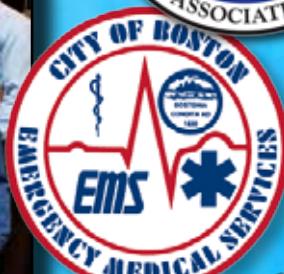


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# Our workload only looks to increase this holiday season

**S**ummer has come to an end and Fall is upon us. I can only hope that you were able to spend a little time with your family and friends these past few months. Unfortunately the promise of long days at work and short days off does not pass with summer ending. Also as predicted, the promised Academy Class got started a month or so late, so relief is not quite yet around the corner. To add insult to injury that class has already lost five people in the first week. On Friday night, September 15<sup>th</sup>, we said goodbye to approximately fifty more Patrolmen that went off into that sunset known as retirement. We wish them good health and financial stability, but with their exodus our workload as Patrol Officers only increases. With more and more Officers being injured on a daily basis and with the ratings of Detective and promotions to the rank of Sergeant happening on what seems like every other week, I believe the Patrol Force will be forced into working 'Doubles' for some time to come. I believe that you should prepare your family for yet another year of missing Holidays, Anniversaries, Birthdays and Christenings; etc. This, among the many other stresses put on the family; (*mentioned in previous articles*), account for the astronomically high percentage of Officers retiring as early as possible. I will make a prediction, that if the Department does not **triple** its efforts in hiring quality, qualified Police Officers over the next three years, that we will actually have fewer personnel on the street in 2021 than we do today, (*and right now we are at an all time low*). I do not wish to bore you with previously stated facts and/or suggestions of how to make it right, but someone better act on it and soon.

If you were not able to attend this year's Retirement/Recognition Dinner, you missed a great time. As always the venue, (Venezia on the Water), was fantastic. The food and service was five star! Retirees from both the Police and EMS side of our Union joined together to celebrate some very storied and historic careers. The stories told and memories shared were fantastic. Other Officers and EMS Personnel were recognized by their peers for their outstanding work that was performed on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in East Boston. We were once again honored by the appearance of both the Governor and the Mayor, who couldn't express their gratitude enough to the retirees, our families and the recognized Officers and EMS Personnel being celebrated. It was great to see old friends and retirees from days gone by, who never seem to miss this event. We were joined by representatives from: the Superior Officers Federation, The Detectives Benevolent Society, The Boston Police Relief Association, The Capo Verde Officers Association, The Emerald Society, The Silver Shield Athletic Association along with a host of other organizations and again received support from the City of Boston Credit Union. Police Commissioner Evans along with

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Chief **James Hooley** from EMS and our own Chief **William Gross** addressed the attendees and heralded the careers and actions of our Officers and EMS Personnel. I'd like to 'shout out' to the Command Staff Officers that also made it to show their respect to the retirees: Supt. **Kevin Buckley**, Newly Promoted Supt. **Joe Harris**, Deputy Supt. **Steve Whitman** and Deputy Supt. **Colm Lydon**; I know that not only the retirees appreciate that respect shown but also their families. Both sides of the Union presented impressive plaques and 'Retirement Badges' to our outgoing members along with beautiful presentations plaques to our Officers and EMS Personnel recognized for their outstanding work. If you haven't attended in the past, please put it on your calendar for next year. This is **THE EVENT** of the year for the BPD & EMS. You might even run into old timers like retired Police Officer **Joe O'Malley** who is and always has been a Great Friend to all of us in the BPPA and this Department! Or a

Leader among men, (*who always looked out for the Patrol Force first*), like retired Captain **Paul Ivens**. Please attend and don't miss an opportunity to shake a hand and say hello, before it's too late.

Moving from Summer to Fall will have its own new challenges thrust upon our Patrol Force. Whether it's the added calls with the new school year or a new season of protest marches; we will certainly not lack police involvement in the social scene. We will once again be called upon to either keep or restore order, find the 'lost child' left on the school bus or pick up the pieces of a 'Frat Party' gone wrong. We will be asked to be the surrogate parent, a disciplinarian, Priest/Reverend/Rabbi, social worker, legal expert, therapist and or just someone with a sympathetic ear, (*just to name a few*), all the while expecting us to uphold the law as written and under the watchful eye of our detractors, (*not even*

*mentioning dealing with the 'Bad Guys'*). I get it, this all comes with the job. However, this job has evolved in so many ways, that you need to slow down and analyze every situation. You can no longer allow 'muscle memory' to rule your actions, your response. To protect yourself in this day and age you are forced to move a bit slower, think a bit longer and know that every action you take will be judged numerous times by many that have an unlimited amount of time and the resources to judge what you did in a split second. I fully realize that an extra second or two may have dire consequences, but if you don't take that extra second or two going forward; you may have regrets that last a life time.

With all of the aforesaid, Please be careful out there, this job is definitely more difficult than in days gone by. Please back each other up and always keep a watchful eye. Make time for your family and make sure your plan involves getting home to them safe and sound every day. God Bless and be Safe!

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# Arbitrator's decision on parental leave goes against us, but we will fight on regarding other issues

We finally received the decision in the parental leave case. Unfortunately, it is not the one we had hoped for. The arbitrator ruled against us. This case was about whether our members were contractually entitled to paid parental leave equivalent to that granted to other Boston Police Department employees by the City's Paid Parental Leave Ordinance. We have a provision in our Contract that states that "*[i]n the event any statute(s) relating to members of the Police Department provides or sets forth benefits or terms in excess of or more advantageous than the benefits or terms of this Agreement, the provisions of such statute(s), to the extent not forbidden by law, shall prevail.*" Since the City's Paid Parental Leave Ordinance gives other Boston Police Department employees (that are not unionized) paid parental leave, the Union brought this grievance arguing that our bargaining unit members should be receiving it too.

Why did she rule against us? Good question. Her opinion (which is short – a little over three pages) states that an "ordinance" is not a "statute." This is despite the fact we submitted a Supreme Court Case that states "a city ordinance is a law of the state" and the definition by *West's Dictionary* that defines an "ordinance" as "[a] law, statute, or regulation enacted by a Municipal Corporation", the *Law Dictionary* that defines an "ordinance" as "a statute enacted by a city or town", and *Burton's Legal Thesaurus* that lists "statute" as a synonym for "ordinance." I will not list the myriad

of Massachusetts court cases we also submitted that regard ordinances as statutes – we submitted them all. Then how did she explain not following the Supreme Court and the dictionary??!

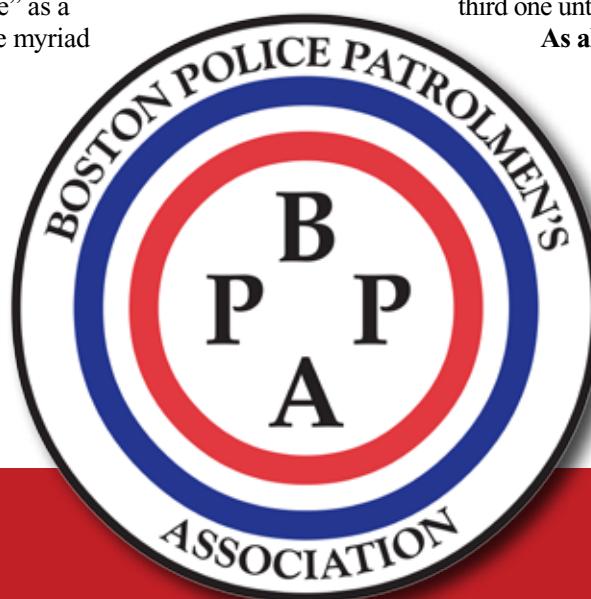
She Does. Not. She basically just says they are two different words, and says that parties intended to differentiate between the two words – even though neither side introduced any evidence of that.

So why don't we appeal it? Because as frustrating as this decision is, we have been told by our legal counsel that an appeal in court would likely not be successful. Courts cannot turn over an arbitrator's decision even if the arbitrator gets the facts wrong or the law wrong – both of which happened in this case. Arbitration awards are one of the most difficult decisions to overturn – it is the reason why the courts could not overturn the decision we received in the Dave Williams case, for which we are grateful.

But we are not giving up. Because of this decision, which was unfortunate and unexpected – I promise you that the BPPA will make this a priority in negotiations.

Also, now that Phase II of the pilot program for body worn cameras is over, for the officers that wore the camera, make sure you received the \$500 stipend and the C-days that you are owed. Any officers that wore the camera for four or more months should receive one C-day, eight or more months should receive two C-days, and if you wore the before or on November 12, 2016 until the end of the program, you should get three C-days total (but you don't get the third one until January 21, 2018).

As always, thank you, and stay safe.





# Q: Where do “extra officers / beefed-up patrols” come from?

## A: From our families’ social events, birthday parties and barbeques

**A**s I sit here contemplating my Fall, 2017 article for the *Pax*, I was listening to the local news reporting on the many events scheduled for the Columbus Day weekend. According to the BPD, due to unspecified threats - police patrols were being “beefed up” and the BPD was “adding extra officers”. Among the many events scheduled for the Holiday weekend were:

Red Sox-Houston Astros playoff games, Tufts 10K road race, Boston College-Virginia Tech football game, Columbus Day parade, Bruno Mars concert, Dorchester Irish Festival, BAA Half-Marathon, regularly scheduled Bruins and Celtics games, a host of block parties needing streets closed/detoured, several protests needing escorts, paving crews, utility work, etc. etc. and a list of permits and city-approved activities too numerous to mention. This was before and in addition to a plethora of fixed-post assignments, “regular” overtime replacement units, weekend gang cars and an uncountable number of special assignments that the BPD and City Hall had promised various community groups would be addressed by the police during their “routine patrols”.

It was all I could do to prevent myself from laughing out loud; what, pray tell, constitutes “routine patrol” anymore? In

point of fact, despite the department’s assertions to the contrary in front of community meetings, there are no “sector cars” anymore that routinely canvas a defined geographical area during “routine patrols”, as they did years ago. From the time a patrol officers’ shift starts until it ends (and with the onerous amount of ordered overtime to fill even basic minimum manning requirements, even the so-called, regular “end of shift” has become an “iffy” proposition), officers are routinely sent from call to call, report to report, assignment to another assignment. Officers often complain about being called while writing one report to put *that* report on “hold” and respond to yet another call. Therefore, reports are often stacked up at the mythical “end” of one’s shift for completion. A “code 10” is often interrupted in mid-meal by a radio call or a citizen demanding assistance/ police intervention. (Does anyone really wonder why so few cops take meal breaks in

public restaurants anymore?)

And then, I thought about where the department’s “beefed-up” patrols **really** come from: It’s the beef that our officers can’t cook on their own home grills because yet another weekend barbeque or anniversary party has been ruined by a parade or a road race or a football game that needed 20 or 30 or 40 officers for security and traffic duty, and so Dad or Mom the cop got ordered again. And those “extra” patrols came right from our kid’s soccer, football or baseball games or dance recital or birthday party. As a union, the

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cancelling each other out....

At the recent BPPA retirement/recognition banquet, Commissioner Evans himself talked about the importance and the priority of the family for all police officers. We concur. In all of your work-related decisions, try to make sure that what is best for your spouse and children is your top priority. You will not remember, twenty years from now, what overtime you were ordered for or what extra shift you worked to make needed money; but you may live to regret missing all of those birthdays and barbeques, and your family will most certainly remember your presence, or lack thereof. Not too many years ago, we fought amongst ourselves to obtain those extra overtime or detail opportunities. Today, we are often in the position of “working extra to avoid being ordered to work,” as crazy as that sounds to the general public. Geez, family first; what a crazy idea?....



# Congratulations and thanks for the service of all of the recent retirees

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It was another successful retirement dinner celebration at Venezia Restaurant on September 15, where we recognized the years of service and dedication that our brothers and sisters have put on this job – each of you will be sorely missed. I again recognize fellow officers **Andrew West, Roger Converse, Hector Alicea, Stephen Carrio, Robert Muller, James Davis, Anne Corcoran, Edward Hamilton, Michael Curry, Gail Tompkins, Joseph Fisher, Dino Gonzalez, John Burke, Susan Reed, Dianne Lashley, Francis Deary, Michael J. Griffin, David Roberto, Carlos Lara, Antonio Dimaggio, Perry Roy, Patrick Butler, William Carroll, Edward Spencer, John Fitzpatrick, Mario Lozano, Roseann Atkins-Tyler, Terry Cotton, Richard McCormack, Basil Buchanan, Claudio McKenzie, Laverne Cameron, Denise Reed, Martin Ryan, Gary Lewis, Mary Bowes, Katherine Gaines, Kenneth Peters, Vatchel Younger, Anthony Green, William Cullinane, Robert Ward, Justina Ward, and Christopher Sullivan.** If any of you were unable to make it out to the event, your plaques are waiting for you at the Hall. If you are local, please let me know and I will drop it off to you if you would like. Remarks were given by Governor **Charlie Baker**, Mayor **Marty Walsh**, Police Commissioner **William Evans**, and Chief of EMS **Jim Hooley**. Each of them appropriately expressed words of thanks and appreciation to this group of brave men and women that had put their lives on the line every day to protect this great city of Boston. The BPPA also recognized the eight officers that almost lost their lives in 2016 in East Boston when officers responded to a call for a domestic disturbance between roommates. Secretary **Chris Broderick** presented Officer **Rich Cintolo**, Officer **Matt Morris**, Officer **Eric Schmidt**, Officer **Joe Greco**, Officer **Joe McSorley**, Officer **Cliff Singletary**, Officer **Lenin Ortiz**, and Sergeant **Norberto Perez** with plaques in recognition of their

exemplary service. This was a night to remember – a night spent among the only people that can relate to what it means to put on that uniform every day, a night to give credit where credit's due. I salute each and every one of you.

## Retirement information

Speaking of retirement, if you are receiving a retirement or pension allowance from the Boston Retirement Board, you and your family members are still eligible to participate in City of Boston health insurance. Family members generally include spouses, children until they reach age 26, and disabled children over age 26 (if they who depend on you for principal support and are unable to earn a living on their own due to a mental or physical condition, provided the disability began before age 19 or prior to age 26 while dependent on you for principal support). Retirees pay the same percentage of the health insurance premiums as active employees – they are withheld from your monthly retirement/pension check and are collected one month in advance. If you are enrolled in Flexible Spending (the program that allows you to set aside a portion of your paycheck tax free to pay for expenses such as dependent care, medical/dental care, and work related parking fees and mass transit), make sure you don't lose any money the year you retire. You can only use your Flexible Spending debit card up to your retirement date. After you retire, you have until the end of the plan year (December 31) to submit paper claims for services that you incurred prior to your retirement date. If there's money on that account and you don't use it up, you don't get it back – so plan accordingly.

Also, remember that the BPPA also provides the option for retirees to continue dental coverage. Any dental coverage plans available to active members are available to retirees.

As always, stay safe and protected.



Officers & EMS Personnel were recognized for their heroic actions during the 52<sup>nd</sup> BPPA Appreciation Banquet at Venezia's in Dorchester. See more photos on pages 12-23.

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# BPD officers cleared by D.A. Conley in tragic shooting of knife-wielding man

## Despite attempts by radical opportunists to politicize and racialize a mentally-ill man's assault on police, EMTs

By James W. Carnell, Pax Editor

**D**espite detestable efforts by racist, cop-hating “activists” and their pro-bono radical-progressive legal advocates, Suffolk County D.A. **Dan Conley**, after an exhaustive and thorough investigation, completely vindicated the officers who were involved in the tragic but unavoidable circumstances leading to the death of a mentally-ill man, **Terrance Coleman**, at 245 Shawmut Ave, South End, on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

(Excerpts taken verbatim from D.A. Conley’s report): “*The investigation ...revealed that Officer Boyle acted in the lawful exercise of his duties, both in self-defense and the defense of others. ...Officer Boyle fired his service weapon only after Mr. Coleman had attacked two...EMT's...who had been called to the home by Mr. Coleman's mother... her son suffered from “schizophrenic paranoia”... and had not taken medication... During the attack, Mr. Coleman knocked one of the EMT's to the ground and attempted to stab him with a ten-inch kitchen knife...Mr. Coleman attempted to stab the officers too... ”* [footnote 1- Page 2] “neither the responding officers nor the EMT's were informed that, twice in the past, police had been called to the home to respond to incidents in which the defendant acted erratically and wielded a knife.”

But, once again, as has become the *raison d'être* (reason for living) for the demented racists of the American political left, the **FACTS** cannot be allowed to disrupt the political narrative. And the desired political narrative of the cop-haters is: “the brutal, evil racist police officers killed an innocent, unarmed black man who was suffering from mental illness.” Any **FACTS** that interrupt that political narrative must be repudiated and dismissed as part of the vast, right-wing police conspiracy. The drum of racism must be beaten continuously until it literally supplants the truth, as Josef Goebbels (Hitler’s minister of propaganda – “*a lie, repeated often enough, becomes the truth...*”) would have nodded in approval. Or, as the legendary British poet Rudyard Kipling said eloquently in his famous poem ***If*** about the spoken truth “*...twisted by knaves, to make a trap for fools...*”.

The “Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice” (*the name alone tells you everything you need to know; in practical effect, they represent neither...*) issued a statement following D.A. Conley’s exhaustive report saying that “...the decision by D.A. Conley continues a disturbing national pattern of prosecutors failing to hold police officers accountable for fatal shootings of black men,” said [LCCR staff attorney] **Sophia Hall**. She was followed in the press statement by drivel offered by (the aptly-named) Attorney

**Daniel Marx**, who offered his opinion about training issues in regards to interactions between the police and mentally ill persons.

Of course, what neither Attorney Hall nor Attorney Marx can offer, other than their obscene and obvious hatred of police officers, is any viable, legitimate option that the police officers might have

had when dealing with a knife-wielding, mentally-ill man in a very tightly-confined hallway foyer who had slashed at two EMT's attempting to help him and was now using the 10"-long kitchen knife – which his Mother insisted he did not possess, but crime-scene photos prove otherwise- to attack them during a violent struggle.

