police Foundation. McGrath holds a bachelor’s degree in Sociology from John Carroll University.



# The Return

## Tonight's Entertainment



The Return got its start back in 1995 when four young friends got together to play their favorite Beatles songs just for the fun of it. It wasn't long before they played in front of an audience at the request of a friend and as it turned out, were very well received. That show—which was supposed to be a one time thing--led to another gig, which led to another and so on until the band found themselves playing on a regular basis. They decided to go ahead and make it official. They named themselves the Roaches.

As time went on, they began to polish up their act a bit and became fixated on the idea of striving for the highest level of authenticity possible. They wanted to recreate the early sixties Beatles concert experience from the tiniest detail (John Lennon's on-stage gum-chewing) to the biggest, most expensive details (using exact replicas of the instruments and gear the Beatles used). While they were learning to comb their mop-tops just right and finding the right Beatle boots and black suits to wear, they were also learning each song note for note, rhythm for rhythm—getting the signature moves and 'looks' of the Fab Four down pat, too. They practiced relentlessly--with a growing passion for getting their show just right. In the years that followed a few members came and went, and the band took on a more professional presence. They got an agent, changed their name to the Return, and began to command the attention of more widely renowned clients not only in the United States, but in multiple other countries as well—including England.

**“They are known as one of the best Beatles cover bands in the country for a reason, and it was evident from our fans' reaction to hearing them play.”**

— Scott Cunningham - Director of Entertainment -Atlanta Braves

Today the band still strives to maintain the utmost level of authenticity in their show. In fact, they are known for it. They've played thousands of shows—theatres, festivals,

fairs, casinos, cruise ships, colleges and universities, weddings, birthday parties, bar mitzvahs--as well as countless corporate events for companies like Coca Cola, ABC, Hard Rock Cafe, and Volkswagen International--and the reaction is the same every time. People are amazed at how much the Return sounds and looks just like the Beatles.

**“They were great! Their energy and enthusiasm jumps off the stage. It was quite fun to watch them and imagine what it must have been like at an actual Beatles concert!”**

— Tony Perkins-Good Morning America



The Return has crafted a truly authentic, entertaining, and very exciting show. And in doing so, the band not only delivers a near perfect reproduction of a live Beatles concert—they capture the very essence of the Beatles themselves.

**“Seeing the Return is like traveling back to Liverpool in the early 1960s...The Beatles live thanks to the Return!”**

— Jim Weiss-Senior VP of PR - Turner Broadcasting

# MASTER OF CEREMONIES

**Mr. Martin Savidge**

*Anchor & Correspondent*

**CNN**

Tonight, we are honored to have as our Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Martin Savidge, anchor & correspondent for CNN.

He was on-the-scene to report on the Alabama school bus hostage situation, the discovery and rescue of three women held hostage for over ten years in Cleveland, the Texas fertilizer plant explosion, Colorado's wildfires, the George Zimmerman trial, the pardoned Mississippi murderers, the school shooting in Chardon, and super storm Sandy.

He delivered on-the-ground coverage on the 2003 military build up in Iraq and Kuwait, including embedding with the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines. He has reported from Afghanistan, Kandahar, and Bagram where he was the first television reporter to travel with the U.S. troops during Operation Anaconda.

Following the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, he reported from Ground Zero on the search and rescue mission.

In 2004, Martin joined NBC News as a correspondent based in Atlanta, reporting for NBC Nightly News, the Today Show, and MSNBC. He was their primary correspondent in New Orleans when Hurricane Katrina devastated the city in 2005.



Prior to joining national network television, he worked as a special projects reporter and anchor for WJW-TV in Cleveland. For 11 years, Martin covered major local, national and international stories, specializing in news documentaries and breaking news.

Beginning his broadcasting career as an anchor and reporter for WCIA-TV in Champaign, Ill. in 1980, he later moved to work as the prime-time anchor for WMBD-TV in Peoria, Ill. He also has worked as a reporter for the Associated Press.

