



CHIEF HUGH V. YOUNG, RETIRED
CHAGRIN FALLS, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT
ORPCA - 2006 - AWARD
FOR OUTSTANDING & COOPERATIVE SERVICE
PROVIDING A MORE UNIFIED DEFENSE & GREATER
SECURITY FOR THE STATE OF OHIO RESIDENTS & VISITORS

Chief Hugh Young graduated from Garfield Heights High School in 1953; joined the U.S. Army in 1954; graduated from the U.S. Army Military Police Academy and served four (4) years. Hugh joined the Chagrin Falls Police Department in August 1959 advancing through the ranks he became Chief in November of 1965. Hugh was elected and served the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association many years and as President in 1971-72. He is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Golden Gate Masonic Lodge and was Jaycees' "Man of the Year" award winner in 1967. He is a member of the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police and served on the Ethics Committee, 1973-1974. Hugh also served on the OACP Executive Board and was elected President in 1980. During Chief Young's tenure as Chief of Police his actions proved his dedication to his community, county and state he served. Chief Young gave his town of Chagrin Falls, Chagrin Valley, Cuyahoga County and the State of Ohio the rarity of service with diligence and charisma "far beyond the call of duty". Chief Young continues this same "Outstanding Service" to the Ohio Retired Police Chiefs Association and those we serve by his membership, legacies donation of funds and input even though residing in Florida.



CHIEF MARION R. TAYLOR, RETIRED NORTH OLMSTED, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Outstanding Ohio Police Chief Leadership Award - 2007

This plaque is presented to that Chief of Police who displays Outstanding Leadership during his/her service as Chief of Police, as a Leader in Associations, within his/her community, and leadership in a united effort to address the issues affecting crime fighters in local, state, federal, criminal justice, military and has contributed substantially to providing a more secure and safer Ohio for the citizens we serve.

Chief Marion R. Taylor, Retired, North Olmsted Police Department is the son of Marion Isaac & Madeline Taylor, now deceased of Claysville Pennsylvania. He is married to Pearl E. "Campbell" Taylor. Marion served in the U.S. Navy from 1945-1947, then in the U.S. Army from 1948-1951, one of those years he served in Korea. On September 16, 1956, appointed patrolman, and received the North Olmsted Patrolman of the year award in 1963. He was appointed detective in 1963, sergeant in 1966, and promoted to lieutenant in charge of the detective bureau in 1970. Marion was promoted to chief of police on January 1, 1976. He is a graduate of many schools including the last Federal Bureau of Narcotics School, the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs ten-week school, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy. In 1970 he served as the first agent in charge of the Westshore Enforcement Bureau Narcotic Unit. He was one of the founders of the Narcotics Association of Regional Coordinating Officers of Ohio and served as president in 1975-76. In 1974-75 he served as president of the DEA Law Enforcement Alumni Officers Association and in 1978 was president of The Ohio Chapter FBI National Academy Associates and president of the Cuyahoga County Chiefs Association in 1980. Marion was selected as the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association "Person of the Year" in 1998. He served as president of the Ohio Retired Police Chiefs Association in 2005 & 2006 and is one of its founders and charter members.

OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION OUTSTANDING OHIO POLICE CHIEF LEADERSHIP AWARD

~ 2008 ~



Presented to
Chief David L. Bly, Retired
Westlake Ohio Police Department

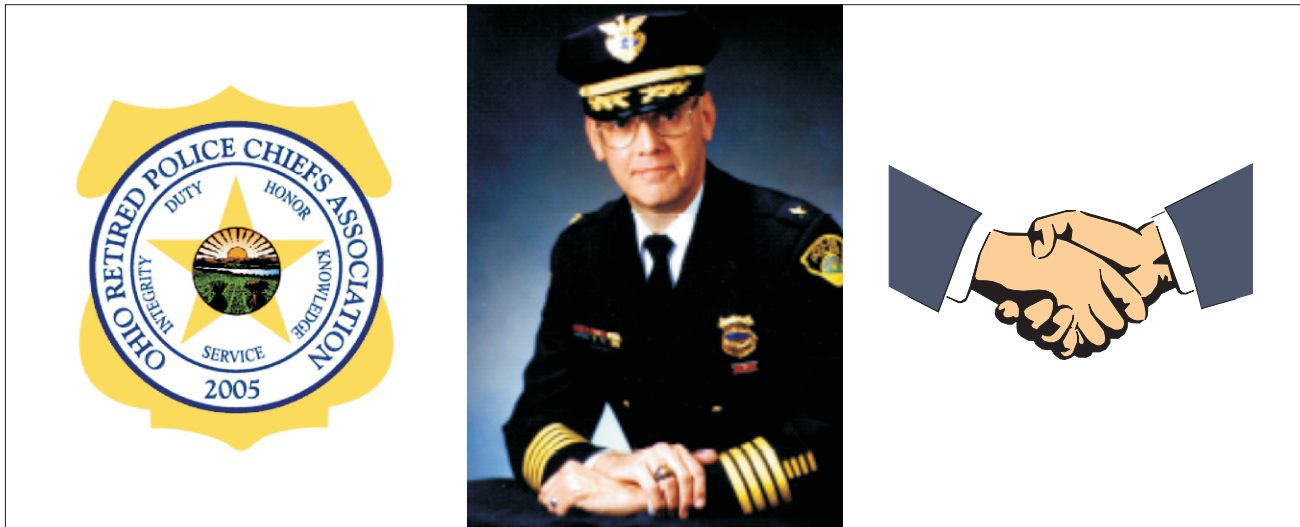
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David L. Bly was sworn in as patrolman with the Westlake Police Department by Mayor Tom Kirk on February 19, 1962. He was elected to serve as Secretary/Treasurer of the Westlake Police Retirement Fund in 1964 and served in that capacity until the OP&F was created. In 1970-1972 he attended numerous police science courses at Lorain Community College. About 1987 or 1988 he co-chaired the OACP Ethics Committee with Chief Thomas Kulp of Upper Arlington. In 1989 Dave graduated with honors from the Southern Police Institute, University of Louisville. He advanced through the ranks via civil service exams. While serving as Chief he reorganized the Westlake Police Department, published the Westlake Police General Orders Manuals and the State Mandated Jail Operations Manual.

The largest and most time consuming task undertaken was the planning, promotion, construction and transition to a new multi-million dollar Westlake Police Headquarters and Jail Facility that met Ohio State approval. Chief Bly was one of the chiefs that originally met to discuss and consider the need for the Ohio Retired Police Chiefs Association. When asked he agreed to serve as Secretary/Treasurer of the Association and has served in that position since ORPCA was formed. He attends every Board Meeting and General Membership Meeting held by the ORPCA taking minutes and preparing them for publication. He attends all meetings in other cities when asked. He chairs the Membership Committee and makes a concerted effort to find ways and means to obtain new members. He makes accurate financial reports on all the Association's accounts. Chief Bly is an outstanding leader, dedicated worker, that the Ohio Retired Police Chiefs Association is fortunate to have serving on the Board of Governors.



**OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS
ASSOCIATION
OUTSTANDING OHIO POLICE CHIEF
LEADERSHIP AWARD
~ 2009 ~**



Presented to
Chief Robert W. Bruckner, Retired
Solon, Ohio Police Department

**FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO
THE STATE OF OHIO, THE COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA,
AND THE CITY OF SOLON FOR THE PAST FORTY ONE YEARS.**

CHIEF BRUCKNER JOINED THE SOLON POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 1968, ROSE TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT IN 1973, LIEUTENANT IN 1977, AND WAS APPOINTED CHIEF OF POLICE IN 1984. SERVING AS CHIEF UNTIL RETIREMENT IN 1996.

HE SERVED AS LAW ENFORCEMENT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE CITY OF SOLON, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE METRO SWAT TEAM OF PORTAGE AND SUMMIT COUNTIES, AND CURRENTLY SERVING AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION.