**NO**, neither Attorney Hall nor Attorney Marx – neither of whom were physically present as were the EMT's and police officers – can offer any concrete answers to what alternatives the officers might have employed while

dealing with this knife-wielding madman because A.) ***There were none***, other than the actions the officers were forced to take, and B.) because egomaniac, politically-driven attorneys who pontificate from behind the safety of their desks and sue people and governments and businesses to collect their contingency fees while criticizing the cops who protect them are among the lowest forms of life on earth. I can only guess what the barristers of the Lawyer’s Committee would do if, for example, a knife-wielding, mentally-ill, paranoid-schizophrenic client upset with their representation had entered their offices at 61 Batterymarch St. or 100 Franklin St.? Would they call the police? Or would they try to reason with him? Perhaps engage in the much-ballyhooed “de-escalation” tactics which they are so familiar with? What if the mentally-ill man was swinging his knife in their office board- room while they were holding a meeting, similar to the tight confines of the foyer where our officers encountered Mr. Coleman? Please, by all means, Attorney Hall and Attorney Marx, instruct us brutal, ignorant, racist cops on exactly how to handle this situation, and all within the split-seconds afforded the officers who had the misfortune to be assigned to the Coleman call on that night.

Although it took an enormous amount of time, the BPPA and the Officers and their families are thankful the agony of waiting for a definitive, final report is over. And although the attacks and frivolous lawsuits from cop-hating, politically-motivated lawyers will not end any time soon, the Officers have been vindicated and should, at least, rest assured that their actions were just, legal, proper and totally correct in light of the circumstances they encountered almost a year ago.

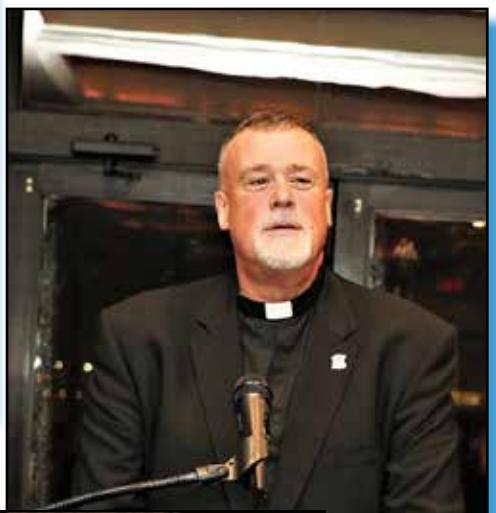


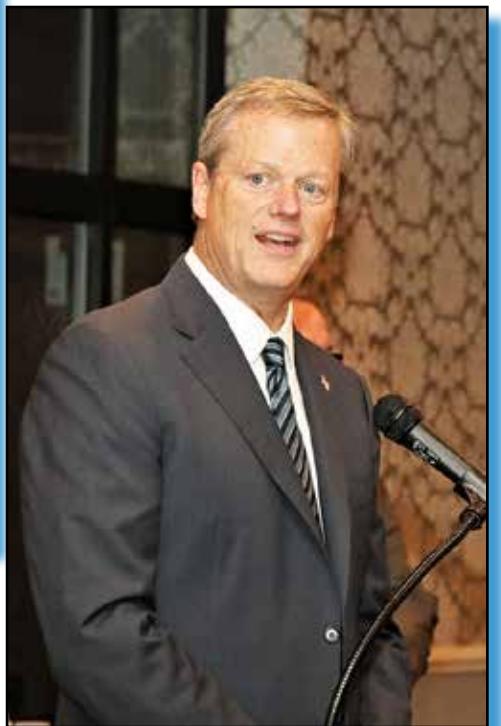
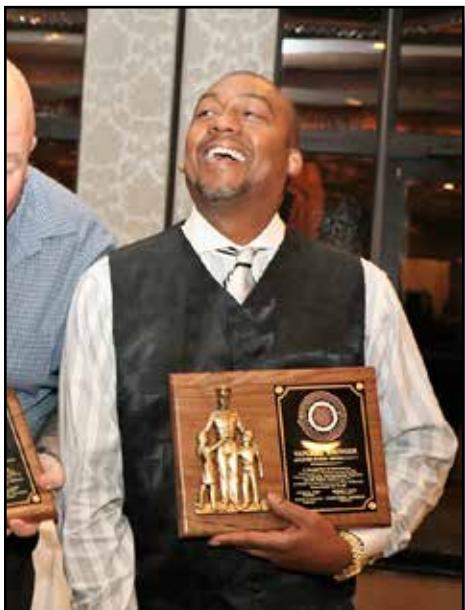
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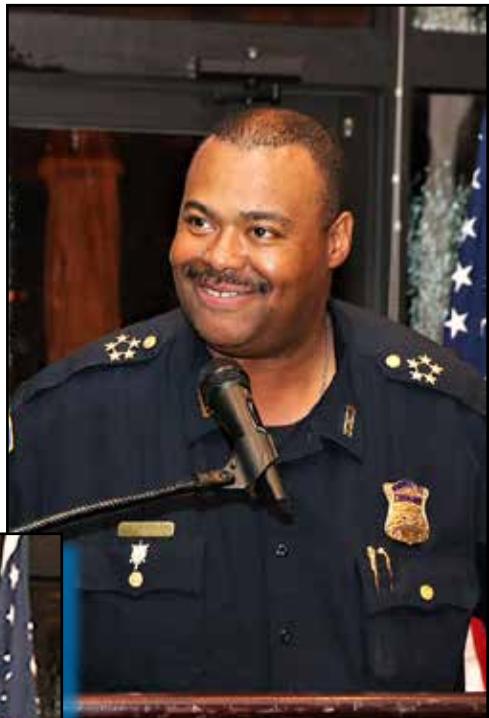


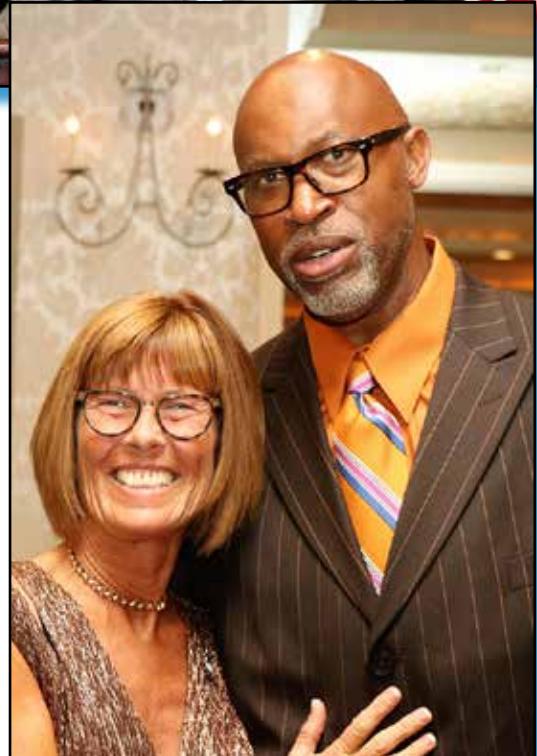
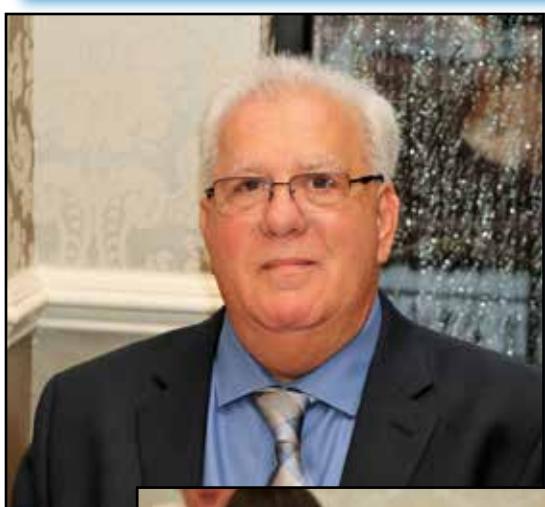
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# Thanks & Congratulations to the BPPA 2016–2017 RETIREES



**GAIL TOMPKINS**

Appointed: 02-27-89 Retired: 10-28-16



**JOSEPH FISHER**

Appointed: 12-21-94 Retired: 12-14-16



**DINO GONZALEZ**

Appointed: 09-19-79 Retired: 11-30-16



**ANDREW WEST**  
Appointed: 06-26-96 Retired: 02-14-16



**ROGER CONVERSE**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 07-06-16



**HECTOR ALICEA**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 08-31-16



**JOHN BURKE**  
Appointed: 06-27-79 Retired: 01-06-17



**SUSAN REED**  
Appointed: 11-01-82 Retired: 01-06-17



**DIANNE LASHLEY**  
Appointed: 06-08-88 Retired: 01-06-17



**STEPHEN CARRIO**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 08-31-16



**ROBERT MULLER**  
Appointed: 03-30-83 Retired: 09-06-16



**JAMES DAVIS**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 09-16-16



**FRANCIS DEARY**  
Appointed: 07-10-85 Retired: 01-18-17



**MICHAEL J. GRIFFIN**  
Appointed: 02-27-89 Retired: 01-11-17



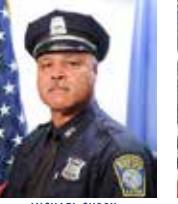
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Appointed: 03-30-83 Retired: 01-13-17



**ANNE CORCORAN**  
Appointed: 07-10-85 Retired: 09-23-16



**EDWARD HAMILTON**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 09-30-16



**MICHAEL CURRY**  
Appointed: 09-19-79 Retired: 10-31-16



**CARLOS LARA**  
Appointed: 11-24-86 Retired: 01-17-17



**ANTONIO DIMAGGIO**  
Appointed: 03-20-96 Retired: 01-21-17



**PERRY ROY**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 02-03-17



**PATRICK BUTLER**  
Appointed: 11-24-86 Retired: 02-03-17



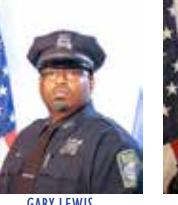
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Appointed: 10-31-79 Retired: 02-03-17



**EDWARD SPENCER**  
Appointed: 03-30-93 Retired: 02-03-17



**MARTIN RYAN**  
Appointed: 06-28-95 Retired: 05-17-17



**GARY LEWIS**  
Appointed: 05-12-99 Retired: 05-19-17



**MARY BOWES**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 05-19-17



**JOHN FITZPATRICK**  
Appointed: 06-10-98 Retired: 02-06-17



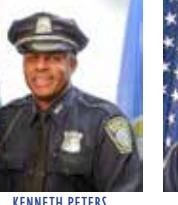
**MARIO LOZANO**  
Appointed: 11-01-82 Retired: 02-10-17



**ROSEANN ATKINS-TYLER**  
Appointed: 01-14-91 Retired: 02-14-17



**KATHERINE GAINES**  
Appointed: 01-12-78 Retired: 07-31-17



**KENNETH PETERS**  
Appointed: 10-31-79 Retired: 06-30-17



**VATCHEL YOUNGER**  
Appointed: 05-15-85 Retired: 06-20-17



**TERRY COTTON**

Appointed: 11-27-89 Retired: 02-24-17



**RICHARD MCCORMACK**

Appointed: 04-27-94 Retired: 02-28-17



**BASIL BUCHANAN**

Appointed: 04-23-80 Retired: 02-28-17



**ANTHONY GREEN**

Appointed: 11-24-86 Retired: 06-01-17



**WILLIAM CULLINANE**

Appointed: 06-09-86 Retired: 07-06-17



**ROBERT WARD**

Appointed: 11-24-86 Retired: 7-20-17



**CLAUDIO MCKENZIE**

Appointed: 02-27-89 Retired: 03-31-17



**LEVERNE CAMERON**

Appointed: 06-27-79 Retired: 04-30-17



**DENISE REED**

Appointed: 07-10-85 Retired: 04-30-17



**JUSTINA WARD**

Appointed: 2-27-89 Retired: 7-21-17



**CHRISTOPHER O'SULLIVAN**

Appointed: 6-25-07 Retired: 8-4-17

# Thanks & Congratulations to the Boston EMS 2016–2017 RETIREEs

STEPHEN BEYER Lieutenant Appointed: 02-24-88 Retired: 11-18-16	SCOTT BEERS Lieutenant Appointed: 01-11-89 Retired: 01-27-17	BRYANT BODDIE EMT Appointed: 02-20-84 Retired: 05-29-17
MICHAEL SULLIVAN Paramedic Appointed: 01-11-84 Retired: 09-05-16	PAUL HUGHES Paramedic Appointed: 11-20-84 Retired: 02-03-17	MARY JANE FORRESTER EMT Appointed: 12-05-90 Retired: 06-27-17
STEVEN HILLSON Lieutenant Appointed: 03-13-85 Retired: 11-04-16	MICHAEL MYNAHAN EMT Appointed: 09-03-87 Retired: 03-31-17	ROBERT Y. HALEY Captain Appointed: 02-24-82 Retired: 07-31-17
MICHAEL REARDON Paramedic Appointed: 04-11-84 Retired: 01-06-17	SANDRA LEABMAN EMT Appointed: 10-02-81 Retired: 04-03-17	WILLIAM T. MIRAGLIA Paramedic Appointed: 04-28-78 Retired: 08-18-17
JOSEPH AMARAL Paramedic Appointed: 10-08-86 Retired: 01-06-17	NELVA SANTIAGO EMT Appointed: 01-14-95 Retired: 04-29-17	



We apologize, but no photos were available from the Boston Public Health Commission of our outstanding EMS personnel for inclusion with this retirement issue. The BPHC, and not the BPD, maintains their own records and we were unable to obtain EMS photos. We thank Boston EMS members for their dedicated service and exceptional work. It is an honor to work alongside them.



## Parting

### Hector R. Alicea

**ID#:** 9270

**Email:** Aliceahe@yahoo.com

**Date of Appointment:** 5/15/85

**Date of Retirement:** 8/31/16

**BPD Assignments:** C-11, B-2, E-18

**Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** I will not focus on the bad memories. It's all in the past. I will always be grateful of my accomplishments. I've met a lot of good people-helped a lot of people. My career allowed me to provide for my family. It's been a good life. I will always bleed blue. I love my police family.

**Retirement Plans:** I'm currently living in Florida with my wife and children. My plans are to give my family all the time and attention that they deserve. Loving it!

**Parting Thought:** I entered the Academy as one and left with a whole new family. May God bless them and watch over them!

### Mary Beth Bowes

**ID#:** 9274

**Email:** mbb9274@comcast.net

**Date of Appointment:** 5/15/85

**Date of Retirement:** 5/6/17

**BPD Assignments:** C-6, B-2, A-7, A-1, drug depository, D-14, E-5

**Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** **Likes:** Camaraderie of my co-workers. **Dislikes:** Mandatory overtime.

**Retirement Plans:** Winter in Tucson, travel and fun!

**Parting Thought:** Watch your back, stay safe, and keep your sense of humor!

### Patrick Butler

**ID#:** 9004

**Email:** BostonsFinestLC@comcast.net

**Date of Appointment:** 8/83 cadet 11/86 (blue suit)

**Date of Retirement:** 2/3/17

**BPD Assignments:** District 4, Mounted Unit, District 5, District 14 (pretty good, huh?)

**Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** **Best:** Working for men like Faherty, Hayden, Saunders, just to name a few. Working with men/women who genuinely cared about those they served and those they served with.

**Worst:** 2016

**Retirement Plans:** Hopefully to do a little roofing and pursue a longtime interest in woodworking.

**Parting Thought:** After 6 months of not putting on the blue suit I have a newfound respect and admiration for those who continue on in a profession I no longer could. Thank you to all! You're only as good as your last at-bat.

# Thoughts/Advice from BPPA Retirees

## Leverne Cameron

**ID#:** 007995  
**Email:** Leecam69@yahoo.com

**Date of Appointment:** 6/79

**Date of Retirement:** 4/17

**BPD Assignments:** BFS/Court Unit  
detailed to D-4

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** **Worst memories:** standing on my feet all day! **Favorite memories:** my time spent on this job with men and women that I have come to "know," "respect," and "love."

**Retirement Plans:** Play a lot of golf, travel, "sleep late" and stay healthy with God's blessing.

**Parting Thought:** It's been one hell of a journey, but if I had to do over, "I would do it again!"

## William F. Carroll

**ID#:** 8294  
**Email:** wcarroll8294@gmail.com

**Date of Appointment:** 10/31/79

**Date of Retirement:** 2/3/17

**BPD Assignments:** B-2, D-4, OPC (FAU)

## Roger Converse

**ID#:** 1688  
**Email:** kwaf1@msn.com

**Date of Appointment:** 5/15/85

**Date of Retirement:** 7/1/16

**BPD Assignments:** E-5, D-4, D-14

## Anne Corcoran

**ID#:** 9350  
**Email:** Lcorcoran33@gmail.com

**Date of Appointment:** 7/10/85

**Date of Retirement:** 9/23/16

**BPD Assignments:** District 2, District 1 & 7 / Youth Services, District 18, District 5, Academy, Hackney

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** The camaraderie and back-up in all districts back in the 80's and 90's. Capt. Ronald Conway "the Best." Teaching defensive driving at the Academy. **Worst:** Robert Dunford by far.

**Retirement Plans:** Animal rescue, travel, my second home in Ireland, Grandkids (I hope!)

**Parting Thought:** Never judge a book by its cover. Thanks for the use of the hall!

These retirees returned the BPPA questionnaire sent to them for inclusion in this issue of the *Pax Centurion* and offered their parting thoughts, advice and contacts for future reference. Although all were offered the opportunity to respond to our questionnaire, some chose not to participate or respond for personal reasons.

## James F. Davis

**ID#:** 9277  
**Email:** bigdad@hotmail.com

**Date of Appointment:** 5/15/85

**Date of Retirement:** 9/19/17

**BPD Assignments:** Areas A, B, C, D, AGVU, DCU, Special Ops (truck team), CVEU

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** **Favorite:** working w/Truck Team, MSP and others doing a fun job and meeting good folks. **Dislikes:** Petty supervisors, those who think they are all that who actually know nothing. Those who pretend they are a friend until you need them or ask for a favor, even though you do anything for them, you got nothing.

