

The Cleveland Police Foundation is honored to recognize Detective Thomas Barnes as the April 2021 Police Officer of the Month.

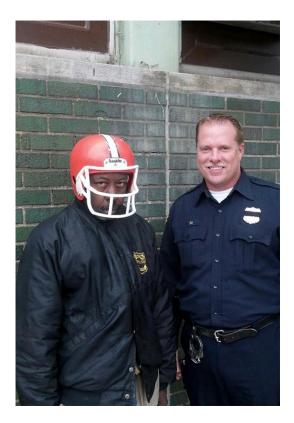
Detective Thomas Barnes of the Cleveland Division of Police Intelligence Unit has spent twenty years in a career he can be extremely proud of!

Before being assigned to the Intelligence Unit, the detective volunteered two days a week at the downtown soup kitchens feeding the homeless. On one occasion, he literally gave a homeless person the coat off his back.

During his CPD career, Barnes was responsible for 1,650 drug arrests. For those arrested, the detective would suggest leniency for the drug users who completed the treatment class prior to going to court, but no deals were made for the drug dealers themselves. It should also be noted that during his career, Detective Barnes was a three-time medal winner including the Cleveland Division of Police Medal of Honor, and there has never been a complaint lodged against him.

What makes this award extra special is that in October of 2020 Detective Barnes' daughter, Brooklyn was named Police Officer of the Month by the Cleveland Police Foundation. Obviously, the apple doesn't fall far from the tree!

When asked about her dad, Patrol Officer Brooklyn Barnes stated "My father is truly the BEST policeman I've ever known and I hope to be half the policeman he is one day."





It is because of his compassion and dedication to his profession that the Cleveland Police Foundation is proud to name Detective Thomas Barnes as its **Police Officer of the Month for April 2021.**

More about the Police Officer of the Month Program . . .



April 2021 Community Partner of the Month

Niko Frangos is a Cleveland business development leader and entrepreneur. He is also the president of Rascal House Pizza, founded by his parents forty years ago.

Niko has always been a supporter of the Cleveland Division of Police, the Cleveland Police Foundation, and promoter of Police-Community relations. For the past thirty years, he has been there to assist with the Gun Buy-Back Program, Cops for Kids Fishing Outings, numerous events presented by now-retired Captain Keith Sulzer, and of course the Police Athletic League (PAL) Christmas Party.



April 2021 Community Partner of the Month Niko Frangos of Rascal House and Executive Director Richard DeChant

When asked about Niko Frangos, the Executive Director of PAL and retired CPD Sergeant Bob Kumazec stated "The entire Frangos family has been a strong supporter of the Cleveland Police Athletic League for a long time and they never failed to assist us anytime we called upon them. We are very fortunate to have them as a community partner."

It is because of his devotion to the community and law enforcement that the Cleveland Police Foundation is honored to name Niko Frangos (Rascal House) as its **Community Partner of the Month for April 2021.**

More about the Community Partner of the Month Program . . .

Remembering Jeanette Kyle: Cleveland Police Volunteer and Supporter

The community and the Cleveland Police Museum lost a dear friend and supporter in February.

If you made a visit to the Cleveland Police Museum between 1997 through 2016, you surely noticed Jeanette Womack Kyle's winning smile and impeccable Cleveland Police Auxiliary uniform!

After retiring from the City of Cleveland in 1990, Jeanette began her volunteer career in the police auxiliary. Activities included Fraternal Order of Police Associates/ Lodge 23, Sixth District Community Relations, and guarding and guiding at the Cleveland Police Museum.



Awards given to Jeanette included the Federation for Community Planning Most Treasured Volunteer, the CPD Citizen Award, the Key to the City of Cleveland, and a Proclamation from the State of Ohio.



Jeanette Kyle, flanked by Judge Ralph Perk Jr. and the late Bratenahl Police Chief Paul Falzone

CPF Community Outreach Coordinator Bob Guttu reflects, "I got to know Jeannette when I worked in Community Policing and she was a Cleveland Police Auxiliary Officer. She was a hard worker, extremely friendly to everyone she came in contact with, and always brandishing that infectious smile. I am indeed privileged to have known Jeanette... you will be missed by all! RIP, my friend."



MAY 15-22 36th Annual Police Memorial Commemoration - Police Week 2021 -See all events here MAY 15 Peace Officers Memorial Day

In the News Around Town

Congratulations to Retiring Officer Chuck Judd

Officer Judd turned in his Cleveland Division of Police-issued equipment at the same time as his son, Lieutenant Tim Maffo-Judd, arranged to make this bittersweet moment special. All the officers from Officer Judd's shift lined up outside the building to give him a round of applause.



He received his final call-off at 1042 AM from radio dispatch. All those present wished Officer Judd good luck!