HE OBTAINED EXTENSIVE EDUCATION IN LAW ENFORCEMENT INCLUDING, F.B.I. NATIONAL ACADEMY, SOUTHERN POLICE INSTITUTE, AND F.B.I. MIDWEST LAW ENFORCEMENT EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR, AND MANY OTHERS. HE HAS SERVED THE OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION IN MANY AREAS, HELPING THE ORGANIZATION GROW TO ITS PRESENT STRENGTH.

HE HAS BEEN AN INSPIRATION AND GUIDING LIGHT TO ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED UNDER HIS COMMAND AND THOSE WHO HAVE WORKED WITH HIM FOR THE PAST FORTY ONE YEARS.



OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION OUTSTANDING OHIO POLICE CHIEF LEADERSHIP AWARD

~ 2010 ~



Presented to

Thomas D. Ganley

**THOMAS GANLEY'S POSITION AS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF GANLEY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP
& HIS MANY HOURS SPENT MANAGING HIS ORGANIZATION HAS NOT STOPPED HIM
FROM FINDING TIME TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY.**

**SINCE 2002 HE HAS BEEN THE CHAIRMAN OF CRIME STOPPERS OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, A PROGRAM
WHICH PROVIDES MONEY TO ANONYMOUS TIPSTERS WHO HELP REMOVE CRIMINALS FROM
OUR STREETS. THOMAS GANLEY HAS WORKED DILIGENTLY IN IMPROVING THIS ORGANIZATION
WHICH RESULTED IN THE SURROUNDING COUNTIES ESTABLISHING CRIME STOPPERS PROGRAMS
TO ASSIST THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT, USING CUYAGOGA COUNTY AS A MODEL.**

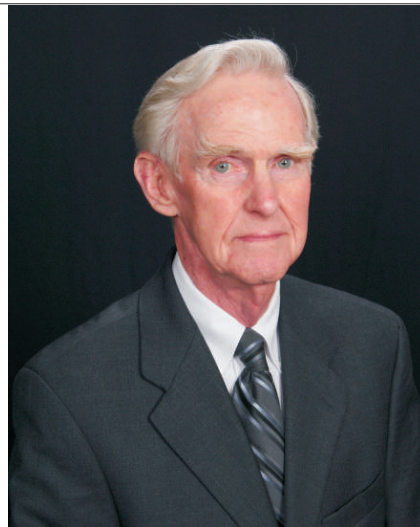
**HE IS A RECIPPENT OF THE LOUIS E. PETERS MEMORIAL SERVICE AWARD FOR HIS WORK
WITH THE F.B.I. AGAINST ORGANIZED CRIME IN NORTHEAST OHIO. THIS IS THE HIGHEST
HONOR THE F.B.I. CAN BESTOW ON A CIVILIAN.**

**HE NOW HAS A TELEVISION PROGRAM CALLED "WARRANT UNIT" THAT WORKS IN CONJUNCTION
WITH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE F.B.I., U.S. MARSHALS, AND NORTHERN OHIO
VIOLENT FUGITIVE TASK FORCE, WHICH STRIVES TO GET DANGEROUS CRIMINALS
OFF OUR STREETS AND INTO OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM.**

**IT IS FOR THESE REASONS, AND MUCH MORE, THAT THE OHIO RETIRED
POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION HONOR THOMAS D. GANLEY WITH
THE PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD**



**OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS
ASSOCIATION
OUTSTANDING OHIO POLICE CHIEF
LEADERSHIP AWARD
~ 2011 ~**



Presented to
Chief Thomas A. Dease

Chief Dease served his country in the Marine Corp in Korea, and upon being honorably discharged, he joined the Brook Park Police Department in 1953. He served as a patrolman, Juvenile Officer, Sergeant, and Chief of Police retiring in 2002.

Chief Dease served the Cuyahoga County Chiefs Association as President for two years, Board of Governors, and Secretary/Treasurer, and was very instrumental in establishing the Cuyahoga Regional Information System. He was also instrumental in helping to establish the original jail standards to more reasonable standards.

Chief Dease received the Person of the Year award in 1977 from the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association, the J. Edgar Hoover Foundation Award in 1998, along with many other awards through the years.

Therefore, The Ohio Retired Police Chiefs Association recognizes
Chief Thomas A. Dease for his contributions to
Law Enforcement and to his community.



**OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS
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OUTSTANDING OHIO POLICE CHIEF
LEADERSHIP AWARD
~ 2012 ~**



Presented to

U.S. Marshal Peter J. Elliott

THIS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AWARD WAS CREATED TO HONOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED, THROUGH THEIR ONGOING AND TIRELESS LAW ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS, THE ABILITY TO MAKE OUR AREA A BETTER AND MORE SECURE PLACE IN WHICH TO RESIDE. IT IS WITH THIS IN MIND THAT WE RECOGNIZE U.S. MARSHAL PETER J. ELLIOTT.

MARSHAL ELLIOTT BEGAN HIS CAREER IN 1983 AS A UNDERCOVER NARCOTICS AGENT AND BECAME A DEPUTY U.S. MARSHAL IN 1987. IN 2003 HE WAS APPOINTED U.S. MARSHAL FOR THE 40 COUNTY NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO, AFTER BEING UNANIMOUSLY CONFIRMED BY THE U.S. SENATE. HIS IMPARTIAL ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW IS WELL DEMONSTRATED BY THE FACT THAT MARSHAL WAS APPOINTED BY A REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT AND RETAINED BY A DEMOCRAT, A FEAT THAT HAS NOT HAPPENED SINCE 1855.

**THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO IS FORTUNATE INDEED
TO HAVE SUCH A FINE LEADER DIRECTING THE
U.S. MARSHAL'S SERVICE.**



OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION OUTSTANDING OHIO POLICE CHIEF LEADERSHIP AWARD ~ 2013 ~



Presented to
Chief Mark D. Weldon

CHIEF MARK D. WELDON, RETIRED FROM THE MASSILLON POLICE DEPARTMENT BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE MASSILLON PD ON FEBRUARY 12, 1991 AND ON JUNE 24, 1991, HE BECAME THE CHIEF OF POLICE. HE MADE THE DECISION TO HAVE HIS DEPARTMENT MORE INVOLVED IN THE WAR ON DRUGS AND HAD AN OFFICER ASSIGNED TO THE STARK, METRO NARCOTICS UNIT, THE FIRST TIME THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BECAME INVOLVED IN QUITE A FEW YEARS. ANOTHER FIRST FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS THE DONATION OF A CAMCORDER USED TO ASSIST THE POLICE OFFICERS. THIS MADE MASSILLON PD THE FIRST DEPARTMENT IN STARK COUNTY TO HAVE THIS CAPABILITY. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN OBTAINING GRANTS TO PUT IN-CAR AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS IN EACH CRUISER. HE IS A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION AND SERVED ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS STARTING IN 2006. HE MADE PLANS FOR THE ORPCA FIRST MEETING OUTSIDE THE CLEVELAND AREA IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN NEW MEMBERS. HE WAS ELECTED TO HIS FIRST TERM AS PRESIDENT OF THE ORPCA IN 2009 SERVING THROUGH 2010. AFTER HIS TERM AS PRESIDENT HE TOOK ON THE VERY IMPORTANT TASK OF PUBLISHING AND DISTRIBUTING THE ORPCA NEWSLETTER. ALONG WITH CHIEF WELDON'S MANY CONTRIBUTION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE COMMUNITY HE SERVED, HE SPENT THE LAST NINE YEARS AT BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY FOR ONE WEEK PARTICIPATING IN THE AMERICAN LEGION BUCKEYE BOYS STATE PROGRAM WHICH IS A WEEK-LONG EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM THAT INTRODUCES THE STUDENTS TO THE FUNCTION OF GOVERNMENT. HE IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AS CHIEF OF SECURITY AT STARK STATE COLLEGE IN NORTH CANTON. HE SERVED IN THE U.S. ARMY FROM JANUARY 6, 1969 TO APRIL 5, 1972. HE WAS ASSIGNED TO PHU BAI IN VIET NAM IN 1969 AND 1970.

