



# Nassau County PBA NEWSLETTER

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# From the Editor...

by Brian Engelhardt

## Nassau County P.B.A. Officers

As all of you have realized the global financial crisis has effected not only our personal investments but also our workplace. Due to the lack of revenue the county is operating under duress. But this doesn't mean that we should be asked to work with equipment that's old, defective or just not there. Our safety is paramount and having the proper equipment to do the job is essential.

The aging fleet of patrol cars was addressed by the union at the county legislature. The ordering of ninety cars was approved and should be available in several months. Tires were a problem until the union complained several months ago. One instance which brought this to light was when FSB put used worn tires from a wreck on a patrol vehicle. After union intervention, new tires were ordered and purchased. The radio system has been slowly decaying for years and it was the unions push for a new system, which is now a work in progress. Between old radios, batteries used beyond their life span and towers with antiquated equipment which can't be fixed, it's this union that is concerned with the public's and officer safety. Recently it became known that the AED's are old technology. They can't be fixed, the pads are expiring and the batteries are dying. This is equipment we need to do our job. Once again the union is in the process of finding out what the dept's doing about this problem. New uniforms are being researched by the dept. The dept was going to order uniforms without ever testing them. The union asked the dept. to have members on patrol wear them to see how they stand up. There are members in each command that are testing new shirts and pants for comfort, durability and usability. If the union didn't speak up, the dept. might have ordered uniforms without testing which would have adversely affected every member. Vests were a problem for the new people when the dept. wanted to send them on patrol with used vests. After the union stepped in and found out the county, not the dept. held back on the acquisition of new vests the situation was corrected.

As you can see, the recurring theme here is the tools we go to work with everyday have to be examined at all levels. Keeping the troops supplied with current, properly working equipment is the depts. responsibility. But when that system fails, it falls on the union's shoulders to correct these deficiencies with hard work and determination. The first step of this process is when a patrol cop gets to work and finds non-working equipment. Get it fixed and if it can't be fixed, lay it up. If there isn't a replacement, double up. The next step is to notify a union rep. Safety is paramount and having the proper equipment is an important element of going home in one piece each and every day.

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& RADA, ESQS.

## **RETIRED MEMBER IS IN NEED**

**Erich Schindlar retired on January 1, 1994 after 35 years of service as a police officer with the Nassau County Police Department. He is the brother of Otto and Robert Schindlar who both retired after 35 years from the NCPD.**

**Erich has developed severe kidney disease since a ruptured aortic aneurysm two and one-half years ago. His existing kidney never started working after anesthesia from the surgery and he has been on dialysis three times a week. That has now changed to six times a week for four to five hours a day. He is waiting for a kidney donor, but the wait in the New York area is about five to seven years. Erich can receive a kidney transplant from a direct suitable donor.**

**He is asking that any department member or family member who has Type O Negative Blood and is willing to be tested to be a kidney donor, to please contact Erich or Doris Schindlar at the following numbers:**

**Erich (cell phone) 1 631 901-6968**

**Doris (cell phone) 1 631 987-6713**

**The entire Schindlar family thanks you for your consideration.**

01/2/2009

To: Mr. Pete Patterson  
1<sup>st</sup>. Vice President- Nassau County P.B.A.  
89 E. Jericho Tpke.  
Mineola, New York - 11501

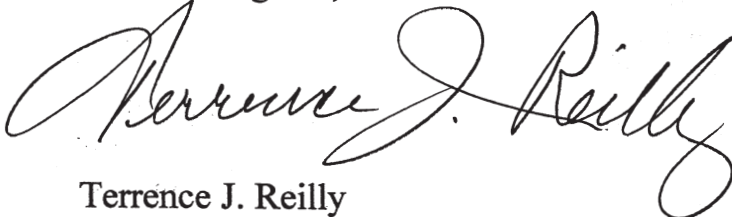
Fr: Terrence J. Reilly  
Vallejo, California-94591

Subject: Det. Kathleen M. Reilly Memorial Bridge

Dear Mr. Patterson,

I am writing you to send the heartfelt appreciation of the Reilly family for the recent ceremony in dedication of the bridge over Meadowbrook Parkway in honor of our deceased sister, Detective Kathleen M. Reilly. Please accept our grateful thanks for your fine efforts in making this honor a reality. Our sister Kathleen loved her job and all the great men and women of the Nassau County Police Department that she served alongside. The family members that were able to be present at the ceremony were touched by the presentation, as well as the luncheon, and ALL want to thank you for your actions to bring about this bridge dedication! Those of us who were unable to attend the ceremony send our grateful thanks as well!

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terrence J. Reilly". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Terrence J. Reilly



# Retirees

by J. Vic Dolgos

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER - NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2008

Listed below are PBA members leaving NCPD the past 4 months.  
That makes a total of 95 this year. Also we had 34 resignations - all recruits from the  
Polcie Academy

*Good Luck - Keep in Touch!*



**Robert Southard**  
Serial 4641  
2/70- 9/08  
38 years service



**Anthony LaRocca**  
Serial 4693  
6/70- 9/08  
38 years service



**Louis Maccio**  
Serial 4875  
12/70- 12/08  
38 years service



**Michael Crawford**  
Serial 5209  
1/72- 11/08  
36 years service



**Kenneth Olsen**  
Serial 5265  
1/72- 12/08  
36 years service



**Walter Triesch**  
Serial 5277  
1/72- 9/08  
36 years service



**Kevin Haig**  
Serial 5462  
1/73- 11/08  
35 years service



**William Handworth**  
Serial 5631  
6/73- 9/08  
35 years service



**Russell Howard**  
Serial 5640  
6/73- 10/08  
35 years service



**Kenneth Warne**  
Serial 5783  
6/73- 9/08  
35 years service



**William Ott**  
Serial 5843  
10/73- 10/08  
35 years service



**James Sisti**  
Serial 5850  
10/73- 9/08  
35 years service



**James Read**  
Serial 5862  
3/74- 11/08  
34 years service



**Richard McCarrick**  
Serial 5681  
6/73- 11/08  
35 years service



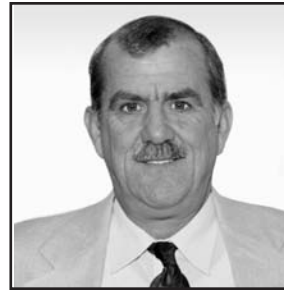
**Louis Cestaro**  
Serial 6090  
7/79- 11/08  
29 years service



**John Stiklickas**  
Serial 6117  
7/79 - 10/08  
29 years service



**Frank Mobilio**  
Serial 6141  
6/82-12/08  
26 years service



**Thomas Ford**  
Serial 6168  
10/82- 10/08  
26 years service



**James Turner**  
Serial 6209  
11/82- 11/08  
26years service



**John Hillman**  
Serial 6867  
1/87- 10/08  
22 years service



**Peter Stuyvesant**  
Serial 6943  
1/87-10/08  
22 years service



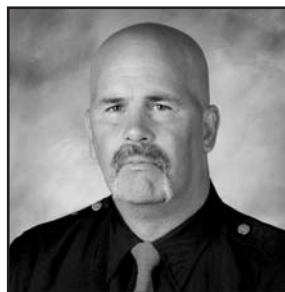
**Stacie Ayrovainen**  
Serial 7013  
7/87- 11/08  
21 years service



**Richard Perez**  
Serial 7650  
4/94-8/08  
14 years service



**Richard Grimmer**  
Serial 7417  
8/93-8/08  
15 years service



**Paul Lemke**  
Serial 7199  
10/90- 7/08  
18 years service



**Larry Gordon**  
Serial 6853  
1/87-9/08  
21years service



**Thomas Eagan**  
Serial 4431  
6/89 - 8/08  
19 years service



**Michelle Guadagno**  
Serial 7245  
3/87 - 12/07  
20 years service



**Dennis Dowell**  
Serial 4872  
12/70 - 7/08  
38 years service

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# **PBA**

## **PENSION ESTIMATE**

### **PROGRAM**

Your PBA has instituted a Pension Estimate benefit for all FULL Dues paying Members. This benefit will entitle each member to one Pension Estimate during the course of his or her career. As a part of this service you will be entitled to have your pension estimate updated for 3 years after the initial estimate. We have hired Lynn Ang Pension Estimate and Projections L.L.C. to perform these estimates for the members. To take advantage of this benefit you will have to obtain a Pension Estimate Voucher at the PBA office. This voucher will then be given to Lynn when you meet with him to perform the initial estimate.

**Lynn Ang**  
**Pension Estimate and Projections L.L.C.**  
**Cell Phone: 516-946-1696**  
**Retired HPB**  
**Formerly - PAB-Payroll Section**



**NASSAU COUNTY PBA**  
**JUDICIAL/D.A.'S OFFICE**  
**REVIEW FORM**

Your PBA is interested in knowing how you feel about your interaction with the District Attorney's Office and the various judges in the court system. If you have had a good or bad experience involving the court system please take the time to complete the following Judicial Review Form and return it to the PBA Office, Attention Bob Rettinger.