On behalf of the Cleveland Police Foundation, we extend to Officer Chuck Judd our best for a healthy and happy retirement. Thank you for over 20 years of dedicated service to the City of Cleveland and the Division of Police!

-Bob Guttu, CPF Community Outreach Coordinator

Making Cleveland Beautiful

On a pleasant April weekend, the **Hispanic Police Officers Association** joined together with the Cleveland community for a Spring Clean-Up!

Everyone enjoyed helping clean our neighborhood. A small seed was planted to make our community a bit better.



Thank you to Councilwoman Jasmin Santana, Cleveland City Ward 14 for leading this initiative. And a big thanks to the many organizations that came together to assist!

Happy Springtime to All!

AN UPDATE: The Citizens Academy of the Cleveland Police

The first Cleveland Police Citizens Academy of 2021 is coming to an end! The class met for its second to the last time as the citizen-participants had the opportunity to learn about the Cleveland Police Ordnance Unit.



The engaged citizens learned about the training that police officers go through as the class enacted real hands-on scenarios. They also learned about stressors that officers can face when doing their duties.

A special thank you goes out to Sergeant Keith Campbell for his meticulous teaching. A higher level of expertise was evident in his presentations. Sergeant Campbell serves as the Ordnance Unit Officer in Charge (OIC).

Want to join?

The Bureau of Community Relations is hosting the Second Citizens Police Academy of 2021 in the Fourth District neighborhood.

The sessions start Wednesday May 12th from 6:00-8:00 PM for 6-8 weeks. They will be held at the Harvard Community Center at 18420 Harvard Avenue.

For additional information, please contact Officer Larkin at 216-623-3328 (email: **jlarkin2@clevelandohio.gov**).

We hope to see many engaged residents in class!

Helping Cleveland's Youngest

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Target for continuing to support the citizens of Cleveland!

Your donations of baby supplies, car seats, and cribs allows Cleveland Police officers to assist families in need.

Police, business, and the community join together to keep our most precious cargo safe!



A special thanks for all that you do.

-Keith G. Sulzer

We get mail!

RE Police Officer of the Month Detective Thomas Barnes Congratulations and thank you for showing the good side of millions of police officers. ~ JoAnn Zanotelli

#CitizensAcademy

The Citizens Academy has given me a better understanding of what it is like being an officer. I appreciate their service. Thanks for making this experience possible. ~ Leo Tully

RE Retiring Officer Chuck Judd

Thanks for all you did for the community, great guy always came to check in on us working security at Westown Plaza. ~ Dani Reyes

Safety and Crime Prevention Tips

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

ORGANIZING A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH...

This is part three of a series of articles about Neighborhood Watch programs.

Everyone knows that there are not enough law enforcement officers in the community to be on every street, all the time. One of the most valuable, overlooked resources to prevent crime in a community are the residents themselves. Residents often want to help prevent crime in their neighborhoods, but don't always know where to begin. As residents train and work with law enforcement to report suspicious activity and practice crime prevention, they find they can tackle frustrating concerns like littering and vandalism to more serious problems like gangs and drugs.

Use the following suggestions to get residents interested in attending meetings, and to transform your group into a mobilized, successful Neighborhood Watch.

- Distribute flyers and telephone residents to invite them to the meeting.
- Invite local groups and leaders.
- Survey residents to discover neighborhood concerns.
- Find a meeting place with enough seats for everyone.
- Create a meeting agenda.
- Prepare meeting room.
- Keep the meeting brief.
- Keep the meeting focused.

- Make a list of names, addresses and telephone numbers of members.
- Decide on the first issue to tackle.
- Divide duties so everyone is involved.
- Set a date, time and place for the next meeting.
- Meet once a month, on the same day of the month.

The success of a Neighborhood Watch is directly related to the ongoing participation and support from each member of the Watch.

We invite your inquiry for more information about Neighborhood Watch programs. Contact Officer Tim Riley at (216) 623-5080.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH ARTICLES

- Part One: "What is a Neighborhood Watch?"
- Part Two: "A Neighborhood Watch is Not ... "
- Part Three: "Organizing a Neighborhood Watch"
- Part Four: "The Neighborhood Watch Meeting"
- Part Five: "The Role of Neighborhood Watch Members"
- Part Six: "Neighborhood Watch: Solving Problems"
- Part Seven: "What Motivates Neighborhood Watch Members"
- Part Eight: "How Neighborhood Watches Grow"

Safety is everyone's business. Practice good safety measures. Stay alert; if you see something, say something.



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In addition to providing funding for youth and community outreach programs, community policing and engagement initiatives, safety & crime prevention programs, and supporting the members of the Cleveland Division of Police to help them better perform their duties, the CPF proudly supports the following charities in accomplishing their mission.



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