President's Message

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The holidays are behind us and I hope everything was as good for you as it was for me. 2019 will be another year of progress for the DPRA. Hopefully we can provide the membership some better service by expanding our reach into the areas that affect us the most.

The Roster Book has been proofed and it is on the way to the printer. You will notice that we have made some changes to make the book easier to read. We have tried to address all of the suggestions we have received to make the book more useful. You should have your copy by March 1.

We have had questions concerning the CCW policy at the DCPA. The DCPA has adopted a policy that requires anyone carrying a firearm to check the firearm by placing it in a locker where it can be retrieved after the performance.

We have been in discussions with the City concerning Peer Support and Psychological services for retirees. We are happy to report that retirees can be assisted by the Department's Peer Support if there is a need. The issues we had when we were active officers did not vanish in retirement. Retirees can benefit from services that the City can provide and we are endeavoring to be included after we are no longer active officers. We will make any information we receive available on the web site as soon as we receive it.

The Board will be looking to revise some of our dinner and lunch places. Thinking about our members will be paramount in making these decisions. Getting together is important and we will try to make our social events more enjoyable. We are aware of your concerns and will attempt to address each of them when making any decisions. We are open to your suggestions.

The web site is the best way to keep you informed in a timely manner. We are continuing to make improvements. We know that you are using the site as we are receiving some 5000 hits each month. Again, if you have any suggestions, please share them with us. It is the membership that makes us what we are and we want to continue to serve.