

Peabody Police V.I.P.S. Newsletter

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THIS IS OUR FIRST ISSUE OF 2017!!

The VIPS are returning for their 9th year at the Peabody station, and are looking forward to another year of supporting the Peabody Police. One of our first volunteer opportunities was to offer our assistance at Sergeant Jim Harkin's fund raiser at the Holy Ghost Society on Friday, March 3rd at 6 P.M. This was a very successful "Chicken Wing Cook-off Contest" with many local restaurants from Peabody, Danvers, Lynn and other local cities taking part. The First Place winner was the Tap & Vine of Danvers, Ma. The winners were chosen by ballot by the people attending the affair. Four VIPS volunteers were able to help in selling tickets for the 50/50 raffle and the chance auction, as well as taking tickets at the door. These were Richard Mah, Vin Grifoni, Roseann Caliguire, and myself.

This was part of Sgt. Harkins' goal of raising \$10,000.00 for the Peabody Police Cops for Kids with Cancer charity. The sergeant will be running in the 2017 Boston Marathon, and we certainly hope he is successful in his goal for this worthwhile cause!!



Please see page 3 for pictures!

The Peabody Police Records Department & the V.I.P.S. Have a new leader!!

Sergeant Christos "Chris" Zamakis has been appointed the new O.I.C. of the records department as well as the VIPS, succeeding the recently retired Lieutenant Sheila McDaid. Although the Lieutenant led the VIPS for over eight years, we are very pleased to have Sgt.

Zamakis on board. He is an enthusiastic supporter of the VIPS, hopes to help us expand our services, and has many new ideas that will help the group in its efforts to assist the Peabody Police Department. We all wish him the best of luck in his new position, and hope he can stay with us as long as possible!



**Sgt. Zamakis and Chief Griffin at City
Hall Ceremonies**



Sixth Annual Firefighter Rice Memorial 5K

On Saturday, **April 08, 2017**, the sixth annual race to honor Firefighter Jim Rice will be held.

All proceeds will benefit a local charity or the **Jim Rice Scholarship**. This race is to honor the fallen Peabody officer who tragically lost his life while fighting a house fire in his home town in 2011

Race Location: AOH Club
58 Lowell Street, Peabody, MA.

Race Time: 9AM

Race Fee: \$25.00

T-Shirts: Guaranteed to all runners who sign up online

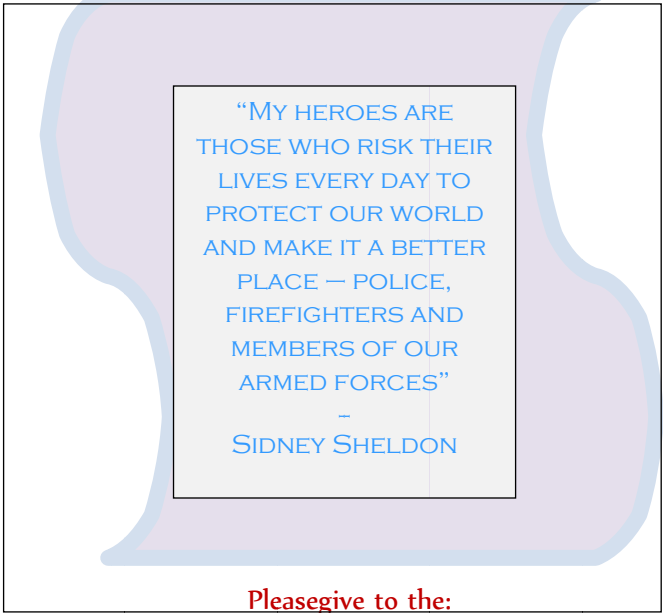
Online registration ends: 4/6/2017 at 4 P.M., EST

Awards: Top M and F Overall, and Top 3 M/F in the following age groups: 18 and under, 19-29, 30-39, 49-49, 50-59, 60-69, and 70+

“We are encouraging Fire Fighters from all communities to come run in this year’s event. For the Fourth year there will be a Fire Fighter Division. The first Male and Female Firefighter Overall will be recognized”

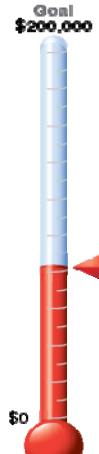
For more info please contact Amy Rice at (978) 395-1757 or email her at ricecake1972@comcast.net

This race will be professionally timed by North Shore Timing Company using the MyLaps BibTag System



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Peabody memorial fund



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<http://www.peabodymemorial.org/donate>



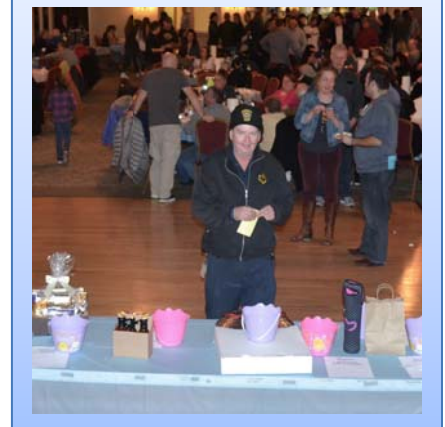
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We are pleased to announce that
our newsletter is now available online!

Please go to www.peabodypd.org and click



Pictures from the chicken wing cook-off contest



Above pictures courtesy of our good friend, Lieutenant Sheila McDaid (Ret.) our former boss and a great photographer!

V.I.P.S. ACTIVITIES:

THE VOLUNTEERS ARE CONTINUING TO CARRY OUT THEIR REGULAR ONGOING DUTIES, WHILE ALSO BEING AVAILABLE FOR ANY ASSIGNMENTS NEEDED, SUCH AS COVERING THE SILENT AUCTION AT THE ANNUAL BASEBALL GAME, PROVIDING HELP AT PUBLIC MEETINGS, HELPING OUT AT THE CENTENNIAL PARADE, AND ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT MAY ARISE.

- A FEW OF OUR REGULAR TASKS CONTINUE AS ALWAYS:
- 1) VIPS SURVEY LETTERS ARE NOW IN THEIR 9TH YEAR, AND OVER 4,500 SURVEYS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT TO THE PUBLIC.
 - 2) WE HAVE CONTINUED TO UPDATE THE "PERSON TO CALL" LIST FOR DISPATCH ALARM CONTACTS.
 - 3) GREETERS ARE STILL COVERING THE LOBBY.
 - 4) "CRASH" REPORTS ARE UPDATED
 - 5) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MEETINGS ARE BEING HELPED.



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