

PAT

So what? You're upset that you personally shut down organized crime, making the city safe

TRACY gets up and crossed the room to one of his trophies.

PAT cont

Tracy you're a decorated hero. You've cleaned up, you inspired. What more can a cop want to hang his hat on?

TRACY

You know I never wanted to be a hero. I just wanted to be an officer and do my job

PAT

Great! You've done that. And got a great pension that pays for this little nest egg.

TRACY

Do you remember how the departments use to send me across the country to schools? I would hand out those little plastic crime stopper badges. And talk to the students about how to be a good citizen and the values of right and wrong. Those kids Pat, I was a hero to them. They all looked up to me, like a role model or a comic book character or something. It really meant the world to me. (Pause) Last month I went to speak a local school. Pat it was embarrassing, those kids had no idea who I even was. They just stared blankly, silently. Waited until I was done rambling. After I retired I knew I would become

a has been, now its like I'm  
a never was.

Pause

PAT

You ever think, that maybe if  
you did more crime management  
rather than prevention...you'd  
still be out there?

TRACY

You mean bargain? I don't  
bargain Pat. Criminals that  
break the law belong in the  
jail or in the ground. It's  
that simple.

PAT rises holding his beer in the air.

PAT

In that case here's to Dick  
Tracy...the forgotten hero.