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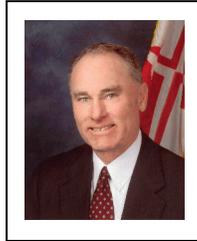
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Volume 10 Number 4 Colonel Thomas E. "Tim" Hutchins, Secretary Sept-Dec 2004

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Since I became Secretary of the Department of State Police, you have heard me speak often of my ongoing review of the operations and administration of the Maryland State Police. The purpose of my review, which included employee input, was to objectively identify our strengths and our weaknesses. It was not to find fault with the Department. My hope was to obtain a detailed look at what the Department was like after my 10-year absence.



Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins
Secretary

The reviews and recommendations are complete and plans for the future have been produced. I met personally with Governor Ehrlich and discussed these plans with him. I have his full support. More importantly, each of you within the Department of State Police has the full support of the Ehrlich-Steele Administration. Governor Ehrlich and Lieutenant Governor Steele appreciate your dedication to duty and your desire to provide quality law enforcement services to our citizens. They are committed to doing everything possible to support us in our mission.

The constant focus of our plan can be best summed up as "Troopers First – Back to Basics." When I use this description I am referring to our women and men who are the first responders within our Department, so this includes our civilian employees.

Whether you are answering the emergency phone call, dispatching a trooper, or responding to the call for help, you are our

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MISSION FOCUS PROMPTS ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins, Secretary of the Department of State Police, announced organizational changes within the Maryland State Police aimed at better supporting the public safety agenda of Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., by increasing the agency's effectiveness in accomplishing its mission, reducing the top rank structure and improving overall efficiency.

Colonel Hutchins implemented these changes after a careful review of the State Police, which included input from the more than 1,500 troopers and 740 civilian employees. The new structural changes can best be described as a return to the tradition of the Maryland State Police.

The previous four bureaus within the Maryland State Police have been reduced to three. They are the Field Operations Bureau, Homeland Security and Investigation Bureau, and Support Services Bureau.

The Field Operations Bureau is the largest of the
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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

This has been a busy year for all state employees and the men and



Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

women of the Maryland State Police are no exception. Together, we have worked hard to provide outstanding state services to our citizens.

Public safety is one of the five pillars of the Ehrlich-Steele Administration. Each day, Lieutenant Governor Steele and I work to ensure that public safety remains at the forefront of the quality services we provide.

As a Maryland State Police employee, you are vital to our success in this endeavor. Whether you are a trooper or a civilian employee, the work you do each day has a direct impact on the quality of life Maryland citizens enjoy.

You have been called upon countless times this
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REORGANIZATION *(continued)*

three and consists of the uniform patrol forces assigned to barracks statewide, Transportation Safety Command, Aviation Command, and Special Operations Command. The barracks have been divided into five "troops" which will be commanded by captains. Four barracks commanders are female lieutenants.

The Homeland Security and Investigation Bureau includes the Homeland Security Command, Investigation Command, and the Records Command. Its mission will include helping to protect the State against acts of terrorism and conducting statewide drug and criminal investigations.

The Support Services Bureau is comprised of the Personnel Command and the Logistics Command. The bureau will focus on hiring and training new troopers, as well as providing the equipment and technology all troopers need to do their jobs effectively.

"The Maryland State Police is an outstanding police department, but there are improvements we can make that will benefit both our employees and the citizens we serve," Colonel Hutchins said. "Aided by input from our employees, I have implemented changes that will enable us to be more effective in providing the highest quality law enforcement services to the people of Maryland."

Colonel Hutchins has defined the mission of the Maryland State Police as enforcing the transportation laws of the state while managing incidents to minimize disruptions in traffic flow; enforcing the criminal laws of Maryland in conformance with jurisdictional agreements, with a special emphasis on interstate and intrastate crime; conducting homeland security operations; and providing support to local law enforcement agencies. All actions of Maryland State Police employees are to be directed toward accomplishing that mission.

Colonel Hutchins met with State Police commanders on Monday, October 25 to unveil the organizational changes. A number of personnel reassignments occurred due to the changes. Commanders reported to their new assignments on Wednesday, October 27.

MARYLAND STATE POLICE INTERDICTION TEAM TARGETS CRIMINALS ON THE HIGHWAYS

*by Major Greg Shipley, Commander
Media Communications Section*

Drug smugglers, gun runners and fugitives from justice are just a few of the criminals in the sights of an expanding team of Maryland State Troopers.

They are members of the Maryland State Police Interstate Criminal Enforcement Team. This team of specially trained troopers was formed in mid-2003 and directed to focus on interdicting all types of criminals moving in and through Maryland by motor vehicle.

Before deploying, the team received intense interdiction training. Much of that training included the latest Constitutional law issues and court rulings involving search and seizure. The team also completed the professional traffic stop training course approved by the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. Each trooper uses a car
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LAST CHOW CALL

*by Denise K. Masimore, Public Affairs Officer II
Media Communications Section*

No longer will cadences echo throughout Maryland State Police headquarters. There is a quietness in Pikesville—one that I haven't heard for the past 35 years. With the relocation of the Education and Training Section to the new Sykesville facility, a part of our history closes and a new chapter begins.

The history of the academy's first permanent home dates back to the 1950s. On September 9, 1950, dedication ceremonies were held and the former federal arsenal and Maryland Old Line Confederate Soldiers' Home officially became headquarters for the Maryland State Police. With the need for a permanent and more adequate place for the police academy for training, construction began in March 1953. The old building on this spot was too deteriorated for renovation, so a new one was erected. The Maryland State Police Training Academy was dedicated on March 29, 1954.

On Tuesday, December 31, 1954, the 34th Trooper
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121st GRADUATES!

Lieutenant Governor Michael Steele joined Maryland State Police Secretary, Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins, as he presided over graduation ceremonies for the 121st Trooper Candidate Class. Colonel Hutchins administered the oath of office to 25 new troopers as they graduated, making them the last class to complete training at headquarters in Pikesville.

“Public safety is an honorable profession that cannot be measured or compared,” said Lieutenant Governor Michael Steele. “Governor Ehrlich and I congratulate the new graduates and stand committed to providing them the support they need to protect the citizens of Maryland.”

“The Department you have become part of today is focused in its mission, but extremely varied in how we accomplish our mission,” Colonel Hutchins said. “Our mission is to enforce the traffic laws of Maryland and manage traffic incidents to provide for the efficient flow of traffic; to enforce the criminal laws, with a focus on inter and intrastate crime; to provide homeland security; and to support local law enforcement wherever and to the extent possible. This is the life of the Maryland State Police. It is a cycle that does not end. The lights never go out in a State Police barracks, this is the life you are now a part of.”

Several awards were presented to the members of the graduating class. The Lobe Award, honoring the class president, was awarded to Trooper Michael S. Hegedus. He was chosen by his peers to represent the class. The Dr. Henry S. Hohouser Award for Highest Academic Average was presented to Trooper Christopher G. Tappan. Trooper Tappan was also presented a plaque by the Maryland Troopers Association for attaining the highest

award presented by Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 69 in memory of Corporal Ted Wolf. The Ed Toatley Leadership Award was presented to Trooper Michael J. Porta by the Coalition of Black Maryland State Troopers. Trooper Porta was recognized by his peers for displaying model performance and taking a leading role in assisting other candidates with attaining their goals to become Maryland State Troopers.