During his career he has been honored with some of broadcast journalism's most prestigious awards, including two Headliner Awards, two Edward R. Murrow Awards, Peabody Award, an Alfred I. DuPont Award, nine local Emmy awards, six Associated Press awards, two United Press International awards, and two Women in Communication awards. In October 2002, the National Journalism Education Association named him its Media Person of the Year for his support of scholastic journalism.

Savidge earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from Ohio University, and is a native Clevelander.

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• 2014 Man of the Year •  
**Mitchell C. Schneider**  
President and Chairman of the Board  
First Interstate Properties

Clevelanders have always been generous and supportive of community and charitable causes. Throughout its history, there are countless examples of individuals, businesses, and civic organizations that have stepped to the forefront to contribute in making our community a better place to live. It is our honor to recognize an individual who, through his philanthropy and commitment to the community, has made a significant economic impact in our region, and has also invested in making it safer for all.

Mitchell C. Schneider is the President of First Interstate Properties, Ltd., a Lyndhurst, Ohio based real estate development and management company. Mr. Schneider, an attorney, previously practiced real estate development in Cleveland.

In 1989, he created First Interstate Properties, Ltd., a full service real estate development and management company. During the course of its 25 years, First Interstate has developed properties throughout Northeast Ohio including Legacy Village in Lyndhurst, Ohio. Overall, First Interstate manages a portfolio of property totaling over four million square feet.

First Interstate is the developer of the first major power center project in the City of Cleveland, Steelyard Commons, a nearly one million square foot shopping center that opened in the Spring of 2007. Steelyard Commons has transformed 125 acres of industrial land, a portion of a former steel yard, into the largest open-air centers ever to be built in Cuyahoga County. It has generated significant economic benefits and supported the creation of more than 1,200 jobs in Cleveland.

Steelyard Commons also hosts National Night Out Against Crime ("NNO") each year in August, and welcomes over 5,000 event attendees during just four short hours. The NNO campaign involves local citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations, and local officials. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime, drug and violence prevention awareness as well as strengthen police/community partnerships. The National Association of Town Watch recognized NNO at Steelyard Commons in 2010 for its Outstanding Participation in "America's Night Out Against Crime." This event placed 38th out of more than 250 event submittals in the population category of 50,000 - 99,999, and the plaque is currently on display at Cleveland City Hall in the Community Relations Department.

Giving back to the community is a focal point in First Interstate's overall operation. Their Hawthorne Valley Shopping Center serves as the venue for the Annual Oakwood Village concert series; Avon Commons sponsors the annual Eagle Run (benefitting Avon schools), the American Heart Association's Lorain County Heart Walk (sponsors and hosts the event), and the annual Duct Tape Festival. In the past, Avon Commons has donated to The Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio, an organization that works with over 150 schools in nine counties across northeast Ohio. Legacy Village in Lyndhurst sponsors and hosts the annual Cleveland Jingle Bell Run/Walk for Arthritis. Throughout the year they also run the Change for Charity program, donating the change from its parking meters to local charities. To date, Change for Charity has gifted more than \$790,000.00 to more than 500 charities primarily in Northeast Ohio. Oakwood Commons in South Euclid donated 22 acres to the city of South Euclid and created Oakwood Green, nearly doubling the public parkland area in the city of South Euclid.

Mr. Schneider is also the Co-Founder and CEO of Legacy Capital Partners, a company that is focused on providing investors with opportunities to invest in income-producing real estate properties. Legacy Capital Partners' investment strategy is focused on value creation opportunities with a concentration on for-rent multi-family projects. To date, Legacy Capital Partners has invested in 29 projects around the country.