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LEADERSHIP AWARD
~ 2014 ~**

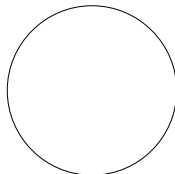


Presented to
Chief Fred F. Drenkhan

THIS PLAQUE IS PRESENTED TO THAT CHIEF OF POLICE DURING HIS/HER SERVICE AS CHIEF OF POLICE, AS A LEADER IN ASSOCIATIONS, WITHIN HIS/HER COMMUNITY, AND LEADERSHIP IN A UNITED EFFORT TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES AFFECTING CRIME FIGHTERS IN LOCAL, STATE, FEDERAL, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, MILITARY AND HAS CONTRIBUTED SUBSTANTIALLY TO PROVIDING A MORE SECURE AND SAFER OHIO FOR THE CITIZENS WE SERVE.

CHIEF FRED F. DRENKHAN, RETIRED, BAY VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT, SERVED HONORABLY IN THE U.S. NAVY DURING WWII. HE JOINED THE BAY VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON JANUARY 1, 1950 AND WAS PROMOTED TO CHIEF OF POLICE ON JANUARY 1, 1965. AS A YOUNG POLICE OFFICER HE WAS THE FIRST OFFICER ON THE SCENE AND SUBSEQUENTLY ARRESTED DR. SAM SHEPPARD FOR MURDER. HE ATTENDED THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION NATIONAL ACADEMY IN 1965. HE WAS THE FIRST OHIO PEACE OFFICER TRAINING COORDINATOR IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY. A MEMBER OF THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE WHERE HE SERVED AS THE FIRST TREASURER AND ULTIMATELY AS PRESIDENT IN 1974-1975. IT WAS DURING THOSE EARLY YEARS OF THE 1970'S THAT HE ALSO SERVED ON THE OHIO CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUPERVISORY COMMISSION BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. HE RETIRED IN 1975 AND BECAME THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION. ON MAY 23, 1978, THE ASSOCIATION WAS SELECTED TO RECEIVE A NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, U.S.A. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD AS AN OUTSTANDING PROGRAM. HE ALSO SAW THE BIRTH OF THE CRIME STOPPERS PROGRAM IN 1981. IN 1977 THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER CONTAINED INFORMATION ON THIS "BELIEVED TO BE THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE NATION" PROGRAM. HE WAS SERVING AS CHIEF WHEN THE WESTSHORE ENFORCEMENT BUREAU WAS ESTABLISHED FOR (1) TRAINING; (2) TACTICAL UNIT; (3) DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT.

**IT WAS ONE OF THE FIRST CITIES JOINED TOGETHER TO ADDRESS
THESE TYPES OF SOLUTIONS TO CRIME PROBLEMS.**



**CHIEF STANLEY R. SCHROTEL
RETIRED CINCINNATI POLICE DEPARTMENT
OUTSTANDING HISTORICAL
OHIO RETIRED POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION AWARD**

DECEASED PRIOR TO JANUARY 25, 2005 - 2014



Presented to
Chief Stanley R. Schrotel

THIS PLAQUE IS PRESENTED TO THAT CHIEF OF POLICE WHO DISPLAYED OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP DURING HIS/HER SERVICE AS CHIEF OF POLICE, AS LEADER IN ASSOCIATIONS, WITHIN HIS/HER COMMUNITY AND LEADERSHIP IN A UNITED EFFORT TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES AFFECTING CRIME FIGHTERS IN LOCAL, STATE, FEDERAL, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, MILITARY AND HAS CONTRIBUTED SUBSTANTIALLY TO PROVIDING A MORE SECURE AND SAFER OHIO FOR THE CITIZENS WE SERVE.

