THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

CPF Announces Signature Annual Event, "Tribute to the Blue"

Don’t miss the Cleveland Police Foundation's Tribute To The Blue Celebration, an evening to celebrate and recognize the contributions made by community leaders and our men and women in blue.

2017 Award Recipients

Man of the Year
Mr. James F. Doyle, President, Hemingway Development, LLC

Police Officer of the Year
Sergeant Mitchell Sheehan, Second District Vice Unit

Community Service Award
Patrol Officer Richard Auner (Retired), Patrol Officer Jeff Stanczyk (Retired) and Patrol Officer John “JT” Thomas (Retired) et al of the Cops, Kids & Christmas Program

The Police Officers of the Month

CPF Founders Award
Sergeant Charles W. (Chas.) Lane Jr. (Retired)
Thursday, September 28, 2017
Hofbräuhaus Cleveland
1550 Chester Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44114 (map)

VIP Reception: 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Event: 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Tickets
VIP ticket $125
General Admission Ticket: $50
Active or Retired Police Officer Ticket: $40
(limit 2 per PO)

Please purchase tickets in advance of the event. We can't wait to see you there!

Purchase Tickets...

June 2017 Police Officers of the Month:
Detective Carl Bowers, Detective Michael Belle and Patrol Officer Erwin Eberhardt

For the past 16 years Detective Carl Bowers (Photo Lab), Detective Michael Belle (Crime Scenes Unit), and Patrol Officer Erwin Eberhardt (Airport Unit) have volunteered with the Progress With
Chess Program hosted by the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. The program teaches students the rules of the game, gives them the skills to compete in chess and creates a positive interaction between students and members of law enforcement. The three officers were teammates on the John Adams High School chess team some 34 years ago, and they learned back then that their coaches, teachers, and volunteers were guiding them to stay on a positive path.

This year, as the buses arrived for the district-wide competition, these dedicated officers greeted nearly 600 students and directed them to the Louis Stokes wing of the downtown Cleveland Public Library. Upon completion of the matches and the handing out of trophies to the winners, the officers played some of the students in a giant version of the game and a good time was had by all. At the end of the day Detective Bowers stated, “This is a huge win for the community, business, schools, library, and also for the Cleveland Police Department. Now that’s what I call a checkmate for the kids of Cleveland.” For their dedication and giving of their time to the youth of the community the Cleveland Police Foundation is honored to recognize Det. Michael Belle, Det. Carl Bowers, and PO Erwin Eberhardt as Police Officers of the Month for June 2017.

"BOLO"

Be on the Lookout

JUNE 16
Cops for Causes Reverse Raffle
Please support the reverse raffle on June 16 at St. Rocco's Hall, 3205 Fulton Road. All proceeds go to Cops for Kids programs, including Christmas parties for needy children and support for the Ohio Special Olympics. In addition to a $1000 main board, one 50" and two 39" flat screen TVs will be given out in the main ticket raffle. Only 200 main board tickets will be sold. They are $50 per person, which includes dinner and an open bar. Doors open at 5 p.m.; dinner is served at 7:30. For tickets call Keith Sulzer at 216-623-3334 or Frank Gallizio at 216-526-4123. More info...

Mark Your Calendar

Friday, June 16
Cops For Kids Reverse Raffle

Sunday, June 18
5th Annual Officer Down
Cleveland 5K and Community Day

Saturday, June 24
CPM Vintage Police Car Show

Sunday, June 25
Cops Ride, MC ride to benefit NLEOM & Museum

Thursday, June 29
ESPN Cleveland Really Big Show Golf Outing

Monday July 10, 11 am
PO Fahey - Tpr. Velez I-90 Freeway Dedication, Lakewood Heights Blvd. between Warren & Alger More information to follow

JUNE 18
Officer Down - Cleveland 5k to Benefit
The Officers Down 5K/2K Walk and 5K Run and Community Day takes place on Sunday, June 18, 2017. This is an event that gives back to the community, celebrates officers who daily put their lives on the line to keep our communities safe and honors those who’ve fallen. The Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society is partnering the event, which takes place at their memorial on Lakeside Avenue. There will be lunch, live music, activities and more. For information or to register, go to Officers Down.

Saturday, July 15
Cleveland Police Plane Pull for Special Olympics
For more information contact Captain Keith Sulzer

Thursday, July 20
Carlos Santana of the Cleveland Indians Host Charity Bowling Event
More information to follow

Thursday, July 27
CPF Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 1
National Night Out Against Crime, Steelyard Commons

Sunday, September 24
National Canadian Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Service

Thursday, September 28
CPF’s Tribute to the Blue Celebration and Annual Awards Recognition Ceremony

Saturday, December 2
CPD Childrens Holiday Party

GCPOMS
JUNE 24
Cleveland Police Museum Vintage Police Car Show
6th annual show of vintage emergency vehicles and a special open house of the Cleveland Police Museum. Vehicles come from all over the country for this event. Contact Greg Savernik at ncevs@att.net for more info. Free, music, 50/50 raffle, food and beverages, rain or shine! The museum will be open from 10-3. More info...