**Retirement Plans:** Enjoy my grandkids and take rides on my M/C, work on my house!

## Antonio J. DiMaggio

**ID#:** 11599  
**Email:** dmggssr183@gmail.com

**Date of Appointment:** 3/21/96

**Date of Retirement:** 1/21/17

**BPD Assignments:** C-11, B-2, MOP

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** **Favorite:** Jay Tulley electrocution@ B&E, Kelly(?) Gee on the bus to Watertown. **Worst:** Ed Davis, James Meredith

**Retirement Plans:** Tour USA in RV!

## Edward Hamilton

**ID#:** 9285  
**Email:** peggy39@comcast.net

**Date of Appointment:** 5/15/85

**Date of Retirement:** 9/30/16

**BPD Assignments:** C-11, A-1, B-2, E-5, D-4, D-14, Harbor Patrol

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** Good people, (the cops) Good memories/forgot the bad memories/best job I ever had!

**Retirement Plans:** Not ready for retirement yet!

## Dianne Lashley

**ID#:** 8814  
**Email:** Dlashley04@gmail.com

**Date of Appointment:** P.O. 6/88, Civilian

3/83

**Date of Retirement:** 1/6/17

**BPD Assignments:** B-3, B-2, Operations,

E-5, Court Unit

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** I enjoyed interacting positively with the residents in the City of Boston. I loved getting to know my colleagues and listening to stories concerning their families and sharing my stories as well. I don't like the promotional process or exams. I believe the process is not transparent enough.

**Retirement Plans:** Moving to a warm climate!

**Parting Thought:** Retirement is worth the career sacrifice if you learn.

## Richard McCormack

**ID#:** 11050  
**Email:** semperfirs@aol.com

**Date of Appointment:** 4/26/94

**Date of Retirement:** 2/28/17

**BPD Assignments:** B-2, 19 yrs., Range 4 yrs.

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/**

**Dislikes Throughout Career:** I had the opportunity to work for and with some wonderful, caring, brave, unselfish, funny and dedicated men and women. I will never forget the many good times, sad times, scary times I had over my career. No regrets. Stay safe brothers and sisters and back each other up. Will miss all of you.

**Retirement Plans:** Spend a lot more time with my family, travel, and read the Herald cover to cover daily.

**Parting Thought:** Enjoy the people you work with "it is what you make it to be." When it's over and you retire this will make sense to you.

## Claudio McKenzie

**ID#:** 10427  
**Email:** Luckymack1926@gmail.com

**Date of Appointment:** 2/27/89

**Date of Retirement:** 3/31/17

**BPD Assignments:** D-4, E-5, School Police Unit

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** Meeting and working with a group of wonderful people in the department.

**Retirement Plans:** Spending time with my kids and grandchildren also spending a lot of time in Costa Rica at my retirement house!

## Denise M. Reed

**ID#:** 9351  
**Email:** chewysmom59@yahoo.com

**Date of Appointment:** 7/10/85

**Date of Retirement:** 4/3/17

**BPD Assignments:** D-4, D-14, SPECDA, DCU, Operations Division, A-7, Bureau of Professional Standards

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** Best memories shared w/those I worked with in the operations division while dispatching.

**Retirement Plans:** Travel-Europe, spend time w/grandkids!

**Parting Thought:** Rule 102 goes both ways, respect is a 2-way street.

## David P. Roberto

**ID#:** 8190

**Email:** J677f@verizon.net

**Date of Appointment:** cadet 9/1/79, police officer 3/31/83

**Date of Retirement:** 1/13/17

**BPD Assignments:** B-2, C-11, C-6, B-3, E-5, E-13, D-14

### **Favorite/Worst Memories, Likes/Dislikes**

**Throughout Career:** Greatest respect for Dept. Supt Morgan, Stanley Philbin.

**Retirement Plans:** Live long and prosper!

# *Déjà vu all over again?*

# **“Public wants tougher enforcement on Boston Common...”**

## **Of what and against whom exactly....?**

By James W. Carnell, *Pax Editor*

**P**ERHAPS IT IS MY ADVANCING AGE or the jaded cynicism with which 38 years on this job has infected me, but every time I hear that the public is, once again, pointing the fickle finger of blame at the police for “lack of enforcement” over a crime issue, I have an overwhelming sense of *déjà vu*. I remember hearing the same calls for “beefed-up” patrols, and “tougher enforcement” and “zero tolerance” back in the 80’s, and the 90’s and 2000 \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in the blank). As it inevitably ended up, the “beefed-up” patrols were full of bovine excrement (*because the “beef” only existed by virtue of forced, mandatory, overtime shifts of already-exhausted officers*), and the only “zero tolerance” ended up being for the cops who actually engaged in “tougher enforcement”.

Of course, the most recent example is the spate of shootings and stabbings on the Boston Common, which has prompted numerous “man in the street” interviews by media buffoons and deeply insightful articles by our local alleged journalists. “*The police don’t do nothing*” says one drooling moron who has obviously spent many nights of blissful inebriation upon the Common’s benches himself. (Was he the first passerby who passed you by, Mr. Insightful TV reporter?) And Mrs. Dolly Dimples from Beacon Hill complains about finding drug needles everywhere.

(Jessica Heslam, *Boston Herald*, 9/14/17, “*Crime an all too Common Problem*”) “*The scent of weed wafted across the lawn all day as children were pushed in strollers... I see people shooting up. I saw someone smoking crack the other day. There was a syringe stuck in the ground...drifters and vagrants camped out with suitcases and a big group congregated by... the fountain...*” (*Boston Herald*, “*Neighbors seek tougher enforcement in city gem*” 9/14/17, Dan Atkins/O’Ryan Johnson) ‘*Neighbors and caretakers of Boston Common are sounding the alarm about constant crime ...saying the city needs to “crack down” on drug offenses and other violations...*”. “*Friends of the Public Garden Director Elizabeth Vizza said. ...the Common is “consistently plagued with a host of quality of life crimes...” . “The violence is part of an overall atmosphere of lawlessness that pervades the Common,” said Rishi Shukla... “We’re letting small things go like smoking. Smoking marijuana on the Common is generally not enforced,” Shukla, said, adding that “homelessness, opioid drug use and fights are also problems.” Emerson College President Lee Pelton...said Emerson students...were really shaken, still feeling afraid” after the shooting.*” (Ahmm, not for nothing, but...would those “shaken and afraid” Emerson students be the same ones who consistently follow police officers and shove cellphone cameras in their faces when they attempt to make an arrest, President Pelton?)

The FACTS (and I know how inconvenient FACTS are) Mr. Shukla, Ms. Vizza, President Pelton, et al, are that, even more

than back in the 80’s and 90’s, the police are, in practical effect, prevented and prohibited from effective law enforcement by the liberal permissiveness that much of the general public supported and now complains about! “*Drifters and vagrants camped out with suitcases,*” complains John Q. Public? Vagrancy statutes and ordinances were thrown out by the courts a long time ago. “*Groups congregating...?*”, Ditto, laws against “Sauntering and Loitering” were ruled unconstitutional back in the 80’s. “*Drug needles stuck in the ground?*” Not too many years ago, there existed the crime of “PN&S” – (illegal possession of needles and syringes) which the police could use to lock up addicts and – eventually, hopefully – have them committed to drug rehab by the courts. Groups like the AIDS brigade, under the guise of preventing communicable diseases, passed out free needles and syringes and had the statute decriminalized (sort of like passing out free red solo cups at a college fraternity, pointing students to the keg but telling them not to drink). Thanks, AIDS brigade! With fentanyl and carfentanyl and hot-dose heroin, most drug addicts have no fear about contracting long-term communicable diseases; because they simply won’t live long enough! And “*the wafting smell of marijuana smoke as children pass by...?*” **YOU PEOPLE LEGALIZED IT!** “Enforcement” is limited to a B.S. “civil citation” to be issued to people “smoking illegally” on the Common, and since **NOBODY** is required to carry ID with them (another issue for another day), “Mickey Mouse” and “Donald Duck” have been (apparently?) frequent, repeat violators on the Common. Would you care to give us a fake address to go along with the fake name, Sir?

The point is, John Q. Public, you have effectively rendered your police unarmed when it comes to “quality of life” laws with which to enforce. And if we **do** try to enforce laws or question people about their activities, you surround our officers with cellphone cameras as we struggle on the ground with suspects for your own personal “you-tube” video exclusive. Would you have us remove the homeless and vagrants? Tried that in the 90’s, under then-Deputy Supt. **Robert Hayden**, responding to complaints of homeless “tent-cities” being established on the Common. Officer **Paul Sullivan** and other officers were dispatched to perform said duties, and were quickly attacked by local “homeless advocates” and branded in the media as “Robo-Cops.” (Sullivan was subsequently transferred to a far-away station and left demoralized and abandoned by the BPD, all for “enforcing the law.”) Most officers quickly learned that “enforcing the law” was not conducive to career advancement.

Against exactly whom should we target enforcement, John Q. Public? Could you kindly identify for us – with some specificity for our own protection- who should be considered “suspicious” and therefore the focus of our attention? Vagrants? Homeless? Illegal Aliens? Loiterers? Gang members? “*N’er-do-wells?*”, as one Beacon Hill Brahmin described them. (What, exactly, Chauncey, does a “*N’er-do-well*” look like?) Such subjective determinations of character, social status and

# Broken windows

By Matt Carey, Area A Representative, First Half

If you fix the little things that make people feel like they're living in a dumpy neighborhood, the big things will follow. If you fix the broken windows and paint over the graffiti and pick up the trash, a psychological barrier is broken. What if the people keep taking dumps in the neighborhood? What if the police presence only displaces the crime a block or two away? Does this approach still work or does it just look good? It's awfully hard to proactively patrol a neighborhood with multiple units when those units are assigned elsewhere. The units that would normally be driving around patrolling, deterring violent crime, are not performing this much-needed function. Often the small nuisance is displaced to another area usually not far away. The city ordinance violation goes unpaid by vagrants that have no means-or intention – to pay the penalty. The court system often slaps the offender on the wrist with “don’t do it again” punishment. I get the fact that the theory is about improving the quality of life for the citizens. By the police taking action on the small stuff, it often leads to better neighborhoods where people start taking pride in their neighborhoods. It lets the citizens know the city and the police care. One thing is you cannot address every concern the community has; some functions should simply not be “dumped” on the police, as often happens. Everyone believes their complaint is more important than the next complaint; unfortunately we have to prioritize what's important and what is best relegated to other agencies to address. The police departments across the country would be answering these complaints until you're able to play hockey in hell. So at the end of the day be prepared for things that have no solution.

general intent are fraught with peril for today's police officer, bringing with them the immediate threat of charges of profiling, racism, unfair treatment of the poor, oppressed and the “most vulnerable among us”.

And if police officers actually *can* make an arrest? What happens when that person goes to court after hours of paperwork, prisoner transport, feeding, medical attention, etc., etc.? Please-another ten pages would be required...

And so, once again, as Yogi Berra famously said, “it's Déjà vu, all over again”. John Q. Public and the political powers-that-be demand “something be done” in the wake of yet-another shooting/stabbing/incident on the Common. And the police officers of 2017 are left with *even fewer* tools than those that were available to the cops in 1991 or 2005. “Beefed-up” patrols. “Crackdown.” “Zero-tolerance.” Until the next cop is thrown under the bus for enforcing the laws that John Q. Public has recently decriminalized. Make bricks without straw. Been there. Done that. Heard it all before. As it's been said before (*and I'm not sure who to credit for this quote...*) “The public will get the type of law enforcement that it truly deserves.”



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# Hundreds of cyclists participate in East Boston Police Ride to support Officers Cintolo and Morris

By Bryan Decker, BPPA Attorney

**O**n September 9, I had the privilege of joining hundreds of cyclists – most of them police officers, firefighters or EMS – for the first leg of the 2017 Tour de Force 911 Memorial Ride. This year, the first leg, from Copley Square to Warwick, RI, was “the East Boston Police Ride” in honor of A-7’s own **Matt Morris** and **Richie Cintolo**. We were led for the first part of the ride by members of the BPD Bike Unit.

The Tour de Force was started in 2002 by New York City police detective **Robert DePaola**, who decided to ride his bike from the Pentagon to Ground Zero to honor the officers, firefighters, and other first-responders who were killed during the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. He was joined by a small group of fellow New York City officers for the inaugural journey. A year later, the Tour de Force became a nonprofit charity. Today, about 250 riders from around the nation — many of them police officers, firefighters, or EMTs — participate in the bicycle trek to raise money to support the families of recently fallen police officers.

This year, the Tour de Force started in Boston and ended, after four long days of riding, at Ground Zero in Manhattan. The BPPA canteen truck was on hand all afternoon the day before the ride to feed participants as they arrived in town and registered for the ride.

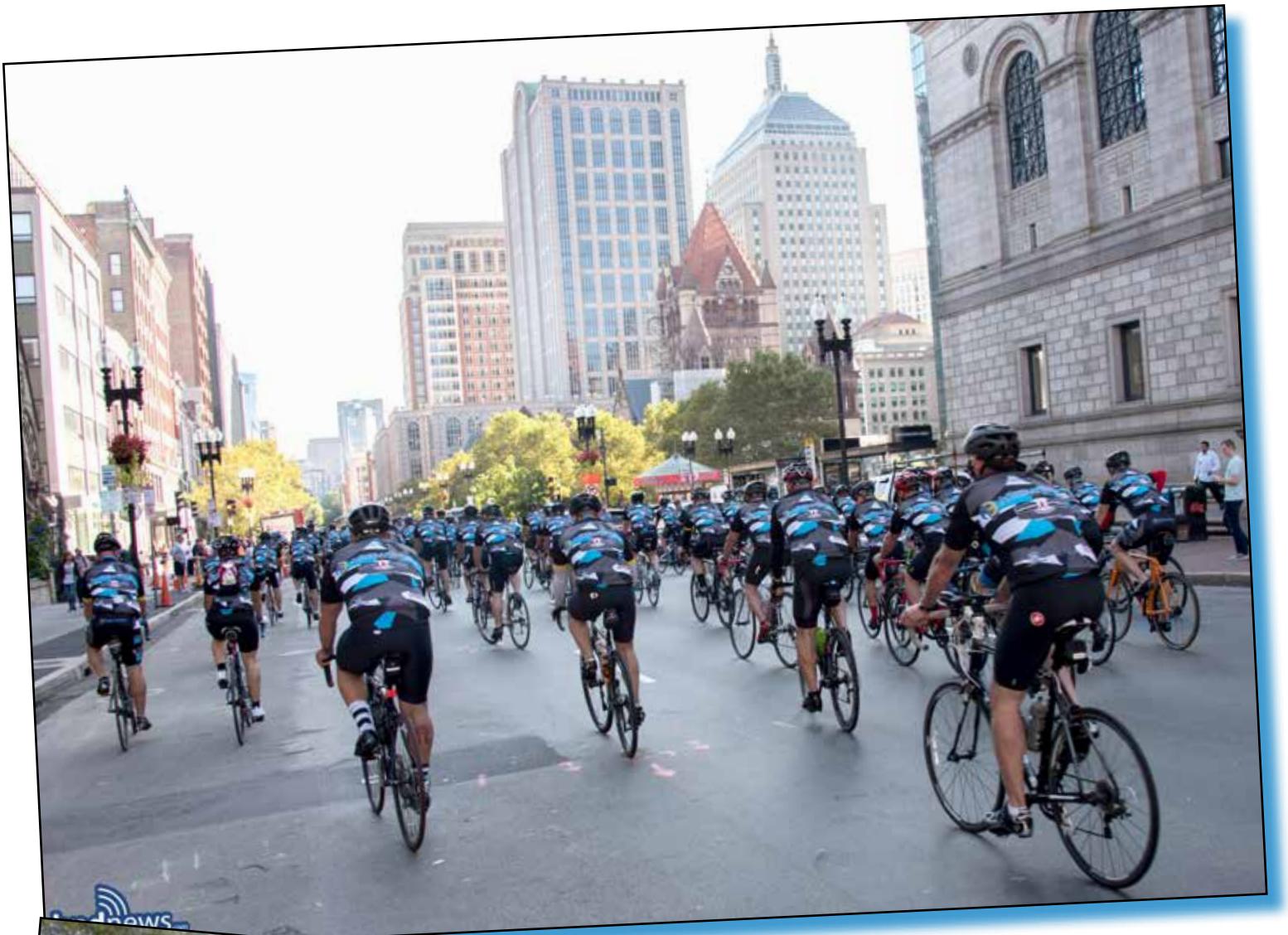
In addition to the four day “main event,” for the past several years, riders can take part in a one day ride. This year, we rode in honor of Matt and Richie. BPD Lt. **Christopher Hamilton**, who’s been involved with the Tour de Force for many years, helped to organize the East Boston Police Ride, and deserves thanks for his efforts. Almost 100 riders participated in the East Boston Police Ride.

The ride on September 9 was one of the most enjoyable rides of my life. It was so inspiring to meet officers and police supporters from all over the country who come together annually for this great event. As we rode, I chatted with officers from Massachusetts, Colorado, New York, New Jersey, Virginia, California, and elsewhere. It was wonderful to see hundreds of riders (it would have been 30 more if the Florida contingent hadn’t been called to duty there for Hurricane Irma) riding through Boston and down to Providence. The camaraderie during the ride and grabbing a beer (or two, or three) afterward was rousing and inspiring. I met so many men and women who were riding in their fifth, sixth, or tenth Tour. The fact that they keep coming back year after year, devoting many hours to training and then almost a week to the ride, is a testament to what a great cause it is, and what a great time is had.

Of course, while the ride is great fun, it’s really about honoring the memory of fallen officers, and raising money for their families. This year, the 4-day tour raised approximately \$600,000, and again, monies from the East Boston Ride will be going to Matt and Richie to help with their recoveries. It was a great honor to be a part of it. Being a part of this ride reminded me of how dangerous a job of a police officer is, and I am grateful for your service and dedication in protecting our community.

