

Ohio State Highway Patrol Retirees' Association Meeting

August 8, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. – Third Quarter Business Meeting

All-Occasions Banquet Facility

6989 Waldo-Delaware Rd., Waldo, OH 43356

Meeting called to order by President Bob Booker at 11:05 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance by Vice President Dale LaRue

Roll call of board & district representatives by Secretary Lydia Frey, Seven (7) Executive Board members and nine (9) District representatives were in attendance.

- Board Representatives: President Bob Booker, 1st Vice President Dale LaRue, 2nd Vice President Ginny Fogt, Secretary Lydia Frey, Treasurer Brenda Collins, Past President Butch Collins and Colonel Charles Jones.
- District Representatives: Pam Sullivan and Ken Walerius, Findlay; Arnie Schropp, Bucyrus; Lou Gliozzi, Warren; Paul Combs and Steve Brode, Columbus; Mark Stelzer, Dave Peters, and Delmer Dunlap, Cambridge. There were 26 Association Members in attendance. (HPRS Executive Director Tony Bradshaw was also in attendance)

Executive Board Reports:

Minutes from 2026 2nd Quarter meeting were available for review on the website prior to the 3rd Quarter meeting.

Motion to accept as written by Dale LaRue

Second by Kevin Titler

Discussion none

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report: Brenda Collins (last page)

Motion to approve report as prepared by Arnie Schropp

Second by Kevin Titler

Discussion none

Motion carried

Membership and Credentials: Retired Colonel “Butch” Collins

The OSHPRA currently has 1,188 retired members with a total of 1,427 which include surviving spouses and associate members.

General Assembly took a few months off. The State Troopers of Ohio, Inc has a meeting in September.

State Representative Kevin Miller has legislation signed which honors the fallen Ohio State Highway officers who don’t already have a road dedicated to them.

Colonel Jones announced the highway dedication in honor of Patrolman Frank J. Hossler on Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. The dedication is at the Marysville Post. More information can be found on the Trooper-to-Trooper website.

Bowling Green State University partnered with the Ohio State Highway Patrol on troopers getting credit for schooling with Academy completion. State Representative Haraz Ghanbari is a law enforcement advocate and worked hard on this.

Introduced new Post Command at Marion – Lieutenant Andrew Geer.

Discussed Ed Bowman becoming a life time member for \$240.00. Ed is a former trooper/pilot who left to start his own insurance company in Ashland.

Retirement System Update: Chief Operations Officer Anthony Bradshaw (Held comments until after lunch)

Executive Director Carl Roark attending pension conference and Darryl Anderson is working this weekend.

Chief Operations Office Bradshaw introduced his family, wife Lanie and his two daughters Kylie and Katie.

2027 COLA – 26.8 %

Two objectives – Benefit approval and long-term strength

COLA age – 60 - Provide Health Care Reimbursement

- \$255.00 Members
- \$127.50 Surviving Spouses

Approved Pre-Medicare - \$900 monthly – 12.5 Increase (\$900 is the top end)

Legislative Initial – working to add other tools, if we are not able to give a COLA. Some of those options are:

- One-time supplemental payment for financial assistance;
- Limited base COLA – COLA % to have a specific amount.\;
- These are other tool options for the Board.

Update: Colonel Charles Jones (Held comments until after lunch)

Colonel Jones thanked everyone for being here today. Noted the patrol family is important. He introduced his wife Royel and Lieutenant Colonel Josh Swindell. He couldn't do his job without the support of his wife Royel.

Lieutenant Colonel Chuck Linek will be retiring in October.

Discussed the “100 Deadly Days of Summer” – Three Major Holidays Activity up / Fatal Crashes up by 7%, however, last 4 years the crashes were down. Troopers doing a good job.

4th of July, troopers were everywhere. Great to see this.

Discussed impaired driving from 2021-2025. This is over ½ of traffic fatalities. Drug impairment up.

Discussed the patrol family and the danger of the job. Last month a trooper and sergeant were struck by wrong way drivers. Grateful both are recovering with no serious injuries.

Big push on recruitment. The patrol is doing everything to bring troopers into the Division.

Two goals:

- Need new troopers to help current troopers;
- New troopers strengthen the retirement system.

Two Classes in the Academy at this time.

- 179th – Graduates in a couple of weeks
- 180th – Graduates in November
- 181th – Starts in October – Would like to have 80 Cadets

Bowling Green State University in collaboration with the Ohio State Highway Patrol is working with troopers to pursue their degrees with a new concept of fewer credit hours for a Bachelor's Degree (96).

Top Trooper Competition being held in September. The first-year competition was held in Texas and 16 states were represented. This year, the competition is in Ohio and there are 31 states represented. The dates are 09/20/26 through 09/24/2026.