May 12-20, 2018
Greater Cleveland Police Week

May 17-20, 2018
33rd Annual Greater Cleveland Police Memorial Commemoration
**JUNE 25**
*COPS Ride To Benefit NLEOM & Museum*
On Sunday, June 25, 2017 the Ninth Annual *Cops Ride* starts from the Police Memorial. This year the ride benefits the National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund. Cops Ride is a nonprofit run by law enforcement and private volunteers who work to raise funds through safe and enjoyable escorted motorcycle rides.

**JUNE 29**
*The Really Big Show Open* will support the Cleveland Police Memorial Expansion. Please call 330-225-6122 for info. Many thanks to ESPN Cleveland *Really Big Show* host Tony Rizzo and the entire team at Good Karma Brands for their support over the years. More info...

**JULY 10**
*Honoring Our Fallen*
The stretch of I-90 freeway where PO David J. Fahey and Trooper Kenneth Velez were killed in the line of duty will be dedicated in their memory on Monday, July 10 at 11 a.m. Details are still being finalized by the OSHP, CPD and the other entities involved but wanted you to be aware of it so you can plan your own remembrance.

**JULY 15**
*Supporting Ohio’s Special Olympics*
Cleveland Police Officers will be flexing their muscles at the 8th Annual Cleveland Plane Pull for Special Olympics. Officers will compete for the best time in pulling a huge passenger jet over a short distance. The event is being held at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport on Saturday, July 15, 2017. This is the fourth consecutive year that the Cleveland Police Foundation is sponsoring the CPD teams. To donate and more information, go to CLEPlanePull.org.

**JULY 20**
*Slamtana Charity Bowling Night*
Cleveland Indians first baseman Carlos Santana will host a charity bowling night on Thursday, July 20 at the Corner Alley in Downtown Cleveland. Santana is dedicated to making a positive impact locally and giving back to the community. Joined by a few of his teammates, he looks forward to interacting with fans at this fun-filled evening. Besides bowling,
can place it on your calendars if you'd like to attend. The event will take place on Lakewood Heights Blvd. between Warren and Alger Road. Additional info will be forwarded as it becomes available. 

there will be autograph and photo sessions, a silent auction, raffle and prizes. This event benefits the Cleveland Police Foundation, Cleveland Clinic Children's and Boys & Girls Club of Cleveland. To purchase tickets and more information go to www.slamtana.org or contact Ulises.cabrera@octagon.com.

SEPTEMBER 24
Canadian Police And Peace Officer's Memorial
Join the Cleveland contingent in traveling to Canada's national capitol, Ottawa, Ontario, one of North America's most beautiful cities! More info to follow.

Other Events in the News
Cleveland Police Department Badge Case Ceremony
Cleveland Division of Police formally retired the badge of Patrol Officer David J. Fahey Jr., End of Watch January 24, 2017, during its memorial service on May 18, 2017. Click here for a moving tribute to PO Fahey.

Video: Honor Our Fallen

Click here to watch the video.
32nd Annual Greater Cleveland Memorial Commemoration a Great Success

Hundreds of law enforcement and corrections officers from across the United States, Canada and abroad attended the 32nd Annual Greater Cleveland Memorial Commemoration made possible through the collaboration of scores of supporters throughout NE Ohio and hosted by the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society. GCPOMS President Joe Mannion stated, "A very hearty thanks to all for making this another great success! And special thanks to our corps of great volunteers who worked so hard to make it all possible." The 33rd Annual Greater Cleveland Police Memorial Commemoration will be held May 17-20, 2018.

CPF & CPD Team to Provide Coats for Kids

The Cleveland Police Foundation was joined by the 5th District and Community Policing to give out coats to kids at St. Aloysius Church. Over 70 coats were given to kids from metro Cleveland, including many refugees from the Congo. Thank you to Coats for Kids Cleveland, Catholic Charities, and St. Aloysius for allowing Cleveland Police officers the opportunity to connect with the community we serve!

"Thank you so much for all you did for our neighborhood at the St. Aloysius coat distribution. It was really encouraging to see the big turnout from refugee families, children who attend preschool at St. Aloysius and neighbors who came for the hot meal. A lot of people left very happy! It's been a pleasure working with you this past year. Thank you again for everything."