The new troopers completed an intensive 26-week training course. They trained in the basics of traffic and criminal law enforcement. After graduation, they reported to their new assignments for eight weeks of field training with a seasoned trooper before they patrol alone. Sixteen troopers reported to the Eastern Region and nine reported to the Western Region.

We welcome the 121st Trooper Candidate Class to the Maryland State Police family.

Trooper William R. Abey
Trooper David L. Avila
Trooper Edward T. Bilbrough
Trooper Brian A. Clinton
Trooper Jean L. Davenport
Trooper Stephen C. Decerbo
Trooper Sean P. Duchemin
Trooper Robert L. Giffin
Trooper Michael S. Hegedus
Trooper Richard G. Hoffman
Trooper Lance L. Lloyd
Trooper Danielle C. Markette
Trooper Michael F. McComas
Trooper Tamarapreye E. Oborokumo
Trooper Steven L. Parisan
Trooper Michael J. Porta
Trooper Thomas M. Ruel
Trooper Clyde T. Simpler
Trooper Joseph L. Splendido
Trooper Christopher G. Tappan
Trooper Jason G. Treleven
Trooper Vincent W. Upole
Trooper Andrew D. Williams
Trooper Tracy Zalenski
Trooper Deborah L. Zittel



The motto of the 121st Trooper Candidate Class was “Find A Way or Make One.” (MSP PHOTO BY AMY HAGER)

overall achievement average for all topics presented during training. For the highest average in physical training, Trooper Richard G. Hoffman received an

MOWBRAY MEMORIAL DEDICATED

Sergeant Wallace J. Mowbray served the Maryland State Police from January 8, 1962 to August 10, 1975. During his tenure he received a Superintendent's Commendation for his initiative, ingenuity and perseverance in handling criminal cases. He was also cited by the American Legion for outstanding service to his community and dedication to his profession.



*Wallace J. Mowbray
Sergeant*

On the night of August 9, 1975, Sergeant Mowbray answered the call to duty. He spotted a blue van with four occupants parked in front of Baker's Liquor store in the town of Chester. Sergeant Mowbray sensed that something just wasn't right. He decided to check it out. He parked his cruiser between the van and the liquor store. He approached the driver's side of the van and asked for a driver's license and registration. The driver complied and Sergeant Mowbray got back into his cruiser to run a tag check.

The van was stolen and two of the occupants had outstanding warrants. The occupants carried a sawed-off shotgun. With their robbery plan now compromised, they shot Sergeant Mowbray in the head. He succumbed to his injuries on August 10.

Sergeant Wallace J. "Wally" Mowbray has been described as a man with natural police ability above the ordinary. He was known as a devoted family man and a really nice guy who loved softball and enjoyed coaching and mentoring young people. He believed in justice tempered with a little mercy and compassion for people. We describe him as one of "Maryland's Finest."

On the 29th anniversary of his death, a memorial honoring Sergeant Wallace J. Mowbray was dedicated at the Centreville Barracks. His family, and many friends and co-workers were in attendance.

MOWBRAY MURDER UPDATE

Sergeant Wallace J. Mowbray died on August 10, 1975 at the hands of Richard Clinton Patterson. But Charles Edward Watson was inside the van when Patterson shot Sergeant Mowbray. Watson received life plus 95 years for his involvement in the murder,

and a kidnaping and rape which occurred shortly thereafter.

Watson was released in 1991, after his conviction was overturned. The judge said Watson never should have been given a life sentence because accessory to murder carries a maximum prison sentence of only five years. Watson received a new trial. He pleaded guilty to accessory to murder, two counts of kidnaping and weapons violations. His revised sentence was for 27 years.

Upon release, Watson returned to the Glen Burnie area and worked as a painter. He remained mostly crime free until December 1, 2003. It was on that day he decided to rob the Carrollton Bank at 427 Crain Highway in Glen Burnie. Watson, 58, is now headed back to prison to serve 20 years for armed robbery and handgun violations. The sentences will run concurrently.



Retired Superintendent Colonel Thomas S. Smith, Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins, Mrs. Iris Mowbray, and Sgt. Mowbray's children, Robin Bell, Rusty and Ryan Mowbray, unveil the monument.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

by First Sergeant Chris Sasse, Police Academy Division

It was in the afternoon on March 8, 2004, when a car crashed on I-695 at Route 40 in Baltimore County, Maryland. The crash changed the course of two families--one immediate and one extended.

The driver of the car was Sergeant Patrick Brady, assigned to the Homeland Security and Intelligence Bureau. For reasons unknown, the sickness that caused Sergeant Brady to crash is still a mystery. After the crash, Sergeant Brady had several surgeries. He lost part of one limb, spent months in the hospital and has endured endless hours of rehabilitation.

Pat has come home full time to continue his rehabilitation. He is working hard to regain what the collision temporarily took from him. Sergeant Patrick Brady will succeed with the assistance of his wife, Dalaine, a Maryland State Police sergeant also; his two sons, Max and Jack; and all of his family.

On October 3, 2004, a beautiful Sunday afternoon at Sandy Point State Park, Sergeants Patrick and Dalaine Brady shared their appreciation and thanked both families for their never-ending assistance. Family, friends, co-workers, and many of Pat's medical staff feasted on pit beef, turkey and all the fixins from Atlantic Caterers. Adults and children enjoyed a hay ride. Pumpkins and paints were supplied for anyone wishing to show off his or her artistic talents. But, everyone took turns spending quality time with the Bradys.

Near the end of the afternoon, Sergeant Dalaine Brady made several special presentations. The first was a shadow box with a plaque depicting a trooper, MSP helicopter, and MSP insignia which was presented to Tracey Heath and Kathy Berry. Tracey

and Kathy were members of the large Shock Trauma team who helped Pat survive his trauma. Tracey will ensure the shadow box is placed in plain view at the Shock Trauma Unit.

Sergeant Dalaine Brady also showed great appreciation to the Sergeant Randy Morris Golf Tournament by presenting a brass plaque to Mrs. Cecilia Morris, Randy's mother. The plaque will be displayed at future golf tournaments. Proceeds from the 2004 golf tournament were graciously given to the Bradys to help defray costs for immediate special home rehabilitation and integration projects. These projects will allow Pat to move about his home more comfortably. Other improvements are being coordinated through the Injured Workers Insurance Fund.

Sergeant Dalaine Brady presented engraved gavels to each Maryland Troopers Association lodge, Coalition of Black Maryland State Troopers and to the Maryland Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) for their assistance. Dalaine noted COPS was at Shock Trauma one hour after Pat arrived by helicopter.

The last presentation was made to the Department of Maryland State Police. A cast iron and wood bench with a brass plaque was donated for display in the headquarters quadrangle near the Fallen Heroes Memorial. The bench was accepted by First Sergeant Derek White on behalf of Maryland State Police Secretary Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins.

The Brady family would like to extend a heart felt "Thank You" to their extended family and they welcome any correspondence. Sergeant Patrick Brady continues to rehabilitate with his prosthesis while he waits for his last surgery. In the meantime, he is working on gaining weight and strength.



Friends, family and co-workers joined Sergeants Patrick (seated in dark baseball cap and dark shirt holding his son, Jack) and Dalaine Brady (standing next to Pat) and their sons, Max and Jack, at Sandy Point State Park.



Pumpkin painting was a popular activity.

