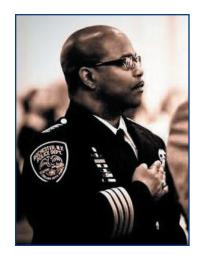
MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF:



With the heat of summer upon us, we have experienced an uptick in violence in certain parts of our city. It is during times like these that it is important not only that we do our jobs, but also recognize the importance of how we do them. Our role is to protect this community and make our citizens feel safe. Therefore, we must proactively address crime and refuse to be solely reactive.

No matter where you are assigned, you are responsible for providing excellent police service for the entire city. I too have worked the same neighborhoods that you patrol, and though it was many years ago, not much has changed. I experienced the same issues with citizens choosing not to be involved, and the divide between

the Rochester Police Department and some of the residents of our toughest neighborhoods. However, we must continue to diligently work to foster relationships if we are to be successful in our efforts.

Our current Cool Down Detail brings us tremendous opportunities to make in-roads with residents in those areas of the city that we may have poor relationships with, or who have negative perceptions of the RPD. It is these residents that we need to engage to build positive relationships, if we are going to earn their cooperation to help us address violence and solve crimes. It is in our initial interactions where citizens' cooperation and support will be won or lost for us as an organization.

While encouraging you to be proactive in the neighborhoods that need us most, I stress the importance of being courteous and professional to all that you engage. In the future, we will solicit the assistance of many of the people we encounter to help us solve crimes. The community plays a vital role in helping us police the city effectively and keep our citizens safe. With every stop we conduct, we are making an impression on the Rochester community. Let's send the right message. Let the people in all of our neighborhoods know we care, and that we embrace them as our partner.

Stay safe!

Chief James Sheppard

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POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE IN 2ND VIDEO GAME EVENT



On Saturday, May 5th, Rochester Police Officers and the Police Activities League teamed up with Rochester city youth in the second annual Team-Up event. The tournament, held at the Baden Street Digital Arts Center on Vienna Street, consisted of an Officer and youth playing "On the same Team" against other police/youth teams. The purpose of the event is to strengthen the relationship between inner-city youth and our Rochester Police Department, engaging them in a positive way.

The tournament and its format (Team-up) were conceived by Mr. Marcus Dade and Chief Sheppard. The tournament is committed to connecting with inner-city youth and making a difference early on. This free tournament gives city youth and officers the chance to meet in a non-threatening atmosphere—and win prizes!

RPD "CRASHES" PICNIC IN THE PARK

On Monday, June 11, 2012, the Arnett Block Association hosted a lawn event for students at School #29 in the Arnett Bird and Butterfly Park. Children played games and ate snacks in



the park, then walked to the library next door to hear stories and sign up for library cards.

Officers Joe Trovato and Vinnie Agnone joined the party, playing lawn games with the kids for an hour. During this fun summer day, over 220 children got to play in the park, and 50 were assigned new library cards.



'OPERATION CHILL' BRINGS POLICE, KIDS TOGETHER

As the weather heats up this summer, the department hopes a new program will help keep kids out of trouble. It's called "Operation Chill", and it is another opportunity for positive engagement between Rochester Police Officers and youth.

The deal is that Rochester Police Officers will be on the lookout for kids who do good deeds. If an officer sees a kid helping someone, helping to deter crime, or helping out in their community, the officer will ticket them. But the "ticket" is good for a free Slurpee from 7-Eleven.

The program started in 1995. Since then, 7-Eleven has given away more than 12 million "Operation Chill" coupons. The program has been popular with both kids and police. This year, 7-Eleven is giving police across the country one million "Operation Chill" coupons, and 700 of those will be given out by Rochester Police.

RPD GOES ONLINE WITH TWITTER!

The Rochester Police Department now has its very own Twitter account. The Chief's Office will be maintaining the account and providing the community with up to date information regarding RPD activities and crime bulletins. We believe this is the next logical step in bringing the RPD to the technological forefront.

By utilizing Twitter, we can provide the community with instant access to wanted suspect descriptions and photos, so that they may assist us in making their neighborhoods safer. We will also be able to provide information about upcoming events the RPD may be hosting that are open to the community.

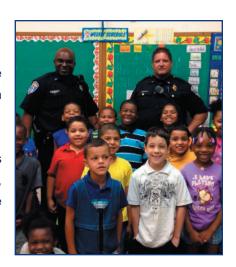


Please follow us @RochesterNYPD

PAL BOOK DRIVE: PART 2

Following the phenomenal success of the first ever Police Activities League (PAL) book drive, PAL hosted Part 2 of the book drive on June 16th, which involved reading stories to kids in their classroom.

Lieutenant Jeremy Lindauer and Officer Jeffery Holmes visited first-graders at Lincoln School # 22. Lt. Lindauer read the book "Pete Doesn't Like Peas", and Officer Holmes read "The Frog and Bunny Adventure". Both books were crowd favorites and the officers were well received by students and staff.



RPD RECORDS AT WDKX DURING BLACK MUSIC MONTH



WDKX invited five RPD officers to visit the radio station and record 30-second radio advertisements to celebrate Black Music Month.

For each of the five individually recorded ads, Sergeant Justin Collins, Investigator Jackie Shuman, Officers Jim Perry, Sam Lucyshyn and Bryant Johnson each discussed one black artist that they enjoyed, and what they like about that particular artist's music.

Artists highlighted during the spots included Tupac Shakur, Michael Jackson, Ice Cube, Dr. Dre & LL Cool J.

This edition of the RPD Newsletter will feature a new section called "Meet The RPD". In this section we will highlight one member of the department in each issue and highlight their career and interests both on and off the job.