These forms will be used to help evaluate the members of the court system. Your input is both needed and greatly appreciated.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ COMMAND: \_\_\_\_\_ SERIAL #: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF COURT: \_\_\_\_\_ COURT: \_\_\_\_\_

**JUDGE:** \_\_\_\_\_

DEMEANOR TOWARDS POLICE OFFICER: \_\_\_\_\_

IMPARTIALITY: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL RATING: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

**ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY:** \_\_\_\_\_

DEMEANOR TOWARDS POLICE OFFICER(S): \_\_\_\_\_

CASE PREPARATION: \_\_\_\_\_

WAS ENOUGH TIME PUT INTO THE PREPARATION OF THE CASE? \_\_\_\_\_

WERE YOU CONSULTED DURING THE PREPARATION OF THE CASE? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS YOUR INPUT IN THE CASE AND/OR PLEA BARGAINING USED OR HONORED? \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

OVERALL RATING:

EXCELLENT      GOOD      FAIR      POOR      UNACCEPTABLE

# Nassau County



# Police Department

THOMAS SUOZZI  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

1490 Franklin Avenue  
Mineola, New York 11501  
(516) 573-7000

JAMES LAWRENCE  
COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

## NOTICE: THIS DOCUMENT IS NOT A REQUEST FOR RESTRICTED ASSIGNMENT

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Doctor:

You are treating \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
(Rank) (Name) (Serial #)

a member of the Nassau County Police Department, who is providing you with this form and who was on sick leave from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. It has come to our attention that many doctors do not know that a Restricted Assignment may be available to members of the Department. Restricted Assignment is a status authorized by the Police Surgeon. The work assignments can be administrative or clerical in nature, (e.g. sitting at a desk with ability to change position at will). The only prohibition is on reclining while on duty. Feet or legs may be elevated. Brace, crutches and other devices may be used. Medications for symptoms control may be taken. Prisoner contact is not required. Driving is **NOT** a requirement. With these factors in mind, would you please provide the Department with the following information.

Please provide the specific PHYSICAL limitations which prohibit a Restricted Assignment as described above during the dates the member was on sick leave:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list medications and/or treatments prescribed for this occurrence:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

DIAGNOSIS:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Illness/Injury Started      Date Recovered or      Anticipated Return to Restricted Assignment

Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Provider Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Provider Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Signature  
(Stamp Not Acceptable)

# MAO / POLICE SURGEON QUESTIONNAIRE

In order to evaluate members' police surgeons visit and MAO investigation the PBA requests that the following information be provided:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SERIAL# \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF APPOINTMENT \_\_\_\_\_ COMMAND \_\_\_\_\_  
SCHEDULED TIME OF APPOINTMENT \_\_\_\_\_ TIME SEEN \_\_\_\_\_  
I# \_\_\_\_\_  
EXAMINED BY (NAME OF SURGEON) \_\_\_\_\_  
MAO SUPERVISOR VISITED (IF APPLICABLE) \_\_\_\_\_

1. Was a medical exam conducted? Yes No
2. What did the medical exam consist of (What did the doctor do?) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Did the Police Surgeon perform any medical tests as part of the examination? (feel for spasm, test for sensory loss, use a tape to measure for atrophy, test for reflex loss, make you walk on heel/toes, test straight leg raising, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How long did the medical exam take? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Were you ordered to either Restricted Duty or Full Duty? Yes No
6. Was the Police Surgeon aware of the duties and responsibilities of your position before you were assigned back to full duty? Yes No
7. If you were ordered back to work, who gave the order, Police Surgeon or MAO Supervisor? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7a Did this order conflict with any of your doctors evaluations? Yes No
8. Do you feel the Police Surgeon treated you fairly and professionally? If not, please provide details. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you feel the MAO Supervisor / Staff treated you fairly and professionally? If not, please provide details. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. Were you asked to complete any forms by the Police Surgeon? Yes No  
If yes, what forms? \_\_\_\_\_
11. After completion of any forms, were you asked, ordered or in any way coerced into making any changes on any of the forms? Yes No  
If yes what forms? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Did the Police Surgeon discuss your symptoms, such as pain that you might have? Yes No  
Did you feel that this was a full and complete discussion? Yes No
13. Did the Police Surgeon or MAO Supervisor make any suggestions that you seek treatment with any doctors or physical therapists? Yes No

*If you feel that you were not treated professionally by any of the medical staff of the Police Surgeon's office, or MAO please complete the form and then contact a PBA representative.*



# THE PBA NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO RECRUIT

## N.C.P.D. SUPPORTERS

THE N.C.P.D. PBA IS CREATING A DATABASE OF ANY NASSAU COUNTY RESIDENT OR BUSINESS THAT WILL BE A SUPPORTER OF THE NASSAU COUNTY POLICE AND THE PBA. THE PBA NEEDS THE ASSISTANCE OF EVERY PBA MEMBER IN THE CREATION OF THIS DATABASE. WE NEED YOU TO SUPPLY AT LEAST 10 NAMES (MORE IF YOU KNOW THEM) OF ANY RELATIVE, FRIEND, OR BUSINESS PERSON THAT LIVES OR WORKS WITHIN NASSAU COUNTY. THESE NAMES WILL BE STRONG SUPPORTERS OF THE PBA AND WHAT WE ARE DOING FOR THE RESIDENTS OF NASSAU COUNTY.

#	NAME	STREET ADDRESS	TOWN/ZIP CODE	PHONE #	E-MAIL ADDRESS
1					
2					
3					
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THE INFORMATION YOU SUPPLY IS GUARANTEED TO ONLY BE USED BY THE PBA FOR THE PURPOSE OF INFORMING THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OF ANY CHANGES WITHIN THE NASSAU COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT MAY EFFECT THEIR COMMUNITIES. THIS INFORMATION WILL NOT BE GIVEN, TRADED OR SOLD TO ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION FOR ANY REASON. OCCASIONALLY THE PBA WILL SEND THEM A LETTER AND/OR E-MAIL, (IF ADDRESS IS SUPPLIED), UPDATING THEM ON ANY INFORMATION THAT THE PBA FEELS MAY BE OF INTEREST TO THEM ABOUT A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE. AT THAT TIME THE PBA MAY ALSO REQUEST THEM TO WRITE A LETTER OR MAKE A PHONE CALL TO SUPPORT THE PBA'S POSITION TO KEEP THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF NASSAU COUNTY A NUMBER ON PRIORITY FOR ALL.

**PO- \_\_\_\_\_ CMD- \_\_\_\_\_ SERIAL#- \_\_\_\_\_**

**PLEASE BE SURE TO RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR PBA REP A.S.A.P.**

# President's Message

by James Carver

## WELCOME HOME KEN BARIBAUT

On January 13th Ken Baribault was welcomed home by members of all ranks from the Police Department and County Executive Tom Suozzi. It was a great feeling watching as his son ran out to embrace him and welcome him home. Situations such as Ken's remind us what this entire job is about, taking care of one of our own when they are in need. There's enough thanks to be spread around ranging from Commissioner Mulvey to the department emailing updates on Ken's progress and arranging the sendoff and welcome home of Ken. The support displayed by the members on this job who were there during this time was not lost on the family. You were there when needed to show support at the many court hearings making sure that we will not let this case disappear. Your presence has made a huge impact. We will continue to let you know when your presence is needed during the court proceedings.

A special thanks to Employee Assistance, their assistance has been a vital part of helping the Baribault family deal with the aftermath of this tragic accident and to Art Gianelli from NUMC who made sure that whatever was needed from his staff was provided.

The work of the 2nd Pct reps during this time was just incredible. Led by Trustee Ken Cortes and delegates Mike Schmitt, Paul Catanzaro, Frank Russo and Danny Cebollero, they spent countless hours making sure that the Baribault family was taken care of, from the initial accident through the many long days and nights at the Hospital and putting together the immensely successful Benefit event which to date has taken in nearly 200 grand for the Kenneth and Christopher Baribault Benevolent Fund. Their work is still not done as they will continue to assist in any way needed during Ken's recovery.

Even though Ken has made tremendous progress he still has a long way to go in his recovery and needs our thoughts and prayers as he continues his rehabilitation. Now is not the time to forget.

## NEW PATROL CARS

As mentioned in an online Presidents Message sent out on January 14th the Legislature has approved the purchasing of 90 marked cars each year for the next 3 years. The department has submitted the paperwork to acquire the new vehicles through the State bidding process and they hope to see delivery on the vehicles by April. In the meantime we still have a huge problem with the state of the aging fleet. With the merger of our Fleet services with County DPW there are many concerns on whether our vehicles will be given the priority they deserve. We have been assured by the county that police vehicles will be given that priority. If anyone experiences any problems with this new merger we need to know about it immediately. Contact your Trustees or Delegates to let them know what the problems are. We will be having many meetings

with DPW to make sure that all of our concerns are addressed.

## Second Vice President

by Kevin Tobin

In the following pages you will see the two most recent MOA's issued due to the grievances filed during the year. If you have any questions regarding them please contact your PBA representative. The county is constantly attempting to gain ground in taking away our jobs and the unit work that is ours under the contract. As you can see in regards to the Auxiliary police situation. The department and the county were attempting to have auxiliary take over crossings when they were available. This may sound crazy but that work belongs to us when a crossing guard is not available. It is a mandatory subject of bargaining.

In the second MOA, regarding the switching of Night police officers to days, the department thought they had exclusive rights to apply them to minimum manning and have the cop take the pd to court. This was causing a drain on some pcts. and affecting minimum manning greatly. The department is now only allowed one car for this purpose. They must back fill those cars if it affects the pct. going below minimum manning.

All of this being said, there is a constant wave from many department chiefs to continually come up with ways to save money. We will not sit idly and watch while they attempt to dismantle the patrol force of this job. You must keep your PBA informed when you think there is a problem. DO NOT WAIT!!! There are time restrictions on filing a grievance.

There have been numerous attempts in numerous pcts. to avoid the minimum manning, and on a weekly basis more wild ideas come out of headquarters and from county government. Some examples are , giving out used vests, not ordering snow tires, and now the most recent NO CARS FOR PATROL. The first two issues were resolved when your PBA got involved and brought it to the county's attention. Oh yes, we got the standard sound Bite, it was the budget people. Why isn't our department more persistent on the very core issues? We cant answer that question, but we hope they begin to JUST SAY NO. These and other issues are becoming more and more frequent. I never thought in my wildest dreams, the PBA would have to fight for the essential tools to do the basic job of policing.