ASSET FORFEITURE UNIT RECOGNIZED FOR EFFORTS

The Maryland State Police Asset Forfeiture Unit is the clearinghouse for all assets seized by members of the Department. During 2003, the Asset Forfeiture Unit processed over \$5 million in total seized assets. On September 14, 2004, the Asset Forfeiture Unit received an award from the Drug Enforcement Administration in recognition of being the police agency that processed the highest value of assets through the Department of Justice/Drug Enforcement Administration Equitable Sharing Adoption Program for the Baltimore/Washington District. During the period of October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003, the Asset Forfeiture Unit processed \$1,234,985 in seized assets through the Department of Justice/Drug Enforcement Administration Equitable Sharing Program.

The Asset Forfeiture Unit is staffed by Fiscal Specialist Lori Deems, Detective Sergeant Brian Reider, Corporal William Rhoderick, Trooper First Class Robert Mignogna and First Sergeant Rhonda Haralson of the Maryland National Guard Counter Drug Program.



(From L to R) DEA Supervisory Special Agent Paul Washington, Fiscal Specialist Lori Deems and Detective Sergeant Brian Reider of the Asset Forfeiture Unit and Criminal Investigation Division Commander Captain Vernon Conaway accept the Drug Enforcement Administration Award. (DEA PHOTO)

HAGERSTOWN BARRACKS EMPLOYEES AND CITIZEN HONORED

Captain Gerald R. Turano, Commander of the Hagerstown Barracks, recently honored two troopers, a police communications operator and a Washington County resident for outstanding service.

Troopers First Class Robert Embly and Jesse Broadwater received Commander's Awards for the investigations and the successful prosecution of an alcohol-related fatal motor vehicle collision that claimed the life of a Washington County resident.

The operator of the motor vehicle was indicted by the Washington County Grand Jury and convicted of Homicide by Motor Vehicle while under the influence. The collision occurred on August 13, 2003. Trooper First Class Robert L. Embly was dispatched to a single vehicle collision involving an underage driver and underage occupants. There was one fatality. Alcohol was a contributing factor. TFC Embly was commended for his efforts, diligence and dedication which led to the successful arrest and prosecution in this investigation. He displayed the highest degree of professionalism.

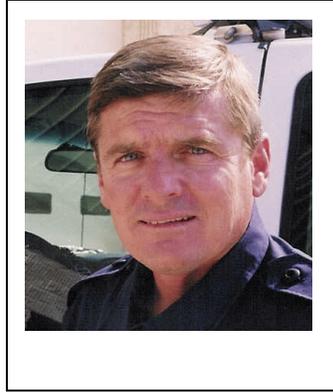
Trooper First Class Jesse Broadwater assisted in the reconstruction of the Washington County collision. He provided TFC Embly with guidance, direction and physical evidence which corroborated witness statements. TFC Broadwater is commended for his efforts, diligence and dedication which led to the successful arrest and prosecution in this investigation. He displayed the highest degree of professionalism.

Police Communications Operator Anita Bussard received a Letter of Recognition for her involvement and communication with a distraught individual that contemplated suicide on March 3, 2004. The unidentified male caller threatened suicide by jumping off a bridge and then terminated the call. Utilizing "Star 69" to identify the caller's telephone number, PCO Bussard reestablished contact with the distraught individual. During her 30 minute conversation with the man, she developed a rapport with him and determined his location. Troopers and Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the scene. PCO Bussard maintained an open line of communication. After several hours of negotiations, the distraught man turned himself over to authorities without incident of injury. PCO Bussard's

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FIRE MARSHAL RECEIVES SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Deputy Chief Jack Waldner, Commander of the Office of the Fire Marshal Bomb Squad, recently attended two seminars relating to terrorism bombing activities. Deputy Chief Waldner was one of 15 bomb squad commanders from throughout the country invited to participate in the highly specialized training briefing.



Jack Waldner
Deputy Chief Fire Marshal

The training seminars dealt with disarming, or rendering safe as bomb technicians describe it, Large Vehicle Bomb Improvised Explosive Devices and Remote Control Improvised Explosive Devices. The briefings provided an analysis of recent trends with regards to both topics, including Al Qaeda methods and tactics. Updated intelligence information was also provided to those in attendance. The group discussed and outlined specific operations tactics should similar events occur here. The group will meet again to recommend standard operations procedures to all U.S. bomb squads.

Congratulations to Deputy Chief Waldner for being one of the elite bomb squad commanders invited to attend and participate.

TROOPERS COMPETE IN INTERNATIONAL GAMES

Members of the Maryland State Police Weight Lifting Team competed in the 2004 International Law Enforcement Games held August 8-14 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Trooper First Class Larry Graves, La Plata Barrack, competed in the 198 pound class. He won a silver medal by placing second with a lift of 389 pounds. Trooper First Class Keith Barrett, College Park Barrack, competed in the 220 pound class and won a gold medal lifting 479 pounds. Corporal Nicole Haines, Licensing Division, competed in the women's 165 pound class, finishing fourth.

First Sergeant Guy Black, Forestville Barrack, competed in both track and field and weight lifting. He finished second in the shot put winning a silver medal with a distance of just over 40 feet. In weight lifting, he competed in the masters 275 pound class and won a gold medal winning his division with a lift of 446 pounds.

Trooper First Class Marty Weedom, Frederick Barrack, competed in the karate heavy weight

division finishing second and winning a silver medal.

More than 5,000 police and firefighters from around the world competed in over 40 different events. Once again, the members of the Maryland State Police Weight Lifting Team enjoyed success on the world's largest stage.

WEIGHT LIFTING COMPETITION IS "PICNIC" FOR MSP

Congratulations to the members of the Maryland State Police weight lifting team on their recent success at the 2004 National Troopers Picnic Weight Lifting Competition. Troopers traveled to Rockland County, New York on September 9 to compete against troopers from around the country.

Trooper First Class Brooke Tognocchi, North East Barracks, won third place in the 198 lb. class. TFC Larry Graves from the La Plata Barracks won first place in the 181 lb. class. TFC Keith Barrett, College Park Barracks, won first place in the 220 lb. class and the best overall masters lifter award. First Sergeant Guy Black of the Forestville Barracks won first place in the 242 lb. class and the best overall masters lifter award.

Congratulations!



LETTERS OF THANKS*E-MAIL*

Tuesday, August 24, 2004

Good morning,

I was a participant in the 9/11 Memorial Ride that passed through Maryland on Saturday morning as we left the Pentagon headed for NYC. I am also a survivor of the World Trade Center disaster on 9/11/01 (I was at my desk on the 35th floor of Tower 2 at the time of the second plane attack). I would like to commend your department for their support in making our ride a safe journey. I would also request that you please convey my deepest thanks and emotions to the four Troopers who saluted us as we passed along the highway. That was an absolutely heart tugging moment for me. Those gentlemen along with the rest of the Maryland State Troopers represent all that is good in America. Those men really hit a nerve and I got very misty for the next few miles. It was the single most emotional moment for me in all three days of riding.

My thoughts and prayers go out to all law enforcement personnel for all that you do to protect and serve our great country. God Bless America.

Sincerely yours,

Richard C. Pinnavaia

LETTERS

September 16, 2004

Dear Colonel Hutchins:

I would like to thank you on behalf of the men and women of the Ocean City Police Department for the assistance of the Maryland Department of State Police during "Bike Week." The motivation and professionalism displayed by you and your fellow troopers was very impressive. The aid of the Maryland Department of State Police and our allied agencies is crucial in making the week a success. I am happy to report that the event went smoothly and without great incident.