After we arrived in Warwick, RI, those of us who were only riding the one day were bussed back to Boston. I wished I could have stayed to hang out with the rest of the riders, who left the next morning for a 97-mile ride through Connecticut. Next year, I think I’m in for the long haul.







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## **Kneel, sit, stand, or spit when and where appropriate**

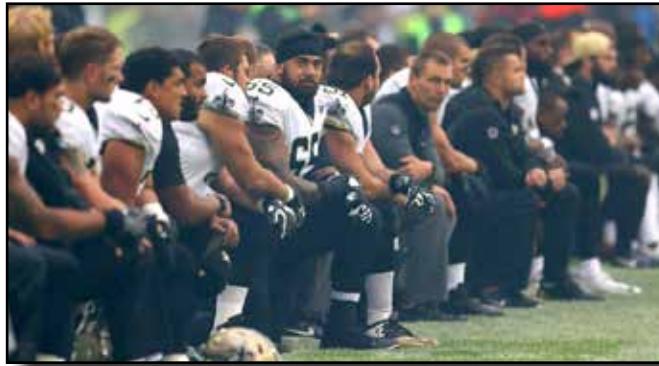
By James W. Carnell, Pax Editor

**B**EYOND THE SHADOW OF A DOUBT, the authors of the above words, which forms part of the first sentence of the preamble to the United States Constitution, were themselves far from “perfect”, and they would probably be the first to admit it. Among them were conniving politicians, wealthy landowners, womanizers, drunkards and all sorts of less-than-perfect people; in other words, just like us. They lived in dangerous times in a divided country, with widely-disparate opinions of what our priorities should/shouldn’t be; the coastal merchant sailors hated the inland farmers, the Northeast hated the South, yadda, yadda, yadda; in other words, just like today. And they knew they could never, ever, create a “*perfect union*”, because Heaven and Utopia are the only two places where that exists, and nobody has ever sent back a verifiable, first-person account of exactly how they got there. Just “more perfect,” you know, like getting a detail or overtime assignment that’s “more better-er” than the one you had before? Or sort

of like what BPPA office manager **Annie Morley** does every year at our annual retirement banquet: seating about 430 people in a tight banquet room in such a manner so that everybody enjoys a nice, civil dinner, but people who hate each other are placed far enough apart to prevent stabbing each other in the throat with forks.

The reason I mention this is the recent controversy about athletes taking a knee during the short two minutes that our national anthem is played before game-time. Some will tell you they’re protesting police brutality or President **Donald Trump** or racism or economic inequality. (I’d love to have economic equality with the worst NFL linebacker.) Some will say it’s their first amendment right. That might be true, *out of uniform and OFF THE FIELD, when they’re not representing their employer*: If any of the NFL owners were to actually show some intestinal fortitude, they would tell their players in no uncertain terms: show disrespect while you’re on my field, and **you will not play**. But too many of them, like so many others, have been cowed into meek acquiescence by the stifling winds of political correctness. The constitution gives you the absolute “right” to act like a classless, disrespectful fool and pampered idiot, and it also gives me and millions of others of fans the right to turn off the TV and refuse to buy tickets or NFL merchandise. “Respect” is a two-way street, after all. Disrespect **OUR flag**, and I have the right to disrespect **YOU**. Fairly easy to understand, isn’t it? But some of these grossly overpaid, immature athletes – and their supporters – don’t seem to get it. (Strange how most of the older, retired, veteran players **DO** seem to “get it” and are most often seen shaking their heads at the younger generation. Geez, I wonder why...)

The point is not that protesting is bad, it’s not. It’s as American as apple pie. But one woman who was being interviewed seemed to possess all of the wisdom and intelligence that none of these athletes could collectively muster. I’ll try to paraphrase what this young mother said: “I kneel before God, I stand for my flag, I yell at my husband and I’ll slap my kid’s butts when they get out of line, sometimes all within the span of five minutes. But I make sure I



kneel, sit, stand or spit when and where it’s proper and appropriate. I don’t spit in the house or yell at my husband in church. There’s a time and place for everything...”

Brilliant. How come this woman could put the current controversy in such proper perspective but all of the King’s horses and all of the King’s men can’t seem to understand the simple basics of decency, respect and class? It’s not that you **can’t**, it’s that you **shouldn’t**. Not to get biblical, (because I already have reserved seating in the third circle of Hell), but didn’t Ecclesiastes say something about “*A time to throw stones, and a time to gather stones together;.. a time to keep silence, and a time to speak*” etc. etc.?

Lately, it seems like we’ve become a parody of ourselves, like a big episode of *Seinfeld*, specifically the one where George’s father invents the new holiday of “Festivus” where everybody gathers around the “Grievance Pole” and bitches, complains, gripes and moans.

Yes, by all means; protest, whine, join victim-nation and exercise

your first amendment right of speech to your heart’s content. Just remember, free speech works two ways: Just because you say something doesn’t mean I have to listen; (*and just because I’m writing this doesn’t mean you have to read it and get all offended; just stop reading it!*) And if you really want something to complain about, take your protest to Pyongyang and see how long you last with **Kim-Jong-Un**. Or travel to the socialist-worker’s paradise of Venezuela and get in line for a roll of toilet paper. Or, if you’re really aggrieved, try walking clockwise around the Kaaba in Mecca when everybody else is going counter-clockwise, and then call the US Embassy for help. Best of luck...

No, we ain’t perfect in America, not even close, never will be. But we’re “*more better-er*” and “*more perfect*” than anywhere else. Don’t spit in church and don’t kneel in a barroom. Don’t pick fights at a family reunion. Time and place. If you want respect, show respect. We have precious few unifiers in this country because we came from so many different places. The flag and the national anthem are two of them; don’t ruin that for everybody else because you want the spotlight on yourself. That’s petty and selfish and childish. People **DIED** for that flag, always remember that. Our national problems will always exist, in one form or another. Leave the two minutes before kick-off alone, for Christ’s sake. It might just do us all some good. You can stand, while many of our veterans lost their legs. Even if you hate this country, stand for them because you can, if for no other reason.

And if you’re really concerned about “police brutality,” Mr. NFL superstar, trade places with us for a day. Answer a domestic violence call and put yourself in the middle of a family dispute, with both sides of the argument in your face and screaming at you, because you’re now the common enemy. Stand silently before a picket line and have bottles of urine thrown at you. Or, try to break up a barroom fight in a “nice” way.

And then, let’s sit down and talk about that issue of “income inequality,” huh...?

# Hypocrisy and double standards

By Mark A. Bruno

**I**t's all done with smoke and mirrors. Deflect the attention of the American people elsewhere like Russia, and if they aren't paying attention, with sleight of hand, maybe they can get away with the biggest sham ever! This is what this whole Russian investigation has been. Nothing has changed at the FBI, they are still corrupt from former Director **James Comey** down, and leaking like a sieve. Former Attorney General **Loretta Lynch** blew off the case against **Hillary Clinton** in regards to her deleted emails and trashed computers, why isn't she being indicted? She met **Bill Clinton** while the investigation was going on and supposedly they just talked about their grandkids. Really, are we that stupid!? The fish rots from the head down and all parties involved including former President **Barack Obama** should be answering questions in front of a Congressional panel. I am so fed up with the sorry lot of charlatans running our country.

When does the whining and kvetching over the election stop? When does the blatant attacks on President **Donald Trump** and the First Family end. **Kathy Griffin** lifting a replica of President Trump's bloody head was despicable. We went after a rodeo clown for wearing a mask depicting President Obama, but a bloody severed head is supposedly ok!? Shakespeare in the park in New York City decided to have a look alike First Family leading it's cast. Julius Caesar looks like Donald Trump and his character gets brutally knifed to death at the end to the applaud of all the left-wing-liberalists. My tax dollars are supporting this trash! A few days later a Bernie Sanders supporter decides to open fire on a ball field where Republicans were practicing for a charity game. Several people were hit and the gunman thankfully was killed.

When does the hatred stop from the mainline media like CNN and MSNBC. There is no **COLLUSION!** Stop inciting hate which leads to riots and crackpots coming out of the woodwork shooting and stabbing people, in particular, Republicans. It's the words our Democratic leaders use like resist and rise up. **Elizabeth Warren** has been leading this insightful rhetoric against President Trump. It's like a subliminal message placed in the middle of a movie at the theaters where they show a clip of a popcorn and soda, then bang, everyone gets up to go to the concession stand. This is what the mainline media, Hollywood, and theater people are doing. They are lighting the fuse for revolution. I really am ashamed

to say I was once a Democrat. They have become a bunch of bullies which have prompted people to act violent towards authority and those who do not agree with their agenda. They fall just short of a terrorist in their behavior.

Hillary lost the election because many Americans were fed up the way the country was being driven in to the ground. Many Americans felt she would have been a continuation of the last eight years and they were not having that. As a law enforcement officer I have never felt my profession so under siege as I have for the last eight years. No one was there to call off the rioters as they burned and looted cities across the country. When they were done pillaging they started shooting cops whether they were good or bad, black or white. I have never seen such hatred towards our profession, and our elected leaders did nothing to stop the violence. Their silence was deafening, and when they did speak it was only to light the fuse again or throw more wood in the fire.

I am also disgusted with the Republican Party for not standing by their candidate. RINO's all of them. I watched the Russian collusion hearings and I wish more of them would have stood up and protected the integrity of President Trump. It's like they hung him out to dry. First day for Trump was met by protestors. First day for God's sake! Really! Calling him a womanizer! Look up the Clinton Chronicles on You Tube and you will realize that Bill Clinton chased every skirt that walked by his office in Arkansas as Governor, and in DC as President. Check out the money tree and the people that backed them. It really is disgraceful. People need to educate themselves instead of being brainwashed by the mainstream media and college professors who are pushing their left wing agenda. If anyone colluded with the Russians or Communist China it was the Clintons. She signed a deal with the Russians giving up a good portion of our uranium. Communist China through illicit channels gave the DNC millions of dollars to put the Clintons in the White House. Talk about sellout! My father as a WWII Veteran is rolling over in his grave seeing how this country is in such turmoil. Our elected leaders both Democrat and Republicans, need to stand up and be counted by condemning this out of control violence that has besieged our nation. Please, stop the violent rhetoric! Let our President lead this great country of ours. Whatever happened to "we can agree to disagree?"

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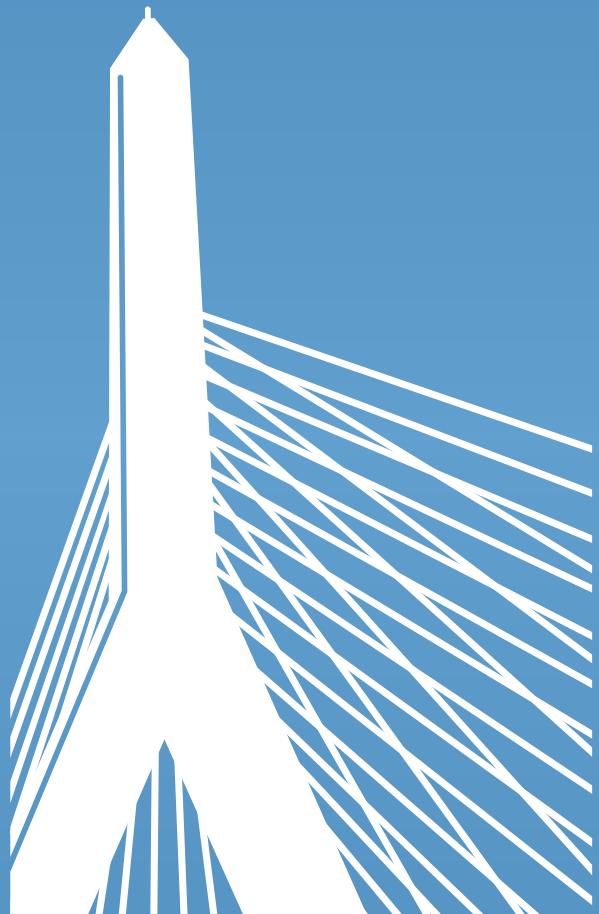
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# ANTIFA/NAZIs: “Want six or a half-dozen?” The Nazis they were looking for... were right next to them

By James Carnell, Pax Centurion Editor

**D**URING THE ANTI-POLICE RIOT of August 19<sup>th</sup> (the grossly-biased liberal media and their political dependents keep referring to it as a “peaceful rally”, but we know what it was...) I was assigned to a squad composed mainly of officers over the age of 50, and bundled into a borrowed “P.A.L.” van for transport to the Common. We were supposed to be on “stand-by” at the Park St./Beacon St. side of the Common in front of the State House for the “anti-hate” rally which was taking place before the scheduled noontime “free-speech” rally. That part of the rally was taking place on the other side of the Common, at Tremont and Boylston.

For the most part, the crowd that we were assigned to monitor were the peace and love, aging-hippie, sign-carrying, social-justice warrior types. Self-righteous, morally-superior, candlelight-vigil, “progressive” types, certainly; but not in any way violent or disorderly. Other than a few argumentative hardheads insisting that their “right” to be heard was somehow more important than other people’s right to choose not to listen to their polemics, the crowd we were assigned to monitor was – at least at the start – generally peaceful. But there was an ominous event a few hours before the “hurray for my sign” rally: about 9 AM, when we first arrived on the

Common, a band of black-clad, kerchief-wearing, anarchist types had set up shop in the middle of the Common, complete with tables and a clothesline surrounding their gathering place to (obviously) expropriate that area of the public park for themselves and exclude others. They were soon moved along, but simply appeared to set up shop further inside the Common without any more police intervention into their activities. Being patrolmen and line supervisors, we simply follow orders and instructions during such events, but the fact that the ANTIFA /anarchists were physically present was foreboding. Undercover infiltration and “up-close, in-your-face” shadowing by our own “good-guy”, black-clad tactical units (of the type practiced and taught by the late, great, Deputy Supt. **Robert Hayden**) would have prevented a lot of what was to come later on that day, but that’s water over the dam now. I simply hope we learned a lesson for the next ANTIFA appearance (November??).

Occasionally, the idiot college kids (and their idiot parents who were reliving the sixties singing bad renditions of “Michael, row your boat ashore...,” “Give peace a chance,” and “We shall overcome”... ad nauseum) would wander over to us and ask, with that all-too-

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familiar, starry-eyed, pasted-smile look of complete naiveté, “*When are the Nazis coming?*” They were genuinely disappointed that they’d been promised a gaggle of Nazis or a pod of Klansmen (*herd? school? I don’t know, whatever...*) to jeer and taunt and that none were to be seen, *anywhere*. When I told them that “*there were no Nazis,*” they gave me that confused-dog look: “*No, you’re lying to us. I heard it on the news...*”. They’d return to the crowd, admire each other’s signs, take more selfies, congratulate each other on how virtuous they all were, and again look around for the non-existent Nazis or phantom Klansmen. (“*Dammit, they paid to see Nazis! Where were they?*”)

On the other side of the Common, trembling on the bandstand, were an eclectic band of 40 or 50 kooks supporting a cornucopia of causes and presenting a plethora of problems who were being removed in police wagons for their own safety. But much to the dismay of Muffy from Marblehead and Biff from Beverly, there were **NO NAZIS and NO KLANSMEN**, at least as far as the cellphone camera could see.

There were, though, ANTIFA fascists, anarchists, free-radicals and assorted troublemakers who knew the real purpose of the day: **an anti-police riot.** The “free speech” rally was just a cover for their true intentions. It was about that time, just as the last of the kooks were being moved off the bandstand, that the tenor and tone of the crowd seemed to change, and we could feel it. Upset at the appalling lack of uniformed Nazis and robed Klansmen, Mommy and Daddy the virtuous liberals wandered away to shop on Newbury St., leaving their spoiled-brat, progressive and privileged children on the Common to be baby-sat by the police. And of course, Moonbeam and Libra, products of the Newton and Brookline Public Schools and filled with the wrenching need to portray themselves as victims of oppression, began the rhyming chants that they’d been taught by their professors at our local centers for higher indoctrination; little ditties such as “*F\*&% the Police,*” and the ever-popular, sing-song chanty (repeated 10,000X) “*this is what Democracy looks like.*” (If *that* was what Democracy looked like, then Plato and John Hancock are turning over in their graves...).

And of course, ANTIFA knows how to manipulate and use little Moonbeam and Libra; impressionable, useful idiots and lemmings that they are. Like lost sheep, an occasional nitwit sporting a “TRUMP” t-shirt or MAGA hat (threatening slogans, to be sure, but certainly not illegal) would wander into the crowd, like a side of bacon before starving hyenas. Attacked from all sides and goaded on by the ANTIFA savages, the puppy-dog protester was soon surrounded by screaming, yelling advocates of tolerance and diversity. We would then have to rush into the crowd, amid spit, bottles of unknown substances and what seemed like a thousand cellphone cameras jammed in our faces to save the free-speech ninny from a certain beating or worse.

It was then that the assembled throngs began to morph from a crowd into a mob. Having no more “TRUMP” supporters to attack, and having exhausted themselves chasing phantom Nazis and ghostly Klansmen up and down Beacon Hill side-streets based solely on a

rumor or a tweet, the lemming-like college kids chanted and sang like North Korean civilians at a rally in Pyongyang. Wrapped in their own self-righteous virtue and protected by their feel-good signs and cellphones, they turned their angst, focus and wrath on us, the police. (Hey, why waste the day and head all the way home to Wellesley without some fun in the big city, right?)

Slowly at first, we noticed the crowd peeling off in ones and twos, threes and fours, away from where they had been confronting our squad at Beacon/Joy Sts. to run towards the downtown crossing area. Instant-action, live-time social media was working its magic. Soon, we began hearing calls for help from beleaguered units clad only in soft-hats in the middle of the Downtown Crossing in front of Macy’s, the Corner Mall, Tremont/West St’s., and a host of other locations. The violent confrontations (which the major media insists did not occur) went on for several hours, with many lightly-protected officers separated from their desperately-needed riot gear by great distance, subjected to urine-filled bottles, rocks, fishing weights, trash, and assorted weapons. Only the arrival and intervention of riot-equipped officers from citywide EDT’s and POP platoons combined with some 33 arrests quelled the violent altercation.