IN regards to the RMP's. If you have a car that is not running properly or is unsafe , we strongly suggest you get it repaired. If that is not possible because of the state that the county is in, then you must LAY THAT CAR up. Do not put yourself or the people you work with in danger. As we all know if you have an accident or any other problem with the RMP, you are going to be held responsible. We are attempting to get cars on a daily basis. As of this writing after the PBA has gone to the department, the county , the county legislators, and a news conference, we have been informed the cars have been ordered. We shall see. Please keep your PBA reps informed.

Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulation of Settlement ("Agreement") made this 22 day of December, 2008, by and between the County of Nassau ("County"), a municipal corporation in the State of New York, having its principal place of business at One West Street, Mineola, New York, and the Police Benevolent Association of the Police Department of the County of Nassau, Inc. ("PBA"), an employee organization having its principal place of business at 89 East Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, New York.

WHEREAS, the PBA filed a grievance dated January 4, 2007, alleging that the County violated the parties' Collective Bargaining Agreement, as amended by several interest arbitration awards, relevant memoranda of agreement (including, but not limited to the parties' Steady Tours Agreement), and past practice, in the manner by which it included in the minimum staffing complement police officers whose tours were switched from nights to days to attend court; and

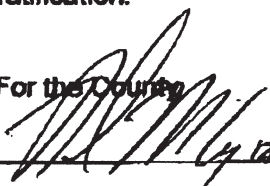
WHEREAS, arbitration hearings were held on June 4, 2007, March 31, 2008, July 17, 2008, and December 11, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to resolve this matter in an amicable way amongst them, without the uncertainties, costs and risks of continued litigation.


NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1. Except as specifically modified by this Agreement, all other agreements regarding "steady tours" and "minimum staffing" are to remain in full force and effect.
2. The parties agree, with respect to those police officers whose tours are switched from nights to days as permitted by the parties' Collective Bargaining Agreement, as follows:
  - a. Once per day each patrol precinct may count one police officer whose tour is switched, for the purpose of attending court, as part of the minimum staffing complement during the time in which he/she is attending court, provided, however, that such police officer had been assigned to an RMP post or sector.
  - b. Any additional police officer(s) whose tour is switched is not to be included as part of the minimum staffing complement during the time(s) he/she is attending court.
  - c. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall prohibit or prevent the County from directing that a police officer attend court on overtime in lieu of a tour change.
3. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the County and the PBA regarding its subject matter. No other promises have been made. This Agreement may not be modified except by a written agreement between the parties.
4. This Agreement is subject to and shall become effective immediately upon PBA ratification.

For the County

  
12/23/08

For the PBA

  
12/23/08  
Tab.1

For the Department

  
12/23/08



Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulation of Settlement ("Agreement") made this 27 day of December, 2008, by and between the County of Nassau ("County"), a municipal corporation in the State of New York, having its principal place of business at One West Street, Mineola, New York, and the Police Benevolent Association of the Police Department of the County of Nassau, Inc. ("PBA"), an employee organization having its principal place of business at 89 East Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, New York.

WHEREAS, the PBA filed a grievance dated June 26, 2008, alleging that on or about June 7, 2008, the County violated its "Bayville Agreement" when, at the Belmont Stakes, it assigned approximately 30 to 40 auxiliary officers to perform various duties, such as crowd control, which are solely and exclusively the work of PBA members;

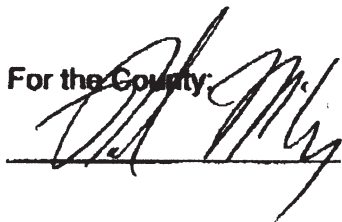
WHEREAS, the County denies some of these allegations; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to resolve these matters in an amicable way amongst them, without the uncertainties, costs and risks of continued litigation.


NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to the following:

1. Auxiliary Police Officers shall not be used for street crossings (e.g. schools, churches, temples, etc.), crowd control, or for any other assignment that has traditionally been the work of PBA unit members. Auxiliary Police Officers may, however, direct and control traffic for certain planned events (i.e. parades, fun runs, Belmont Stakes, presidential debates, and other events at which Auxiliary Police Officers have traditionally been utilized). In addition, Auxiliary Police Officers may continue their traditional monitoring functions that they have performed prior to June 26, 2008.
2. The parties reaffirm their commitment to the terms of the "Bayville Agreement," in which County agreed "not to unilaterally transfer any police unit work to nonunit Nassau County employees or volunteers."
3. The grievance is hereby withdrawn, with prejudice.
4. This Memorandum of Agreement is subject to PBA ratification.

For the County:

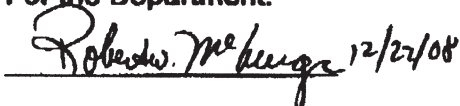


For the PBA:



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For the Department:



# Corresponding Secretary

by Bob Rettinger

## RMP'S

With the start of the New Year the County legislature finally passed the Capital Projects Plan. Included in this plan is the purchase of 90 vehicles this year and 90 police cars for the next 2 years after that. We applaud the departments plan and the legislature for passing this plan. This plan will enable the department to start to replace the aging police fleet that has been neglected for far too long. Hopefully they will continue this plan after the initial 3 years so that we do not find ourselves in the same situation again in the future.

Unfortunately, we will not see any of these cars until at least the end of April, so it will not do anything to alleviate the problem in the immediate future. For the past several months the RMP situation has reached a critical point. The 4th precinct has had to double up at least 2 RMP's and on occasion 3-4 RMP's on any given day for the past 2 months. The 8th precinct has had all the supervisor cars out on post, leaving the supervisors with unmarked or no cars to use, and still have had to double up cars on various occasions. This scenario has been taking place in many of the precincts on a more frequent basis. This is what happens when a fleet gets neglected for several years, when you don't replace vehicles for 2 and 3 years, when the mechanics can't get parts to fix the cars we have. Something has to be done right now to deal with this problem. We cannot wait until the delivery of the 90 police cars in April or May, by that time it will be too late. The department needs to come up with a plan to get us to April or May and they need to come up with the plan right now.

## FSB OR DPW

The New Year also brought us the merger of FSB and DPW. With the merger FSB will now come under the control of the county's Department of Public Works. In the 6th and 7th precinct this also means that the precinct mechanics will be working out of a DPW yard in the vicinity of the precincts. This will be on a trial basis to see if it will work, with the idea being to eventually do the same thing in all the precincts. We have met with the county and voiced our concerns about this. We have told them that the precinct mechanics should remain in the precincts. That taking them out will lead to many problems. They have assured us that this will not be the case. They continue to believe the merger and the moving of the precinct mechanics will improve the service and save the county money. How moving the mechanic from one garage to another will save money is beyond me but they have convinced themselves that it will.

Will this plan work? Will we receive better service for the fleet? Will they actually save any money? It all remains to be seen. We have assured the county that we are the biggest skeptics and will be the harshest critics of this merger. We have told them that we will not stand for a reduction in the service to you and the department's fleet of vehicles. Please

advise your precinct reps of any problems that you incur with this new merger. I have been in daily contact with the Commissioner of the DPW and giving him the daily problems that have been arising. To date they have been very receptive and have addressed all the problems that I have brought to them. Time will tell if that continues to happen.

## MISCELLANEOUS STUFF

Just wanted to take a moment to remind everyone of some things that people forget and that people don't like to talk about:

### Health Insurance:

Everyone needs to remember that you need to notify the department of any changes that affect your health and life insurance. Do not forget to notify them if you get married, have a baby, need to change your beneficiary, etc. You are supposed to do this within 30 days of when the change takes place. We have had a couple of situations where guys have forgotten to do this and it has led to problems.

### Empire Health Insurance Plan:

I advise everyone to review the literature that was sent to your residence in regards to some changes in the Empire Plan coverage this year. They have changed the list of "Preferred", "Non-Preferred", and "Generic/Drugs. Also it is now mandatory to call NYSHIP (1-877-7-NYSHIP) and get pre-approval for all non-emergency MRI, MRA, Ct, PET, and Nuclear Medicine tests. Failure to do so could result in you being responsible for a large portion of the cost of the test. For information on plan you can go to the NYSHIP website at [www.cs.state.ny.us/nyship/nyship.cfm](http://www.cs.state.ny.us/nyship/nyship.cfm)

### Insurance:

It's always a good idea to occasionally check over your insurance policies (home, auto, life) to make sure that they are meeting your needs. As things change your insurance might need to change also. One thing that I have been reminded by our attorneys is that it is not a bad idea to have "Under Insured" coverage on your policy. This will help to cover you if you are unfortunate enough to have an accident and the other party does not have insurance or does not have enough insurance. Check with your insurance agents to see if you have this or if it is something that you should have.

### Wills:

I know no one likes to think about it but it is never too early to have a will written for you and your family. The PBA pays for the PBA Attorneys to supply this service to you so take advantage of it.

### District Attorney's Office:

Please remember to let us know if you have any problems with the District Attorney's Office and/or how they have handled a case. We have established a decent line of communication with their office in regards to Assault 2nd and Resisting Arrest cases involving police officers. If you have had any problems or have a been pleased with the way your cases have been handled please let your precinct reps know and fill out one of the Judicial Review Forms that can be found on the PBA website or in the newsletter.

**Pension Estimate Plan:**

The PBA Pension Estimate Plan is up and running. This plan entitles all Full Dues Paying Police Officers to have your pension estimate done by Lynn Ang. It also includes updates for 3 years after the initial estimate. Contact the PBA office to get a voucher to take advantage of this service.