Again, thank you for your assistance; I look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Bernadette DiPino
Chief of Police
Ocean City Police Department

September 27, 2004

Dear Colonel Hutchins:

I would like you to know about the unusual experience I had while traveling on your beautiful Maryland highway recently.

I was going a little faster than I should have been and I was pulled over by your State Police. I immediately shut off my car's engine and put my hands out the window. As the officer approached on the passenger side, I put my hands on the dash. I was taught that this was the best way to handle this type of situation by my (Sensei) teacher in the Martial Arts. He is the Director for the organization called "Police Tactics Instructors of America," which is now international.

I tell this to you to because I am an instructor under him, teaching take downs, control, and handcuffing procedures. I have volunteered to help train police departments many times.

Having given many hours teaching seminars entitled "Controlling the Unruly," I feel fortunate and rewarded with this officer who stopped me. His commands were clear and concise, making it easy for me to follow them to the letter. The normal fear of the traffic stop was gone in moments. He was polite and sharp in every way. He was truly a gentleman doing a difficult job.

For me, being allowed to be on the inside and hear police talk, I know what the police must face every day. He was beyond what I expected when I saw the flashing lights behind me.

Thank you, Colonel Hutchins, for hiring the highest of quality officer. I can't wait for my next police training assignment.

Sincerely,

Chris Fedosh

The letter was written about Trooper Maximillian R. Schulte assigned to the JFK Memorial Highway Barracks.

RETIREMENTS

Adelhardt, Kip E., TFC, Glen Burnie Barracks,
November 1, 2004, 13 years and 6 months of service

Attick, Donna, Service Specialist, Motor Vehicle
Section, December 1, 2004, 30 years and 4 months
of service

Barilone, Rick, Sergeant, Motor Vehicle Section,
December 1, 2004, 26 years and 4 months of service

Bell, Anthony D., TFC, Westminster Barracks,
September 1, 2004, 20 years and 2 months of
service

Blake, David, J., Detective Sergeant, College Park
Barracks, September 1, 2004, 14 years of service

Clasing, Raymond J., Captain, Bel Air Barracks,
November 1, 2004, 22 years of service

Cymek, Mattie R., TFC, Glen Burnie Barracks,
September 1, 2004, 6 years and 1 month of service

Dembeck, Patricia, Office Secretary II, Licensing
Division, November 1, 2004, 30 years and 3 months
of service

Green, Deneen M., TFC, Annapolis Barracks,
November 1, 2004, 11 years and 1 month of service

Gulley, James H., Sergeant, Annapolis Barracks,
October 1, 2004, 22 years and 3 months of service

Guy, Robin M., Administrative Specialist II,
Leonardtown Barracks, October 1, 2004, 27 years
and 1 month of service

Hunter, Catherine A., TFC, CVED, November 1,
2004, 22 years and 9 months

Johnson, Jerome A., Jr., TFC, College Park
Barracks, October 1, 2004, 3 years of service

Jones, Robert A., First Sergeant, ASES, October 1,
2004, 28 years of service

Krionderis, James M. (Mike), First Sergeant,
Chemical Test for Alcohol Unit, October 1, 2004,
25 years and 9 months of service

Liechty, Jr., Jerald H., TFC, CVED, November 1,
2004, 11 years and 10 months of service

McQuaide, Christopher P., Sergeant, Golden Ring
Barracks, November 1, 2004, 22 years and 2 months

of service

Mays, Andrew G., First Sergeant, Westminster
Barracks, October 1, 2004, 25 years and 9 months
of service

Michaelides, Michele L., TFC, College Park
Barracks, October 1, 2004, 8 years of service

Miller, Timothy E., Corporal, Frederick Barracks,
November 1, 2004, 25 years and 6 months of service

Newcomer, Brian, Sergeant, Prince Frederick
Barracks, September 1, 2004, 27 years and 7
months of service

Resh, Randy C., Lieutenant, McHenry Barracks,
December 1, 2004, 28 years of service

Richardson, Scott E., First Sergeant (Pilot),
Aviation Division, November 1, 2004, 21 years of
service

Tippett, Gloria J., Administrative Aide,
Leonardtown Barracks, October 1, 2004, 30 years
of service

Troska, Frank, Sergeant, Criminal Investigation
Division, November 1, 2004, 24 years and 9 months
of service

Waters, Thomas H., TFC, Glen Burnie Barracks,
October 1, 2004, 7 years and 10 months of service

White, Bill B., Jr., Corporal, Bel Air Barracks,
October 1, 2004, 10 years and 3 months of service

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RETIREMENTS *(continued)*

Wilson, April L., Corporal, Centreville Barracks,
September 1, 2004, 22 years of service

Wojcik, Raymond, E., Lieutenant, Criminal
Investigation Division, September 1, 2004, 28 years
of service

Wolfe, Richard D., Corporal, Westminster Barracks,
September 1, 2004, 17 years and 11 months of
service

Zeigler, J. Michael, Major, Field Operations Bureau,
November 1, 2004, 28 years of service

BIRTHS

Miller, Cody A., 6 lbs. 1 ½ ozs., born August 31,
2004 to TFC Cody Miller (Hagerstown Barracks)
and wife, Tiffany

Suttka, Claire Ann., 8 lbs., born October 8, 2004 to
TFC L. Craig Suttka (Berlin Barracks) and his wife,
Jennifer

DEATHS

Baumiller, John C., August 23, 2004, Volunteer in
Police Support, Cumberland Barracks

Beam, Evelyn L., September 7, 2004, mother of
Jonathan L. Beam, Quartermaster Division

Beaver, Elizabeth, October 24, 2004, grandmother
of Cindy Hoffman, Inventory Control Specialist,
Forensic Sciences Division

Bradley, James R., stepfather of Sgt. Jason A.
Paolucci, Cumberland Barracks

Collins, Calvin O., Sr., October 25, 2004, father of
Sgt. Kenneth Collins, Easton Barracks

Daniels, Walkter, October 21, 2004, grandfather of
Trooper Reggie Singleton, Easton Barracks

Forster, Louis, October 2, 2004, grandfather of Cpl.
(Ret.) Vicki Szimanski and Sgt. William T.
Szimanski, Licensing Division

Hanley, Wilbert T., Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.),
September 13, 2004, served 35 years from 1941 to
1976

Harper, Ernestine, November 11, 2004, mother-in-
law of Cpl. Tracy Hart, Westminster Barracks

Hearthway, Mary Anne, November 1, 2004, mother
of TFC Jonathan Johnson, CVES

Henson, Sylvia A., October 17, 2004, mother of
Jackie Boone, Motor Vehicle Section

Huber, Leah, September 7, 2004, mother of Tpr.
Seth Huber, McHenry Barracks

Humphreys, Lillian E., November 8, 2004, mother-
in-law of Paul E. Jones, Civilian Pilot, Aviation
Command

Johnson, Nathaniel R., November 7, 2004, infant
son of Trooper Andy R. Johnson, JFK Memorial
Highway Barracks), and wife, Angela

Lewis, Oscar, Sr., November 1, 2004, father-in-law
of CVSI Larry Hedrick, CVES

Krue, Robert E., October 16, 2004, father of
Services Specialist I Michael E. Krue, Headquarters
Mail Room

Lyon, Luke E., October 18, 2004, father-in-law of
PCO II Brenda Lyon, Leonardtown Barracks

Majewski, Leonard, September 7, 2004, father-in-
law of Sgt. Jason Merson, Education and Training
Division

Martin, Edgar E., August 25, 2004, father-in-law of
Peter Spence, civilian pilot, Aviation Division

Mealy, Drucillia, September 22, 2004, grandmother
of Cadet Kevin Smith, CVES

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SUPERINTENDENT'S PISTOL MATCH

by Sergeant Scott Rice, Firearms Training Unit

The annual Superintendent's Pistol Match was held on October 16, 2004, at the Liberty Range, Baltimore County, Maryland. Troopers from all over the State represented their barracks, units and sections, and competed to be "Top Gun" for 2004.

