

# Police News

## Congratulations on your retirement, Chief Sal!



All around the Benedictine Community, he is known as a guiding light, inspiration, and mediator. For those who are lucky enough to know him personally, Michael Salatino is a friend, mentor, confidant, and considered by many as a father. Chief Michael Salatino retired late last month with 10 years of service to the Benedictine Community and decades of Police Service.

The Chief took the lead as Chief of the Benedictine University Police Department in 2006 and figuratively built the department from the ground up. His leadership and management has led the department to winning countless awards and making our University one of the safest in the country.

*We wish him a fantastic retirement with lots of time with his family & friends. We hope to continue following his great example.*

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## Certificate of Appreciation

The Chief & Deputy Chief gave their thanks and appreciation on behalf of the entire Benedictine University Police to Max Quinones' for his help in diffusing and dispersing an unruly crowd.

Without Max's help, the situation could have turned into a more heated situation and We are grateful that he took it upon himself to help out his peers and the University Police.



## ***Winter Driving Safety: Beware of Black Ice! It can be almost invisible.***

Black ice forms when the air temperature is warmer than pavement, which causes moisture to rapidly freeze and create a thin, transparent layer of ice on the roadway.

Avoid an incident by following these tips:

- \* Keep your distance. Twice as much distance as normal driving circumstances. Keep at least a 5-second following distance behind the vehicle in front of you.
- \* Keep off the brakes on ice. Applying pressure to your brakes while on black ice will cause a vehicle to skid. Brake only during your approach.
- \* Bridges, tunnels, & early morning caution. Be especially careful when driving on bridges, overpasses and tunnels, and in the early morning when the air temperature rises faster than the pavement temperature.
- \* Salt loses effectiveness when too cold. Salting and sanding can neutralize black ice, however, salt loses its effectiveness at about 15 degrees or colder.



## You can do it, we believe in you!

We'd like to thank all of the students, staff, and faculty who attended our Women's Self Defense Course last month. Officer Triplett was happy to instruct on self defense techniques to empower and motivate the women of the Benedictine Community. We'd like to send out a big thank you to Community Service Officer Pemberton, who sweated out in the "Red-Man" costume for hours and was pushed around for the sake of teaching.

*We look forward to offering another Women's Self Defense Course in the new year.*

## Officer John Rogacki & K-9 Sophie receive Chief's Accommodation

A Chief's Accommodation award was given to Officer John Rogacki & K-9 Sophie for their efforts in solving a string of thefts in the Rice Center Football Locker Rooms.

They were able to find the offender quickly with their investigative skills and return a lot of property to the victims.

Great Job!



## Snow Removal Safety

Cold weather- risk of injury- and heavy tools... be safe when removing snow

### Snow Shoveling Safety

- ◇ Do not shovel after eating or while smoking
- ◇ Take it slow and stretch before you begin
- ◇ Shovel only fresh, powdery snow; it's lighter
- ◇ Push the snow rather than lifting it
- ◇ If you do lift it, use a small shovel or only partially lift the shovel
- ◇ Lift with your legs, not your back
- ◇ Do not work to the point of exhaustion

Don't pick up that shovel without your doctor's permission if you have a history of heart disease. If you feel tightness in the chest or dizziness, stop immediately.

### Snow Blower Safety

- ⇒ If the blower jams, turn it off
- ⇒ Keep your hands away from the moving parts
- ⇒ Do not drink alcohol and use the snow blower
- ⇒ Be aware of the carbon monoxide risk of running a snow blower in an enclosed space

University Police wish you a **Merry Christmas**  
and a safe **New Year**



The following link, <http://www.ben.edu/police/index.cfm> will connect you to the Benedictine University Police web page, which contains the Annual Campus Security and Fire Safety Reports for calendar year 2015, which is published in 2016, as required by the U.S. Department of Education, for the **Lisle main campus**, **Naperville Operational Center**, **Bellwood Learning Center**, **Springfield and Mesa, Arizona branch campuses**. You will also find useful information about department services, a campus safety video, our Facebook page and other items of interest.