

R·C·P·A Newsletter

RETIRED CHICAGO POLICE ASSOCIATION

August 2008

President's Message

Kenneth Hauser

I am proud to announce that at the May 4, 2008 regular meeting of the Retired Chicago Police Association, I was elected your President for the next two years. During that time, I hope to see many changes that will make this organization greater. I am asking the board members to become more active and try to recruit new members. I will appoint a committee to bring our website into the 21st century. I will ask the FOP to help us propose legislation for our annuitants and will join the FOP in Springfield, contacting our elected representatives and requesting their support for annuitant legislation.

I would like to welcome the newly elected officers the to the board: 1st Vice President, Tony Pulciani; 2nd Vice President. Donald Januszyk; Recording Secretary, Joseph Mescall; Treasurer, Harold Brown and Sargeant-at-Arms, James O'Leary. I am sure that, together, we will all pitch in to make this a more serviceable organization for our membership. I especially thank our immediate Past President, Anthony Finnelly,

for his four years of service to this organization. Finally, I thank Past President, Dick Jones, for swearing in all the new officers on May 4, 2008. Thursday, June 26, 2008 was our annual golf outing at

Bloomingdale Golf Course in conjunction with the FOP Family Auxiliary and the Detective's Association. The weather was great, no too hot and no rain. We were sold out with 150 golfers who won over 200 prizes. Dinner was great with roasted pig and two hours of open bar. Start planning your foursomes for next year's date, Monday, June 22, 2009.

The City of Chicago, Benefits Management Office has recalculated the Annuitant monthly contribution rates effective July 1, 2008. There are various rate categories such as: born

REGULAR MEETING

Sunday, September 7, 2008 at 1:00 PM 1st District Community Room 1718 South State Street

before 1909, born before 1913, retired before 8/23/89, retired after 8/23/89 and before 7/1/05, retired after 7/1/05 with 20 years of service, etc. Following is a comparison of the rates in the category of retired after 8/23/80.

in the category of retired after a	8/23/89: 2007	<u>2008</u>
Annuitant, medicare	\$ 79.00	\$ 72.00
Annuitant, non-medicare	211.00	237.00
Annutant & spouse, medicare	206.00	203.00
Annuitant, medicare, spouse, non-medicare	369.00	398.00
Annuitant, non-medicare, spouse, medicare	339.00	368.00
Annuitant & spouse, non-medicare	492.00	555.00

Thank you, City of Chicago, we know you love us. Will the FOP be filing a class-action suit in the future for overcharges?

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Presidents Message

Continued from page 1 An Annuitant Trustee election will be held on Thursday,

2009.

October 23, 2008 at the Policeman's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago. The Annuitants' representative is to be elected from the employee annuitants and widow annuitants. I am running for re-election to represent you on the Pension

Fund for a second term. On Tuesday, July 1, 2008, I was endorsed by FOP Lodge #7 Board of Directors for re-election

as Trustee to the Pension Fund. I would like to thank all of the Board of Directors for their vote of confidence Our Annual Dinner Dance will be held at the Hanging Gardens on September 21, 2008. This year we are on the north side, last year we were on the south side at Saint Thomas Moore Parish Hall.

There will be a regular meeting of the Retired Chicago Police Association on Sunday, September 7, 2008 at 1:00 PM in the 001st District Community Room at 1718 South State Street. I look forward to seeing many new faces at this meeting. Please bring your comments, complaints and/or suggestions. Perhaps the board members would like to make suggestions on things the organization should be doing for retirees.

Have a great day.

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February, and I stated 2008 when it should have been 2009. Some individuals have already purchased their converters, and have had problems with reception. Well, from what I understand,

some of the TV stations are still running tests on their signals.

So just hang in there and hopefully all will work in February

Illinois's Scott's law was passed for the protection of law

enforcement officers, paramedics, and highway workers. In

summary the law states that when you observe a police vehicle or highway service vehicle (vellow lights) stopped on the side of

the interstate or highway, you must move to the adjacent lane and slow down to a reasonable speed. Several states have similar

laws. Additionally, they have a unique method of insuring that

motorists obey this law. If there is a police vehicle parked on

the side of the road, and you do not obey the law, they have had

another police vehicle parked farther down the road and they

will pull you over, and cite you for the violation. Also that 45

mph in a construction zone, well you can be ticketed even if

there is no work being done or no construction workers in the

We have to watch out for our pensions. Senator Nancy Pelosi of California, Speaker of the House, wants to tax our pensions,

401K's, mutual funds, and more. It has been suggested here in Illinois that our pensions be taxed in order to balance the State

budget. Also in Chicago, Mayor Daly initiated a 32 person committee to review the City's pension systems. Recently, Mr. Dana Levenson chairman of that panel, apparently violating a confidentially agreement that all members had to sign, stated to

the media that they are looking to recommend that the pension systems be replaced by 401Ks, especially for new employees.

If you have never taken an interest in voting or writing your

Speaking of voting, the national and local elections will be taking

place in November. I, meaning me, gave up voting along party lines a long time ago. My vote is for the person I hope will

represent what I believe in. The bottom line is to make sure that

elected public official I suggest you start now.

vou vote; it does make a difference.

area. So drive carefully if you can afford the gas.

This is my 2nd article, and I have to apologize for the mistake I made in my first. I was talking about the switch to digital TV in

Don Januszyk

2nd Vice President



120th Anniversary

DINNER DANCE



The time has finally arrived to make arrangements for an ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE at which we will be celebrating the 120th Anniversary of our founding. The event will include:

• COCKTAIL HOUR

- FAMILY STYLE DINNER
- ENTERTAINMENT MUSIC BY AL DEMSKI
- OPEN BAR

- RAFFLES
- DANCING



Sunday, September 21st, 2008 5:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

HANGING GARDENS



Dinner tickets are \$30.00 per person. No tickets will be sold at the door, so please make reservations by mail no later than September 10, 2008. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH. Make checks or money orders payable to:

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Also, please enclose a self addressed stamped envelope. Please use the form below.

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All reservations must be made no later than September 10th, 2008. **NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

Treasurer's Message By Harold Brown

We have moved the office to 5310 N. Harlem; our new phone number is 773-763-5310. We are in the same building as the Chicago Patrolman's Credit Union.

We are looking forward to another dinner at the Hanging Gardens Banquet Hall. It will be on the 21st of September, 2008. Details are in this newsletter. Thanks to our donors, we will have many fine raffle prizes.

If you are moving remember to send a change of address in writing to the Pension Board. To change your address with the Retired Chicago Police Association, call or write the office.

Congratulations to one of our members, Pat Duckhorn, who was elected 1st Vice President of the Illinois FOP State Lodge.

I would like to offer my congratulations to our newly elected officers.

KENNETH HAUSER President HAROLD BROWN Treasurer

NORTH

1st Wednesday of each month at 7:30 a.m. Lone Tree Manor 7710 N. Milwaukee Avenue For Info Call: Joe Nalepa at 773-763-1362

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Thank you

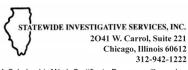
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