Twenty-six competitors, from the ranks of Trooper through First Sergeant, arrived at 8 a.m. for a briefing followed by the commencement of the match at 9 a.m. Utilizing the duty weapon, sixty rounds were fired from distances as close as 7 yards, to as far away as 50 yards, with a possible score of 600 points. Competitors also chose a two-man team to represent each region, unit or section for the team competition. Individual scores were added together for a combined possible score of 1200 points.

Maryland State Police Pistol Team members were on hand to judge the competition and to score all targets at each stage of the match. Lieutenant Dean Richardson was the Range Master, giving directions and calling the course of fire. Lieutenant Ken Hasenei was the official score keeper. Assisting the Pistol Team were members of the Firearms Training Unit, Sergeants Scott Rice and Mark Long. The competitors were assigned their range position and declared their team representatives. Tension was high as each shooter anxiously awaited the start of the match. Some were quiet, trying to picture shooting the perfect score. Others were talkative or pacing back and forth, as they worked to alleviate their nerves. Still others were finishing their coffee and donuts provided by the Maryland State Police Alumni Association.

As commanders and many family members watched and cheered, the match began. Scores were close at the beginning. As the shooting moved back from the 7 yard line to the 15 yard line, it was still too early to determine if any one trooper would be the favorite to win. At the 25 yard line, it was apparent the best shooters were sent to represent their barracks, units or sections. All competitors were shooting well and there was still no one taking a commanding lead. The tension was apparent as the shooters moved back to the 50 yard line. The match was still anyone's to win.

Pistol Team members scored each stage of the match and Lieutenant Ken Hasenei calculated the total scores. As competitors anxiously awaited the results, the Alumni Members Pistol Match commenced. Weapons fired by the Alumni ranged from 6-inch revolvers to semi-automatic handguns. Though time restrictions were lenient, the Alumni members showed shooting proficiency and proved they could have given the active members a good fight.



Sergeant Nicholas Over, MSP's 2004 Top Gun accepts his pistol badge from Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins. (MSP PHOTO BY AMY HAGER)



Sergeant (Ret.) William George (L) accepts his trophy from Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins; First Sergeant Derek White, Secretary's Office; and Lt. John Zeller, Education and Training Section for first place in the Alumni Match. (MSP PHOTO BY AMY HAGER)

Scores were finally tallied and everyone gathered for the presentation of awards. Colonel Hutchins handed out the trophies to this year's winners. In the individual competition, trophies were handed out for first, second, third and fourth place. For the team competition, a trophy was handed out for first. For the Alumni Match, a first place trophy was awarded to the alumni "Top Gun."

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SECRETARY'S MESSAGE *(continued)*

first responders. You are those who provide the most direct source of services to our citizens. You will be the focus of our attention in the days ahead.

Our plan can be summarized in five major categories: command; capital plan; communications; computers; and cars.

COMMAND

In the area of command, my goal is to reduce and streamline rank. I have reorganized the command structure of the State Police and reduced our bureaus to three. They are the Field Operations Bureau, Homeland Security and Investigation Bureau, and Support Services Bureau.

Each bureau will be commanded by a lieutenant colonel. Commands will be led by majors.

Divisions will be directed by captains or civilian directors. Barracks commanders will be lieutenants.

The Field Operations Bureau chief will be assisted by four majors. Our current regions will become five troops. They are the northern, eastern, southern, western and Baltimore-Washington metro troops. Each troop will be commanded by a captain. The five troop commanders will answer to one of two majors. The three other majors in the bureau will direct the Aviation Command, the Special Operations Command, and the Transportation Safety Command. This will be a more efficient structure within the Field Operations Bureau and will provide a more appropriate span of control.

The Homeland Security and Investigation Bureau will include three majors. They will direct the Homeland Security Command, Investigation Command, and Records Command.

The Support Services Bureau will consist of the Personnel Command and Logistics Command. Each command will be directed by a major.

Our command plan also includes a renewed effort to generate a qualified and diverse recruitment pool. I have already implemented our plan for quarterly recruit classes, with a goal of about 45 candidates per class. From this effort, I hope to sustain an incremental gain and reverse the steady decline within the ranks of our sworn members.

CAPITAL PLAN

Our capital plan includes a long-range facilities master plan. This includes new construction priorities for Hagerstown, Cumberland, and a Tactical Services Building. Other changes are being prompted by the Training Division move to its new location at the Statewide Public Safety Training Center. Many options continue to be studied. However, each part of our master plan is focused on providing you with more efficient facilities that will help you do your jobs. I want to make it very clear that what our facilities master plan does not include is a reduction of personnel.

COMMUNICATION

Our communication plan is already being

implemented. We are currently replacing vehicle repeater systems and hand-held radios with 800 MHz digital technology. We have already purchased more than 100 digital hand-held radios for interface with fixed 800 MHz county systems. This procurement will continue. We are also installing 21 ACU-1000 units on tower sites across the state. This network will provide a critical web of communication between federal, state and local emergency response agencies. Our goal is to use interoperable technology to provide you with communication abilities and information access at your fingertips, whether you are on the side of Route 50 on the Eastern Shore or the top of Sideling Hill in Western Maryland.

COMPUTERS

Our digital communications will compliment the computer component of our plan. We are making significant investments in our information technology infrastructure.

We are investing in a new database management system. This system will link all barracks to a centralized computer aided dispatch system. We are also upgrading barrack computers, printers, servers, routers and hubs.

We are already installing ruggedized laptop computers in patrol cars. These computers have met with widespread approval. They are especially suited to your needs on patrol. They will eventually enable 10-27/28 and 29 functions from your car.

CARS

I realize that modern computer equipment in your car makes no sense if your car won't get you to the call. I recognize the deteriorated state of our vehicle fleet and I am working to rectify this situation through budget reallocation and enhancement requests accompanied by supporting rationale.

SUMMARY

There is another category we need to add if our plan is to be successful. It is your continued commitment. The success of the Department of State Police depends on each of us. I ask that you continue to do your job with the same dedication to duty that has always exemplified the Maryland State Police.

There is much that has already been accomplished behind the scenes. It may not be visible to you, but we have already laid a strong foundation on which to build for the future. We are moving ahead.

Our plan will take time and it will take money. We will need to spend as efficiently as possible.

I am committed to using our resources wisely. I am also committed to providing you with the best resources available to help put "Troopers First." Our citizens deserve the best services we can provide.

Thank you for your continuing service as one of "Maryland's finest."

LAST CHOW CALL *(continued)*

Candidate Class graduated from the new Police Academy. The graduation ceremonies were held at 2 p.m. This was the first class to complete their training at Pikesville. Maryland State Police Superintendent Colonel Elmer F. Munshower gave the welcoming address. The Honorable Theodore R. McKeldin, Maryland's Governor, gave the graduation address. The Honorable C. Ferdinand Sybert, Attorney General of Maryland, also spoke. The response for the class was made by Trooper Alvin R. Kadlec.

