

# HIGHWAY PATROL RETIREMENT SYSTEM

#### May 2024 Newsletter

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# "Our History Is Our Pride"

## Active Members: Beneficiary Designation Updates

You may not have completed a Beneficiary Designation form since you entered the Academy. Your marital status and dependents may have changed since then. Upon your passing, Chapter 5505 of the Ohio Revised Code provides for the payment of survivor benefits to your spouse and dependent children. Please take a moment to update your beneficiaries by accessing the Beneficiary Designation - Active and DROP form at <a href="www.ohprs.org">www.ohprs.org</a> under the forms tab and submit the completed form to the HPRS office.

#### Dental & Vision Premium Payment Reimbursement

Members who carry dental and vision through HPRS may have seen the Dental & Vision Premium Payment letter located under the "Members – Health Care" tab once logged into the secure area. Members who pay premiums for dental and/or vision through HPRS are eligible for reimbursement using their Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) allowance. To receive reimbursement through Via Benefits, submit your personalized letter, along with your monthly pension pay stub that shows you are paying dental and/or vision premiums. As always, please contact the office if you have any questions.



# **Board News**

One board seat is up for election in 2024 - Major Matthew Them's position as employee trustee. Information was sent via VRC for active members. *Watch for more information, and don't forget to cast your vote!* 

## Rewarding Opportunity for OSHP Retirees

Driving schools around Ohio are looking for experienced professionals to teach road safety skills to new drivers. Retirees from OSHP are specially qualified to train new drivers for a lifetime of safe and confident driving. Car crashes remain a leading cause of death for young



drivers. As a driving instructor, you can help reverse this trend and continue to make Ohio's roads safer. To learn more about driving instructor opportunities visit <u>drivertraining.ohio.gov</u> and click on "For Instructors".



## Job Opportunities for Retirees

As a reminder, job opportunities are listed in the secure area of our website (<u>www.ohprs.org</u>) Please check this periodically to ensure you are aware of any new postings.

# June 2024 HPRS Meetings

On Thursday, June 20, 2024, committee meetings will begin at 0900 hours, starting with the Administration Committee meeting, followed by the Health, Wellness, & Disability Committee, the Health Care Funding Committee, Audit Committee, Investment Committee, and the Board meeting.

Some committee meetings may be canceled from time to time. Please refer to the HPRS website at www.ohprs.org for the most current meeting dates and times.

#### Save the Date!

 Annual Retiree's Cookout- June 21, 2024, Academy - 1100 hours -RSVP by June 10, 2023 to Linda Carson or 614.728.0005



Please visit our website for more details and for RSVP information, <a href="https://www.ohprs.org/ohprs/RetireeEventsCalendar.jsp">https://www.ohprs.org/ohprs/RetireeEventsCalendar.jsp</a>.

# Our office will be closed:

~ Wednesday, June 19th - Juneteenth





#### Retiree Qualification

The Academy Range will be hosting annual retiree qualifications in 2024. As a reminder, your qualification under the LEOSA rules is only good for one year from the date of qualification. This can be found in 18 USC 926C:

Carrying of concealed firearms by qualified retired law enforcement officers. For example, if you qualified on May 1, 2023, then you must qualify on or prior to May 1, 2024.

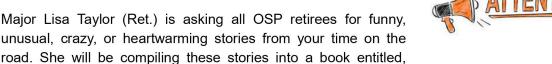
The upcoming scheduled retiree qualifications at the Academy for 2024 are:

- Friday, June 21, 2024, from 0900-1030 hours (Annual Retiree Cookout)
- Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 1300 hours
- Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at 1300 hours

Retirees may also reach out to their local District Headquarters for local weapons qualification availability.

You must complete a Weapons Qualifications Record (HP-15C), that includes your personal weapon information, and submit it to Melissa Fellure at <a href="mailto:mjfellure@dps.ohio.gov">mjfellure@dps.ohio.gov</a> no less than 14 days prior to the qualification date. Retirees must bring their Division-issued ID Card with them to the qualification, and the retiree must supply weapon(s) and ammunition. If you have any questions, please contact Lieutenant Brian Nelson of the Academy Range at <a href="mailto:bwnelson@dps.ohio.gov">bwnelson@dps.ohio.gov</a> or 614.644.4325.

#### Call for Stories from Retirees





"Life Behind the Wheel." Major Taylor would like to collect your stories along with your permission to "clean them up," both grammatically and perhaps use of language. All participants will receive credit for their tales. This is one way for you to be published with very little work, and virtually NO cost to you. What a great memento for you and your family!

If you are interested, she will need the story, your rank, post/assignment, date you were hired, as well as your retirement date. Send stories to her at <a href="mailto:proflisa1095@gmail.com">proflisa1095@gmail.com</a> or they can be mailed to her home address that can be found in the Retiree Directory on our website.

# Important Numbers For You To Have On Hand

HPRS - 614.431.0781 Via Benefits (**Medicare**) - 833.431.1358 Via Benefits (**Pre-Medicare**) - 800.667.2184 Medicare - 800.633.4227 Aetna Vision - 877.973.3238 Delta Dental of Ohio - 800.524.0149 Social Security - 800.772.1213 Ohio Def. Comp. - 877.644.6457

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