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RETIREED CHICAGO POLICE ASSOCIATION

January 2007

IF YOU RECEIVED A YELLOW NEWSLETTER, YOUR 2007 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED. APPLICATION FORM IS INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER. IF YOU RECEIVED A WHITE NEWSLETTER, YOUR DUES ARE PAID.

Upon receipt of your 2007 dues, we will send you your membership card and auto decals.

President's Message *Anthony Finnelly*

Let me begin by saying that we are hopeful that all of our members and their families enjoyed a very happy and healthy holiday season with loved ones and friends. The past year saw many good things occur which aided our members and widows. Because we were successful does not mean that we are finished with trying to gain additional benefits for our members.

Ken Hauser, after being elected to the Pension Board was elected Vice President of the Chicago Police Pension Fund by the other members of that Board and as such has been and will continue to watch out for our best interests in all things relating to our pensions and annuities.

It was mentioned by a member, at our last General Meeting that he wonders why, when our membership has grown to approximately 7500 members, there are so few people who attend our General Meetings. Everyone should be aware that this is not being stated as a complaint but merely a point of interest for everyone to consider. As a reminder there are only four General Meetings a year and it is a very good place to see people we may not have seen for a few years. We realize that our membership has grown to the point that we have members living all over the country. To those members we say that if you ever happen to return to Chicago during a time when one of our meetings or functions

such as the Bi-Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner or Dinner and Dance please feel free to contact us for dates or tickets. Those who have attended these events and meetings have told us that they came away having had a wonderful and worthwhile time.

Before closing, I would just like to remind everyone that 2007 Dues time is upon us and those of you who have received a Yellow Newsletter have not yet paid their dues for 2007. Those who received White Newsletters have already sent in their dues and should have already received their Membership Cards and Decals in the Mail. We look forward to your continued membership and hope to continue to serve you. We, your Officers and Board of Directors wish you a healthy, prosperous and Happy New Year.

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REGULAR MEETING

Sunday, February 11, 2007 at 1:00 PM
1st District Community Room
1718 South State Street

Pension News, by *Annuitant Trustee Ken Hauser*

I hope your holidays were filled with love and happiness. January is sure to bring a bit more. On Tuesday, October 31, 2006 at the monthly Pension Fund meeting, I made a motion which was seconded and the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to provide a \$400.00 (13th holiday) check in December to ALL annuitants receiving the minimum monthly annuity. The financing of this benefit will come from the Fund's Gift Reserve. There will be no taxes taken out of this check. Affected annuitants should have received this \$400. check by Christmas.

On August 17, 2006, President Bush signed the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (P.L. 109-280). Section 845 of HR 4 is the Healthcare Enhancement for Local Public Safety (HELPS) Retirees Act. It states in this section that beginning January 1, 2007, Public Safety Officers who retire at normal retirement age or on disability retirement may use up to \$3,000 yearly on a pre-tax basis to purchase healthcare insurance or long-term care insurance. The premium must be paid directly from your Pension Fund to a health or long-term care insurance company. Individually purchased health, dental and vision plan premiums also would qualify. Public Safety Officers are law enforcement officers, firefighters, members of a rescue squad or ambulance crew (paramedics), chaplains to a fire or police department and corrections, probation, parole and judicial officers.

You will be sent a form that you will be required to fill out and return to the Pension Fund. This form will most likely request information regarding additional insurance coverage that you may have purchased. Details such as insurance company name, policy number, monthly premium amount, insurance type (i.e., medical, dental, vision and long-term care) must be provided. You will need to authorize the Pension Fund to pay your individually purchased health premiums from your annuity in order to receive the pre-tax benefit. **You must fill out and return this form to the Pension Fund in order to be eligible for the \$3,000. pre-tax benefit.** If you are in a 25% tax bracket, this could mean a \$750. yearly savings for you.

In closing, I would like to wish you happiness and good health in the New Year.

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“Kids ‘n’ Cops” by Joan Wellander-Kleppe, widow of 19th District Sgt. Willard E. Kleppe, is a tribute to Chicago’s Finest. The book contains excerpts from 300 of the thousands of letters received by the late Officer Friendly “Uncle George” Zaranti while Joan was employed as personal secretary to the late 19th District Commander John P. Fahey- “the best job she ever had”.

Besides her official duties of handling correspondence and composing Honorable Mentions for 19th District personnel, and accompanying Officer Zaranti on his visits to 1st-through-4th grade students, Joan founded and directed the first-and-only 19th District A Cappella Choir for boys ages 6-16. as a volunteer--another positive connection with the public.

The book is available on-line at iUniverse.com for \$13.95 + shipping. If you order directly from Joan at P.O. Box 68901, Schaumburg, IL 60168, she will waive the shipping charge. Make your check payable to: Joan Kleppe.

CUT-OFF AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

If you are reading a yellow-colored newsletter
2007 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$15.00

Please return this cut-off with your CHECK or MONEY ORDER made out to
THE RETIRED CHICAGO POLICE ASSOCIATION.

Please check the imprint of your name, address and annuity number on the reverse side of this newsletter. Make corrections if necessary, including apt. # , route # , etc. if applicable.

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THE RETIRED CHICAGO POLICE ASSOCIATION
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Treasurer's Message *By Harold Brown*

I would like to wish everyone a Happy & Healthy New Year. The dues for 2007 have been coming in, and we have been sending out the membership cards within two days of receipt of the dues. We thank the Line of Duty Widows for contributing their dues, and a special thanks to those retirees and widows who included an extra donation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will help defray some of the rising expenses. Once again we remind our members:

If you received a **WHITE NEWSLETTER your 2007 dues are PAID.** If you received a **YELLOW NEWSLETTER your dues are not paid and are due now.** Please use the **YELLOW APPLICATION.** This is the only way to tell our members if they are paid or not paid. If for some reason we inadvertently sent you a yellow newsletter and your dues are paid we apologize. Another reminder if you are moving please notify the office at 773-767-1771 and the Pension Board at 312-744-3891, out of state 800-656-6606 as soon as possible. If you will soon be turning 65 please notify the Pension Board so the Proper deductions will be taken out of your pension check.

ANTHONY FINNELLY
President

HAROLD BROWN
Treasurer



NORTH

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

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Place: Bloomingdale Golf Course



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Greetings to the members of the Retired Chicago Police Association!

I am happy to inform you that Chicago Patrolmen's Federal Credit Union has opened a full-service branch at 2766 111th Street, in Chicago (111th and California).

I am one of the branch representatives and am anxious to serve all of your financial needs. As a full-service branch we are prepared to help you with any of your deposit or lending needs. So whether you need to open a savings or checking account, have a mortgage or consumer loan disbursed, or even make changes to your IRA with the assistance of our financial planners, we can help! There are also several friendly faces to help with your withdrawals and deposits.

Don't forget to remind your immediate family members that they are also eligible to join. They will receive the same great services as the wonderful men and women of the Chicago Police Department! We are eager to see you at the branch and hope that we have made more convenient for you to utilize Chicago Patrolmen's Federal Credit Union as your primary financial institution.

Sincerely,

Kacey Smith
Branch Representative