Fifty years later, a new home is occupied. The Education and Training Section is now located in Sykesville, Carroll County, Maryland, at the Statewide Public Safety Training Center. Even though the 122nd Trooper Candidate Class began at Pikesville, it will be the first class to complete its training at Sykesville. The dedication ceremony for the facility has been tentatively scheduled for November 30, 2004.

34th Trooper Candidate Class Roster

Alfred Junior Barnard	Baltimore
Elmer Louis Baum	Hagerstown
Weldon Lee Boring	Baltimore
Thomas Michael Collins	Cumberland
Ronald Leroy Davis	Cumberland
William Noel Henry	Hurlock
Norman Sheridan Jacoby	Baltimore
Robert Weldon Jennings	Spencerville
Earl McGee Jones	Baltimore
Alvin Raymond Kadlec	Baltimore
John Alfred Karmasek	Baltimore
Robert DeSales Kirby	Frostburg
Roland Timothy McAuliffe	Owings Mills
Joseph Clair McFarland	Hancock
Alan Dale Martin	Hagerstown
Carl Heinz Muchow	Silver Spring
Joseph Samuel Plume	Hagerstown
Lawrence Donald Reuwer	Baltimore
Thomas Edward Ruppert	Cumberland
William Edward Seekford	Sparrows Pt.
Grover Nelson Sensabaugh	Cumberland
Herbert Hoover Snyder	Hagerstown
Harold Eugene Spickler	Hagerstown
William Eugene Tall	Baltimore
William Henry Tilghman	Crisfield
James Albert Tressler	Hagerstown
Robert Jacob Weisenmiller	Cumberland

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Miss Nancy L. Shipley	Senior Steno
Miss Marilyn B. Sherman	Senior Steno
Miss Mary F. Corbett	Senior Clerk
Mrs. Ruth B. Doolan	Junior Typist
Mrs. Geraldine Roberts	Junior Typist

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Field Force Commander

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Investigation-Identification

Dr. Howard M. Bubert
Medical Division

Detective Sergeant Andrew B. Linhard
Investigation-Identification

Sergeant Preston B. Rowland
Investigation-Identification

Mr. George V. Veise
Investigation-Identification

Mr. William J. Amberman
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Dr. Henry C. Freimuth
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Dr. J. King Seegar
University of Maryland School of Medicine

Lieutenant Joseph Carroll
Baltimore City Police

Police Academy Staff

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Lt. Henry F. Schultheis	Asst. Director
Sgt. Newton J. W. Lloyd	Instructor
Sgt. Herman J. Heiger	Instructor
Sgt. Edward E. Everhart	Instructor
Sgt. Carroll E. Cook	Instructor
Cpl. Thomas F. Hess	Instructor
Miss Mary E. Eckenrode	Secretary

SUPERINTENDENT'S PISTOL MATCH

(continued)

Taking first place in the Alumni Match was retired Sergeant William George. Second place in the Alumni Match was retired Sergeant Robert Simpson.

The team competition was won by First Sergeant Brian Wiley, CVES and Sergeant Nicholas Over, ASES. They scored 1,148 points out of a possible 1,200. Scoring 1,134 points in second place was the team from Region I, Corporal H. Wayne Wachsmuth and Trooper First Class William Long.

The awards for the individual competition were distributed. In fourth place, scoring 568 points out of a possible 600, was Corporal Craig Ingram, Centreville Barrack. Taking third place was First Sergeant Brian Wiley, CVES, scoring 569 points. Trooper First Class William Long, Frederick Barrack, took second place scoring 570 points. Even though Colonel Hutchins gave it his best shot, he did not place. Better luck next year, Sir!

The moment everyone was waiting for had finally arrived. The winner of the Annual Superintendent's Pistol Match was now declared. Shooting a score of 579 points out of a possible 600 points was Sergeant Nicholas Over of the Automotive Safety Enforcement Section. Along with the trophy he was awarded, Sergeant Over was also given the special Superintendent's Pistol Badge to be worn at his discretion. Along with trophies, all winners were given gift certificates to be used at the Maryland Troopers Association store. Lunch was provided by the Education and Training Section staff.

Everyone enjoyed the event. All participants are congratulated on their efforts. Next year's Superintendent's Pistol Match should prove to be just as exciting. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the match or attend to show support for their barrack, unit or division.

their way into a residence in southern Washington County. He called police, approached the men and detained one individual until police arrived. The actions of Mr. Martin, to include his subsequent identification of the second suspect, were instrumental in the arrest and successful prosecution of these two felons. He displayed the highest degree of public interest and public service through his actions.

Police Communications Operator II Arlene Hammond was recently awarded a 30-year service plaque by Lieutenant Greg Johnston, Hagerstown Barracks Commander. Arlene began her career in 1972 as a clerical assistant for Parole and Probation. She transferred to the Maryland State Police in 1974 working as a Clerk Typist in the Central Crime Records Bureau at headquarters. She was promoted to a teletype operator in 1976. Later that year, PCO II Hammond was reclassified to a police communications operator and transferred to the Hagerstown Barracks.

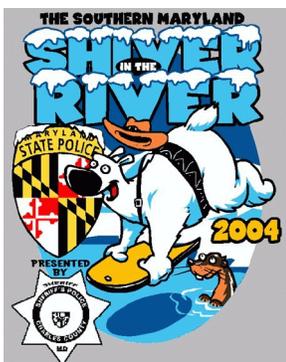


Hagerstown Barracks Commander Lieutenant Greg Johnston (R) and Police Communications Supervisor Dorothy Bennett (L) present PCO II Arlene Hammond with a 30-year service plaque.

HAGERSTOWN AWARDS *(continued)*

experience, commitment and compassion in handling this call made a difference in this individual's life. Her actions and efforts displayed true professionalism.

Roscoe Martin, a resident of Washington County, received a Good Citizen Award for his involvement in stopping a burglary in progress on December 10, 2003. Martin observed two men attempting to force



JOIN THE MSP AT THE SHIVER

Join the Maryland State Police and Special Olympics Maryland for a day of “unbearable” fun. It’s an invigorating way to show your support for the athletes who train and compete in Special Olympics Maryland throughout the year.

The Shiver in the River, formerly known as the St.

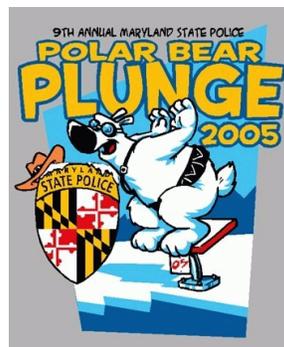
Mary’s Splash, has been moved to a more convenient location. Due to the large number of participants that were coming from Baltimore and points farther north and west, the organizing committee decided to move the event to Gilligan’s Pier Restaurant, Newburg, Charles County, Maryland. Participants will get all the thrills and chills of the original event, and it won’t take as long to get there.