On a personal level, Mitchell is involved in a variety of local and national community organizations. He has been a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) since 1988, and has served in its Government Affairs Committee. He currently serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland. Additionally, Mitchell is a Trustee of the Western Reserve Land Conservancy, one of the premiere land conservation organizations in the country, where he serves as the Chairman of its Transaction Review Committee. Mitchell recently served a four-year term as the Chairman of the Board of Governors of Siegel College, a local higher education institution.

For his dedication to community service, philanthropy, and his commitment to making our neighborhoods a better and safer place to live, we are honored to name Mr. Mitchell Schneider our 2014 Man of the Year.



• **2014 Lifetime Achievement Award** •  
**Chief Edward P. Kovacic**  
**Cleveland Division of Police (Retired)**

The Cleveland Police Foundation is honored to recognize Chief Edward P. Kovacic for a lifetime of distinguished service to the community.

Born in 1930, Ed Kovacic lived in Cleveland for 65 years, during which time he never lived outside the boundaries of the old 6th Police District, leaving only to serve our country in the U.S. Army.

He graduated from Cathedral Latin High School in 1948 and was married in 1951 to Barbara Ward. Soon after the wedding Ed was drafted and was serving in Germany when the first of their six children was born. They have been married for 63 years, and Ed credits much of his success to her loving support.

He started his career in law enforcement as a patrol officer for the Cleveland Division of Police in 1959. Upon graduation from the police academy his first assignment was walking a beat in the 6th district. He subsequently served in basic patrol, the detective bureau, including the Decoy Squad and Bomb Unit. He was promoted to sergeant in 1970, lieutenant in 1975, and captain in 1980. When he retired in 1985, he was the commanding officer of the 6th District. Taking advantage of his experience and expertise, the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office convinced him to continue serving the public as an Inspector with their agency until 1990, when was appointed Chief of Police for the City of Cleveland.

During his relatively short tenure, he became one of the most respected and well-liked chiefs in the history of the CPD. In addition to earning the respect of the rank and file police officers, Chief Kovacic was also well respected by citizens

groups, organizations and businesses throughout the City.

When asked to reflect on his time as a police officer, Chief Kovacic stated, "One of the most satisfying and proudest accomplishments

while I was chief was seeing the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial being built." Few people know that when asked to help with the project, Chief Kovacic enthusiastically got involved and recruited the assistance of Sam Miller, storied philanthropist and staunch supporter of the police. Under their leadership the memorial was dedicated on May 14, 1993.

After leaving the Division in 1994, he became the Director of Security for Gateway Development Corporation, planning and managing the security operation for the newly constructed arena for the Cleveland Cavaliers and ballpark for the Cleveland Indians,

Since his retirement in 1996, Kovacic has been a consultant to authors, news media, businesses, and numerous law enforcement agencies, including Cleveland. He has lectured at colleges and universities in the region and testified in court on behalf of the interests of police officers and their families.

To the police officers that he led, and those from throughout the United States and Canada who know him, he will always be affectionately known as "Chief."

Our sincere thanks to Chief Kovacic for his years of dedicated service to the community, the police officers with which he worked, and to keeping the promise to never forget those that made the ultimate sacrifice.



# Proud to Support the 3rd Annual Cleveland Police Foundation Gala

We are excited to come together and help invest in a safer community.

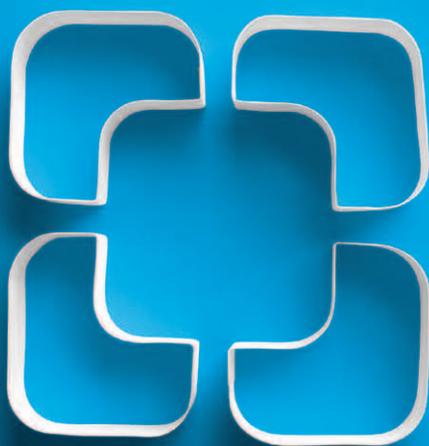


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**Cleveland Clinic**

Every life deserves world class care.