Strange thing, though: If the idiot-college kids and the others who participated in the melee took the time to rub two of their brain cells together, they would have quickly learned that the “Nazis” they were desperately looking for were right next to them, with them and behind them, wearing bandanas, kerchiefs and black clothes, goading them to act, **but they were too stupid to know it.** George Orwell predicted and knew all about the birth of the ANTIFA movement, long before it was actually formed. Orwell, in his famous books *1984* and *Animal Farm*, wrote about double-speak, thought control and how to manipulate people into action or inaction through fear and coercion. ANTIFA, which allegedly means “ANTI-fascist”, is in fact **the epitome, the definition of fascism itself:** strongarm violence and intimidation by lawless groups seeking to impose their will on the silent majority.

But whether they fall into the neat political categories we establish for them (“Nazi,” “Anarchist,” “Marxist,” “Socialist,” etc.) on the political spectrum, they are what they are: violent thugs who seek to impose their political orthodoxy on the law abiding using threats, intimidation and violence. The only way to defeat these savages is to fight fire with fire. **Good** can and must be allowed to defeat **evil**, but kind words and kisses are no match for strongarm violence and lawlessness. The message must be communicated loud and clear: The law **WILL BE** enforced. Your childish behavior **WILL NOT** be tolerated. You **WILL BE** unmasked and arrested as a disorderly person if you do not disperse **NOW**. Lost in the anonymity of the crowd, people will resort to whatever they can get away with. Mad dogs and mobs can sense indecision and weakness. Only the surety of violence meeting violence and that they will be arrested and prosecuted deters rioters. “*We sleep safe in our beds because rough men stand ready in the night to visit violence upon those who would do us harm.*” The quote is attributed to the (aforementioned) George Orwell. We should make it our motto, too.

# “Free speech” rally on Boston Common was far from peaceful





# Boston Globe editorials: A Capacity for Mendacity with no regard for Veracity

By James Carnell, Pax Centurion Editor

**F**OR POLICE OFFICERS WHO WERE PHYSICALLY PRESENT AT THE “PEACEFUL RALLY” of August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 on the Boston Common, slanted, biased reporting from the *Boston Globe* and local major media sources comes as no great surprise; indeed, it has come to be expected as simply “par for the course”. But even the most cynical and jaded of police officers, long accustomed to gross and obvious examples of *Boston Globe* liberal bias, must be asking themselves, in the wake of the anti-police riot of August 19<sup>th</sup>, how fictionalized, blatantly false reporting and obscene lying has become such an ingrained part of the very fabric of the *Globe*’s editorializing.

On this page in the *Pax* is reprinted the *Boston Globe* editorial of Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017, (“*Boston’s mettle is tested, but questions linger*”) composed by the *Globe*’s editorial board a day or so after the alleged “peaceful rally.” **By all means, READ IT, and read it well.** If nothing else, it clearly exposes the sick, warped, mindset that has taken over full control of the City’s predominant newspaper. Let’s examine some of the most blatant and outrageous of the lies perpetrated by the rich, privileged, elitist frauds who compose these daily insults to logic, reason and truth: (Emphasis added and *Pax* Editor’s comments follow italicized *Globe* quotes):

*“The far-right rally on Boston Common on Saturday tested the city’s capacity to allow unpopular, even **wicked** causes....”*

Hmm... The word “**wicked**” is generally reserved to describe witches and witchcraft, or (ironically) as the title of the play which recently appeared on the marquee at Boston’s Opera House, just down the street from the Downtown Crossing area. On August 19<sup>th</sup>, the downtown crossing area, peaceful citizens out and about shopping and police officers were assaulted by **wicked** people wearing black uniforms and hiding their faces beneath kerchiefs while throwing urine-filled bottles at the police and destroying public and private property. **But the *Globe* editorial board did not employ the word “wicked” to apply to Antifa savages, rioters, or those who assaulted police. Why not?**

*“...the 50 or so rallygoers, who claimed to be marching for free speech but who have links to white supremacist groups were able to hold their event...”*

Has anybody – and I repeat – **ANYBODY** – from the *Boston Globe* identified any of the “50 or so rallygoers” and “linked” them to what the *Globe* describes as “white supremacist groups?” The answer is a resounding **“NO.”** Oh, of course, any group that disagrees with any progressive cause or liberal orthodoxy, is, ipso-facto, labeled as “white supremacists,” at least in the *Globe* editorial boardroom. The small-mindedness of self-described “progressives” does not allow that happy buzzword “diversity” – which all good liberals pretend to “celebrate” – to apply to diversity of political opinion. **NO**, there were no “Nazis” (other than those wearing black kerchiefs and shouting down opposing viewpoints) or Klansmen present, much to the chagrin of the alt-left and disappointed college students, who had been promised such a show. The “50 or so rallygoers” were composed of a few naïve ninnies who believed in their reality-challenged minds that they were *actually going* to hold a “free speech” rally

on the Boston Common in the middle of thousands of screaming, uncontrollably angry left-wing radicals and college kids looking to strut their self-righteous virtue and presumed moral superiority. Along with those “50 or so rallygoers” were several people positioned on the bandstand holding “Black Lives Matter” signs (*yes, supporting BLM!*), some nuts concerned about genetically-modified foods, a couple of white-robed lunatics holding shepherd’s staffs and ram’s horns representing some unknown religion who looked like they walked out of central-casting from Monty Python’s “Search for the Holy Grail,” and a few pathetic losers wearing Trump shirts or hats who wanted to test the limits of the free-speech waters while knowing the cops would have to come and save their dumb-asses from the intolerant left-wing savages who were about to tear them limb-from-limb. (*An in-sincere thank-you, 18-year old idiot from Weymouth wearing your “TRUMP: 45” football jersey, for your instructive speech about your “first amendment rights” while my fellow officers plucked you from the crowd and saved you from a certain beating before driving you to South Station.*) But no, *Boston Globe*, there were no identifiable “white supremacists” present or anybody who dared publicly present themselves as such, at least as far as my fellow officers could observe in front of us. Oh, and it wasn’t just the *Globe*: WCVB-TV Channel 5 irresponsibly reported on their Friday night-before broadcast (6 PM, August 18<sup>th</sup>) that “We have learned that three to five Klansmen may be attending tomorrow’s rally – but they will be wearing plain clothes and not identifiable” (*Ed.: paraphrasing*). After hearing that outrageous, unattributed, anonymously-reported claim that undeniably helped to gin-up the alt-left mob (they were desperately searching for phantom Klansmen and Nazi – ghosts during the riot and responded to any and all false sightings by running like lemmings up and down adjacent Beacon Hill sidestreets) we learned that Channel 5 had previously called the Area A detail room to attempt to arrange three (3) detail officers to protect their own news crews on that day. (Naturally, there were no available officers to fill such a deplorable detail, but I have the order #’s from WCVB’s office requesting detail cops to meet them at Area A, 10 AM-6 PM, 8/19 for “escort coverage.”)

*“Most importantly there was no violence, apart from a few minor scuffles... the fears of “Antifa” violence directed at conservatives also turned out to be overblown. A few counter-protesters in black outfits showed up, made some noise, and then went home...”*

More than any other arrogant phrase in their ignorant and condescending editorial, this hits home with all officers who were physically present. As we know, there were many hours of violence, several civilians and officers assaulted, officers pelted with urine-filled bottles and push-cart hot-dog/drink vendors had their products stolen and vandalized by the “peaceful” protesters. This clearly shows that the *Globe*’s editorial board and journalists live in an alternate universe, denying the reality in front of them. The video and photographic proof exists and shows the violence and hatred directed at police officers, but the *Globe* denies it, pooh-poohing any evidence to the contrary. If the Antifa animals *“in black outfits showed up, made some noise, and then went*

**home...**,” then we hope the *Globe* editorial board members and journalists picked up their little darlings at the Alewife and Riverside MBTA stops and kept dinner warm for them after the riot, because the apples never fall far from the trees.

*“Why was the media restricted from the bandstand?”*

Ahhhmm, perhaps because the multitude of media-idiots would have actually out-numbered the few, pathetic rallygoers? Or to paraphrase Congressman **Hank Johnson** from Georgia, perhaps there was a concern about the bandstand “tipping over” from having too many people on it?

**“...And had the event actually become violent, a media presence would have helped ensure a complete accounting.”** If this sentence was meant to be funny, it’s not. That, in a nutshell, tells the lie of the major media in 2017. It is specifically what President **Donald Trump** means when he accuses the media of “**FAKE NEWS.**” The major media **WAS** present, and as anti-police violence swirled around them, with officers being attacked and injured, the major media **IGNORED REALITY.** Instead, the major media presented a manufactured happy-face of a peaceful protest which did not occur, turning their cameras away from the anti-police riot occurring directly in front of them. The major media – and particularly the *Boston Globe* – **LIED,** pure and simple.

*“And what happens next?... there needs to be a genuine effort to turn angry white people away from radicalism... But unpoisoning a poisonous movement will take longer than an afternoon, and more than just the city’s scorn.”*

The Boston and State Police Officers present on August 19<sup>th</sup> could not see the faces of most of those “angry white people... extremists... radicals... poisonous movements” because the cowards had covered their faces with kerchiefs, as the *Globe* is well aware. But of course, the fascist savages who hide behind black masks (*a classic definition of real-life fascists and Nazis, if ever there was one*) whom the *Globe* pats on the head and dismisses **are not** the subject of this editorial’s ire: **We are.** It’s not just the few pathetic losers on a bandstand with a multitude of jumbled, disconnected, quasi-conservative/libertarian causes whom the *Globe* wants eradicated; it’s you, and me and any police officer or citizen who dares to voice an opinion or relate their real-life observations which are contrary to the *Globe’s* “progressive” orthodoxy. That is the truly scary point of the final sentence of this deplorable *Globe* editorial. Anyone who does not agree with left-wing fascism, as practiced by and through the pages of the *Boston Globe*, must be silenced. And this is supposedly a newspaper which believes – (or should believe?) in the first amendment? We should all be scared. Very scared....

## Boston’s mettle is tested, but questions linger

**T**he far-right rally on Boston Common on Saturday tested the city’s capacity to allow unpopular, even wicked, causes. The city passed: the 50 or so rallygoers, who claimed to be marching for free speech but who have links to white supremacist groups were able to hold their event at Parkman Bandstand.

The tens of thousands of counterprotesters, meanwhile, were able to voice their emphatic disapproval. Waving signs, marching, and screaming at the far-right activists, they vastly outnumbered the tiny group at the bandstand. With the nation’s attention focused on Boston, the counterprotesters upheld the city’s reputation and provided living proof of the old adage that the best response to offensive speech is more speech.

Most importantly, there was no violence, apart from a few minor scuffles. The police arrested 33 people, some of whom apparently were detained for trying to block vehicles carrying the far-right demonstrators away.

Saturday put the lie to a common whine of the so-called alt right — the loose movement of anti-Semites, neo-Nazis, white supremacists, and freelance bigots emboldened by President Trump’s election — that they are somehow deprived of their free speech rights. Nonsense. If being mocked, booed, and heckled is the alt-right’s idea of censorship, it may be time to rethink who gets labeled a “snowflake” in today’s political environment.

The fears of “Antifa” violence directed at conservatives also turned out to be overblown. A few counterprotesters in black outfits showed up, made some noise, and then went home. Sorry, but left-wing cosplay isn’t a security threat comparable to neo-Nazi violence.

Still, while Saturday was mostly a success, it left a few disquieting questions.

Why was media restricted from the bandstand? It may be the case, as First Amendment specialists say, that the right to free speech doesn’t create a right to be heard, but it still would have been better had the public known exactly what the rallygoers were doing and saying. And had the event actually become violent, a media presence would have helped ensure a complete accounting.

And, what happens next? The far-right rally’s attendance may have been small, but if the election and the ensuing tumult have showed anything, it’s that the radicalized racist fringe is getting bigger and bolder. Screaming matches at rallies probably won’t change the minds of extremists; there needs to be a genuine effort to turn angry white people away from radicalism.

The huge response to Saturday’s rally should be seen as an important statement of public disgust toward vile groups and the hateful beliefs they espouse. But unpoisoning a poisonous movement will take longer than an afternoon, and more than just the city’s scorn.

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# ANTIFA bullies have never been for “tolerance or peace”



Notice similarities to former Nazi emblems, insignias that ANTIFA supporters say they're opposed to?

**A**NTIFA originated from Nazi Germany. They are not now nor have they ever been for “tolerance” or “peace.” They are bullies, intent on manipulating America to do their bidding – through media, through violence, through protests, through shutting down the opposition by any means possible.

**This is a poster used by ANTIFA activists warning of “fascists” coming to the Boston Common on August 19th. Note the two flags in the middle that they were concerned about. Blue lives don't matter to Antifa! ANTIFA considers the “Thin Blue Line” (in other words, US - the police!) to be fascists!**



# An unpublished Letter to the *Globe* Editor regarding their editorial: Hateful, anti-police fascism, not a “peaceful rally”

Dear Editor,

**O**n Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, I and many other police officers were assigned to the so-called “free speech rally” on Boston Common. Your allegedly “peaceful rally” quickly and (I believe) deliberately devolved into a fascist mob of anarchists, BLM activists and assorted lemming-like college students. They chased, threatened and surrounded a few pathetic losers who wandered onto the Common stupidly wearing a “Trump” football jersey or an (apparently) threatening-looking “M.A.G.A.” baseball hat, naively thinking they might engage in civil discourse/free speech with alleged liberals. Repeatedly, police officers wandered into the crowd to save these lost souls who were in serious danger of being beaten to a pulp or worse. Robbed of any actual Klansmen or Nazis (save themselves) to vent their hatred upon, they chased racist ghosts up Joy St. to Mt. Vernon St., tolerantly and inclusively throwing bottles of urine at BPD officers and command staff seeking sanctuary for these poor people at the rear of the State House, (and thank God for the Mass State Police, who saved us!) These alt-left racists (does “White M.F. Pig,” repeated many times a few inches from your face, qualify as “racist hate speech,” *Boston Globe*?) then descended upon downtown crossing to throw bottles and rocks and trash at officers wearing soft-cloth uniform hats (so as to not “incite” the tolerant, inclusive demonstrators). Officers were spat upon and treated with vitriolic hatred by those whom the *Globe* described as “peaceful protesters”. One television reporter went so as far as to evoke an image of “flower blossoms tossed onto the hoods of a police cruiser.” Collectively, the major media and our political establishment did everything possible to turn a blind eye towards what devolved into an anti-police riot. The

## The quick & curt response from the *Boston Globe* Letters Editor

Returned to BPPA at 4:35 PM, 6/21/17, exactly seven minutes later.

Dear Reader,

**T**hank you for your submission to *The Boston Globe*'s letters section. We appreciate your interest.

Although this may be an automatic response, we want you to know that we do read submissions as they come in. However, because of the volume of submissions we receive, we regret that we cannot publish every letter.

All letters should be exclusive to the *Globe* and include name, address, and phone number. Ideally, letters should be under 200 words.

If you do not hear back from us within 10 days, it is likely your letter has not been selected. If that is the case, we encourage you to write to us another time.

Thank you,  
Matthew Bernstein,  
Letters Editor, *The Boston Globe*

only “hateful beliefs”, and “poisonous... extremist... radicalism” (your words, *Boston Globe*, 8-21-17, “Boston’s mettle tested, but questions linger”) that I and my fellow police officers saw on display that day belonged solely to “Black Lives Matter” radicals, anarchists and their legion of kindred, pandering, condescending young lemmings from our local institutions of higher learning.

The *Globe*'s editorial board, however, blithely dismisses this anti-police riot as “...a few counter-protesters in black outfits showed up, made some noise, and went home. ...” If indeed they went home, I hope you kept dinner warm for them. Your reporting of this rally was disgraceful and intentionally false, but among police officers, not at all unexpected.

— James W. Carnell,  
A Boston Police Officer  
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(P.S.: Should you doubt my veracity, your photographer, John Tlumacki, took our picture as we escorted one of the naïve youths wearing a “Trump” football jersey from a certain assault; photo on page one, Sunday's *Globe*, 8/20/17. Ahmm, ...John, next time, please stay out of our direct exit path or we might run you over. You had the luxury of not wearing a uniform, John. We didn't...)

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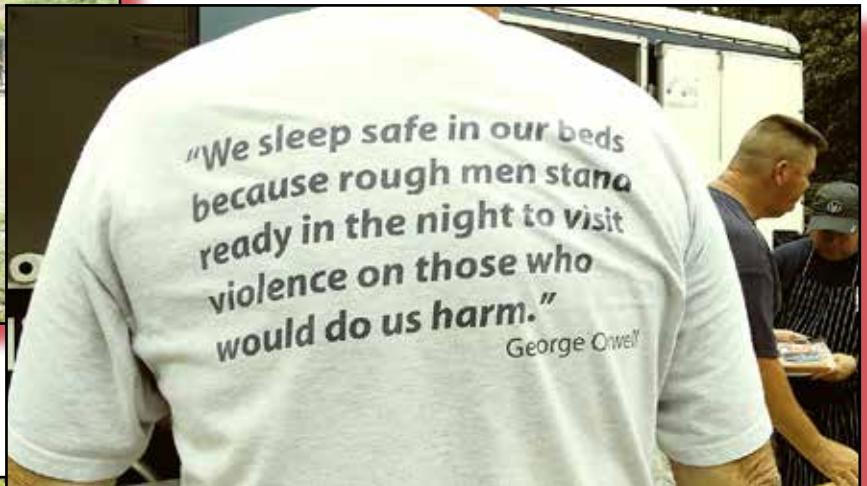
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# All eyes on the road

When it comes to cell phone use while driving, I am guilty as charged. Whether it's checking my email as I cross the Neponset Bridge en route to the office, browsing my twitter feed as I crawl through the O'Neill tunnel during rush hour or sending a text as I make my way down Melnea Cass toward BPD Headquarters, I can't seem to kick the habit. Although I blame some of it on the ever-worsening traffic around the City, that is not an excuse. The real reason I continue to break the law is because there's a good chance that I won't get caught. And, even if I do, I'd probably just appeal the ticket. Plus, everyone else does it.