So mark your calendars! December 11, 2004 is the date. Registration begins at noon; Shiver at 2 p.m. For a minimum of \$50 in pledges participants receive:

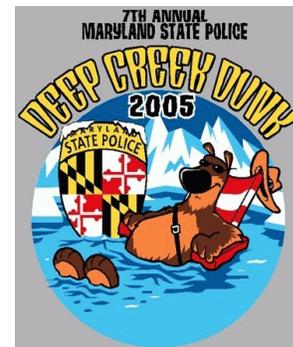
- Official MSP Shiver in the River Sweatshirt
- Complimentary Gilligan’s Pier Lunch
- Group Color Photo
- Eligibility to win great prizes
 - *\$500+ Embroidered Shiver Fleece
 - *\$1,000+ Embroidered Shiver Fleece, Sports Bag, Baseball Bag
 - *\$2,500+ Embroidered Shiver Fleece, Sports Bag, Baseball Cap and Cal Ripken Autographed Memorabilia
 - *\$5,000+ Embroidered Shiver Fleece, Shiver Jacket, Sports Bag, Baseball Cap and Cal Ripken Autographed Memorabilia

Special prizes will be awarded to the top three Shiverers raising the most money, top law enforcement officer fund raiser, and best costume.

Pre-register on line at www.somd.org or register on December 11.



Saturday,
January 29, 2005 WA
NT



Saturday,
February 26, 2005

TO BE A SPLUNKER?

Participate in all three MSP Winter Water Series events and earn the title of *Splunker*. As a Splunker, you will receive an additional article of clothing designed only for those who braved all three chilly water events in one year.

The Polar Bear Plunge will be held at Sandy Point State Park in Annapolis, Maryland on Saturday, January 29, 2005. Registration begins at 11 a.m., plunge at 2 p.m.

Last year’s “Flying Pigs” team of three people who plunged 20 times has grown into the 2005 “Super Plunge” team. This year, more than 20 people have joined the Super Plunge team and, beginning at 2 p.m. on Friday, January 28, will be plunging once an hour for 24 hours. The Super Plungers will be joined by Governor Bob Ehrlich, Lieutenant Governor Michael Steele, Colonel Thomas Hutchins and more than 2,000 others for the main plunge event at 2 p.m. on January 29. Each Super Plunger has pledged to bring more than \$5,000 in donations to Special Olympics Maryland.

The Deep Creek Dunk will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2005 at Deep Creek Lake, McHenry, Maryland, behind Uno’s. Registration begins at noon with dunking following at 2 p.m.

So, pre-register today by visiting www.somd.org or by calling 1-800-541-7544! Join us for the three very *cool* events. All plungers and dunkers will receive an official event sweatshirt, complimentary meal and color group photo. Those raising \$500 plus will be eligible for additional clothing, sports bags, baseball caps and memorabilia. Special prizes will be awarded to the top three fund raisers, the top law enforcement officer raising the most money, and best costume.

GRAFFITI VANDAL SEES WRITING ON THE WALL

After recovering thousands of cans of spray paint from his home during the service of a search warrant, Maryland State Police arrested a Baltimore man on November 17, 2004 and charged him in connection with the numerous incidents of spray paint graffiti on Interstate 95 that include the word "APES."

The man was identified as Christopher R. Peters, 26, of the 3400 block of Roland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. He is charged in an arrest warrant from Harford County with two counts of malicious destruction of property (MDOP) and one count of MDOP scheme. State Police will be requesting charges in Baltimore County that will include five counts of MDOP and one count of MDOP scheme. He was processed and taken before a court commissioner for a bond hearing.

On November 1, 2004, Maryland State Police at the JFK Memorial Highway Barracks responded to seven overpasses on Interstate 95 north of Baltimore for spray paint graffiti vandalism that had occurred during the previous weekend. The overpasses included: southbound I-95 at Clayton Road, southbound I-95 at New Forge Road, southbound I-95 at Joppa Road, southbound I-95 at King Road, northbound I-95 at King Road, northbound I-95 at Rafael Road, and northbound I-95 at Mountain Road. All the locations included the spray painted letters "APES" and either "FCR" and/or "SEB." The overpasses are the property of the Maryland Transportation Authority and damage costs were estimated at \$2,000.

Through evidence recovered at the scenes, work by JFK Highway Barracks troopers and information developed through the Maryland State Police



More than 50 storage bins filled with cans of spray paint and other items were confiscated from the home of the graffiti vandal. (MSP PHOTO BY RICHARD YIENGER)

residence and, accompanied by Baltimore Police, served the warrant on November 17. Inside the home, police recovered more than 2,000 cans of spray paint and hundreds of photographs of graffiti vandalism. They also recovered an ape costume from Peters' 1999 Plymouth Voyager minivan, which still had Wisconsin tags.

State and Baltimore Police are continuing this investigation. In April of last year, "APES" was one of the words spray painted on 202 sound barrier walls on the southbound side of I-95 north of Baltimore City, causing \$10,000 in damage. Dozens of similar incidents have been reported throughout the Baltimore area. Police in cities outside of Maryland are also interested in reviewing evidence recovered.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE *(continued)*

year to respond to difficult and dangerous situations. Regardless of the call, your response exemplifies your continuing commitment to public service.

As we reflect on this past year, we will not forget the ultimate sacrifice made by Trooper First Class Anthony Jones, who gave his life while serving our state. His tragic death was a painful reminder of the risks you are willing to take each day as police officers.

Lieutenant Governor Steele and I thank you for dedicated service to the people of Maryland during this past year. We wish each of you a great holiday season and look forward to working with you to meet the challenges and opportunities of 2005.

Intelligence Division, investigators were led to detectives at the Milwaukee Police Department. Because of similar cases there in the mid-1990s, a suspect was developed and later identified as Christopher R. Peters, AKA Christopher R. Apes. The investigation determined Peters was now living in Baltimore.

State Police obtained a search warrant for Peters'

DEATHS *(continued)*

O'Donnell, Medford, September 27, 2004, grandfather of Melissa Althoff Lenzi, PCO II, Centreville Barracks, and TFC Anthony Lenzi, JFK Memorial Highway Barracks

Pierce, Lona C., September 4, 2004, mother -in-law of PCST I William Simpson III, Telecommunications Section

Reitz, Joseph B., Jr., October 18, 2004, father of Sergeant Douglas Reitz, Westminster Barracks

Roberts, Gladys, September 16, 2004, grandmother of Cpl. Julie Widdoes, North East Barracks

Seaman, Matilda, September 16, 2004, grandmother of Cpl. Glenn Seaman, CVES

Shrout, Donald G., Jr., October 27, 2004, father of TFC Timothy R. Shrout and brother-in-law of Sgt. Richard J. Graham, Jr., Cumberland Barracks

Watkins, Wilbur, August 23, 2004, father of TFC Vernon Watkins, Homeland Security and Intelligence Bureau, and grandfather of Nakia Hicks, Office Secretary II, Forensic Sciences Division

Willis, Curtis E., September 7, 2004, father of Sgt. Gary M. Willis, Leonardtown Barracks

Wood, Gloria, October 25, 2004, sister of Mary Franklin, Office Secretary II, CVED

TROOPER CANDIDATES WIN 5K RACE

Once again, Maryland State Police took the trophy home! Members of the 121st and 122nd trooper candidate classes participated in the 13th Annual Howard County Police Pace 5K Race recently at Centennial Park in Columbia, Maryland. Again, the team finished in first place.

Team members included: Jason G. Treleaven, Andrew D. Williams, and Steven L. Parisan, 121st Trooper Candidate Class; and Michael P. Sigmund and Adam M. Howard, 122nd Trooper Candidate Class. Sergeant Erwin House prepared the classes for the race.

The event is sponsored by the Howard County Police Foundation. This year, 800 participants raised a record \$20,000 for the G. Edward Wessel Memorial Fund which provides assistance to the families of police officers killed or seriously injured in the line of duty in Howard County.



