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RETIRED CHICAGO POLICE ASSOCIATION

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**Treasurer's Message** *By Harold Brown*

**ARE YOU MOVING?** If you are, send a change of address to the pension board office. To change your address with the Retired Chicago Police Association, telephone or write the office.

We are looking forward to our famous Harrington's Corn Beef Dinner. Save the date September 29<sup>th</sup> 2013. Details are in this newsletter. I thank all those who donated raffle gifts for our dinner. Once again we have too many gifts to list.

**HEALTH CARE,** As of today we have several hundred annuitants that have sent in monies to support the law suit regarding our health care coverage.

KENNETH HAUSER  
President

HAROLD BROWN  
Treasurer

**NORTH**  
1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 a.m.  
Lone Tree Manor  
7710 N. Milwaukee Avenue  
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**SOUTH**  
2nd Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m.  
Jedi Garden Restaurant  
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**President's Message** *Kenneth Hauser*

The next General Meeting of the Retired Chicago Police Association will be on Sunday, August 25, 2013 at 1:00PM in the 001<sup>st</sup> District Community Room at 1718 S. State Street. I look forward to seeing you at this meeting, pizza will be served. At the June 2, 2013 General Meeting, I appointed Bill Burns to fill a Trustee vacancy to the Board. Welcome aboard, Bill. We had the largest attendance in our Association's history, 150 plus members. They came to hear our guest speaker, Clinton Krislov, who spoke about retiree healthcare post June 30, 2013.

We will be having our Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on Sunday, September 29, 2013 at 5:00PM. It will be catered by the Ray Harrington Family and will be held at the FOP Hall located at 1412 W. Washington Blvd. Tickets are \$30.00 per person which includes refreshments.

Monday, June 24, 2013 was the annual FOP Family Auxiliary and the Detective Association Golf Outing at Bloomingdale Golf Course. The weather was perfect, in the 80's, and they had their largest turn-out, 202 golfers who won over 200 prizes. Dinner had numerous selections that featured a roast pig and two hours of open bar. Next year's golf outing will be on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at Boomingdale Golf Course.

A letter was sent to all annuitants from the Mayor on June 21, 2013 stating that the Legislature has approved an extension of the pension subsidy for Chicago retirees healthcare through December 31, 2016. Amendment to SB1584 passed out of the House on Wednesday, May 29, 2013 and out of the Senate on Thursday, May 30, 2013. The Pension Fund will continue to contribute \$95 per month for non-Medicare eligible annuitants and \$65 per month for Medicare eligible annuitants

**REGULAR MEETING**  
Sunday, August 25, 2013 at 1:00 PM  
1st District Community Room  
1718 South State Street

for healthcare. The Governor signed the bill into law on June 28, 2013.

The total amount of assistance provided to Chicago Police Officers' families since the Memorial Foundation began in August of 2007 now exceeds \$2,600,000.00. This assistance is made possible because of the generosity of our donors. The Foundation provided \$216,097.77 in educational assistance to 38 children of Chicago police officers who were killed or catastrophically injured in the line of duty. This funding is intended to pay for educational expenses such as tuition, clothing, transportation, books and after school activities fees.

There have been numerous meetings conducted in the past three months pertaining to retiree healthcare. Many of you may have attended some of these meetings. The bottom line is that the City intends to terminate retiree healthcare sometime in the future. Attorney Clint Krislov has been involved with retiree healthcare since 1983 and he is considered an expert in

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National Conference on Public Employee Retirement System

**Presidents Message**

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the field of retiree healthcare. Attorney Krislov has attended all of these meetings and explained his intentions. He plans on reviving the Korshak litigation or filing a new complaint in a new case to continue retiree healthcare, including widows and children. He is asking for voluntary donations to help him defray the expenses of this lawsuit. The Retired Chicago Police Association sent a letter to all of its members during the week of June 25, 2013. This letter explained what the RCPA is requesting of you (please refer to this letter).

Your Association sent Attorney Krislov a \$25,000 check on June 21, 2013 on behalf of the membership (annuitants) along with a letter that read: "Clint, We are submitting a \$25,000 check with this letter on behalf of the membership of the Retired Chicago Police Association. We are aware other organizations and retirees have submitted checks to you with total confidence in your ability as an expert to continue the fight for retirees to keep their healthcare benefits. A number of my Board members, however, have requested an accounting of how this money will be spent. Is there an hourly rate for your services? Will you publish a financial report detailing expenditures? What is your plan for keeping the retirees informed of your progress? I would appreciate your response to these questions in a timely manner. Best Regards, Ken Hauser President, RCPA". As of this newsletter, I have not received a response from Attorney Krislov.

