

HOUSTON POLICE RETIRED OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
FAC MONTHLY REPORT
JANUARY 2021

UPDATES:

Doug Bostock (1-29-21 blc) Doug is being transferred to a skilled nursing facility in Cypress today. He is still having issues with his health and will continue therapy there. There are no visitors allowed. His cell phone is not on. When I get the number for his room, I will post it. Doug needs our prayers for comfort and healing.

Wayne Wendel (1-28-21 blc) Wayne is supposed to be transferred to an Acute Care Rehab soon if he continues to progress. Prayers for continued improvement.

Bob Dement (1-27-21 blc) D'Ann (Kusak) Guzman's Father, is home recovering from COVID. Please keep him in your prayers for continued healing.

Doug Bostock (1-24-21 blc) Pat Kainer talked with Mae, Doug's wife today and she said that Doug was still in Rehab. He has pneumonia and a few other issues they are dealing with. Doug and Mae appreciate all prayers. Doug's cell phone is not always charged however, you can call him at 281-205-5119.

Wayne Wendel (1-24-21 blc) Wayne is slowing improving but is still on a ventilator and sedated, however he does have a tracheotomy. Continued prayers for him and Mary Alice and still no phone calls please.

Johnny and Karen Blake (1-23-21 blc) I received word from Kyle, their oldest son, that Johnny and Karen have been in the hospital with COVID 19. Karen has been released but is now having problems with low blood pressure which they attribute to possible low potassium. Johnny is doing about the same. Please keep the Blake family in your prayers and Kyle has asked that there be no phone calls at this time.

Leah Montgomery (1-21-21 blc) Leah Montgomery, wife of HPROA Chaplain Monty Montgomery, has had some medical issues for a long time and is now having more seizures and headaches, especially within the past three weeks. Prayers are very much appreciated by the Montgomery family.

NEW UPDATE ON WAYNE WENDEL (1-19-21 blc) Wayne is scheduled today for a Tracheotomy at which time they will discontinue the ventilator as it is not a permanent option. He will also be able to talk and won't be so sedated. He still has a long way to go but this is an improvement. The family still requests no calls, texts etc.. Please continue to pray for Wayne.

Ralph Blount (1-12-21 blc) Ralph's wife, Donna, advised that he is now under the care of Hospice. He is in the final stage of liver failure due to a rare disorder, Alpha 1 Antitrypsin Deficiency. Please keep the Blount family in your prayers for peace and comfort. She asks for no phone calls as the phone ringing disturbs Ralph. If you would like to contact Donna, please send an email to radoblount@yahoo.com.

Bennie Green (1-17-21 blc) Bennie has been on dialysis for over a year and a half. He is in good health otherwise. He is on the kidney transplant list, however, he wanted to see if anyone knows someone who would be willing to donate a kidney. It doesn't have to be a perfect match as they can "swap" kidneys around. He asks if you can and want to, or know someone that is willing to donate a kidney, please call the Kidney Transplant Section at Methodist Hospital at 713-441-5451. You may also contact livingdonorteam@HoustonMethodist.org. and donate for Bennie L. Green. To offer Bennie prayers and words of encouragement, you can call him at 713-557-3116.

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Wayne Wendel (1-17-21 blc) Nothing has basically changed in Wayne's condition. He is still holding his own, on a ventilator and sedated. The doctors are cautiously optimistic. The family is still not receiving any emails, texts or phone calls at this time; however, they are very grateful for all of your continued prayers.

Doug Bostock (1-17-21 blc) Doug seems to be improving a little. His speech is getting better and they have started therapy more aggressively on his leg. Please continue to pray for a complete and speedy recovery.

Fred Eichholtz (1-17-21 blc) Judy said Fred is under Hospice care. Until he gets stronger so she can take care of him and his needs, he will be at a Residential Care Center in Katy. Our prayers are with Fred and the Eichholtz family. UPDATE: **Deceased** 1-20-21

Bryan Gregory (1-15-21 blc) is dealing with severe medical problems and waiting to have surgery. He asks that we pray for God to continue to bestow grace upon him and give him strength to deal with all of his issues. At this time, Bryan has asked for no phone calls.

Kathryn Panzer (2-14-21 blc), wife of Retired Officer and HPROA Member William (Bill) C. Panzer, fell on Christmas Day and hurt her tailbone. She was admitted to the hospital a couple of days later with a slight case of pneumonia and a Urinary Tract Infection. She is now home and recuperating. All prayers are very much appreciated as she continues on the road to healing. You may reach Bill at 832-877-7277

Fred Eichholtz (1-13-21 blc) Pat Kainer advised that Fred is currently in the hospital with pneumonia. His wife, Judy, said that he is now unable to chew or swallow. He is being released to have Hospice care at home. Prayers are requested for the Eichholtz family for God to grant peace and comfort for Fred as he faces this difficult time.

Doug Bostock (1-11-21 blc) had a minor stroke and was admitted to Willowbrook Methodist Hospital Friday, January 9, 2021. Doug and his wife, Mae, have both asked that we keep them in our prayers as they determine the cause of his stroke and what the treatment will be. Please no phone calls at this time as they are both overwhelmed and that Doug is somewhat confused at times. UPDATE: (1-11-21 blc) The doctor has said no surgery is necessary and Doug will be transferred to Encompass Rehabilitation Center to start therapy on his left leg. Please continue to keep Doug in your prayers and again no phone calls at this time.