Trooper Candidates Jason G. Treleaven, Andrew D. Williams, Steven L. Parisan, Michael P. Sigmund, Adam M. Howard, and Sergeant Erwin House proudly display the winning 5K race trophy.

NOVEMBER 11, Veterans Day, is a celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. On November 11, do not forget those serving in the United States Armed Forces, our veterans, and those who have given their lives for freedom.

We thank you.

INTERDICTION TEAM *(continued)*

equipped with a video camera to record traffic stops.

The troopers begin their day conducting traffic enforcement somewhere on a highway in Maryland. They issue thousands of citations as they enforce Maryland's traffic laws. But it is their keen investigative abilities that enable them to look beyond the traffic violation and detect criminal activity underway.

In about six months of work, the team had impressive results. In traffic stops made during the last half of 2003, they made 140 criminal arrests, which included 30 fugitives. They recovered \$1.6 million worth of heroin, \$1.7 million worth of cocaine, \$1.5 million worth of marijuana, \$1.5 million in drug money and \$3 million in stolen property.

Results like that are hard to ignore. That is why the Secretary of the Maryland Department of State Police, Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins, has initiated an expansion of the team this year. A new class of interdiction troopers graduated this summer from training. Those troopers are already implementing their newly acquired skills across Maryland.

The goal of Colonel Hutchins is to train interdiction teams that will be working each day in every region of the state. "All of our troopers are taught to look beyond the traffic stop to detect criminal behavior, but an interdiction team working as a coordinated unit provides an invaluable resource that can significantly interrupt the flow of drugs, guns and other criminal activity through our State," Colonel Hutchins said. "Whether combating drug trafficking, or preventing acts of terrorism, these teams are vital to our mission of protecting our citizens. Their high level of training, experience and dedication to duty equips them with abilities that provide outstanding law enforcement successes."

Interdicting criminals moving in and through Maryland is the ultimate goal of the team. Many criminals are now behind bars or facing prosecution because of the relentless efforts of the Maryland State Police Interstate Criminal Enforcement Team.

Their work reminds each Maryland State Trooper of one important fact. Criminals travel from place to place just like everyone else. And, when they travel, they are usually in a motor vehicle, driving alongside the thousands of other motorists on Maryland highways each day. But from now on in Maryland, their chances of being able to continue their criminal enterprise are a lot slimmer.

NSA AWARD

Several Maryland State Troopers and civilian employees were honored by high ranking military officials for their actions in capturing the driver of a stolen truck tractor who led police on a pursuit to the gates of the National Security Agency (NSA).

Lieutenant General Michael V. Hayden, USAF,

Director of the National Security Agency, and Colonel John W. Ives, USA, Garrison Commander at Fort Meade, held a ceremony at the Glen Burnie Barracks on October 27, 2004. Honored at the ceremony were Sergeant Philip Nolan, Corporal Mark Bailey, Corporal Timothy Otwell, Corporal Kevin Straight, Trooper First Class Amy Coleman, Trooper First Class Shaft Hunter, Trooper Josh Chason, Trooper Barbara Shingleton, Mr. Mark Coumoyer, and Mr. Steve Bunker.

The ceremony was the result of actions taken by these individuals on August 5, 2004, after the Baltimore Police pursuit of a stolen truck tractor left the city and headed south on the Baltimore Washington Parkway. As the suspect drove erratically onto I-695, I-95, I-195, Route 1, and eventually back to the Parkway, he struck several civilian vehicles and rammed the cruiser driven by Corporal Bailey.

With a State Police helicopter assisting troopers from the air, the suspect continued south and exited onto the ramp which leads to the National Security Agency. He stopped the vehicle just prior to entering a fenced and secure location. After a brief struggle, he was arrested by troopers and assisting officers.

Colonel John Ives presented Corporal Bailey with the Commander's Award for Public Service for his actions during the incident. Lieutenant General Hayden presented each member of the group with a citation from NSA. He expressed his appreciation to the Maryland State Police for the commitment of our troopers in the protection of the National Security Administration complex and the personnel who work there. He also thanked members of the Maryland State Police for the prompt notification NSA received during the pursuit. Security personnel at NSA were deployed and ready to deal with the situation.

Colonel Hutchins commended the troopers and civilian employees for their professionalism during
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NSA AWARD *(continued)*

this incident. He thanked Lieutenant General Hayden and Colonel Ives for taking time to recognize the actions of State Police personnel. Colonel Hutchins assured them of the Department's continuing commitment to work with them and reminded all in attendance of the important role each of us has in homeland security.

16 Years of Service

Albert Appleby
Vivian George
Marvin Martindale
Mary Ellen Martindale
Russell Sears

14 to 10 Years of Service

David Johnson
Charles Lamarr
Andrew Mihok
Peggy Lea Gosnell
Gerald Iman
Jay Bondar
Franklin Fields
Alan Miller
Robert Scarborough
Charles O'Brien
Paul O'Brien
John Otradovec
Shirley Rote
Betty Dauer
William Dauer
Ema Greene
Nat Greene
Helen Heurick
Donald Kuehl
George McShane
William Whitesell

9 to 5 Years of Service

John Burkhart
William Milligan
Ross Monks
Jeanette Bryant
Earl Gordon
Madeline Hall
Robert Hickman
John Kennedy
Frank Rose
George Hartig
Samuel Keiffer
John Boughter
Marian Dore
Joanne Michaud
James Murphy
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Muriel Sweatt
Jonas Thomas
Shelley Urick

Henry Becker
Calving Colwell
Doris Dovery
Susan Fenwick
Mary Murphy
Robert Perry
Carroll Phillips
Wayne Powell
Leonard Williams

4 Years to 1 Year of Service

Donatella Bennett
Joseph Donal
Jackie Harris
Richard Huettner
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Delores Leigh
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Bill Wright
Sharon Craven
Ryan Gist
Norman Hawkes
Gloria Hawkes
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Michael Smiley

VIPS HONORED AT LUNCHEON

Volunteers in Police Support (VIPS) were recently honored for their years of service at a luncheon on October 26, 2004 at Snyder's Willow Grove Restaurant. Certificates were awarded by Maryland State Police Secretary Colonel Thomas E. Hutchins to those with one year or more of service. Those honored included:

First Year of Service

Jacqueline Breedlove
Donald Hammen
William Hyser
Marie Judd
Rachael Mejia
Betty Mullen
Mildred Powers
Marie Stevanus
Betty Taylor
Emma Tomkins
Linda Vakoutis

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

NATIONAL DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING PREVENTION (3D) MONTH

- 5 Maryland COPS Christmas Party
- 11 MSP Southern Maryland Shiver in the River
- 17 You Drink. You Drive. You Lose. National Enforcement Effort Begins
- 24 Christmas Day Holiday
- 31 New Year's Day 2005 Holiday

**MARYLAND COPS CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 5, 2004**

2 p.m.
Education and Training Section, Sykesville



JANUARY

- NATIONAL CRIME STOPPERS MONTH
- 28 122nd Trooper Candidate Class Graduation
- 29 MSP Polar Bear Plunge

FEBRUARY

- BLACK HISTORY MONTH
- 6 Super Bowl XXXIX
- 13-19 National Child Passenger Safety Week
- 26 MSP Deep Creek Dunk
- 27 Special Olympics Winter Games Begin

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