**Report of the Sgt-at-Arms**

by James McDermott

Recently, we experienced a problem regarding the Medical Review process and the Police Surgeon’s Office. One of our members reported to the Police Surgeon’s Office for an appointment on a Saturday, there was no MAO personnel working nor any civilian employees. It was the determination of the Police Surgeon that this officer could return back to work on restricted assignment. This officer did not agree with the Police Surgeon’s assessment and verbally requested Medical Review based on her own Physician’s advisement to stay out of work. Because there were no personnel at MAO on this Saturday, there was no paperwork prepared or signed by the officer to initiate the Medical Review process. The Police Surgeon then took it upon herself to contact the officer’s treating physician, she sought and spoke about confidential and privileged information before having authorization to do so. After consulting with our attorney, Milan Rada, we believe that the Police Surgeon was in violation of the federal HIP AA law when she contacted the treating physician prior to obtaining written authorization to do so. We have spoken at length about this problem at our Board meetings and Milan Rada has constructed a letter that I have enclosed in this Newsletter. This letter should be given immediately to your treating physician when you experience a line of duty (LOD) injury. This letter advises your doctor that he/she is treating you for an injury which occurred in the course of your employment as a Nassau County Police Officer, and that you may receive a call from the Nassau County Police Surgeon or some other person from the Police Department inquiring about your condition. This letter advises your doctor that you have NOT consented to any conversations between you and the Police Surgeon or anyone else for that matter UNLESS you have a HIP AA release form signed by you dated and notarized authorizing same. You need to protect your rights and this will put your treating physician on notice immediately that this information is confidential until otherwise indicated.

I am also putting this letter on the PBA web site and could be copied from there. Please feel free to contact me at anytime with any Worker’s Comp problem that you may have. Thank you and have a happy and healthy New Year!

[Date]

Dear Doctor,

As you are aware, you are treating me for an injury which occurred in the course of my employment as a Nassau County Police Officer. It is possible that you will receive a telephone call from the Nassau County Police Surgeon, or some other person from the Police Department, inquiring about my condition.

Please be advised that I do NOT consent to any conversations between you and the Nassau County Police Surgeon or any other employee of the Nassau County PD unless you have a HIP AA release form signed by me, dated and notarized authorizing same.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

**Nassau County  
Legislature Committee**

by Bob Delsignore

This is the first time that the Legislature Committee has submitted an article to our newsletter and I am sure many of you are wondering “What the @##\$#@ is a Legislature Committee? What do they do and why do we need one?”

Good Questions. I will try to answer them in the paragraphs to follow.

The Legislature Committee came into being when the county government went from a board of supervisors to an elected legislature of 19 members. This dramatically changed the political lay of the land. The county government went from 4 voting members to 19. These 19 people routinely voted on issues that profoundly affected the police department and the lives of each and every one of us.

What to do? Gary and the executive board realized that the 19 legislators would need to know both sides of the issues that they were being asked to vote on. The Department had their people over in West Street (The County Seat) making their case. We needed people there as well.

If our legislators are to make prudent decisions, they needed to have all of the facts. That is, both sides of every issue. Therefore it became the job of the legislature committee to keep the nineteen legislators abreast of the issues that are important to the members of the PBA. The Two members of this Committee act as a liaison between your executive board and the Nassau County Legislature. This



way, when there is a vote that will affect the future of the police department the 19 legislators have the complete picture of the issue at hand. Only then can they make decisions that are in the best interests of their constituents as well as the Police Department.

Over the years, there have been several people who have held the post of Legislature Committee Member. Pete Paterson, who is now First Vice President, did this job for 7 years. Currently the posts are held by Keith Janklitch, delegate from the 7th Pct. And yours truly. It is an honor to represent you and even though we are not one of the biggest committees; we take this appointment very seriously.

What else do we do???? Well just before Gary retired he approached me with an idea. He was wondering if the Nassau County Legislature would be interested in honoring a COP of the Month. Quite honestly I did not know the answer. Although Keith and I have a great working relationship with the members of the legislature, I was not sure how this idea would be received. Gary told me, "If you don't ask, you'll never know". Good advise, so off I went to the legislative chambers to see if anyone was interested.

I first approached Diane Yatauro, Presiding Officer, Peter Schmitt, Minority Leader and Joe Scannell, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee. I pitched the idea of a COP OF THE MONTH Award and I was amazed at how well it was received. Without a moments hesitation these three leaders vowed their support for the program. Then over the next few weeks Presiding Officer Yatauro and Joe Scannell's offices helped me get the word out to the other legislators. Again, without exception, the idea was enthusiastically embraced.

This is no small honor they bestow on our members. Remember, these are trying times and the legislature has a very full plate with a mountain of tough decisions to make. Still, they are willing to take the time from their busy schedules to honor our members for a job well done.

Since August, the Legislature, along with the PBA, has honored various members for outstanding performance. These cops are a cross section of the county. So far we have honored members from the 1st, 3rd, 5th and ESU.

Due to space limitations, I will not list all of the winners this month. In this installment, I'll tell you about the first two recipients of the Nassau County Legislature Cop of the Month.

In August we honored two 3rd Pct. Officers. They were James Dupont and Keith Foster. They were honored for rescuing a mental aided who was threatening to jump from the balcony of an apartment building in Mineola. Officer Dupont grabbed the Aided as he attempted to jump and was pulled over the railing by the momentum. Officer Foster then grabbed officer Dupont and prevented both from falling to their deaths. Great job!!!

Unfortunately, officer Dupont was unable to attend the award ceremony due to the fact that his Marine unit was activated and he was serving our country in Iraq. However, his family was on hand to accept the award for him. Officer Foster was on hand as well and was presented with several

plaques and citations from Diane Yatauro, Peter Schmitt and Rich Nicollelo.

In September we honored the second group of officers. These cops were from the Highway Patrol Bureau's Emergency Services Unit and the Expressway Unit. The recipients were Sgt Kitson, Sgt. John Schmealing, P.O. Scott Gregory and P.O. Kyle Poppie. They were honored for a rescue they made at the scene of a serious auto accident in the second Pct. This is what happened.

A car traveling at a high rate of speed hit a utility pole and knocked the pole down, bringing live wires down with it. The Aforementioned officers realized that if they were going to save the life of the passenger in the vehicle, they had to act quickly and could not wait for the power to be cut. These officers formulated a plan and got the aided out of the car while the entire scene was electrically charged. One wrong move and they all could have been electrocuted. I do not have the words to describe what it takes to take on a job like that. Great Job Guys and Congratulations.

Until Next Month.

## Legal Report

by Milan Rada, Esq.

In the December 2008 edition of the PBA NEWSLETTER, I asked readers whether they might be able to send me PBA cards for the years 1988 and 1989 to complete a collection of cards representing all the years we have been official PBA disability counsel. Dave Sailor, retired, was kind enough to respond and send me a card for 1988. Also, Victor Dolgo helped me out by giving me PBA cards for 1988 and 1989. Gene Markey, 1st precinct retired, sent me an email offering the cards also. William Roden of Summer Shade, KY sent me PBA cards for 1988 and 1989, with a very kind note: "Dear Mr. Rada. I am retired from April 20, 1981. You have helped the PBA in untold ways. Any time we can help you even in a small way we should and be thankful for it. Here are two PBA cards from 1988 and 1989. Thanks again. William Roden." And when I accompanied Det. Mike Lella to his appointment with the New York State Retirement System's medical expert for an IME, Dr. Richard Parker, Mike offered me the cards also. I learned something: I have at least five readers! Thanks very much to all of you for your kindness – very much appreciated.

Last month the Legal Report was very dark and pessimistic because I described a particularly bad day when the Appellate Division, 3rd Dept. issued 9 decisions which all denied disability retirement benefits, most of them on the basis that an "accident" had not occurred. Just to lighten the mood a little, I am now listing 13 injuries which were all considered by the Retirement System and found to be accidents for 3/4 purposes.

- "Officer was driving a police car during a storm and struck a tree limb that had fallen. Officer called work next day and complained of back pain."

- “While on duty and at work, walking toward ramp area, my right foot became entangled in a protruding coil of hose, causing me to trip and injure my back” (PANYNJ cop).

- “While on duty and at work, walking toward the side rear door of Bldg 269 I accidentally slipped on black ice causing me to fall, resulting in injury to my neck, left shoulder and additional injuries to my back” (PANYNJ cop).

- “While on duty and at work, operating an unmarked police car, I was stopped at a red light when another vehicle, hit in the rear by another car, crashed into the rear of the stopped unmarked police car, causing my injuries and disability”.

- “While on duty and at work, I responded to a working fire. Upon arriving at the fire, I saw people in the windows screaming for help. I ran out of my RMP and jumped over a 3ft picket fence. I ran 2 to 3 steps, running on cedar chips which covered a black slippery and slick plastic which I could not see. I slipped on the plastic and twisted my knee and had immediate pain”.

- “While on duty and at work, I responded to a domestic call at which the defendant struck me under the chin with an upward, forward open handed motion; the defendant also applied a steady hold and squeeze to my face, jaw and chin, resulting in my injury and disability”.

- “While on duty and at work, providing aid to a pedestrian who was struck by a car, with the car being driven through a store front plate glass window, suddenly and unexpectedly the glass fell out of the store’s window and severed 5 tendons in my right hand”.

- “While on duty and at work, driving a marked police car, I was proceeding through an intersection with the green light in my favor; the other vehicle then made a right on red turn, causing the collision between that car and the RMP, causing my injury and disability”.

