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May 2017

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MPERS Benefits Meeting – Save the Date

Our 3rd MPERS Benefits Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2017...invitations will be sent out soon!

HR Reps Only Section on our Website

We recently modified our website to create a section that only registered HR reps can access. If you are reading this email, then you are a registered user of that new section. We will send each of you an email with your user name and password to access the site. You can change your password if you wish at any time (just follow the instructions on the website). There are items we'd like to share with you (and retain for future reference) but that are not intended for the general public. We will also keep the prior "HR Connection" emails under the secure site. We will talk more about this new site at the benefits meeting noted above.

MPERS Webinar

On April 28th, we conducted our most recent webinar, "The Closed Plan: For Closed Plan Uniformed Patrol Employees". This webinar discusses the key provisions of the Closed Plan for Uniformed Patrol employees and frames the choices Closed Plan Uniformed Patrol employees will have to make at the time of retirement and lasts around 45 minutes. The webinar was recorded and has been added to our library of information under **Education on Demand**.

Interest on Employee Contributions

We will be crediting interest (on the four percent employee contributions) to the 2011 Tier members effective June 30, 2017. *In order for those members to receive interest on their employee contributions, they must be actively employed, or vested, on the last working day in June.* The interest rate for June 30, 2017 is 0.57% and it is applied to the contribution balance as of July 1, 2016. As a reminder, interest stops being credited once the non-vested employee terminates or the vested member retirees or passes away. For more information please review our *Summary of 2011 Tier* under the **Brochures** section on our website.

Special Election

Due to the retirement of Major Kemp Shoun, MPERS is currently holding a special election to fill the remainder of his term as the Active MSHP Employee Representative on the MPERS Board of Trustees. The election process began April 17th and concludes at the June 22nd Board Meeting. Emails were sent to all MSHP employees seeking candidates for the board position. For additional information about the election please review the **Board Election Brochure** which is available under the **Publications/Brochures** section of our website.

Pre-Retirement Seminars for May

May 17, 2017 Hannibal

2017 Board Meeting Schedule

June 22, 2017 September 28, 2017 November 16, 2017