CHIEF STANLEY R. SCHROTEL, RETIRED FROM THE CINCINNATI POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 1967 AFTER SERVING 15 YEARS AND 6 MONTHS AS CHIEF. HE JOINED THE POLICE FORCE IN 1934 AS A PATROLMAN. STUDIED AT THE SALMON P. CHASE COLLEGE OF LAW AND RECEIVED HIS LAW DEGREE. IN 1951 HE TOOK THE EXAM FOR THE CHIEF'S JOB - AND SCORED 99.33 PERCENT. HE WAS THE YOUNGEST MAN TO BE SWORN IN AS POLICE CHIEF. CHIEF SCHROTEL BECAME NATIONALLY KNOWN FOR MAKING THE CINCINNATI POLICE DEPARTMENT A MODEL DEPARTMENT. THE FORD FOUNDATION NAMED HIM TRUSTEE OF A \$30 MILLION POLICE DEVELOPMENT FUND IN 1970. HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE IACP AND ALSO SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE OACP. A LEADER ADMIRERED AND RESPECTED BY HIS PEERS. HE WAS KNOWN AS ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S TOP COPS AND WAS COURTED BY CITIES SUCH AS CHICAGO, BALTIMORE AND DENVER. THE WHITE HOUSE SOUGHT HIS ADVICE AND IN A 1957 LIFE MAGAZINE, PUT HIM ON ITS COVER, NAMED HIM ONE OF THE SIX LIKELY SUCCESSORS TO FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER. THE LURE OF MONEY AND A BIGGER CHALLENGE COULDN'T BUDGE HIM FROM HIS CITY AND LOYAL STAFF. CHIEF SCHROTEL WAS ELATED AND THANKFUL WHEN RE-CONTACTED BY THE OACP LIFE MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE AND PUT ON THEIR MAILING LIST FOR THEIR NEWSLETTER IN 1992. AFTER OVER 30 YEARS ON THE FORCE, HE RETIRED IN 1966 TO OVERSEE SECURITY FOR KROGER COMPANY. IN 1983, HE RETURNED TO PUBLIC SERVICE WHEN HAMILTON COUNTY NAMED HIM DIRECTOR OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2002 CHIEF SCHROTEL PASSED AWAY IN BLUE ASH, OHIO. A SPECIAL THANKS TO A SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT LEADER.

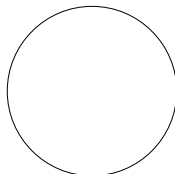
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~ 2015 ~**



Presented to
Chief Glenn Russell Osborn

Chief Glenn Russell Osborn is a Charter Member of the Ohio Retired Police Chiefs Association. On March 21, 2005, Tuesday at the Holiday Inn, Independence, Ohio the first Board of Governors to serve the Ohio Retired Police Chiefs Association took the oath of office given by Chief Joseph E. Valine, Ret'd, Brooklyn Heights PD and Chief Glenn R. Osborn, Ret'd, Twinsburg PD. He married his wife Ruth, in 1941 and had three children. He went into the Navy in 1943 as a Motor Machinist and served in both the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters. He served on one of the ships that escorted the Marines into Japan when the war ended. When Twinsburg was incorporated in 1955, he was appointed the first chief of police and street commissioner. During this time his wife Ruth worked as a police and fire dispatcher in their home, having five (5) phones in their house. He was active in many organizations, including the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association, and served as President in 1959; the Summit County Safety Council; the International Association of Chiefs of Police; the Masonic Lodge; the Summit County Sheriff's Association; the Fraternal Order of Police; the Veterans of Foreign Wars and served on the Twinsburg Charter Commission, Task Force on Crime. He had the privilege of being president of some of these organizations. He became President of the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police in 1968. He was deeply involved in obtaining passage of the Compulsory Training Act and the Police Pension Bill. He had the pleasure of working with the FBI and the Secret Service when President Nixon came to Twinsburg. He invited all the chiefs from neighboring towns to come in and assist him on that day. President Nixon made an unscheduled stop to shake hands with a police officer. That officer was Chief Moe Duris from Bedford, Ohio. In July 2005 the Twinsburg Police Department celebrated its 50th anniversary with a policeman's ball where over 100 people attended. Chief Osborn, Twinsburg's first chief of police, was presented a plaque award and a Certificate of Congressional Recognition from LaTourette. Chief Osborn's wife Ruth was by his side when he received this award.

For additional information a Memory Medallion is attached to this plaque that can be viewed using a smart phone or via computer that contains pictures and additional information on Chief Osborn, his family and the Twinsburg Police Department.