- “While on duty and at work, during a VTL investigation of a tractor trailer during the Republican Convention in NYC, I fell into an uncovered manhole, not visible to me because it was dark and there was no lighting. The manhole I fell into was 1 foot in diameter and 4\_ to 5 feet deep. I injured my left elbow and left hip. The accident happened shortly after 9:00 PM”.

- “While on duty, as a member of the motorcycle unit of Highway Patrol, I was participating in a funeral escort. While operating my motorcycle with emergency lights on, a vehicle made a left turn in front of my motorcycle and stopped his vehicle. To avoid hitting the vehicle that turned in front of me, I braked suddenly and hard, causing the motorcycle to go into a skid. The subsequent collision between my motorcycle and the other vehicle and ejection from the motorcycle resulted in my injuries and disability. The vehicle that made the left hand turn was issued a summons for failure to yield the right of way”.

- “While on duty and at work, driving a marked police car without lights or sirens on, I entered an intersection with a green light; the other vehicle failed to stop at his red light and I struck that vehicle as it entered the intersection

against the light. The other driver was arrested for DWI. I injured my back”.

- “Officer while on duty working at the precinct at the desk tripped and fell over an open desk drawer. He fell and sustained a laceration to left leg; chipped bone on right knee and sprained right knee also sustained lower back pain”.

- “While on duty and at work, attempting to place a subject under arrest, he failed to comply and became violent. In my attempt to gain control over him, we both went to the ground at which point he punched, hit and kicked me until I was able to handcuff him. In this violent struggle, I injured my back, right shoulder and left hand”.

It is extremely rare for a denial of 3/4 retirement benefits to reach the NYS Court of Appeals. However, on December 18, 2008, the highest court in New York State did decide an “accident” case. In the case of *In the Matter of Paul G. Kenny, Appellant v. Thomas P. DiNapoli, as New York State Comptroller, Respondent*, the court noted “In the context of accidental disability retirement benefits, we have defined an accident as a “sudden, fortuitous mischance, unexpected, out of the ordinary, and injurious in impact” and we have indicated that “an injury which occurs without an unexpected event as the . . . result of activity undertaken in the performance of ordinary employment duties, considered in view of the particular employment in question, is not an accidental injury” (*Matter of Lichtenstein v Board of Trustees of Police Pension Fund of Police Dept. of City of N.Y.*, Art. II, 57 NY2d 1010, 1012 [1982]). In this case, the Comptroller denied the application for accidental disability retirement benefits because petitioner, who slipped on a wet ramp while exiting a restaurant, knew that the ramp was wet and therefore knew of the hazard that led to his injury before the incident occurred. In other words, the Comptroller was not persuaded that the incident involved an “unexpected event.” Because the Comptroller’s conclusion is supported by substantial evidence in the record, the determination was properly confirmed”. Kenny is a police officer.

As an exercise to keep you up at night self inflicting some torture, determine how each of the listed injuries falls within the definition of “accident” as cited by Court of Appeals. Keep this definition in mind when you evaluate your own injury following a mishap at work.

If you need us for assistance with claims for Workers’ Compensation, Social Security Disability, Disability Retirement or 207-c issues, please call us at 516-496-0400, ext. 4403 or email at [mrada@fbrlaw.com](mailto:mrada@fbrlaw.com).

Until the next Legal Report, stay safe out there!

**Next Open PBA Meeting  
Thursday  
February 20**



## First Precinct

by Maureen Mazur

Welcome to the precinct Sgt. Torres, a transfer from the 7th precinct.

As you know lately First Precinct events have “tanked” to say the least, that was until Stacie Ayrovainen’s last day party at Jackie Reilly’s. The turnout was unbelievable; it may as well have been a 1st precinct reunion because former 1st precinct cops that haven’t shown their faces in years showed up. Eddie O’Connor, Bobby Law, Jeannie Lobello, Bill Barry (who denied a picture of himself 20 years ago!), Ronnie Citarella and, of course, the regulars – Smitty, Fenimore, Marmaro, Bob Donley, John Bilello. All of Stacie’s former partners, with the exception of Tedeschi, showed up, as well as her Uniondale cronies – Paul Benedetto, Janko, Leake, Little Joe Miller, George Hoeler, & Sylvia. Narcotics and Marine Bureau had a nice turnout as well. Stacie was as usual her bubbly self, and of course, no surprise to any of us, **she was late to her own party.**

### IS IT TRUE THAT...

At Lt. Stiklickas’ squad party there was a kid’s table? (All the newbie’s of her squads)

That working with Paloscio is comparable to the “Madden” curse? (It seems that bad luck surrounds RMP104 sqd 3)

That Ramos is known as “Brooklyn Rockstar Ramos”?  
O’Mara has not seen his “son” yet?

### WHAT P.O...

Couldn’t go skiing/snowboarding with his co-workers because he had to walk his girl friend’s dog?

Talks more than any woman?

Got hitched for the second-time and doesn’t want anyone to know?

May have to, for the 1st time in his 25-year police career, go on light duty after his recent surgery?

### WHAT ROOKIE ...

Stalked his girl friend until she went out with him?

### WHAT SGT...

Had to get a haircut because gum got stuck in her/his hair?

### CONGRATS

To former 1st pct PO Ed Carlson on the birth of his son...if there were any justice in this world he would have had a girl!!!!

Billy Heffernan on FINALLY making Sgt!!



## FIRST PRECINCT RETIREES

by Neil marconi

There is a lot to report on at our last two retirement breakfasts. At our December 4th breakfast we set a record with 50 retirees at our breakfast and one wannabe - Detective Pete Hannigan (main office). Though Pete Hannigan is a great detective and worked with us as a police officer in the 1st Precinct, he still had to sit in the other room until he is an official retiree.

The reality of the situation was that we had so many retirees that many of us had to sit in the overflow room (myself included). It was great seeing Pete and he tells us that in a couple of years he will be officially joining us.

Fifty retirees at our December breakfast is not a misprint. It was not planned but just happened that 50 retirees were present that day. Maybe some retirees thought Santa Claus was stopping by with presents or that the breakfast was free. In either case they were wrong.

The greatest Christmas present that day was that we were able to see and enjoy the company of our fellow brother and sister retiree police officers that we worked with. To my knowledge this was a record for any command retiree breakfast. In any case it will be a while before we break that record.

We also learned that day that if you get there late you may not get a seat. The staff at the Mediterranean Grill went out of their way to accommodate us and we really appreciate it. It is true that some of us had to sit in the adjacent room but we all had seats and great service.

Three retirees were there for the first time: 1) Bruce Backer; 2) Jack Duvelsdorf; and 3) Paul Peters. Bruce retired in 1996 and is residing in Homesdale, PA. Jack Duvelsdorf retired in 1986 and is residing in Port St. Lucie, Florida. Then there is Paul Peters who I am going to write a little bit about.

If a first time retiree to the breakfast pays for my breakfast I only write nice things about them. Paul didn’t understand that concept so here goes.

As anyone that ever worked with Paul Peters in Roosevelt knows, his real desire was to be a race car driver. Somehow, Paul was able to combine his first love with being a police officer.

Doubled one day in car 117 with Paul in Roosevelt I had



the pleasure of seeing Paul's prowess in driving a race car (sorry I meant police car). After the call Paul asked me what I thought of his driving.

I told him that Freddy Matthew (his partner at the time in car 117) was a better driver than him on police calls. That was a big mistake on my part.

The next call we got was an alarm ringing in Baldwin Harbor. Needless to say Paul was going to show me (the rookie) who was the better driver, him or Freddy. Showing his race car skills thru the side streets of Roosevelt and Baldwin, Paul showed me the art of driving a police car in an emergency situation (an alarm ringing). Needless to say this rookie had a great learning experience that day!

Though the above story is true I can truly say that Paul Peters was one of the best police officers I ever learned from. His police instincts were uncanny and you came up with a lot of good arrests when you worked with him. Paul had an outstanding career in the 1st Precinct and retired from the Detective Division in 1996.

At our January breakfast we had another great turnout with many of our snowbirds in Florida. We had one newly minted retiree Ken Olsen. Rumor has it Ken bought me breakfast so I can only say nice things about him.

Ken retired 3 weeks ago with 37 years on the job. Ken worked in the 1st Precinct (Baldwin car), Highway, and retired from Marine Bureau. Ken was a quiet, level headed street cop who took the time to show new police officers how to do the job. Ken led by example and was always there when you needed him. Welcome to the retiree club Ken and thanks for always assisting me when I was a new police officer.

Speaking of breakfasts, the next 3 breakfasts are February 5th, March 5th, and April 2nd. We meet on the first Thursday of every month at 0900 hours (summer included) at the Mediterranean Grill, 195 Bedford Avenue, Bellmore (2 blocks north of Sunrise Highway on the right hand side).

Any First Precinct retiree can give me information that they want published at our monthly breakfast or contact me at 516-433-1465 (3 J's Limousine number where I am most likely to be reached). We look forward to seeing everyone at next month's breakfast.

## **Second Precinct TRUSTEE REPORT**

by Ken Cortes

I would first like to start by again sending my condolences to the Davis and Clark families for the tragic loss of their daughter Lauren Davis.

I would like to thank all who pitched in to support the family in their time of crisis. I have to say that there were people tripping all over each other to help. Times like this show me what it is to be a Police Officer. Police Officers help others. That is what we do. We do this job because

they want to better people's lives. When one of our own is in need, nobody does it better than police officers. Over the past year, we in the second precinct know this better than most.

Repeatedly I have seen all of you coming together to support our brothers and sisters in their time of need. It makes me proud to represent the kind of caring supportive people that showed such an outpouring for one another in a time of crisis.