There will be a General Meeting of the RCPA on Sunday, November 24, 2013 at 1:00PM in the 001<sup>st</sup> District Community Room at 1718 S. State Street. I look forward to seeing you at this meeting. Have a Great Fall.

**Don Januszyk** *1st Vice President*

I wish to thank the many members who responded with donations and notes to the letter we sent regarding the Korshak fight. Your input is important. A report on responses and donations will be given at our August General meeting. Our attorney, Clint Krislov, has filed two motions in the Sangamon County case being heard by the Illinois Supreme Court. The ball is now in the City's court, and we await their response so we can plan for changes. The City stated this information will be available by late summer; we'll see.

This just out; as of 17th July Attorney Krislov was in court and petitioned Judge Neil Cohen to include those who retired after the original Korshak class of 1989 in the Korshak ruling. Judge

Cohen declined and when he asked the three pension funds present, Police, Fire, and Municipal if they agreed with his ruling, they all supported the Judge's ruling. I learned that the Police Pension's Attorney Mr. Kugler, acted without conferring with the Police Pension Board. A new complaint will have to be filed by Attorney Krislov.

The Fire Department has retained their pension Attorney Mr. Ed Burke, to handle the same issues as us. Their attorney must start from the beginning regarding relevant documents and past history. I asked our President Ken Hauser to reach out to the Municipal and Laborers Fund to learn their intentions. We have not received a reply from either funds attorney.

There has been much lobbying in Illinois on many issues. Results are lacking. One concern is new laws regarding Illinois' concealed carry and the IROCC. Will we be affected by the limit of rounds in a magazine? I carry a Sig with 15 rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber. On contacting the IROCC office I was advised that U.S. Senate Bill 218 takes precedent.

Recently I received several emails about limits on magazines in east coast venues. It seems that 218 still takes precedent, but be advised, there are jurisdictions that will give retired officers a hard time. Additionally, when there is a sign posted in a facility or business, stating firearms are not allowed, the IROCC people advise us to RESPECT their wishes. Please remain professional.

Pension reform in Illinois is a mess. The elected officials that have caused this chaos are looking for one bill to solve everything. Gov. Quinn initiated a special committee to resolve the pension issue, and gave them a due date. I am very familiar with the Senator heading the committee; it's not going to happen. Whatever results will affect teachers and state employees first and it's likely that changes will be harmful to police and fire pensioners.

Please help our causes by contacting your elected officials. If you live out of state, write a letter. Politicians pay attention to the written word. Regarding retention of Judges, if you do not vote for a judge, that is a vote for him/her. You must vote NO. Again, we must fight for ourselves; nobody else will. Be safe. Stay ACTIVE!!!!

**CUT-OFF AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER**

**CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER**

**September 29th, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**

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 All reservations must be in no later than September 15, 2012.*

**Tickets for our Famous Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner**

*Catered by Ray Harrington*

**are ready and reservations are now being taken:**

**Sunday, September 29th, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**

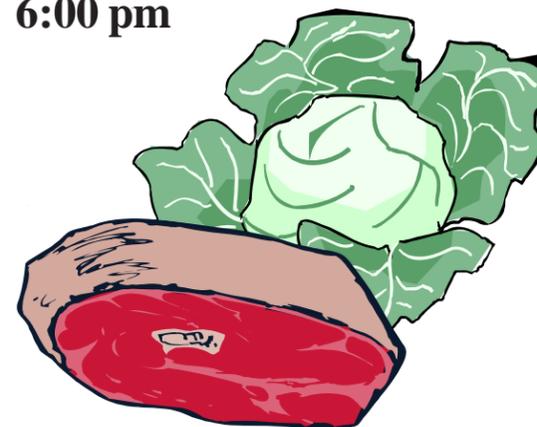
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**Cocktails**  
**5:00 pm**  
**Dinner**  
**6:00 pm**



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Meet with old friends and partners and make new ones. We are back on the road home around 8:30 to 9:00 AM.

We have free door prize drawings along with a split the pot. So, mark your calendar and bring a friend. You will enjoy the morning.

Representatives from the pension board, credit union and FOP are in attendance and can answer any questions that you may have.

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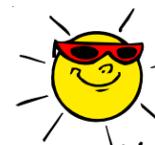
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