



## The Greater Cincinnati Police Historical Society Museum

"Preserving the history of law enforcement in the Greater Cincinnati area"



### Message from the President

#### Greetings!

Well, who can believe that Christmas is almost here? It seems like this past year has been a blur, what with moving into the new space, getting everything set up and launching so many new initiatives.

I want to thank everyone for their support at our recent fundraiser. It was one of the most successful we've ever had. Mark your calendars for our next one, coming up on Feb. 21, 2016 at Jim & Jack's. Watch for more details, but I'll give you a hint: Thank you, thank you very much!

As we move into the holiday season, I want to reflect on one of the most gratifying things about being involved in the police historical society and museum: the services we provide to the families of deceased law enforcement officers to ensure their loved ones will always be honored, remembered and cherished. I can think of no higher calling, and I'm humbled to play a small part in it. You can read about one such family's heartfelt thanks below.

I hope you and yours have a wonderful, happy and safe holiday season. Please feel free to forward this email so we can widen our reach, and let me know if there is anything you'd like to see us report on in future issues. You can email me [here](#).

### Comforting grieving families

*Police in this country sometimes get a bad rap. But every day, in every community, there are stories that touch the heart. Comforting grieving families of deceased police officers is just one small, but extremely important, function we perform at the Greater Cincinnati Police Museum. Cincinnati Police Lieutenant **Joseph W. Hall** (Retired) represents the Museum at as many funerals as he can attend, and his presence provides the family with information and comfort. Below is a letter we recently received from one such family.*

"Mr. Hall - Joe

Thank you so much for your dedication to your role in comforting the grieving families of your fellow police officers. To know that you personally worked with and can recall your own history with David makes it even more special for us, his family. Your kindness, your presence and your personal warmth are greatly appreciated. Our confidence in navigating the police system benefits in the aftermath has been invaluable because of your attention to our needs. You have been a blessing in our lives at this time.

The David Ivey, Jr. Family"

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## Snapshot: a view from the past

*In this new feature, we'll take a closer look at an artifact or story featured at the police museum. For this inaugural issue, we present the story of Cincinnati's first detective badge.*



The Cincinnati Police Department issued its first Detective Badge in 1887 to Larry Hazen, appointed Chief of Detectives. Hazen had been a Cincinnati Policeman in the 1850's, even serving as acting Chief in 1862 while Chief Dudley went south with 100 other policemen to assist in tracking Confederate General John Hunt Morgan. Alas, they didn't find him, and returned 10 days later. Hazen went on to establish his own private detective organization, solving many local and regional crimes while working for various railroad

express companies. In fact, he was responsible for the first indictment of the James Gang members, including Jesse. Hazen died in 1903, but this badge was used until 1905.

Find out more fascinating facts and examine three rooms of artifacts at the Greater Cincinnati Police Museum, open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thanks to Vice President Dick Gross for providing this month's fascinating fact.

## In Memoriam

This regular monthly feature lists those in local law enforcement who have passed away. Please send recent news to [director@gcphs.com](mailto:director@gcphs.com). And as always, keep these individuals, their families and friends forever in your prayers.

- [Sergeant Gerald Butler](#) (1960-2015)
- [Specialist Darryl Chatman](#) (1956-2015)
- [Dispatcher Marlene Rose Frommling](#) (1937-2015)
- [Patrolman Ralph Giar](#) (1946-2015)
- [Police Chief Carl Hirschbach](#) (1936-2015)
- [Police Officer David Ivey Jr.](#) (1948-2015)
- [Colonel Ross Elmer Lowe](#) (1914-2015)
- [Specialist Everett "Mac" McClure](#) (1931-2015)
- [Police Officer Louis Pierce](#) (1922-2015)
- [Dispatcher Diane Harbaugh Perry](#) (1946-2015)
- [Police Officer Robert Reusch Sr.](#) (1935-2015)
- [Sergeant Arthur Scholl Jr.](#) (1944-2015)
- [Detective Robert Stout](#) (1946-2015)
- [Police Officer Cheryl Thomas](#) (1951-2015)
- [Police Officer William Willer](#) (1927-2015)