I would like to thank the Trustees of the fourth and eighth precincts', Todd Gerbasio and Mike Bonsignore for their help in setting up the fellowship for the Davis and Clark families. The delegates from the fourth and eighth and of course the second precinct made this all work. I would also like to thank the Levittown Fire Department for their generosity during a time when one of our own was in need. Thanks to all.

### **CARS, AMBULANCES, AND AEDs**

Into the future we as rank and file police officers are going to have to be vigilant not just against crime and criminals but to the well being of our very profession. Let me be clear, there is no one person or force that is trying to attack our profession. We must look to ourselves to protect our own profession.

Each of one of us have to care about the job we have been given. If we are to give our best effort in our job, we must care enough to do the most mundane tasks with care and enthusiasm. This goes both ways however.

As you know, orders for replacement patrol cars last took place in 2006. It took Pete Paterson complaining to the legislature this past December, to get the cars ordered. It will take quite a few months to get them out on the street. Additionally, I have recently discovered that many ambulances are out of service due to there age.

Those who undertake the task of managing those who police must give us the tools to get the job done. Simply waiting for things to break, not ordering marked Patrol cars or ambulances is not giving your best.

The AEDs are a perfect example. When first presented to the media, they were brought out with much fanfare. They were shining examples of the progress of our Police Department. As you know, there is a shortage of batteries, and since the particular model we use is obsolete, replacements are not available. When they are not serviced or maintained, what does that say about the job we do?

I am sensitive to the fact that the economy is in a downturn. I also realize that each interest group believes that their particular earmark is the most important. Maybe I am biased, but I can defend the work that we do all day long. The work we perform is a basic function of government.

The bad economy however does not excuse the fact that we are running a police department. You, who do the front line work need the basic tools to get the job done. The department must maintain and update the patrol cars, ambulances, AEDs, and any other basic tools of policing. The mangers of this department need to advocate for those



who work for them. When they have trouble getting equipment, they have to make noise and get the equipment we need to get the job done. It is all a part of good stewardship.

When out on patrol look at your equipment, make sure they are maintained, and if you are having trouble getting the equipment you need to get the job done, let me know. The PBA will always fight to make sure you have the basics to perform your job.

That's it for this month.

Until Next Time Onward and Upward!

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And Yes Det. John You Got One Right

## MOVIE QUOTE

I have to laugh, because I've outsmarted even myself. My enemy, my foe, is an animal. In order to conquer the animal, I have to learn to think like an animal. And, whenever possible, to look like one. I've gotta get inside this guy's pelt and crawl around for a few days.

## SONG LYRICS

For all The Radio Committee Guys  
Turn it up, turn it up, little bit higher, radio  
Turn it up, that's enough, so you know its got soul  
Radio, radio turn it up, hum La, la, la, la...

## BITCH WITH BEEF



Uniforms - Radios – RMPs  
Rmp's Last Month  
Radios This Month In The Song Lyrics:  
Guess That Makes It Uniform Time!

## TRIVIA QUIZ TIME

Where might you find more lint?

In the lint tray of your dryer or on our new test uniforms after one day of wear?

I was surprised to find out just how much lint - pet hair and other undesirable little cling-ons adorn these Test-Rags. Good news is, I understand these uniforms are quite warm in the winter; although I hear POs wearing these uniforms in the summer time likened it to sitting in a sauna wrapped in Saran-wrap. Please understand while I know the job is going to say "we'll have summer weight threads soon" — allow me to retort –

Ok then, I guess very soon after the delivery of our new RMPs?

## "PRETTY PLEASE WITH SUGAR ON TOP "

Don't even start me with the scarcity of the NCPD uniform blouse. Some say you have a better chance of finding me at a weight watchers meeting than you do of finding a uniform blouse hanging around here these days. It seems our job has adopted the same policy of loaning out uniform blouses as the U.S. Government has adopted when it comes to giving out big business loans; that is, you can get one as long as you promise to give it back. You can get one, that is, of course, if you can have can actually get your hands on one.

So while the county may say all these shortages have come about because of the current economic situation the county now finds itself in,

I say - NAY – for if you haven't noticed, we've been mired in neglect for several years now.

Thanks go out to our custodians Mike and Mike, for not only packing and delivering Frank Quinci's care bundles once but TWICE. Frank's care package has been sent and I'm sure he will feel the care and concern we all feel when he opens up those boxes. Frank, we are all looking forward to your safe return.

## TOP COP AWARDS SEPTEMBER 2008

On Thursday, September 18, 2008 defendant Jude A. Saint-Clair and co-defendant Wildens Lauriston entered the Capital One Theatre parking lot at 960 Brush Hollow Rd. Westbury. The defendant backed his vehicle, a 1193 Lexus, up on the grass next to a door on the west side of the building.

The defendant opened the door to the building, which was unlocked and entered after observing an Everlast punching bag inside that the defendant and codefendant intended to -steal. The punching bag was estimated to have a value of \$100.

When the co-defendant Lauriston attempted to lift the punching bag and was unable to, the defendant then lifted the bag and placed it in the rear seat of his vehicle.

Officer Bokrosh, while on routine patrol in RMP 213, pulled into the parking lot and observed the defendant's vehicle backed up near the building. The theatre was closed for business and the building and parking lot lights were off.

When Officer Bokrosh approached the defendant's vehicle, he heard the co-defendant state "oh shit" as he attempted to hide behind the vehicle. Officer Bokrosh observed the Everlast punching bag in plain view on the rear seat of the defendant's vehicle.

The defendant admitted to taking the bag from the building. Complainant Citron responded to the scene and identified the punching bag as property known to be inside the building. Both defendants were then transported to the Second Precinct for arrest processing and the defendant's vehicle was impounded. The defendant's were subsequently charged with burglary.

The members of the Second Precinct Top Cop Committee congratulate Officer Bokrosh on his dedication to duty, post integrity and arrest of these defendants, and are pleased to award him the September 2008 Top Cop Award.'

## **TOP COP AWARDS OCTOBER 2008**

On October 23 2008 at 12:17 hours Complainant William Bernal reported to the police he processed a sale for \$397.67 for a T-Mobile cell phone for a subject who identified himself as Stanley Brevet. The defendant presented \$400 in what appeared to be valid US currency in twenty dollar bills as payment.

Soon after this transaction, the Complainant recognized that eleven of these bills appeared to be counterfeit. The bills were held as evidence, and same with records of the transaction. A canvas of the Defendant's possible address was performed by Officer Hedgecock, with negative results.

The defendant was described as a male black, 18-21 years of age, 5'4", 160 lbs, short black hair, tattoo's on hands with letters on the knuckles, and a tattoo on his neck.

At approximately 1800 hours PO Hedgecock located a member of the Defendants' family on the corner of Prospect Avenue and Garden Street. The defendant was convinced by this family member to return home for a general inquiry. Upon his arrival the defendant spoke with PO Hedgecock and gave oral admissions at the scene of arrest. The defendant stated that a friend of his cousin named Jennelli Marcellin from Baldwin gave him \$200 in 20's for money owed to him.

The defendant stated further he looked at this money, and realized it looked "real bad" ,he then mixed these bills in with real twenties and paid for the phone. The defendant stated he did not make these bills, and would return the phone as he did not want to get into trouble.

The complainant was brought to the scene of arrest and positively identified the defendant as the person who gave him the counterfeit bills. The defendant was found to be in possession of the phone, and all packing material and receipts were recovered from the defendant's residence.

The defendant was transported to the Second Precinct for arrest processing, and detectives from CAP squad responded to assist. Special Agent from US Department of

Secret Service responded and verified the bills were, indeed, counterfeit.

The Defendant was charged with NYS PL 170.30 Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, three counts, a C felony. The committee is pleased to have Officer Hedgecock as the October 2008 Top Cop.



## **Third Precinct**

by Mike Covais

It's another beautiful day in the third Pct. I pull up to my relieving point and carefully get out of my private vehicle. I walk ever so slowly to my RMP in a parking lot that is neither plowed nor sanded properly. I have now reached my RMP and what a beauty it is.

I attempt to unlock the driver's door, bad move, lock broken. I then skate over to the other side of the car. Success! I have gained entry. I unlock the car and once again gently make my way over to the driver's side. Only a fool would assume that the key I used to gain entry would actually start the car. Since I am a seasoned veteran of the Nassau County Police Dept., I know to use the other key on the ring. Now the big test of the day, will this car start? After a short prayer and my fingers crossed I now go for it. Yes, it starts! Not bad for a spare with only 128,000 miles, which replaces a spare with 134,000 miles, which replaced the real 314 that had only 120,000.

I now go to sign on. Again there is a problem. Either there has been a larceny or the Dept does not care about my safety. Once again a seasoned veteran knows there has been no larceny, patrol is obviously expendable. Do I dare go out and look at the tires?!

Unfortunately we all are not commissioners or chiefs chiefs, so we have to deal with the debris that the dept. gives us. If there is any type of safety issue with the vehicle you have on post, alert the D.O. and lay the car up. If you are met with resistance, follow the orders of your superior then immediately inform a PBA Rep.

It has come to the PBA's attention that there has been superfluous perlustration by the D.I. over missed meals. The guidelines are very clear. There is no grey area. Personal interpretation. Another grievance win for the PBA. Please save and forward all 207's for missed meals that have been signed by a supervisor but denied by the D.I.

## **MISSED MEALS**

You must meet the following criteria:

- If you are in service for a period of 30 minutes during the designated time period and you do not request meal, you are NOT eligible for a missed meal.
- You only have to request ONCE during the designated time, not multiple times.

• You must notify the DO that you have requested meal and have been denied.