## “SEE MORE” Sweeps on Seymour



The police, residents, media, guardian angels, and St. Augustine’s church with Sr. Corita came together for a common goal - Find our missing persons and another miracle in Cleveland.

## CPD Plane Pull Team *in Support of Ohio Special Olympics*

On Saturday, July 12, 2014 the Cleveland Police Foundation sponsored the Cleveland Police Plane Pull team at the 5th annual Plane Pull to benefit Ohio Special Olympics.

Held at Cleveland Hopkins Airport, over 40 teams competed this year. The CPD teams, organized and led by Captain Keith Sulzer of the Bureau of Community Policing, won 1st place in the women’s division, men’s division, public safety division, and finished 2nd place in the co-ed division. Most importantly the Cleveland Police Foundation-sponsored team raised more money than any other, and finished 1st in donations with over \$5,000.00 going to Special Olympics.

Over the last five years, members of the CPD have participated in all 5 Plane Pulls and has raised over \$15,000.00 for Special Olympics.

A big thank you to the Cleveland Police Foundation, Brian Kazy, Quicken Loans Arena, and San Francisco 49er Alex Boone for their support of this event



**Plane Pull Team at work:** (L to R) Guardian Angels Luis Gonzalez Sr., and Luis Gonzalez Jr., and Captain Keith Sulzer

**(Right) 2014 CPD Ohio Special Olympics Plane Pull Champions:** Kneeling (L to R) P.O. Rob Mangan, Coach Terry Grow, P.O. Eric Newton, P.O. Cindy Moore, Steve Leidich, P.O. Cindy Pivarnik, CPPA President Jeff Follmer, Brian Kazy, P.O. Margie Lebron, P.O. Mike Tracy, Captain Tom Tube, P.O. Martina Latessa, P.O. Jule Hall, Sgt. Evelyn Montalvo, and Sgt. Bridget Dorr-Guiser





**The Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department  
is proud to be partnered with the Cleveland Police Foundation  
to take unwanted and dangerous guns off the street.**

**Frank Bova  
Cuyahoga County Sheriff**



**Joseph Craciun**  
Funeral Director



**Alexandra Craciun**  
Funeral Director



**James Craciun**  
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**Jim Craciun, Foundation Secretary of CPF**

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The Cleveland Police Foundation is an alliance of business and civic leaders, organizations and individuals committed to the ideal that an educated, well-trained and modernly equipped police department leads to a safer community for all.

Its mission is to strengthen the bond between the Cleveland Division of Police and the citizens it serves by providing funding for youth and community outreach programs, community policing initiatives, crime prevention and safety programs, police charities, support for the members of the Division of Police to help them better perform their duties, investment in advanced education and training, and funding for specialized equipment and technology.

In addition, the CPF proudly supports the following charities in accomplishing their mission: Cleveland Police Athletic League, Cleveland Police Historical Society & Museum, Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society, Cleveland Police Pipes & Drums, Cleveland Police Honor Guard, the Cleveland Mounted Police Charitable Trust and Cleveland Cops For Kids.

*Our sincere thanks to the members of the board and staff for lending their time and talents to further the mission of the Cleveland Police Foundation.*

## Board of Directors



**President**  
**Thomas K. Stone**  
*Executive Director*  
*Mt. Pleasant NOW*  
*Development Corporation*

"By supporting the mission of the CPF you are making an investment to establish a safe city. A well trained, well equipped and dedicated police force is the vehicle that is needed to maintain law and order. However when the vehicle is partnered with the citizens of the community, not only is safety and security improved, but other quality of life issues are addressed."



**Vice President**  
**Deborah Smythe Hermann**  
*Chairwoman and CEO*  
*GhostLight Productions, LLC*

"As a 5th Generation Clevelander, I am so proud of the work that the Cleveland Police Foundation does on a daily basis for the residents of this great town! The quality of life experience that CPF provides through our umbrella charities is unparalleled in other cities of similar size. From fishing adventures on our wonderful lake, to a game of basketball, to a personal shopping spree at holiday time or just petting the soft muzzle of a mounted unit horse. Our umbrella charities embrace fellow Clevelanders as one big beautiful family from all walks of life."