Distracted driving is not a new issue by any stretch of the imagination. It has been going on for longer than Antifa protesters have been wearing Birkenstocks. Some

states, like neighboring Connecticut, ban cell phone use all together while just about all others have regulations restricting it. In Massachusetts, for example, the law prohibits drivers from using any mobile telephone or handheld device to browse the internet or write, send, or read an electronic message, even if the vehicle is stopped in traffic. And, as I am sure you have seen, billboards and television commercials condemning the act are very common. However, despite efforts to crack down, the number of motor vehicle crashes and fatalities linked to distracted driving rises considerably every year. In 2015, 3,477 people were killed and nearly 400,000 injured in crashes involving operators distracted by cell phones, a 9 percent increase as compared to 2014.

I handle a fair amount of OUI cases in my criminal defense practice and unless the client decides to take the case to trial, a typical first offense OUI disposition includes a one year Continuance Without a Finding (CWOF), approximately \$2,000 in fees/fines, completion of a sixteen week alcohol class, a license suspension and a hefty insurance surcharge. Clients routinely tell me that the public and personal humiliation which accompanies an OUI will deter them from ever doing it again. I believe that. The stigma associated with an OUI is real. Many great people have lost careers and soiled reputations over them. But isn't texting while driving, which carries a \$100 civil fine, just as perilous and arguably just as reckless? I think so. Research has shown that when you are behind the wheel and want to fire off a text, the average time it takes to grab your phone, enter your password, pull up the text screen, type out an actual text and hit send can be upwards of twenty seconds. Although your head is bobbing up and down trying to maintain a view of the roadway, your eyes can be completely off the road for more than five seconds. If you are checking Facebook or Instagram, double that. It is scary.

I understand that the Boston Police are not known for traffic enforcement per se so this article may be a tad misplaced. And apart from new prospective customers for my firm, I am not necessarily advocating that texting or using the internet while driving should be a criminal offense. For one, it is very difficult to prove. Unlike breathalyzers and field sobriety tests, there is rarely evidence



to corroborate simple observations.

Additionally, seizures of phones would create all sorts of 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment issues. Nonetheless, over the past few months, I know that some local police departments have received grants specifically air marked to curb distracted driving. The Quincy

Police Department received \$20,000 this spring from the Executive Office of Public Safety to add patrols aimed at identifying and stopping motorists improperly using cell phones. Similarly, the Brookline Police completed a sting operation over the summer where officers dressed up like Boston sports fans, wearing Patriots and Bruins gear, and nabbed unassuming offenders. If anything, it brought awareness to the issue. I can only hope that more proactive policing such as this occurs

- even in our great City of Boston - to give people like me an incentive to put down the phone. I would also urge the legislature to consider stronger penalties such as a \$1,000 fine or an automatic tow for a first offense and mandatory license suspension for recidivists. This could go a long way in bucking the current trend.

Ok, as Forrest Gump once said, "That's all I have to say about that." Stay safe out there, enjoy the crisp fall weather and don't forget to tip your bartender.

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# Fast turnaround for Police Academy Graduates

By Daniel O'Donnell, Boston Police Academy

**A**fter over six months of training at the Boston Police Academy, the 56 new recruits of class 56-16 spread over the districts to begin their careers as police officers. They are young enthusiastic men and women ready to embark on hopefully long careers. One of the many things our excellent academy staff will impart on these new recruits is advice in order to prepare them for some of the things their district training officers will do or say. Certainly, one thing they will say is that we as training officers will at one point tell them "forget what they taught you in the academy, 'cause out here it's different." While that may be partially true, it was something I planned not to say, as I wanted to let the recruit I was training to experience this for him/herself and formulate his/her own opinion.

What I didn't know was that within two hours of my assigned recruit's first night on the job, she was going to get an awakening to a scenario she didn't expect about life "on the streets".

That after six months of envisioning and wondering about how exciting her first shift was going to be, she instead would be rocking back and forth on her heels while we guarded a prisoner at the Tufts Medical Center Emergency Room. Six months of defensive tactics, weekly quizzes, level 1's and 2's, morning runs and PT, getting yelled at – sir, yes sir; ma'am, yes ma'am; push-ups, sit-ups, motivational speeches about how awesome being a cop was going to be!?!?!! Right??? All this came to a screeching halt two hours into her first shift as a police officer, as she stood with me in the Emergency Room while we guarded a prisoner. I'm sure that if he didn't get arrested the day before for home invasion, he would most certainly have brought himself to the hospital because of his altered mental status. Wait, that was his first trip. He definitely would have not forgotten to come to the ER to address his chest pain. I'm sorry, I was not there for that trip either. That was his second trip earlier that day; my mistake. This trip, he most certainly would have realized how his life went south and decided to tell the booking officers that he "didn't want to live anymore." Yeah, that's it. Oh, and his feet hurt. Thats right. That was why he went to the ER for the third time. Yes, the third time in 18 hours after being arrested on a Friday afternoon. I'm sure if the DK01 didn't grab him and he got away, he was heading right to the nearest medical facility to tackle all of these ailments. That's enough sarcasm for now....

What was difficult for me was explaining the rationale for bringing a prisoner, who everyone, including the prisoner himself, knows is faking, to the hospital to satisfy his goal of getting out of the cell and laying in a hospital bed for a few hours before heading back to station with his body recharged with IV fluids, graham crackers and gingerale.

I guess It's not difficult explaining the reason why we immediately call for EMS transport to the hospital; its **LIABILITY** plain and simple. A prisoner really attempts to kill himself and the book is rewritten. I understand, "it is what it is." We have to abide by the rules that are currently in place. I also understand not all of the prisoners awaiting court the next day or after the weekend **ARE** faking. Obviously some have medical conditions that require them taking medicine or treating an injury that occurred before or during the arrest. That's a small percentage of the trips. Most arrested know how to play the system to their advantage, what the "keywords" are that will automatically get them out of the cell and have them laying comfortably on a hospital bed while an ER doctor (mostly students) ask them in a cheery voice, "So, what brings you in here today?"

Excuse me while I roll me eyes. Also, pretending not to see the two policemen standing there and the fact that their "patient" is in handcuffs and sometimes shackles.

Maybe some reading this are thinking "stop whining," it's part of the job so just suck it the eff up and do it. We all have to at some point. Believe me, that's how I get through each hospital trip. Saying to myself, "just get through it." Don't be pissy at the prisoner for manipulating the system, or in some cases (not a lot, but the feeling **IS** there) nurses and doctors who barely acknowledge your presence or who do acknowledge you but look at you with contempt as if it is your fault that the prisoner is in this predicament.

There are a few reasons why this last trip caused me to start typing away here. One was trying to explain to a young recruit that this is unfortunately something they don't teach you in the academy. Two, the unbelievable cost that occurs with each trip to the ER that would in my humble opinion would 100% not happen if the person was not incarcerated and was free to walk themselves in for treatment. The absolute biggest reason is Officer safety, which I will get to in a minute.

With manpower at a all-time low, minimum staffing levels being decreased (at least in D4 they were), call volume at an all-time high (no more call screening) all across the city with the population in city's districts skyrocketing, patrol districts are being spread ridiculously thin. With some dispatchers acting like the Ron Burgundy's of the dispatch world reading whatever is on the teleprompter, if you will. An actual call was dispatched to a rapid in D4 for, wait for it.... Crickets chirping. Not making that up and sorry but I just went off the rails for a minute.

Point is, with all of these issues, rapids across the city, I'll speak for D4, A1, and C6 for certinly being tied up with prisoners at the hospitals on top of everything else. DS's in the past hired overtime for this if a prisoner had a lengthy stay, but now there is already tons of forced ordering going on and this practice is just not an option for the supervisors anymore. These three to some times 72 hour hospital stays are taxing an already taxed patrol force.

The medical cost that this situation creates is not a drop in the bucket either. I'm not going to drop exact cost/numbers here but let's just take the typical ER visit for a prisoner. 1,200 ambulance run. Initial patient assessment, IV fluids, x-rays, blood tests, urine tests, EKG's, Snacks!! Don't forget the snacks...how about things that don't have price tag on it; the time taken away from "real patients." Doctors, nurses, technicians, volunteers, hospital security. And while we're at it, throw in an EEG test because we may as well have someone's goddam head examined for allowing this waste to continue. Oh yeah, I forgot that I have never had one ER registration coordinator ask what medical coverage they have. Why? Because we are picking this tab up. Add that cost times three for the prisoner that went to the ER for the triple, recently. Not to mention that he dropkicked a television monitor when he knew the heart problem gig was up after the EKG. So, he had to go with the "I'm crazy" road and violently flailed around screaming until he managed to get his leg over the stretcher and damaged the monitor. Oscar-worthy...

I left the safety of the officers, nurses, doctors, civilians, etc. last, but it is the most important issue here. We know our jobs are inherently dangerous, "we signed up for this right?" Gun calls, domestics, bar fights, traffic stops, unknown calls for service, EDP's. The list is endless about how a simple call could turn disastrous. Its part of the job. We can't plan for what we don't know; we only

have our training and experience to guide us. But all of these scenarios are before the arrest. So why, after the arrest, do we take such huge risks with our precious “safety?” Why is that placed on the back burner? We take a prisoner that has been arrested out of our secure holding cells where we are not allowed to even bring our weapons into because of safety concerns and take them to a unsecured open area where **ANYONE** can walk into off the streets and be within two feet of us and our “patient.” Is it not in the realm of possibility that someone knows of a prisoner who has been arrested and has been transported to an unsecure facility? And they would like to see that person suffer more in some way? They wouldn’t even need to bring their own weapon as there is the potential for endless items that could be used as weapons against a prisoner as well as the officers guarding them. Again, the word I keep repeating is **UNNECESSARY**. Yes, they are handcuffed, but they are also carted into X-ray rooms, bathrooms, treatment rooms. Nurses are always asking if they “need to be handcuffed.” We take such precautions in our stations with the prisoners. No one is allowed back to the holding cells to see or talk with prisoners (except lawyers i know). No firearms, No one officer booking, we

are at our most cautious when booking prisoners, especially violent ones. So why are we continually throwing all of that out the window and taking these unnecessary risks because of liability? Yes, they ARE unnecessary because 90% of the time there is no reason for them to leave the cell. Let alone be transported to a hospital ER that is basically a funhouse of potential weapons for any prisoner who really wants to hurt us.

There have been escapes, assaults and damages to hospital equipment by these “patients.” Officers and medical personnel have been spit on, bit, verbally abused (that's not a big deal, cause we are used to that already) all **AFTER** being arrested and placed in a secure holding cell. None of these incidents have moved the needle to come up with a better course of action for prisoners who already have been arrested. I won't say it in print as I am a superstitious man, but does some horrific act have to happen to one of our officers for this unnecessary risk to be corrected?

In this unprecedented era of anti-police violence and rhetoric, it is hard enough to keep ourselves as well as the public safe. Why are we voluntarily ignoring our rules and precautions because a prisoner decides he wants to be a patient?

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# Quick hits with family can be rewarding

By Mark A. Bruno

I always say there are not enough hours in the day to stop and catch your breath and just relax. By virtue of what we do the hours are long while the time off is short. Sometimes I find peace just walking behind a building to view the Boston Harbor. For most of us this is our lot in life; long hours with little rest. Planning a vacation can be as stressful as work. Actually going on vacation can be just as tiring all depending what you're doing. You may actually need a vacation from your vacation! For some of us the solace and tranquility of our own backyards can bring us peace.

For me going to the theater or a concert brings me this state of grace I look for short term. It's as good as it will get given my surroundings and choices. Fishing would be nice but that would require a boat with more planning, or a fishing license to fish off the dock. Just a short term escape from the everyday chaos that consumes the bulk of our time. Give me a good singer or group from past or present that will just sing and play and not talk politics, that would be fine for me. Needless to say Hamilton or Shakespeare in the park is not on my list to see for obvious reasons.

A short weekend trip to New York City with the family to enjoy Motown the play was very enjoyable. For those of us that grew up with the music you know what I am talking about. When most radios stations were on the AM dial, and you could hear the sweet sounds of the Temptations singing "My Girl" crackling out of a transistor radio. The music and lyrics were innocent. The songs spoke of love or lost love. Marvin Gaye sang of the sad state of the world in "What's Going On".

No talk of beating your woman up or strapping on a nine-iron to show your manliness. Just clean soulful music to enjoy on a sunny afternoon.

My kids got to experience the sounds and history of Motown.

From Smokey, the Temptations, the Four Tops, to the Jackson Five, the Supremes and everyone in between. This play had it all with one hit after another. My youngest son, Robert, could not believe this one tiny label turned out so many hits. The writing team of Holland-Dozier-Holland along with Smokey Robinson turned out more hit songs than you could imagine. We all walked out of that theater cheerfully impressed.

Fast forward fifty plus years from those early days of Motown and still going strong is Diana Ross. I had the pleasure of taking my sisters and youngest son to see her. She didn't disappoint at seventy-three years old. From beginning to end everyone was on their feet dancing. From the early days of the Supremes right up to her solo years, she belted out the tunes one after another. Towards the end she sang "Theme from Mahogany" and went right into Ain't no Mountain High". The crowd erupted! This is a legend of days gone by the likes of which we may never see again in our lifetime. From all her costume changes with feather boas and wraps, she looked absolutely beautiful. She put the "D" in Diva! The fabulous Ms. Diana Ross!

It was an enjoyable night spent with family who all had a good time. My son, Robert, was really impressed. In the end I got to enjoy one of the things I like, music, with the people I love most, my family. If you can't get away on vacation try a quick hit and enjoy your family and whatever life has to offer for your pleasure.

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# Enormous victory for the BPPA in Supreme Judicial Court

**O**n July 12, the highest court in Massachusetts finally came down with its long-awaited decision in the David Williams arbitration case. The decision is an enormous legal victory for the BPPA and vindication for Officer Williams. The Court flatly rejected spurious legal claims by the City of Boston and the Police Commissioner purporting to give the Commissioner virtually total control over Boston Police Officers.

From a legal perspective, this case began in 1906, when a Republican, Protestant Legislature, fearing that political control of Boston was devolving to its immigrant, Catholic, and largely Irish immigrant population, enacted a law providing that the Governor, not the Mayor, would appoint the Boston Police Commissioner. That law, updated in 1962 (by then, the Legislature had deemed the Mayor sufficiently trustworthy to appoint the Police Commissioner), gives the Commissioner "...cognizance and control of the government, administration, disposition and discipline of the department, and of the police force of the department..."

In 1974, the Legislature passed a comprehensive public sector labor law, Chapter 150E. Section 7 of this law says that if any conflict arises between a negotiated collective bargaining agreement and certain other laws, the terms of the agreement must prevail. In practice, this provision allows decisions of arbitrators to supersede those of mayors, police chiefs, or boards of selectmen. In the mid-90's, a few court decisions were decided against the BPPA because the powers of the Commissioner were not among those listed as being subordinate to collective bargaining in Section 7.

In 1998, the BPPA, with support from the other Boston police unions and other unions, police and non-police, succeeded in passing legislation which amended Chapter 150E to include the regulations of a police commissioner among those subordinated to collective bargaining. The City and Commissioner Paul Evans vigorously fought the legislation but to little avail. When Acting Governor Cellucci vetoed the bill, the House overrode it 139-7 and the Senate 37-0. I testified before a joint legislative committee in support of the bill, and the legislators were dumbfounded when Paul Evans tried to explain to them that he needed more powers than the police chiefs in the cities and towns in their districts. Until July 12, 2017, this obscure legislative enactment had been given little, if any, effect.

After Officer Williams was fired by the Commissioner (at the time, Davis) for using excessive force in making an arrest and then lying about it, the BPPA appealed to an arbitrator. The arbitrator found that Williams had neither used excessive force nor lied. Under existing law, that should have been the end of the case; arbitrators' factual findings are supposed to be conclusive and final. But the Police Commissioner, Legal Advisor, and their minions at City Hall, armed with unlimited taxpayer funds, appealed to the courts. When their private, outside counsel argued to the SJC that pesky



arbitrators have no business second-guessing the Commissioner because the "police commissioner's statute leaves discipline and discharge of officers for excessive force or untruthfulness to the commissioner's exclusive managerial control," the Court threw the 1998 amendment back at them. The collective bargaining law

permits an "arbitrator to interpret regulations promulgated pursuant to the commissioner's statute, and usurps no authority in so doing," the Court said. The net effect is to leave the police commissioner in Boston with the same powers as any other police chief, no less, but certainly no more.

Officer Williams can now return to work after five long years of litigation. This decision

is a victory for the collective bargaining process: the Supreme Judicial Court held the City to its collectively-bargained promise that it must prove that it has just cause for disciplining or discharging a Boston Police Officer. It is also a victory for the rule of law. In the face of great public controversy over police conduct and attacks on police unions from the political left and right, the justices of the SJC courageously applied the law.