• You will then fill out a 207, copy of your memo book, signed by a supervisor to receive straight time.

TOUR.....HOURS  
0700x1900 .....1100x1630  
1900x0700..... 2300x0430  
1900x0500.....2300x0330

### **COPE FUND-DOLLAR A DAY**

You will soon notice a few more dollars in your paycheck. On December 19th the PBA Board of Governors voted to decrease the dollar a day COPE contribution to \$3 per pay period (a decrease of \$11 per pay period). This will occur as soon as the DAI and SOA vote for the decrease at there monthly meetings. The PBA has built a substantial war chest to defend any future attacks on staffing levels or contractual issues that may arise. With county wide elections this year for the County Legislature, County Executive, District Attorney and Comptroller it was decided not to totally eliminate the contribution to the COPE fund at this time. Make no mistake we would not be where we are today without the COPE fund. No one wants to have a sign truck or a plane ride around the county with disparaging comments about them. If you have heard derange rumors like we haven't had 8 1/2 x 11 paper in over a month or we are allocated 1 box of staples and 1 bottle of white out per month for the entire precinct, they are all true.

## **Fourth Precinct**

(the4thpct.org)

by Frank DeResto

“Car 54 where are you?”... The problems with our aging patrol fleet has reached critical mass. For months now, we have been spinning our tires trying to get these problems resolved. As of this writing, here in the 4th, we have 8 cars out of service. We have been filling these vehicular pot-holes however we can. We have two cars doubled up, four spares, have pressed one supervisors car into service and have one car on loan from the Academy. I have heard that other commands are in worse shape!! Some of them have even had to start doubling up their ambulances, which in my opinion is a very dangerous practice, considering the decreasing responses from the volunteer fire dept. community. The fleet problem finally caught the attention of our friends at Newsday and a front page story was run. Inside the article the facts and figures were laid out. It was reported that over half our marked fleet has over 100k miles on it and that at any given time about 1/3 of the fleet is out of service. ( I guess that makes us about average, 8 cars out of 24 posts ) In response the police administration claims that

the situation isn't as dire as the PBA reports it to be. I guess as long as the chiefs aren't carpooling to work and we haven't raided the Police Museum and put the White Ghost back on patrol, all is not lost! Anyway, the Newsday article seems to have done its job. As I was putting this article to bed, I heard that the County passed its budget and put \$2.5 million aside to begin replacing the aging fleet. The plan calls for the purchase of 90 cars a year over the next four years. As a side note, remember that a lot of 'County' cars come out of the police fleet budget, so we'll just have to wait and see if the patrol fleet is the first on the list or if its going to be a trickle down effect of cars.

With the new year we reset the clocks on just about everything. So remember to keep track of the important stuff, like overtime. Everyone starts back at zero, this includes your straight-time for overtime numbers. This year your first 36 hours of overtime will be paid at the straight-time rate. This is our last year of overtime for straight-time pay. Next year, you keep what you earn!

### **BIRTH-DAZE (X2)**

Double Congratulations!! go out to Dena Scicutella and her husband Dominick. On January 3, 2009 at 1200hrs they welcomed Marco Anthony into the world, weighing in at 6lbs 8oz and then at 1201hrs they welcomed Dean Anthony tipping the scales at 5lbs 15oz.

### **CONDOLENCES**

Our condolences go out to Nelson Arnold and his family on the recent loss of his mother Eileen Arnold Ross. Our deepest sympathies go out to Inspector Clark and his wife Coleen and the rest of the Clark and Davis families on the recent, tragic loss of Coleen's daughter (PJ's step-daughter) Lauren Davis. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

### **DeRESTO'S DESK**

(FTroopNews@hotmail.com)

Your PBA reps are here for you. If any of you have a problem with anything, do not hesitate to contact a rep immediately, that's what we're here for. Any time day or night, someone is available for you. It is a lot easier to do something right the first time than it is to try to make it right later. If you get paperwork for Disciplinary situation, or for a LOD injury, contact us. Let us look it over and get you the assistance you may need. Don't wait for things to get out of control before you ask for help. If you have a question, ask it. If we know the answer, we'll give it to you. If not, we'll get you the correct answer as soon as possible. It may not be the answer you're looking for, but it will be the correct answer.

That's all for this month. Be careful out there, especially with the recent snowfall we've been getting.

Be Safe and Play Nice.

## **Fifth Precinct**

By Joe Nocella  
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### **IN MEMORIAM**

We meet a lot of people in your lifetime. We see lots of faces, we hear lots of names. We run into people all the time who look familiar, but for the life of you, you cannot remember their name. Tony Caroselli was not one of those people. All it took was an introduction. From then on, Tony was your buddy. He was one of those people who have the rare ability to make you smile by simply saying hello. My first day in the precinct, Tony looked up at me from the signal monitor's desk and said, "don't worry kid, everything's gonna be OK ... now get yourself a radio and get outahere" ... and then he laughed. I knew I was good hands right then and there.

The fifth precinct has always been filled with good people but none better than Tony C. He was a friend to a lot of people in the fifth and he will be truly missed.

### **5TH PRECINCT POs OVERSEAS**

Tanya Tucker, Jimmy Bonasia, and John Marcantonatos were all called up to active military duty and are currently serving in Iraq. I realize this is not "new" news but it's something we shouldn't forget. Tanya has been gone since October of 2007. That's a very long time. Both she and Jim are stationed at Camp Bucca, Iraq's largest detention facility, so as you can imagine, their daily schedule is hectic to say the least. John Marcantonatos is doing investigative work in Taji and is doing well.

You all received my email regarding care packages. If you know of anything they may find useful please let me know and we can include them in the package. PS – Tuna sandwiches do not travel well.

### **PBA CARDS FOR SALE**

Last month, a 2009 PBA card fetched \$136 on eBay ... That said, if you do a car stop and are presented a PBA card, ask questions and make sure the card was obtained legitimately.

### **THREE DEEP**

Doubling up a post car is nothing new. It happens from time to time when the previous tour is out on assignment for a period of time but given the current RMP situation, how long until we're riding three deep? Just thinking out loud.

## **BRRRR!**

As I write this, it's 18 degrees outside and tonight it's going down to 4. Man I can't wait to get to work!

### **RETIREE BRUNCH**

Bruce Heithaus wanted me to make note of this in the newsletter so here you go Brucey. The first Wednesday of every month, the retirees of the fifth precinct get together at the Massapequa Diner on Sunrise Highway around 11:00 a.m. for brunch.

It's good to see people are staying in touch with each other.

### **EVERY THIRD THURSDAY ...**

It's February and you know what that means ... pitchers and catchers report for duty baby! Only slightly more exciting, this month's open meeting is on February 19th ... WAHOO! Eh hem ... sorry, I can't control myself sometimes.

## **Sixth Precinct**

by Ed Conroy

We have a new President, our economy is on shaky ground and how things are going to unfold are uncertain. The County and the State are making cuts and slashing funding and times are a little tough for everyone. As of early January we have no new cars and our mechanics have received notice of their transfers to the DPW with some leaving Precincts all together. It's unfortunate that the County is trying to save a few dollars at the expense of the mechanics and in the end I don't believe that they are going to save anything. In fact I believe it will cost them more in the long run. There will be more down time for repairs, taking cops off patrol to have them made. Only time will tell but let's hope that we see a turn around in the economy and that things start to become a little easier for people. We can all do our part to help out. We can shop local and support our local businesses. We can get back to buying American and buying union. Every dollar we send over seas makes our dollar that much weaker.

### **TOP COPS - OCTOBER 2008**

The Sixth Precinct Top Cop Committee has selected Police Officer James Read as our Top Cop for October 2008. James began his career as a Cadet in 1972 and faithfully served the Department for over 36 years. Despite a life threatening fight with pancreatic cancer James fully recovered and remained active on patrol his entire career. James retired in November and we wish him continued good health and a long and happy retirement. It is well deserved and he will be sorely missed by all of those who had the pleasure to work with him.



## TOP COP - NOVEMBER 2008

The Top Cop Committee has selected Police Officers Robert Tansi and Christopher Innace as our Top Cops for November 2008. On the afternoon of November 21, 2008 these Officers were assigned to our newly doubled post 604. They responded to an assignment for a man who fell off a boat in Manorhaven and was in the cold waters of the bay. At the time of arrival the aided was being pulled from the water and was unconscious. The Officers determined that the male was not breathing and had no pulse and they began CPR. A Fire Department ambulance arrived and CPR continued along with the use of a defibrillation. The aided was transported to St. Francis Hospital where he fully recovered. It is thanks to the quick actions of these Officers and to the fact that 604 is now doubled full time as it should be that this man is alive today. They did an excellent job saving this mans' life and for that reason they are our Top Cops for November 2008.

### RETIREMENTS

Congratulations to James Read on his recent retirement. Jim has dedicated 36 years to the Department and to the people of Nassau County. Jim it was a pleasure to have gotten to know you and to have worked with you. We wish you a long and healthy retirement.

Congratulations to Nicholas Papoccia on his recent retirement. Nick received his disability pension after dealing with an on the job injury for several years. Nick it was a pleasure to have gotten to know you. I know that this is not the way you wanted to leave the job but I hope that after your last surgery you get some relief and you can enjoy things a little more. We wish you the best of luck and a long and healthy retirement.

### WELCOME

I would like to take this moment to welcome the recent graduates from the Police Academy to the Sixth Precinct. Welcome aboard you ended up in a good place to work.

### NEWSLETTER

If anyone has anything that they want to submit to the newsletter let me know. If there are any announcements, births or gatherings I would be glad to submit them. Sometimes things do get by me so drop me a note. On the same note if anyone else would like to submit an article let me know.