**Secretary**  
**James M. Craciun**  
*Manager (Retired)*  
*Craciun-Barry-Corrigan*  
*Funeral Homes*

"Youth and community outreach, making Cleveland one of the safest cities in America, and supporting the men and women who risk their lives everyday in the Cleveland Division of Police is no small task! The Cleveland Police Foundation stands ready to begin to accomplish all that, but we need your support!"



**Treasurer**  
**Woods King, III**  
*Partner*  
*Buckley King LPA*

"Through the support of our benefactors, collaboration with our community partners, the outstanding work of our police officers and the police umbrella charities, and the commitment of the Cleveland Police Foundation board and staff, we've been able to take large strides toward making our community safer."



**John O. Anoliefo**  
*Executive Director*  
*Famicos Foundation*

"As a resident and Executive Director of a Community Development Corporation whose mission is to improve the quality of lives in Greater Cleveland, serving on the Cleveland Police Foundation board is an opportunity to support the men and women in blue in building a safe, friendly community where all citizens live in harmony. A Cleveland where all feel safe is a must for building choice neighborhoods."

## Board of Directors

### **James J. Benedict, Jr.**

*Executive Director*

*Cleveland Clinic International Operations*

"It is a honor to serve the men and women who make our community safe."



### **Pamela H. Blossom**

*President*

*Search PR*

"Historic family connections to the Cleveland Mounted Police spur my commitment to the Cleveland Police Foundation. My grandfather, Colonel

Ralph T. King was a major contributor to the Mounted Unit following his leadership in the 107th Cavalry and services in World War II."



### **Beverly R. Charles**

*Senior Health Care Staffer*

*Representative Marcia L. Fudge*

"The key to building a wholesome and safe society is establishing a rapport within the community based on a partnership between

law enforcement officials, community leaders and the residents. This is the philosophy of the Cleveland Police Foundation.

In addition, the Foundation is committed to supporting designated charities that support our vision. The members of the Cleveland Police Foundation are a direct representation of the community that we live in and we've come together for a common cause: to improve the quality of life for all."



### **Dick Clough, CEO**

*Clough Cleveland, Inc.*

*Idea Engineering*

"Support cultivating mutual understanding and cooperation between law enforcement and the community. Safe communities...thrive."

### **Hector Cuevas**

*Director of Security*

*Horseshoe Casino Cleveland*

"As a retired Cleveland Police Officer, I am truly honored to have the opportunity to assist the

Cleveland Police Foundation in furtherance of our primary mission of strengthening the relationship between the Cleveland Division of Police and the citizens of my home town, the great City of Cleveland."



### **Grant Dinner**

*COO*

*Weinberg Wealth Management, LLC*

"It's an honor to be a member of the board of the Cleveland Police Foundation, and be part of the team that is leading the effort to make our community a safer place to live, work and visit"



### **Nancy Feighan**

*Program Manager*

*Workforce and Economic Development*

*Cuyahoga Community College*

"The Cleveland Police Foundation's commitment to strengthening the bond between the Cleveland Division of Police and the citizens it serves helps build a safer community and ensures that each and every person is valued. It is an honor to be a member of this outstanding alliance."

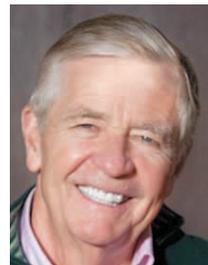


### **Franklin B. Floyd, Jr.**

*Chairman & CEO*

*Reliable Construction Heaters*

"I became involved in the Cleveland Police Foundation in order to answer the call to support our community. Who better to support than those who are charged with protecting our community."