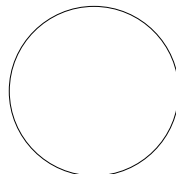
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Presented to
Chief Harry W. Hird

Chief Harry W. Hird served as the second chief of police in the City of North Olmsted. He served with honor in the U.S. Army Air Force in WWII. He was appointed as a patrolman to the North Olmsted Police Department December 7, 1948. He was promoted to sergeant March 1953, lieutenant May, 1956 and served as detective from 1950 until his appointment as chief January 1, 1966. He was first on the civil service list. He was a North Olmsted resident married to Chiquita (Smedley) and they had two daughters. He graduated in 1953 from the 52nd session of the FBI National Academy. He served as president of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #25 in 1965. He was elected president of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association in 1970, and president of the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police in 1971. He served on many committees as a member of the Metropolitan Crime Bureau, Law Enforcement Communication Committee of Criminal Justice Coordinating Council and the Northeastern Association of Regional Coordinating Officers. While serving as president of the OACP he set up a meeting in Columbus, Ohio on February 23, 1971 hosted by BNDD where over 140 people attended to discuss the Narcotic Association of Regional Coordinating Officers. The director of BNDD and other members of BNDD attended this meeting. Chief Hird spoke for the OACP and he and their members supported founding this Association. During Chief Hird's tenure as President of the OACP the attendance at the District #3 meeting usually was over 100 attendees. Chief Hird while serving as President of the OACP fought for and was one of many instrumental in bring the BCI Laboratory to Richfield. He fought for and obtained training for the departments personnel sending officers to federal drug training schools, the FBI and numerous other schools including sending one officer to the nine month Northwestern police training program. He was a strong supporter of civil service testing for all positions in the police department.

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~ 2016 ~**



Presented to
Chief Martin G. Lentz
Cleveland Heights Police Department

This plaque is presented to that Chief of Police who displayed outstanding leadership during his service with the Cleveland Heights police Department.

Chief Lentz joined the CHPD on February 16, 1959 and he became Chief of that Department on August 1, 1974. He then served as Chief for thirty-six (36) years, retiring on December 2, 2010. His law enforcement career spanned fifty-one (51) distinguished and unblemished years. Chief Lentz was also a practicing attorney and a member of the Ohio Bar.

Under his progressive leadership, the CHPD became one of the first police departments in the county to apply computer analysis to crime statistics and he developed innovative shift assignments that significantly improved the department's response to calls-for-service. Chief Lentz instilled "community policing" long before that phrase came into vogue in the nation.

In 1990, Chief Lentz relocated the Police Academy to an abandoned Cleveland Heights fire station on Monticello Blvd. and Noble Road after the building had been totally refurbished by members of the CHPD. Upon his retirement in 2010, the city renamed the structure the Martin G. Lentz Police Academy in his honor to publicly acknowledge his professionally progressive law enforcement efforts as a servant of the people.

On December 9, 2010, Rep. Dennis Kucinich, Ohio 10th District, paid tribute to Chief Lentz by entering into the Congressional Record remarks outlining his dedication and expertise that continually demonstrated his daily concerns for the residents of Cleveland Heights. (Capitolwords Vol. 156, #162).

Chief Lentz Spotless record speaks for itself and that he was without a doubt been an outstanding leader, much revered by his peers.

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LEADERSHIP AWARD
~ 2017 ~**



Presented to
Chief Edward P. Kovacic
Cleveland Police Department

Chief Edward P. Kovacic joined the Cleveland Police Dept. in 1959. Upon graduating from the academy , he walked a beat in the 6th District. He subsequently served in the Detective Bureau, the Decoy Squad and the Bomb Unit. He also served in the Intelligence, Homicide and Scientific Units. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1970, to Lieutenant in 1975. and Captain in 1980. When he retired in 1985. he was the 6th District Commanding Officer.

After retiring from the Cleveland Police Dept. he served as an Inspector for the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office until 1990, when he was appointed Chief of Police for the City of Cleveland, retiring from that position in 1994. At that time, he began lecturing at colleges and universities in the region with regard to law enforcement issues.

In 2014 Chief Kovacic was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by the City Police Foundation "for a lifetime of distinguished service to the community.