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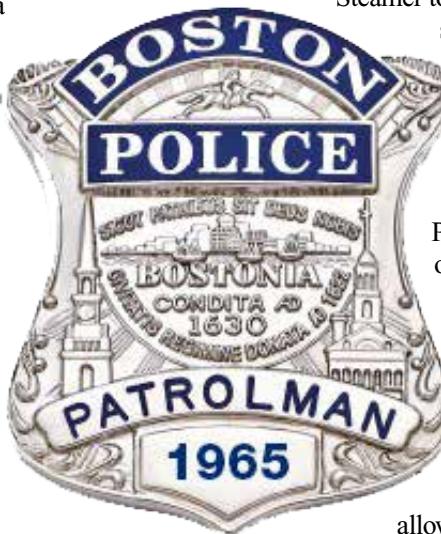
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# Chronology of the Boston Police Department

## Some important dates

By Robert Anthony, BPPA Historian

- 1635:** First night watch established.
- 1788:** The word "Police" appeared for the first time; designate a specific office, "Inspector of Police".
- 1822:** The Town of Boston became the City of Boston. Increases in the population and in the number of businesses operating created increased demand for police patrol.
- 1825:** Watchman Jonathan Houghton killed in the line of duty Monday, December 19, 1825 Assault. 1st Watchman to be killed in the line of duty.
- 1838:** Law passed permitting day patrol. City had a Day Police and a Night Watch, which by all accounts operated completely independently of one another.
- 1848:** Watchman David Estes killed in the line of duty Thursday, April 27, 1848 Gunfire
- 1851:** First Irish Born Police Officer appointed to the Boston Police November 1851 Officer Bernard "Barney" McGinniskin. Officer McGinniskin served for (3) Three years before he was fired for being Irish Catholic. The Emerald Society of Boston and The Boston Police Department Would dedicate a Memorial/Gravestone to Patrolman McGinniskin at St. Augustine Cemetery in South Boston on March 17, 2010.
- 1852:** The Metal badges were issued – a six point star made of brass.
- 1853:** First Harbor Patrol Established.
- 1854:** Boston Police Department established, structured after the model developed by Sir Robert Peele for the London police force.
- 1857:** P.O. Ezekiel W. Hodsdon, first Boston Police Officer to be killed in the line of duty Oct. 18, 1857. Officer Hodsdon was shot in the back of the head attempting to arrest two suspects for a burglary in East Boston. On Oct 18, 2007, the Boston Police dedicate a permanent memorial at the same location Officer Hodsdon was murdered.
- 1858:** Telegraph system completed, linking central office and police stations.
- 1861:** White cotton gloves worn by the officers for the first time. Thereafter, "full uniform" included the wearing of such gloves.
- 1870:** 180 "night walkers" were arrested; most were placed on probation and sent home.
- 1872:** The Great Boston Fire of November 9 and 10 which destroyed 776 buildings. The fire was discovered by a patrolman who was chasing boys on Lincoln Street.
- 1873:** First mounted patrol established in the United States.
- 1878:** First African-American Police Officer appointed to the Boston Police December 25, 1878. Horatio J. Homer who would later retire with the rank of Sgt. on Jan. 1919 after 41 years
- of service. The Boston Police would later find out that Sgt Homer was buried in an unmarked grave and they would erect a Gravestone for Sgt Homer and his wife Lydia on June 26, 2010.
- 1883:** Department Headquarters moved from City Hall to 37 Pemberton Square.
- 1889:** Statute passed providing for right-of-way for patrol wagons and ambulances.
- 1903:** First motorized patrol wagon placed in service – a Stanley Steamer touring car operated by a chauffeur; the police officer sat on higher seat so that he could look over high fences.
- 1906:** First Italian-born Boston Police Officer appointed to the Boston Police Andrew B. Cuneo, May 9, 1906.
- 1919:** May Day Riots – Captain Hugh Lee and Patrolman Adolph Butterman are killed in the line of duty, Captain Lee of a heart attack and Patrolman Butterman by gun shot. This is the first time in the Department's history two Boston Police Officers are killed during the same event. Captain Hugh Lee after research was placed onto the National Law Enforcement Memorial on May 13, 2012.
- 1919:** Boston Police Department Strike – 1,117 policemen went on strike. The officers were not allowed to return to work and were replaced by new officers who received the benefits the striking officers had tried to obtain; salaries were increased, more frequent days off, and uniforms were furnished at department expense.
- 1921:** First Italian-born Boston Police Officer killed in the line of duty. Officer Andrew B. Cuneo was shot in the line of duty on August 13, 1921. On October 26, 2011, the Boston Police would dedicate a memorial to Patrolman Andrew B. Cuneo at the "Prado" in the North End of Boston.
- 1925:** New Department Headquarters built at 154 Berkeley Street.
- 1940:** St. Valentine's Day blizzard immobilized the city.
- 1942:** Cocoanut Grove fire, resulting in the death of 490 people and injury to 166.
- 1950:** Famous Brink's robbery occurred in the Brink's garage on Commercial Street in the North End of Boston.
- 1972:** Improved radio communication system placed in service, including "911."
- 1974:** Court ordered busing began, requiring the deployment of large forces throughout the city.
- 1978:** The Great Blizzard of 1978 hit, immobilizing the city for several days.
- 1995:** Mobile data terminals become operational, allowing for prioritization of emergency calls.
- 1997:** Boston Police Department moves into its current state-of-the-art Headquarters facility at One Schroeder Plaza.





# Openly filming police still OK according to the courts, and be careful about Fentanyl

Some of you may have heard that there's a new decision out by the Eighth Circuit that has ruled that there is no First Amendment right to videotape police officers in public. This is not true. The case stems from a lawsuit filed by Matthew Akins, alleging that his constitutional rights were violated by numerous encounters he had with police officers in Columbia, Missouri. The only encounters that arguably had to do with filming police were (1) being "stopped from filming a citizen in the Police Department lobby", (2) having links to the "Citizens for Justice Page" removed from the Police Department's Facebook page<sup>1</sup>, and (3) being "excluded from a Police Department Media Training Day."<sup>2</sup>

The Eighth Circuit case that has been reported by various media outlets does not actually discuss anything substantive about filming police; its main focus is on the appellant's motion for the judge to recuse herself, the denial of which the Eighth Circuit affirmed. The entire portion regarding the appellant's filming in the opinion is the following: "Akins [appellant] also argues that the district court erred by granting the motions to dismiss and for summary judgment filed by the defendants and by denying his own motion for partial summary judgment. After careful de novo review, we conclude that the district court did not err in its thorough and well reasoned opinions. Accordingly, we affirm."<sup>3</sup>

So, off I go to read the district court opinion. It says three things on the encounters I mention above: (1) Atkins "has no constitutional right to videotape any public proceedings he wishes to" in addressing the filming in the lobby<sup>4</sup>, (2) "there is no constitutional right to unlimited posting" in addressing the removal of links from the Police Department's Facebook page, and (3) "media does not enjoy a right of equal access or special First Amendment rights" in addressing the media training event.<sup>5</sup> It seems that some people have taken that first finding and run with it to make headlines stating that citizens have no right to record police in public. This is not what the decision says. The decision says there is no right to videotape "any public proceeding he wishes to" and cites to another Eighth Circuit case holding that the First Amendment does not give the public or the media the right to videotape an execution. The decision says nothing about filming police officers while they are performing their official duties in public such as on the street.



What you should take away from this decision is that it changes nothing. Everybody here in Massachusetts still has the right to openly record a police officer, subject to reasonable restrictions (i.e., not interfere with police duties).

I now turn to an issue that affects officer safety and seems to be getting more and more dangerous – fentanyl. Fentanyl is approximately forty (40) times more powerful than heroin. New Hampshire and Massachusetts rank first and second in per-capita deaths caused by fentanyl, which has surpassed heroin as the leading cause of fatal opioid overdoses in these states.<sup>6</sup> Why does this affect officer safety? Because this stuff is so powerful that contact with the substance can lead to illness, possibly even death. There have been reported incidents, including at least one Boston police officer that had to be hospitalized for evaluation and/or treatment after having contact with fentanyl. The Drug Enforcement Agency states that a dose the size of

two grains of salt can be fatal. Now get this – there is now a stronger drug out there called carfentanil – which is one hundred (100) times more powerful than fentanyl and is designed to be an elephant tranquilizer. If the size of two grains of salt of fentanyl could be lethal, I don't want to imagine what a fatal dose of carfentanil is.

The lesson here – if you see something that could possibly be fentanyl or carfentanil, do not touch it, inform your supervisor, and let the ones who are trained and equipped to deal with these substances handle it. It is not worth you having an accidental ingestion of fentanyl or carfentanil, leading to sickness, and possible death. State police and other police departments have equipped their officers with protective gear such as hazmat suits and gas masks. We currently have masks and gloves – with some officers reporting that they may also have safety goggles. The Boston Police Department has not issued a formal policy or guide about what procedures should be followed when an officer comes across these substances. This is not sufficient. Please be safe out there and watch out for each other. Thank you for protecting us and the community, but remember to protect yourself too.

As always, feel free to stop in and say hello and ask whatever is on your mind.

<sup>1</sup> The appellant, Matthew Atkins is the founder for Citizens for Justice, which he formed in 2010 "to document and report on police conduct." Atkins v. Knight, et al., No. 16-3555 at 2 (8th Cir., July 25, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> Atkins v. Knight, et al., No. 2:15-CV-04096-NKL at 34 (W.D.Mo., Aug. 2, 2016).

<sup>3</sup> Atkins v. Knight, et al., No. 16-3555 (8th Cir., July 25, 2017).

<sup>4</sup> It should be noted that the Community Service Aide who told Akins he could not film in the lobby was wrong, and the Police Department actually told Akins shortly afterwards that the Aide was wrong, and he was allowed to film in the lobby.

<sup>5</sup> Atkins v. Knight, et al., No. 2:15-CV-04096-NKL at 34-35 (W.D.Mo., Aug. 2, 2016).

<sup>6</sup> N.E. fentanyl deaths 'like no other epidemic' by Brian MacQuarrie, Boston Globe (July 27, 2017).



# The Academy Corner

By Police Officer William Shaw & Police Officer James F. Lydon

## SALT #16-17

After graduating Recruit Class #56-16 in late June, the academy staff got back into it on July 31st by welcoming Sergeant Advanced Leadership Training (SALT) Class #16-17. This class consisted of newly promoted sergeants Patrick Byrne, Shana Cottone, Stephen Green, and Nicole LaPointe, and soon to be promoted police officers Paul DeLeo, Michael Felton, and Thomas Griffin. The four week course of training ended on August 25th. The classes included crime scene management, crowd control management, supervisor tech training, licensed premise investigation, and range training, along with several other supervisor specific classes. This is the seventeenth SALT, which began under retired Superintendent Paul Joyce, and has successfully continued under Superintendent Lisa Holmes. Congratulations to all newly promoted and soon to be promoted sergeants.



## Recruit Class #57-17

Thankfully, the staff did have some vacation time off. In between vacation days, we were preparing for Recruit Class #57-17. This class, which started on September 11th, presented a challenge because the initial number was 130 recruits ... 130 much needed recruits. A few years ago, the academy held classes in the auditorium. The auditorium could easily accommodate a large number of recruits in a classroom setting. Since then, however, the auditorium has been renovated and is now part of our world class fitness facility. The 130 needed a new home ...

The staff has worked hard at fitting this large group into our biggest classroom (Room 102), our Spartan cafeteria, and our meager locker facilities. Superintendent Holmes and Captain Richard Sexton were able to upgrade the classroom with fresh paint and state of the art audiovisual equipment, which has the ability to broadcast main classroom instruction to a secondary, remote classroom. The recruit locker facilities also received new, and much needed, ventilation to accommodate the large number of bodies who were going to be crammed in there every day. The academy staff also used this time to upgrade course material to keep the subjects current.



As of this writing, the class consists of 117 recruit officers, all of whom are Boston recruits. The course of study now consists of twenty-nine weeks of training, and Class #57-17 is expected to graduate in the last week of March 2018. Hopefully, they will provide some relief to our patrol force.

### Teen Academy 2017

During the summer, the academy again hosted the Teen Police Academy. This is a nationally renowned program run by Police Officer Darryl Owens and his great staff. (See the related article.)



## E-Learning and the Gym

E-Learning has a new fall curriculum which is expected to go live in November.

As always, when a recruit class is in session, the academy gym will not be available until after 9:30am and will be open until 7:00pm. Occasionally, the gym will be closed all day for recruit training. These closings will be announced through department e-mail and will be posted in the gym. During winter storms, the recruits will be using the academy parking lot and parking will be extremely tight. As always, the academy staff encourages all department members to use our facilities. Feel free to call us with any questions at 3-4410. If we cannot immediately answer your question, we will get back to you. We are here for you.

**Have a great autumn ... and be safe!**



# Boston Police Teen Academy Graduation

By Police Officer Darryl Owens

On August 11<sup>th</sup> the eighth class of the Boston Police Teen Academy celebrated their graduation. This summer 60 teens from Boston neighborhoods participated in a six week summer job program. This year's kids were from Jamaica Plain, Hyde Park, Mattapan and Roxbury. They are paid through ABCD, the Boston Youth Fund and a generous grant from the Highland Street Foundation.

A typical workday included PT and classroom workshops. This summer we took trips to museums, community service

organizations and even an amusement park. The graduation was hosted by Superintendent Lisa Holmes and was attended by Chief William Gross and Dan Mulhern of the Mayor's Office.



For the second year in a row a few of our gracious union brothers came out and grilled for a parking lot cook-out. They worked tirelessly on a hot and humid night to be paid in smiles, hugs and selfies. To our surprise our brothers even brought the Goose which was a great delight to all. Once again, our heartfelt gratitude to the generosity and

kindness of the BPPA and the mighty few grill workers that came out to serve at our celebration.



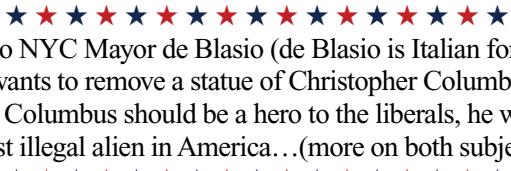
# No days off...

By P.O. Jay Moccia

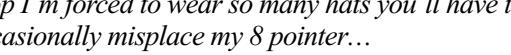
A friend said they'd like to see me in action, I told them OK, but it's all one word...



Hillary Clinton declared she will not be a candidate for President (Thank God!) in 2020 but mentioned she'd love to be a preacher. Hmmm...Baptist, Protestant or her own church of Lie-Entology?



Whacko NYC Mayor de Blasio (de Blasio is Italian for idiot, by the way) wants to remove a statue of Christopher Columbus. I'm surprised! Columbus should be a hero to the liberals, he was, after all, the first illegal alien in America...(more on both subjects later)



As a cop I'm forced to wear so many hats you'll have to forgive me if I occasionally misplace my 8 pointer...



Hollywood hypocrite hunk (of crap) George Clooney has abandoned his European homes and scampered back to the good old US of A. George ranted and raved that his adopted home wasn't doing enough to help refugees from the Middle East. The open borders cheerleader got his wish, but you know what they say..."be careful what you wish for because you just might get it!" When a camp was set up near his Lake Como villa housing over 500 Muslims, Clooney bounced, citing "security concerns". First he took his family to Merry Ole England, but when the Religion of Peace conducted several more terror attacks there, the Trump hating actor resettled his wife and kids at his mansion in LA, which features A GREAT BIG WALL! Hey NIMBY boy who's the "xenophobic fascist" now?? File under: We know why Oscars are yellow...



The crazy food Nazis in San Francisco have taken Chocolate Milk off the menu at all school cafeterias, much to the dismay of brown cows everywhere—that IS where chocolate milk comes from... Right??. All kidding aside this experiment has already proved to be a failure in LA, where milk consumption went down and waste (throwing away regular milk) went up. #dontcryoverspiltmilk



A Michigan woman, Glenna Duram, was found guilty of murdering her husband, Martin. The star witness was a grey parrot who repeated "Don't Shoot Me" in the deceased's voice. I still think the Three Stooges did it better.



The Conservation Law Foundation, a Boston environmental group is pressuring Massport to impose a surcharge on drivers dropping off and picking up people at Logan Airport. Sorry tree huggers, the Government beat you to it; it's called the tunnel tolls. Hey CLF, want to impress me? Go after the smoke belching yellow menace of school busses that ruin my commute, and cause WAY MORE traffic and congestion than airport commuters, or else just shut up and sit in the traffic like the rest of us...



Actress Ashley Judd was triggered after a TSA Employee paid her a compliment and referred to her as "sweetheart". Judd, a self proclaimed "nasty woman" raged on social media about "everyday sexism", and demanded the guy be fired...IMAGINE THAT – how

tolerant! AND THEN he said "have a good day sweetheart" after she passed through the checkpoint. She's right! This guy should be fired, who ever heard of a polite, cheery, TSA agent??

*Author's note: I'm glad Ms Judd is speaking out against this topic. Men everywhere should sing her praises, because we too, are victims of everyday sexism. I mean really, how many times across this great nation is a man or young boy chastised by a Nasty Woman for leaving the seat up?*



A San Diego State sociology professor offered her students extra credit for listing examples of their "white privilege". PSST kids! Answer #1 is: "I'm getting extra credit!!" WOW! And what criteria is used to offer the other pupils extra credit?



*Although it may be morbid, I'll sometimes laugh at the phrase "untimely death". Um it wasn't untimely, it was "your time".*



Not gonna lie, when driving in the city, I LOVE my horn...#beepbeep



*Liberals everywhere are blaming President Trump for Hurricanes, with Global Warming as a close second. Harvey and Irma cut a swath of destruction across the Caribbean and US leaving scores dead, thousands displaced, and many more lacking in basic necessities. And of course we humans fell mainly into two categories: the helpful and the help myself-ful. The helpful rescued neighbors, and/or their pets, strangers, anyone that was in danger, or just needed assistance. The help myself-ful rescued neighbor's property, sneakers, flat screen TV's, and anything of value not nailed down.*



Speaking of the wild weather, and natural disasters, the unhinged left blames the deadly storms on Trump's election. Yup real wrath of God stuff—wait, sorry, they hate God (but they sure do love that Allah!) so it must be Global Warming...as they fly around in private jets lecturing us. But Global Warming doesn't cause earthquakes. Thankfully they forgot Republicans still have the Halliburton Hurricane Machine...Next stop...Hollywood.



*The snowflakes also blew more hot air than a Category 4 after First Lady Melania Trump wore...GASP...stiletto heels while embarking on Air Force One to head to Texas after Hurricane Harvey. She changed into more casual sneakers later but the damage was done. The mainstream media hasn't been this obsessed with White House apparel since the little blue stained dress. Pundits lambasted her and the daily talk shows fumed. Forget that people were killed, and thousands more were evacuated...SHE WORE HIGH HEELS! Frankly if some of those beasts from the View wore heels in Texas, they'd be striking oil. I don't see the problem, as a one-time super model, heels must be like comfy slippers to her.*



How funny would it be if Urologists and Proctologists had to advertise using those foam fingers?