The 171st Ohio State Fair in the books for this year. So proud of the folks and how they handled themselves.

Things are good with the Ohio State Highway Patrol.

State Troopers of Ohio Update: Retired Colonel Thomas Rice

Colonel Rice thanked everyone for being here today.

Thanked Ed Brown and his wife for their contribution.

Discussed contributions and payment through PayPal.

Thanked the Stetson Club Members. In three months, will be in operation for five years.

Special Orders and Announcements:

Current and New Business:

Ailing Members: President Bob Booker read the list of ailing members. Lois Lust, Ron Hoeft, Miriam Church, Mary Arend and Cheryl Booker. Larry Davis took a fall and was unable to attend today, as well as, Rich Rucker who was ill.

Mark Stelzer asked that we keep the family of George Coler in our prayers. George was out of the 97th Academy Class and his funeral was held today.

Colonel Chuck Jones asked that we keep Captain Scott Rike, District Two Commander in our prayers. He is ill and has been off for treatments.

If anyone has other names to be added to the list, please let us know.

\$1,500 donation to support the Cleveland Police Museum Vintage Police Car Fleet. Retired Sergeant Dale LaRue said they have several Ohio State Highway Patrol Cars in the museum. The donation would assist with fuel and others items. Dale also spoke about all the events they travel to with the vintage cars. He has a core group of drivers and is very appreciate of their dedication to the program. Drivers include Jim Chapman, Lou and Debbie Gliozzi, Lee Dehoff and a few others. Dale also said the newest vehicle donated by the Ohio State Highway Patrol was a 2016 Dodge Charger.

- Donations can also be sent directly to the museum at [Donate Now - Cleveland Police Museum](#) or given to Dale. Please note your donation to be directed to the mobile Vintage Police Fleet.

Motion to approve donation of \$1500 by Brenda Collins

Second by Al Branstiter

Discussion none

Motion carried

President Booker thanked everyone who attended the Mansfield Reunion. Great turnout. Anyone can attend the yearly event hosted by Mark Daughtery, held annually on the first Saturday in August east of Bellville on Durbin Road. It usually begins at 3:00 PM, dinner at 5:00 PM. Attendees are asked to bring a covered dish or dessert to share. The meat is provided, but a donation is requested to help cover the cost of the meat.

2nd VP Ginny Fogt provided an update on the annual meeting/luncheon. It will be held November 14, 2026, at the Aladdin Shrine in Grove City, Ohio. Our business meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. and luncheon is at 12:00 p.m. Harpist Miriam Weber Brown will again provide music

The 2027 Snowbird will be held February 26th and 27th with room reservations available online for February 24th through the 28th. At the Orlando Marriott, Lake Mary. Room rate is \$153 plus a \$10 parking fee. There are several Friday event options with a Saturday business meeting and luncheon at the hotel.

Shane Flanigan from the Photo Lab is taking photos for the event today, thank you to him and Division for allowing him to be with us.

Reminder: events, news and other information can be found on our websites. Trooper to Trooper has up-to-date information and also provides links to other sites that are beneficial to everyone.

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Motion accepted – Pam Sullivan

Second – Al Branstiter

OSHP Retiree's Association
3rd Quarter Treasurer's Report
SUNBIRD REUNION
8-8-2026

#3783	Checking Account (.05%)		\$	584.72
	Regular Savings (.05%)		\$	5.00
	Blue Max Savings (2%)		\$	16,707.83
	CD Total (3.25%)		\$	77,769.25
	*Anniversary Checking Account (.05%)		\$	619.83
	OSHPRA Regular Account Total	#3783 Total	\$	95,686.63
#5643	OSHPRA Benevolent Account			
	Regular Savings (.05%)		\$	5.00
	Blue Max Savings (2%)		\$	3,584.68
	12 Month CD (3.25%)	5/5/2027	\$	7,175.00
	OSHPRA Benevolent Account Total	#5643 Total	\$	10,764.68
#6708	O. W. Merrell Award Account			
	Regular Savings (.05%)		\$	1,553.41
	12 Month CD (3.25%)	5/13/2027	\$	4,876.60
	O. W. Merrell Award Account Total	#6708 Total	\$	6,430.01
#6822	Chiaromonte Humanitarian Award Account			
	Regular Savings (.05%)		\$	751.80
	12 Month CD (3.25%)	5/13/2027	\$	4,876.60
	12 Month CD (3.25%)	5/13/2027	\$	1,222.48
	Chiaromonte Humanitarian Award Account Total	#6822 Total	\$	6,850.88
	GRAND TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS		\$	119,732.20
	*Anniversary Account is NOT part of regular monies	-\$ 619.83	\$	119,112.37

Report prepared with all statements through 7/31/2026
and all other available information through 8/4/2026.