### **Jack Kahl**

*CEO (Retired)*

*Manco, Inc.*

"I am pleased to join the Cleveland Police Foundation, as I have long admired the work the city has done to protect Clevelanders. I look forward to getting to know more about this fine organization and finding ways to serve."

## Board of Directors



**Ann M. Luketic**  
Owner  
*Events By Ann, LLC*

"I am honored to be a part of the Cleveland Police Foundation and value its continued support of the officers, their families and the communities they serve. As the spouse of a law enforcement officer, I recognize the importance of the Foundation's mission in supporting the officers by providing training and additional resources to maintain their safety."



**Thomas E. Lynch**  
Senior Director - Protective Services  
*Cleveland Clinic*

"I have worked in various aspects of law enforcement for over 35 years. Serving on this board provides me with the distinct pleasure to serve the officers of the Cleveland Police Department and the community."



**Joseph A. Marinucci**  
President and CEO  
*Downtown Cleveland Alliance*

"The Cleveland Police Foundation's mission to strengthen the relationship between officers and citizens aligns with Downtown Cleveland Alliance's mission to represent all of the stakeholders of Downtown. CPF and DCA work together to make Cleveland a place where all want to live, work and play."



**Jim Milano**  
President  
*Milano Monuments*

"The Milano family has had a deep-rooted relationship with area law enforcement organizations since my father started the business in 1969. It has long been our tradition to provide monuments to honor those who give the ultimate sacrifice to defend and serve our community here in Northeast Ohio. Our involvement with the Cleveland Police Foundation has been a natural extension of our support and one we're very proud to provide."



**David Minoff**  
Director of E-Commerce  
*Kichler*

"The officers who the CPF supports are often out risking life and limb on a daily basis to keep our city safe. It is a great honor to be part of an organization that brings positive community awareness and helps support our local officers and their families who all make sacrifices to protect us."



**Peter J. Miragliotta**  
CEO  
*Tenable Protective Services*

"As a former member of the CPD, I believe it's very important for the public to see another side of police officers. Their compassion, loyalty and dedication to the community. The mission of the foundation is very close to my heart."

### Marcia Nolan

"The Cleveland Police Foundation has the capacity to greatly enhance the relationship between the police and the cities residents."



**Sam Pines**  
Vice President  
*Good Karma Brands/ESPN Cleveland*

"There are many important challenges facing the youth in Cleveland and the mission of strengthening the bond between our youth and our law enforcement is paramount to meet those challenges."



**Terry Stewart**  
Chairman & CEO  
*Arkansas El Dorado Festival and Events*

"The Cleveland Police Foundation is one of those newer, as yet unheralded, but critical institutions that provides support for those men and women who protect our way of life every hour of the day. Too seldom are these individuals praised, commended or assisted. The CPF works to try to fill that void."

## Board of Advisors



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**Samuel H. Miller**  
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"We in Cleveland are most fortunate to have one of the best police forces in the nation."



**Chairman**  
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"The best location in the nation has the best police department in the nation."



**Chief (Retired)**  
**Edward P. Kovac**  
*Chief (Retired)*  
*Cleveland Division of Police*  
"Thank you for the honor you bestowed on me tonight, but more importantly thank you for your time, efforts and sacrifices which will ensure the success of the Cleveland Police Foundation."

### Edward A. Lozick

"Hats off to the men and women in blue and their continued partnership with the children in the community."



**Safety Director**  
**Michael McGrath**  
*Safety Director*  
*City of Cleveland*  
"By supporting the Cleveland Police Foundation...together... we can continue to raise the bar and make the city of Cleveland one of the safest communities in the country."

### Nina Turner

**Ohio State Senator**  
"Many thanks to our courageous police officers who work to keep our community safe, and to the Cleveland Police Foundation which works to strengthen the bonds between our officers and the community."



**Chief**  
**Calvin Williams**  
*Chief*  
*Cleveland Division of Police*  
"No law enforcement agency can truly be successful without partnering with the organizations and people who comprise the community. An important link to that community is the Cleveland Police Foundation. Their work is invaluable to building those partnerships and educating the public on our mission and the manner in which it is carried out."