"MEET THE RPD"



MICHAEL HORN, SERGEANT: PATROL DIVISION WEST 3RD

My Career

I started my career with the Rochester Police Department in March, 2003. After the academy and field training, I was assigned to the Maple Section, 1st Platoon. Shortly thereafter, the department underwent reorganization, and I continued to work on 1st platoon in PSA 44. During this period I participated in "Project Impact" through temporary assignments in the Tactical Unit, and I also had the privilege to train Probationary Officers as a Field Training Officer. In 2007, I was assigned to West

5th Platoon, and was later temporarily assigned to the Backgrounds and Recruitment Unit where I conducted background investigations on potential police officer candidates. In March, 2011, I was selected to serve as an Acting Sergeant on West 5th Platoon up until the time I was promoted in December, 2011. I am currently a Sergeant on West 3rd Platoon and supervise the Northwest area of the city where I grew up, and where I still live.

Why did you want a career with the Rochester Police Department?

I wanted a career with the Rochester Police Department because I grew up in the Rochester community and have a strong desire to help make Rochester a better place to live, visit, raise a family in, or grow a business. As a member of the Rochester Police Department, I'm able to take responsibility in helping make this vision a reality. Working with several other department members, who take a tremendous amount of pride in the great police work they do on a daily basis, is what makes the Rochester Police Department such a successful organization, and I'm proud to be a part of it.

Tell me a time in your career when you were most proud to be a member of the Rochester Police Department?

The time that I recall being the most proud that I was a member of the Rochester Police Department was my first day on patrol after field training. I had a real sense of pride in having just completed an extensive training program, and I also had an overwhelming feeling of excitement in starting my career as a Police Officer in the City of Rochester. I immediately felt like I was part of a team and was proud to be serving alongside several great officers that I had spent the last couple of months looking up to.

What are some things you like to do when you're off duty?

While not working, I spend a lot of time both playing and watching ice hockey. My favorite team is the Buffalo Sabres and in addition to attending games in Buffalo, I often travel throughout the country to watch them play. I also enjoy traveling to remote and exotic locations all over the world. Some of the places I have recently visited include Costa Rica, Honduras, and St. Kitts. Traveling to places such as these has enabled me to meet a lot of friends, have amazing experiences, and learn a lot about myself and the incredible world we live in.

WE PRODUCE LEADERS

Over the years, the Rochester Police Department has developed a national reputation for excellence due in large part to the tremendous talent, commitment and innovative thinking exhibited by those who have worn the uniform of the Rochester Police Department. The "We Produce Leaders" series highlights RPD alumni who have gone on from the Department to continue serving the community in a variety of leadership roles. We hope these articles inspire current RPD members and demonstrate the many ways that the skills and professionalism gained as a RPD officer benefits the community for a lifetime.

CAPTAIN FRED J. BELL (RETIRED)

Fred Bell grew up in City of Cumberland, Maryland. After serving time in the United States Navy, he was persuaded to move closer to his uncles who lived in Rochester. Fred chose to join the Rochester Police Department in 1967. Fred said his decision was influenced by Retired Captain Charles Price. Captain Price was the Rochester Police Department's first black police officer.

In 1985, Fred was interviewed for a Black Heritage Month Profile article in the Democrat and Chronicle. He told reporters that before he joined the Rochester Police Department, he had several unfortunate experiences with police officers. Fred was quoted by the reporter, "I was beaten because I was young, I was black, and I did not move fast enough when I was told to move." He went on to explain that, "You can stand and throw rocks, but you can't change the system unless you are inside the system. I wanted to make some kind of positive impact. That sounds corny, but it's true." From that point on, Fred was galvanized in his desire to be a police officer. Fred is especially proud of his service as a Rochester Police Officer. He is most proud of the time he served as the Commanding Officer of the Genesee, Goodman, Clinton and Highland Sections. In 2005, he retired as the Commanding Officer of the Field Investigation Section.

DESCRIBE A HIGHLIGHT OF YOUR CAREER IN RPD AND HOW THAT SHAPED YOUR FUTURE:

In 1969, Fred was assigned to a special squad that was created to address street robberies. This special unit was led by Detective Supervisor Bill Mahoney. The unit was nicknamed "Mahoney's Raiders." During Fred's 18 month assignment to the unit, the team was credited with over 120 arrests. Fred is extremely proud that the unit had a 100% conviction rate. Fred said his assignment to "Mahoney's Raiders" taught him how to conduct a successful criminal investigation, how to prepare a solid court case and taught him how to testify in court. Fred said that his lifelong love affair with crime fighting strategies began upon his assignment to the special unit.

WHAT I HAVE BEEN DOING SINCE RETIREMENT:

Fred retired from the Department after reaching the New York State mandatory retirement age. Fred provided 38 years of service to the Rochester community. Fred said, "Surprisingly, I am enjoying retirement. I never thought I would, because I enjoyed being a police officer so much." Fred still lives in Rochester for seven months of the year. He spends his winters on the Caribbean Island of Antigua.

ADVICE THAT YOU WOULD GIVE TO THE OFFICERS CURRENTLY ON THE JOB:

When Fred joined the Rochester Police Department, he said that a Baptist minister told him, "Police officers were ordained by God to serve as His angels." Fred went on to offer the following words of wisdom, "Serving the public is a sacred trust. Everyone that you have contact with is entitled to 100% of your attention and 100% of your ability".

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Pictured from left: Officer Garth Mitchell, Officer Herm Santos, Officer Michelle Velez, Lieutenant Frank Alberti, Officer Anthony Belliard, Officer Brian Bannerman, Officer Brian Cannon.