Wayne Wendel (1-13-21 blc) UPDATE: I received word that he is holding his own and does not have bacterial pneumonia. His oxygen levels are holding steady however he is still sedated and on a ventilator. Please continue to lift Wayne and Mary Alice up in your prayers. The family still request respect for their privacy and no calls, texts or emails. (1-11-21 blc) was hospitalized on December 29, 2020 with COVID-19. He is now on a Ventilator and has bacterial pneumonia in both lungs. Wayne is sedated and unable to answer any phone calls, texts or emails. Mary Alice, his wife, has requested privacy at this time but appreciates all prayers.

EQUIPMENT

Member Pat McLaughlin delivered 2 wheelchairs to Barbara Cotten at the FAC storage on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

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Barbara took a transport chair, rolling walker and other miscellaneous medical equipment to Member William Panzer for his wife, Kathryn.

Sue Gaines returned a potty chair to Barbara Cotten for storage (never used) on January 22, 2021

Tim Dillon picked up a scooter from Terry Smith, son of Retired Officer Gene Smith (deceased) and delivered it to D'Ann Guzman for her dad on January 22, 2021.

Barbara Cotten took a potty chair to Guy McMenemy on January 28, 2021

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Ray Smith presented a Memorial Plaque and Presentation to Pat Hanna, widow of **Mart C. Hanna** on January 4, 2021, via U.S. Mail due to the COVID pandemic to Kerrville, Texas

HPROA Board Member M.D. Beale, presented a Memorial Plaque, Presentation and HPROA pin to Marilyn Burkhalter, widow of **Roger Burkhalter**, on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at Peavy Funeral Home, Friendswood, Texas.

Barbara Cotten mailed a Memorial Plaque, HPROA pin and presentation to Mary Lee, widow of Officer **Carl T. Lee** on January 21, 2021, via U.S. Mail due to the COVID pandemic to Ocean City, Mississippi.

Barbara Cotten, along with Sue Gaines, delivered a Memorial Plaque, HPROA pin and Presentation to Judy Eichholtz, widow of **Fred Eichholtz**, and family on January 22, 2021 at her home in Katy, Texas.

Officer Gene Sealy and Sgt. James Armstrong, Honor Guard, presented a Memorial Plaque, HPROA pin and Presentation to Peggy Boone, widow of **Charles L. Boone**, on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at Klein Funeral Home, Houston, Tx.

Pat Kainer mailed a Memorial Plaque, HPROA pin and Presentation to Marilyn Fowler, daughter of **Sam Merrill**, via U. S. Mail due to the COVID pandemic to Tomball, Texas.

DEATHS

Mrs. Rubbie Lewis, Mother of Retired Officer Loretta James, Member	December 29,2020
Retired Officer Oscar Maldonado, Non- Member	January 2, 2021
Retired Sergeant Roberto G. Luna, Non-Member	January 3, 2021
Retired Officer, John H. Smith, Non-Member	January 4, 2021
Retired Officer Roger Burkhalter, Member	January 4, 2021
Retired Officer Sergeant Paul C. Edgar, Non-Member	January 6, 2021
Mrs. Corrine McDade, Widow of Officer Fisher McDade (deceased), Member	January 6, 2021
Retired Officer Philip Bankston, Non-Member	January 6, 2021
Retired Sergeant Bruce Westbrook, Non-Member	January 13, 2021

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Retired Officer Richard Sepolio, Sr., Non-Member	January 13, 2021
Timothy Massey, Son of Retired Lieutenant (deceased) Chester Massey, Brother of Members Retired Captain David Massey, Retired Officer (deceased) Rick Massey, Brother-in-Law of Retired Sergeant Cindy Massey , Uncle of Retired Officer Chris Massey and Officer Rick Massey.	January 13, 2021
Retired Officer Carl T. Lee, Member	January 15, 2021
Retired Officer Charles Clark, Non-Member	January 17, 2021
Retired Captain Jack Hamel, Non-Member	January 17, 2021
Retired Lieutenant Fred T. Eichholtz, Member	January 20, 2021
Retired Sergeant Charles Boone, Member	January 22 2021
Retired Captain Sam Merrill, Member	January 22, 2021
Retired Detective/Sergeant Thomas J. Smith, Member	January 22, 2021
Retired Captain James L. Goudy, Member	January 27, 2021
Retired Officer Oscar W. Dubose, Non-Member	January 28, 2021
Retired Sergeant Robert E. Tessier, Member	January 28, 2021

THANK YOU CORNER

Thank you to Retired Sergeant Bobbie J. Foster for the generous donation to the FAC in December, 2020. The check was mailed to Cathy and she will send a Thank You Note.

Thank you to Associate Member Gary Wurl for his donation to the FAC. The check was sent to the HPROA and Cathy will be sending a Thank You Note.

Thank you to Retired Officer Pat McLaughlin for his thoughtful donation of 2 wheelchairs to the FAC equipment inventory.

Thank you to Terry Smith for donating a scooter which was then loaned to D'Ann Guzman for her father on January 23, 2021.