### Liaison Officer



**Captain**  
**Keith Sulzer**  
*Captain*  
*Bureau of Community Policing*  
*Cleveland Division of Police*  
"My goal as liaison to the Cleveland Police Foundation is to make it a household name. I want the people of Cleveland to understand that our mission is to invest in a safe community through grass roots efforts. It is my hope that through these grass roots efforts our community trusts that the Cleveland Police truly care about them and that we are here to improve the quality of their lives."

The key for this foundation is for all police officers, from the command staff down, to not only buy into, but participate in these community enriching endeavors, both on-duty and through volunteering their time and service.

**Staff**



**Charles W. Lane, Jr.**  
*Executive Director  
 Cleveland Police Foundation*

"Our police officers do an excellent job under extraordinarily difficult circumstances. They can't do it alone. Safety is everyone's business...

the entire community is responsible for making our neighborhoods safer."



**Kathleen Coughlin Delaney**  
*Director of Community Partnerships  
 Cleveland Police Foundation*

"Somewhere along the line it became 'uncool' to support law enforcement. While it is crucial to recognize the

time to question authority, we need to make every effort to establish positive relationships between our citizens and police officers and understand their need for our support.

As a component of its mission, The Cleveland Police Foundation has established programs that will generate trust, good will and support, resulting in a safer place to work, live and play for citizens and a decreased job risk for officers."



**Robert M. Guttu**  
*Community Partnerships Coordinator  
 Cleveland Police Foundation*

"I feel the Cleveland Police Foundation can play a vital role in establishing the trust, and guidance,

needed to form a good working relationship between the officers of the Cleveland Police Department and the citizens they serve."



**Jennifer A. Wypasek**  
*Administrative Assistant  
 Cleveland Police Foundation*

"I am energized witnessing the work of the umbrella charities and very hopeful that, with the extended support of the Cleveland Police

Foundation, they will be empowered to significantly grow their bases, providing more assistance to so many in need."

## Cleveland's Kilted Ambassadors Need Your Help

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The Cleveland Police Pipes & Drums Band was established in 1996 and have proudly represented our city, our law enforcement agencies and you, our citizens, with their dedication and honor to fallen officers throughout the country. Their appearances at civic, neighborhood and community events bring entertainment and pride to the crowds.



Please consider helping with this project. The goal is to raise \$5,000 by March 17, 2014 so the band can purchase new kilts, proudly march in the St. Patrick's Day parade, and be prepared for the 29th

Annual Police Memorial Commemoration and Tattoo in May.

The Cleveland Police Foundation is organizing this effort, and 100% of your donation will be given directly to the band for the kilts. You will be recognized by the Foundation and by the band for your contribution.

To donate to this effort, go to [www.clevelandpolicefoundation.info/donate](http://www.clevelandpolicefoundation.info/donate) and click on donate and then use PayPal or a credit card to submit your donation.

On behalf of all law enforcement, the survivors of our fallen heroes, and especially those who have given their lives while protecting us, we thank you. With your help, our beloved Cleveland pipe band will continue to do us proud!!



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## Recognizing Excellence in the CPD First District

On Thursday, November 6, 2014 the First District Police Community Relations Committee held its annual awards banquet at the Knights of Columbus Hall on W. 130 St. & Lorain Ave.

Outside, the weather was rainy and gloomy, but inside the hall was a festive atmosphere as citizens from the west side district joined together to honor police officers and citizens who make significant contributions in their community.

First District Commander Tom McCartney welcomed the attendees which included Mayor Frank Jackson, Safety Director Mike Mcgrath, Chief Calvin Williams, other city officials and scores of residents. Also attending were Cleveland Police Foundation Secretary Jim Craciun, and Community Outreach Coordinator Bob Guttu who were there to bestow the CPF's Neighborhood Community Service Awards.