– Michelle O'Donnell, the Director of Operations at Joseph House
Walk with a Cop
The Cleveland Police Foundation, 4th District, and Community Policing hosted a "Walk with a Cop" on Friday as part of a series of "Jane's Walks" sponsored by the Saint Luke's Foundation. "Jane's Walks" are walks throughout a neighborhood that encourage exercise and education as an avenue of community building. The officers led the walk starting at the 4th District Police Memorial Park, then walked to Parkview Ave., the future home of a "pocket" park that will be a memorial to one of CPD's fallen heroes, P.O. Derek Owens. The walk continued to Zelma Watson George Rec Center and Luke Easter Park, then back to the 4th District. Thank you to Saint Luke's Foundation for sponsoring the "Jane's Walks" and thank you to all who took the time to take a trip around the block with CPD!
Great Community Outreach
Cleveland Police from the 1st District and Community Policing joined Cleveland Clinic PD at George's Kitchen at Berea and Triskett Rd. for another Coffee with a Cop. The officers mingled with the breakfast crowd to talk about safety and other civic issues facing residents in Cleveland. Great food and great conversation was the order of the day! A big thanks to George's staff, Councilman Brian Kazy, Commander Fay, and CCPD for making this another successful Coffee with a Cop.

MLK High School Student Police Academy Graduates
The Cleveland Police Foundation and Community Policing want to congratulate all junior graduates of the MLK High School Student Police Academy. These students took 15 hours of law
enforcement programming from CPD, CMSD, and the FBI. Great job to all of these future police officers!

Human Trafficking Awareness

Middle school kids from Artemus Ward did an awesome job in performing their Human Trafficking play, "Too Human" which they co-created with Karamu artist Khadiyah DeSilva. Following the play was an exhibit of their photography of safe vs unsafe houses/neighborhoods, which was done under the direction of Photographer Don Snyder. Special thanks to Allison Wallace, Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association, Tony Sias and Aseelah Shareef of Karamu House, and Diana Hasrouni, Americorps Member. And a super special shout out to Sergeant Torres and Patrol Officer Andino from the 4th District Cleveland Police for not only taking our kids out on foot patrol to talk about safety, but coming to their performance. Their engagement with our kids is building a positive relationship between police and our youth.

2017 Law Enforcement Explorers Competition

The Cleveland Police Law Enforcement Explorers attended the annual Law Enforcement Exploring Competition on Saturday, April 22, 2017, which was held at the Columbus Police Academy, in Columbus, Ohio.

The Cleveland Police Explorers fielded three 4 person teams, and considering that this was the first year for most of them, they did pretty well.

The Exploring competition consists of several scenario-based events. The events range from Crime Scene, Traffic Stops, Burglary in Progress, Bomb Threats, Accident Investigation, Officer Down/First-Aid, Active Shooter, Domestic Violence, Crisis Intervention and Arrest and Search. They also have a voluntary obstacle course that they may participate in, and awards are given to the top three times for both male and female participants.

"I am proud of this year's group as they continue to progress and we look forward to even bigger things for the 2018 Exploring Competition," said PO Anthony Harper, the program's coordinator.
Safety to Go

A big shout out from Safety to Go to our Platinum Level Sponsor the MetroHealth Division of Trauma for sponsoring twenty CMSD schools this school year and to Captain Keith Sulzer of the Cleveland Police Department for supporting Safety to Go this Spring. We are fortunate to be able to educate Cleveland's children about safety with the support of so many.

A Special Wish Granted

"A Special Wish" was granted to a 17-year-old who has stage 4 cancer. Dylan and his family were treated to Cleveland Cavaliers vs Boston Celtics Easter Conference Finals game at Quicken Loans Arena. The folks at A Special Wish Foundation posted, "Thanks to the Cleveland Police Foundation, Keith Sulzer and Kristina DeCarlo for donating the game 4 tickets. Dylan had a blast and the Cavs won!

CPPA and CPF Thank Nissan of North Olmsted

The Cleveland Police Foundation and Cleveland Police Patrolman's Association presented owner Mike D'Amato and Nissan of North Olmsted thank you proclamations, an honorary badge, and commendation coins for donating to the Fahey family after the line of duty death
of P.O. David Fahey. The Fahey family took David's car to Nissan of North Olmsted for some major repairs after David's death. They wanted to keep the car in the family as a remembrance of David. When Mike D'Amato realized who owned the car he said it was never even a doubt that he would donate the several thousand dollars in repairs to the Fahey family in remembrance of David's ultimate sacrifice to our community! Thank you, Mike and Nissan of North Olmsted, for honoring our fallen hero.

Safety & Crime Prevention Tips: Fraud Prevention

"How to Stop Fraud: Trouble is Knocking at the Front Door"
Some of the most popular home scams that have been showing up around the country and what you can do to protect yourself.

"Fraud and Identity Theft"
Watching out for these common scams will help keep your identity safe.

The Cleveland Police Foundation, in partnership with the Cleveland Division of Police and the Ohio Crime Prevention Association present these tips so citizens can help to make our community safer.

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The June 2017 Partner

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