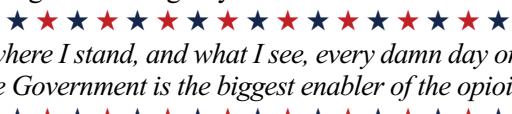


*It's no secret we are stretched thin at the district level. Staffing*

is dangerously low, and call volume is up. May I humbly suggest two things that could possibly relieve some of the burden placed on the line Officers. #1: We now have Cadets, how about staffing and utilizing Call Screening? Lost cell phones, keys, wallets, prescriptions, and other lost property reports, Hit and runs, shoplifting, etc can all be handled over the phone. People won't have to wait (sometimes quite a bit) for service, and Officers will be able to respond to higher priority calls. #2: Silver D 400!!!! I've been doing a lot of Day Tour OT (or playing defense against the morning watch ordering) and find cars are tied up on multiple calls for vehicles parked in violation of the permits ISSUED BY DPW and BTD. Why on God's green earth does it fall on us? Let BTD handle the tag and tow (it IS their job). Benefits, you ask? Every Day Tour Service Unit isn't off at the base on tows, and the City is fully compensated for the violation. Now sources at BTD tell me the stock answer there is "We don't work for the Police Department". True enough, but you DO work for the City and the taxpayers.



I won't say Massachusetts liberals are stubborn, but most won't even move right for Emergency Vehicles...



*From where I stand, and what I see, every damn day on the streets, the Government is the biggest enabler of the opioid crisis.*



Democratic State Rep, and Candidate for Mayor of Minneapolis Ray Dehn is a moonbat's moonbat. He advocates disarming Police Officers, wanting cops instead to use "de-escalation" while their weapons remain locked in their patrol vehicle or relying on OC spray and batons. What a donkey! I'm sure he'd be the first to squeal if a cop popped a bad guy with the stick. This isn't the tail wagging the dog, it's a flea on the tail wagging the dog. I sincerely hope he loses. #restraint #timeoutedmygun



*Lawmakers are looking to further enhance EBT benefits. If approved, those on the dole will be able to visit Aquariums, Museums, Concerts, etc to foster "cultural enrichment"... When does it end with these entitlements?? The only free admission EBT users should get is to a job fair.*



A Chicago woman, Beth Rae Harris, upset her "friend" liked the same man, encouraged a male "friend" and possibly other male "friends" to have sex with the victim after she passed out at the end of a night out drinking. To add insult to injury, Harris videoed the rape, provided play by play commentary, mixed with insults, then uploaded the lewd acts to Snapchat. She has been arrested and charged.

File Under: With friends like this...



*President Trump blasted NFL players for taking a knee during the National Anthem at a rally in Alabama. As expected, it set off a firestorm of tweets, protests and outrage among the left. Many more pampered "activist" grid iron millionaires took a knee, citing their First Amendment Rights. Commissioner Goodell entered the fray, siding with the players. Considering Goodell refused to allow the Dallas Cowboys request to honor 5 Dallas cops*

*(MURDERED by a Black Lives Matter supporter) with a helmet sticker, and threatened to fine players seeking to honor 9-11 victims as well as implementing rules governing end zone/sack/big play celebrations-he should have stayed out of it. Some players even took a knee during the anthem ON FOREIGN SOIL-then stood for "God Save the Queen"! Hell, even the fans at Gillette BOOED the home town Patriots and cheered in unison: "STAND UP" One notable exception; Pittsburgh Steeler's Tackle Alejandro Villanueva, who defied his coach and SOME team mates by emerging from the player's entrance and standing hand on heart for the anthem. Villanueva, if you didn't know, is a former Army Ranger Captain with THREE DEPLOYMENTS to Afghanistan. He received a Bronze Star for courage under fire. He was vilified by his Coach, Mike Tomlin, among others and was forced to issue an apology. I truly cannot recall feeling more pity for anyone than this hero. Now as a Constitutional Conservative, I agree the players have a First Amendment Right with a BUT as big as a nose tackle's backside. Yes, you can, but do it on your own time. Just a reminder, gentle readers, WE (cops) also have First Amendment protection, yet the papers are littered with stories of First Responders being disciplined or even fired for posting controversial subject matter on Social Media, including members of our own BPPA. So activist all you want NFL, NBA, MLB, but I remind you, there are consequences.*



How ironic...the Department says you can't work while on a prescribed dose of cough syrup with codeine, because it makes you drowsy, but sees nothing wrong with cancelling days off on a whim, or forcing guys to work 16 hours for days on end on 5-6 hours sleep. #yaordered



*Another dilemma faced by Officers is the hours owed lists popping up at every station and unit. Officers are being held hostage for swaps or Work Ins if their hours are in the negative. OK, I get it if you owe, you owe. The problem is that the hours in many cases don't add up to equal our shift hours and the Department can't seem to pinpoint where these hours owed came from by date...*



The impotence of Police in dealing with the lawlessness displayed by the scooter punks, ATV asses, and bicycle bums makes me feel like the sign language interpreter on a radio.



*Although I don't need to say it, I feel I must before this bit. Slavery is a scar on our nation, a permanent one that even time will never erase, morally wrong on every level. Same goes for hate groups, like the KKK, BLM, White Supremacists, ANTIFA, Nazis, Commies, and Fascists. All are staffed by small minded cowardly individuals whose goal is to divide us, and to promote/impose their warped hatred. They should be universally viewed with contempt by all Americans. FACT: Then General and Commander of Allied Forces and later President of the United States Dwight Eisenhower ORDERED meticulous documentation of the Nazi Holocaust which included executing or imprisoning those responsible AND*

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# No days off...

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making German citizens from nearby cities, villages, and towns view the Concentration Camps. These sites of mass murder were photographed, filmed and filed away because as Eisenhower stated at the time; "Get it all on record now – get the films – get the witnesses – because somewhere down the track of history some bastard will get up and say that this never happened."



Today Auschwitz stands as a silent reminder of what happens when hate rules. Here in the US, there are statues, flags, buildings, streets, roads, Universities, Colleges, Cities and Towns that represent or bear the names of our ancestors, Founding Fathers, and Private Citizens that profited from the institution of slavery. Is their destruction or removal going to change our history? I certainly don't expect Harvard to do anything more than change the school logo. Harvard has an endowment valued at about \$ 36.4 BILLION, grown from the seeds planted by John Harvard with money earned on the backs of slaves and indentured servants. Harvard "Crimson" is quite appropriate considering it was founded with blood money...



*But I digress; where does this end? Are those clamoring removal of all vestiges of our past the "bastards saying this never happened"?? Hell, just look around Boston...JFK is immortalized*

*on the State House. His liaisons are legendary and include Marilyn Monroe among others, should we tear it down because he lusted? General Hooker-popular lore claims his camp followers were labeled "Hooker's Girls" later shortened to "hookers" referring to women of loose moral character. General Burnside- again legend has it that his hair style spawned the term "sideburns". Sideburns are favored by hipsters, many of whom smoke and smoking is very bad...maybe instead of removing or destroying these monuments, we look to them instead to learn, to remember and move forward. You can't change the past. It is impossible. But you can learn from it, and THAT is their lesson in today's world...*



NYC Mayor De Blasio flew off to Germany to join protestors at the G20 Summit. The Dem railed against President Trump on Foreign soil. Oh, and don't forget, he left a day after a New York cop, Miosotis Familia was assassinated on duty, as well as skipping the NYPD Academy Graduation. A true example of what a Democrat is all about.



*A bit long-winded, I'll admit, but there's a lot going on, and most of it affects us, so thanks for your patience and perseverance if you got this far. As always, stay safe, spend time with those you love, and watch out for each other at work.*

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## SPORTS Trivia

By Bill Carroll

1. What NFL team scored the most points in a Super Bowl?
2. Twice in the 1990's the Cleveland Indians made it to the World Series but lost, can you name who they lost to.
3. What NFL has gone the longest without making the playoffs?
4. What NFL team hold the record for most consecutive seasons in the playoffs?
5. What NFL team has gone the longest since their last playoff victory?
6. Who was the first NHL player to score 100 points in a season?
7. Which NHL team drafted baseball Hall of Famer Tom Glavine in 1984?
8. What foreign born NBA player is the all-time leader in points scored by a foreign born player?
9. What team in Major League Baseball has gone the longest without appearing in the playoffs?
10. How many dimples are there in a regulation golf ball?

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# **Joe O'Malley: “just the best-est guy”**

## **Founding member of BPPA Retired Officers Division passes away, “the end of an era”**

By James Carnell, Pax Editor

**R**etired BPPA Officer's Division founding member and director **Joseph O'Malley**, 77, recently passed away after a long and courageous fight with cancer. With Joe's passing truly ends an era in community policing, but with the emphasis being upon the “community **OF** police officers”.

Born in Dorchester in 1940 and serving in the USMC in the early 60's, Joe joined the BPD in 1965. Much of Joe's career was spent in Area A in Charlestown, where he and his sidekick (the late) Officer **Tommy Trainor** provided an ongoing replay of “Abbott and Costello” comedy routines with every call they answered together.

If you were Joe's friend, you knew it instantly. Joe was as gentle as a lamb, but strong as an ox, the best guy to show up if you called for an “O.T.”. He constantly amazed people with his ability to walk on his hands, even after occasionally consuming moderate quantities of amber-colored fluids at off-duty events. Back when a real BPD intra-departmental softball league existed many years ago, which resulted in true camaraderie and lifelong-friendships, Joe invented the sacred “Five S's”- **S**ummer, **S**unday, **S**oftball, **S**



**Sick-line**”. It was a tradition that ended slowly, shortly after Joe retired in 2003, the victim of mandatory overtime shifts and unpredictable work and family schedules.

As much as Joe loved the BPD, he valued family and friends much more. “Christmas is for kids,” Joe would say, but Thanksgiving, Fourth of July and Super Bowl Sunday were no-holds-barred family events that began shortly after sunrise and lasted well into the night. When confronted with the choice of a family holiday and an overtime shift, the choice for Joe was clear. Family and friends first, money a distant second. Do your share, lift your part of the load, but keep your priorities straight.

I specifically recall the night of 9-11-01, that horrible, terrible day we were both on duty in Charlestown. After 4

PM rollcall, we both found ourselves on the long pier in Charlestown behind the cement factory, cursing the barbarian savages who had killed so many innocent people in those terrorist attacks. F18-US Air Force fighters circled through an empty sky. Not a single car passed over the nearby Tobin Bridge. For the first time in memory, not a single radio call was heard the entire tour throughout Charlestown; not a gang call, or a family fight or a car accident. The world had stopped. Joe remarked that we'd never see another night like this again, for the rest of our lives.

And he was right. We didn't.

We will all miss you, Joe. We will miss that guttural, un-imitable, un-describable, “noise”- that emanated from your gut and exited your raspy throat at softball games and barbeques that let people know, unmistakably, that Joe O'Malley was present. We'll miss the Fourth of July and the Super Bowl parties and your presence in the Blue Goose with your sidekick, **Billy Flippin**. We know where you are now, beyond the cement factory, past the end of the pier and over the Tobin Bridge, with Pauline and Stephen and Tommy and a whole slew of friends and family. Until we meet again, keep the cooler cold and full.



**Police Officer (Ret.) Billy Flippin says farewell to his friend P.O. Joe O'Malley.**

## Don't need a will? Think again... Just do it. Your heirs will thank you!

By Jane Bryant Quinn, AARP.org/Bulletin

**D**oes everybody need a Will? The straight answer is yes. That's true even for people who think they don't have a dime to leave to anyone. What if you were in an accident and died later of injuries, and your estate won a \$1 million settlement? Who gets the money?

Admittedly, that's a little far out. You might get away without having a will if, say, you're a renter living on Social Security with no savings. If you have savings, a pay-on-death account will pass that money to named beneficiaries when you die.

But there are hitches to any no-will scheme, says attorney Patrick Lamon of Bilzin Sumberg in Miami. To begin with, a random financial asset almost always turns up. Examples might be a rental deposit that's returned or a medical reimbursement. Those checks will be made out to the deceased. How do your heirs get them cashed?

If you had a will, you'd have named an executor to cash checks, pay off creditors and distribute any money or property to your beneficiaries. Without one, your heirs will have to ask a court to appoint a personal administrator. Usually, it will appoint your surviving spouse or a child. But you risk a family fight over who should be in charge.

Some couples try to go will-free by putting everything into joint names. Joint assets pass to the other owner automatically. So do assets with beneficiary forms, such as individual retirement accounts. But something is inevitably left out typically, a car, Lannon says.

Heirs would need an administrator to transfer title. Even if the joint-asset strategy

works for the first death, what happens when the other spouse dies? He or she should make a will, which you both could have done from the start.

When there's no will, state law dictates who gets the house, car, savings and other assets. Those laws vary widely. A surviving spouse might get everything in one state but only one-third in another, with the rest going to your children. If you have no children, half might go to a spouse and half to your parents.

Lawyers are the best source for reliable wills. Your lawyer will also remind you that you need a durable power of attorney and a health care proxy, so someone can manage your finances and make medical choices if you're unable to do so yourself.

If you're allergic to lawyers, you can find free, state-specific will forms online. In most states (not all), handwritten wills are also accepted, provided that they were witnessed properly. DIY should be better than nothing. But be careful.

(Jane Bryant Quinn is a personal finance expert and the author of "How to Make Your Money Last." She writes regularly for the AARP Bulletin.)

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### Sports trivia...

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10. There are 336 dimples on a regulation golf ball.
9. The longest current playoff drought in Major League Baseball is 16 seasons a mark held by the Seattle Mariners.
8. German born and current Dallas Mavericks Dirk Nowitzki leads all foreign born players in scoring in NBA history.
7. The Los Angeles Kings drafted Billieca native and baseball Hall of Famer Tom Glavine in the 1984 NHL entry draft.
6. Phil Esposito of the Bruins was the first NHL player to score 100 points in a season when he scored 126 points during the 1968-69 season.
5. The Cincinnati Bengals last one playoff game in 1990 which is the longest victory drought in NFL history.
4. The record for most consecutive seasons making the playoffs in Indianapolis Colts, 2002-2010.
3. The longest current playoff drought by an NFL team is 16 seasons, a mark held by the Buffalo Bills.
2. Atlanta Braves and in 1997 to the Florida Marlins.
1. The San Francisco 49ers scored 55 points in Super Bowl XXIV.

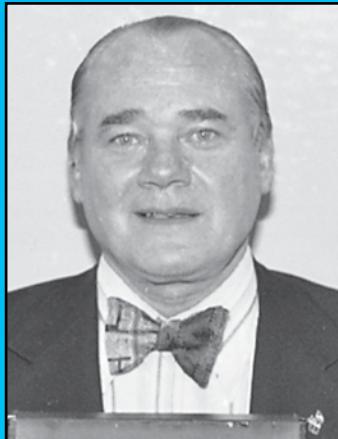
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Boston Police Chief William Gross and P.O. (Ret.) Billy Flippin pose with Billy's granddaughter.



An apprehension is made by Boston Police Officer (Ret.) Billy Flippin.



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May 27, 2017



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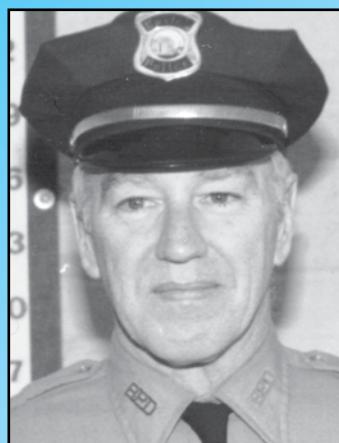


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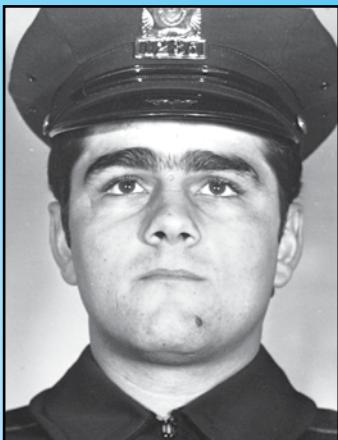
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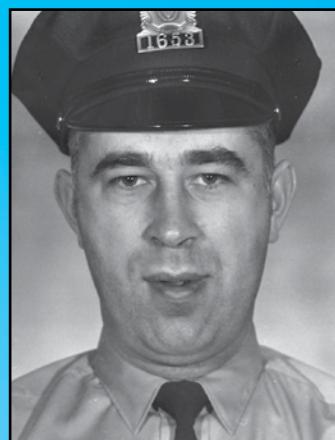
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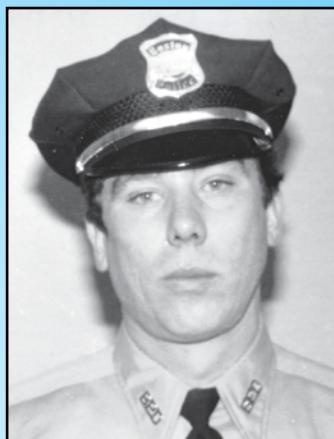
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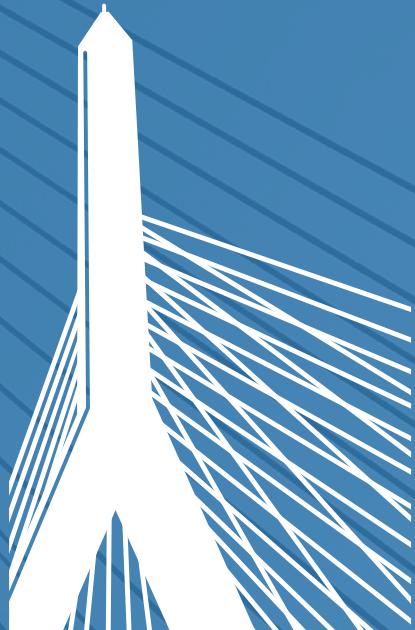
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