The CPF annually recognizes a PO, a citizen, and an organization in each of the City's five neighborhood police districts who significantly contribute to the community, and making our neighborhoods safer. The awards were presented to PO Henry Adkins and Destiny Rice and the organization Mothers Runs this Town. "Their efforts makes our community a better

place to live and warrants recognition." said CPF board member Jim Craciun.

During the presentations Bob Guttu stated, "It's an honor to recognize those who go above and beyond the call of duty in giving back to our City's neighborhoods."

After the presentations, everyone enjoyed a delicious meal and the friendship of the evening,

Special thanks to the First District Community Relations Committee members who hosted the event that was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adkins pose with his plaque presented by The Cleveland Police Foundation for Outstanding Police Officer.



A very special young lady named Destiny Rice displays her Cleveland Police Foundation's Outstanding Individual Community Service Award.

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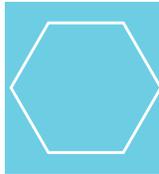


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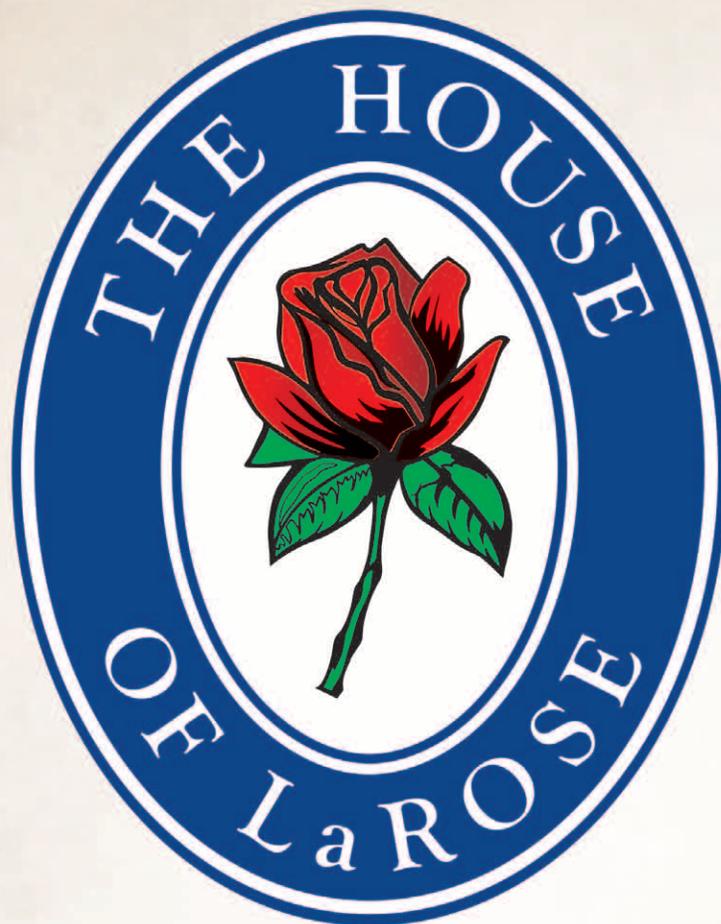
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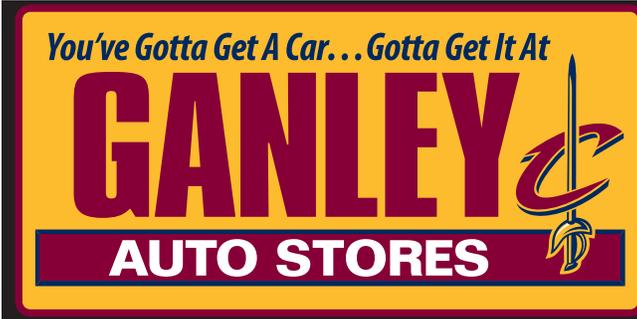


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