### TOP COP INFO

The Precinct Top Cop committee needs your help. If you know of an Officer or Officers that deserve recognition, please submit the information to me, the clerk's office or Sgt Ward our Top Cop Committee Supervisor.

### OPEN MEETING

The PBA open meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month (Except for July and August). Come down, stay informed and get involved. Hope to see you there.

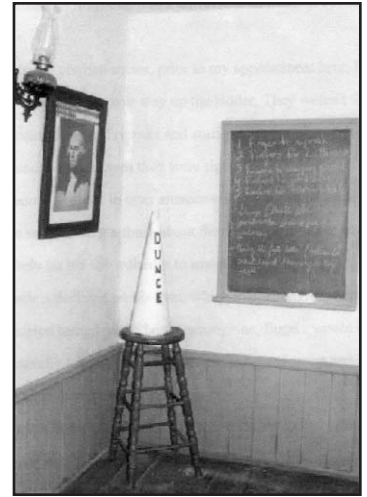
Until next month, be safe and stay healthy.

## DISPATCHES FROM OUTPOST #6

by Scott Blanshan

### WHAT IS A DUNCE CAP?

A dunce cap is a conical paper hat, frequently marked with either the letter "D" or the word "dunce," and formerly used as a method of punishment through public humiliation in classrooms. Students who were slow, lazy, or considered to be stupid were forced to sit in the corner of the classroom with a dunce cap, often on a high stool after being punished physically as well. In some schools, the slower students would also be separated out to a "dunce table," so that they would not interfere with other students. In most modern schools, students who have difficulty learning are identified as needing special attention and are usually referred for further evaluation rather than being humiliated with a dunce cap.



### WHEN I WERE A YOUNGER MAN SO

Stupidity knows no bounds, it's limitless. It is a universe unto itself. It comes in all shapes and sizes, in all walks of life. Years ago, when I was in the civilian sector, prior to my appointment here, I would see the so called "up and comers" schmoozing their way up the ladder. They weren't the brightest bulbs on the tree but after discarding their self respect and stuffing their pockets full of chap stick they felt the sky was the limit and in many cases they were right.

My co-workers and I would sit there in utter amazement and watch as these "up and comers" continued to climb. While not knowing a thing about the responsibilities of his job, Mr. Up N. Comer would rely on his subordinates to make him look good.

If Mr. Up N. Comer made a decision on his own, which happened from time to time, but not too often, and that decision turned out to be the wrong one, fingers would be pointed and the subordinate would generally take the hit because he was a good troop and he needed his job. A lot of Tums popping back then.

While it held true that most bosses had their feet planted firmly on the ground, there were a few who, in some instances, once they'd reached their managerial rank, the sky was the limit, as they saw it. „

I guess it could be considered something akin to being a balloonist in a hot air balloon. The take off is great. The ascent is a rush and the view is spectacular. He could look down and see all those he was with a short time before, knowing that they'll never be where this balloonist is now nor taste the feeling he is experiencing at that moment.

As he wanted his balloon to climb higher, he realized that there was only so high he could go before he had to discard some of the not so important items because of their weight. At least, that was his way of thinking. It was restricting him from loftier heights and goals.

The first item that seemed to be tossed overboard wasn't necessarily the bulkiest. It really didn't mean all that much to the balloonist personally. He figured he can get along without it just fine. So, over you go self respect.

And so it went, tossing one thing after another overboard until the balloonist was left with a choice between two remaining items: stupidity and common sense. What to do? They're both about the same in weight but stupidity has been with this balloonist all his life and it really hadn't negatively affected him. It was if he considered it a good luck charm, almost like a badge of honor.

On the other hand, although common sense had been a life long companion of sorts, he really never thought to use it. Why start now? So, as common sense was tossed overboard, the balloonist began his final ascent to the stars.

## **TO BE OR NOT TO BE**

Back in November we all heard that the County was going to merge our Fleet Service with the Department of Public Works. No it's not a misprint I said public. Why? How else would you describe the "cluster \_\_\_" we're about to experience when that time comes. (The second word of this popular phrase was intentionally omitted for those of you who like puzzles and please don't ask the guy in the adjoining car for the answer). As anyone who's been here for a while knows, whatever goes on in this department is one big puzzle and this is one BIG puzzle.

Anyhow, at that time our precinct mechanic, Richie Csajko, as well as the rest of the mechanics from the other precincts were to be transferred to the various D.P. W. garages around the county, to become one big happy family. Could this be a test case for "sibling rivalry" in the work place? Stay tuned.

Richie is one of those few people who have a work ethic that goes above and beyond. I've heard the same said for the mechanics in the other precincts. Everyone's of the same opinion that we're in good hands when it comes to our mechanics. Well, almost everyone.

What ever happened to the phrase, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it"?

If you bring your R.M.P. in for an oil change, not only will you get the oil change you came in for but Richie goes over the car top to bottom.

Richie checks every car out thoroughly and won't let it out on the street unless he believes it's safe. I don't think there's anyone in the precinct who doesn't have complete confidence in his abilities and knows his genuine concern for the safety of every cop in the command.

A case in point: back in mid November, R.M.P. 641, which was being used on 609's post because we have a lack of cars, was brought into the garage for a "routine" oil change.

As Richie began to check out the 641, he found the A.B.S. light on which caused him some concern. So, Richie did what Richie always does, he assaulted the problem. He also discovered the car's spot light was broken, which he repaired with spare parts he found around the garage.

Next he discovered a broken wire on what is known as the hub assembly (whatever that is) and repaired that.

He continued on and found the rear brakes needed replacement, which was probably the reason for the A.B.S. lights being triggered, and replaced those.

During the replacement of the rear brakes, he found one the car's transmission mounts completely severed and replaced that as well.

I would guess that all this probably took about him about 3 hours and all because R.M.P. 641 had to come in for a "routine" oil change!

This wasn't an isolated incident. This kind of dedication to his profession and the safety of the police officers in the Sixth Precinct goes on day in and day out and we thank him for it. Nobody was happy when they heard about this merger. Our precinct C.O. wasn't happy. The cops weren't happy. The mechanics weren't happy. The only one's who seemed to be happy, were those over at D.P.W. Maybe not so much the worker bees but their bosses were happy about it. And why not? Their domain would triple in size.

The reasoning behind this merge was supposed to be in the way of a cost saving measure. Now normally a cost saving measure is a good thing, at least for those who are in charge. They want to show their superiors that they have the business acumen in the financial area to weather any storm that might appear on the horizon with a sound plan should that eventuality become a reality.

As the reality of January 1, 2009 was fast approaching the plans had changed somewhat. Not all the precinct mechanics were moving to their new homes. Although all of them were to be under the direction of D.P.W., only 2 precinct mechanics (6th and 7th) were going to be re-assigned due to the close proximity of their new quarters to the respective station houses.

You might be asking yourselves why only 2 mechanics? Well it seems that some people are having second thoughts as to the efficiency of this plan and the cost. "Cluster \_\_\_". Anyone figure it out yet?

And it only gets better. Initially one of the lifts in the 3rd Precinct garage was to be removed and installed in the Manhasset D.P.W. garage but that idea was scrapped. Why? The concrete floor in the D.P.W. garage can't support an 11,000 lb. lift! So, a smaller lift from the 6th's garage will have to be removed and installed at its new home on Maple St.

And better... Now, the 6th and 7th Precinct mechanics are going to be at their new digs on a trial basis. It's gone from permanent reassignment back in late November to a pilot program in mid January. Somebody's seriously having second thoughts about the soundness of this plan. At least that's the way it looks to me.

The best part is if this plan does go into effect, it's going

to cost the County \$1,000,000.00 for every year it's in operation.

Another county pilot program without a throttle. Ya' gotta' love it I don't know who's in charge of this latest county faux pas but I would check his pockets for chap stick.

### **BROTHER, CAN YOU SPARE A SQUARE?**

Since I came on this job we've run out of things from time to time that one might think would be necessary to run a police department.

There was that time when the County hadn't paid its gasoline bill and the tanks went empty. The Station House was given a credit card and the cops were left to 91 en masse in the middle of the precinct at a local service station in Manhasset to fill up their R.M.P. 8 on a midnight tour.

Then there was the time when the precinct ran out of parking tickets and anyone who received an assignment for a parking condition would either have to notify Radio that they were unable to complete their assignment because their Form 8 quiver was empty or he'd have to scrounge up a summons from an adjoining car.

Or how about the time the range was down to its last 2 cases of ammo?

I remember one time a guy comes into the Station House, gives a sheet of paper to our 32 man who read it and in turn gave it to the Desk Officer who read it and gave the man a "do whatcha'. gotta' do" look. This man then proceeded to roll up the rugs and runners in the lobby because the County hadn't paid their bill.

How's 'bout the time when the State refused to send the Department any more auto accident forms because the County surpassed their yearly allotment. I guess that was because of all the red lining the supervisors used to do for the slightest of errors. You don't see that any more. Now, cross outs are permitted.

Lately the Station House has been having some difficulty in obtaining the tools necessary to operate on a daily basis. Paper clips, robber bands, paper, toner, pens, etc. The precinct fax machine hasn't been working since sometime in October or there abouts.

When Headquarters was notified that the fax machine needed toner in order to operate correctly, the answer was no. So, there it sat with its distress light flashing like a defective T.S.L.

I think it was last month that the precinct clerk's office got a call from someone at Headquarters about his receiving a certain fax. The caller was told that since the fax machine was out of toner, which had been requested numerous times, the message wouldn't print, therefore, message not received. Figuring that this was a good time to ask for toner, the clerk asked for some toner and was once again turned down. All purchasing was at a halt, the clerk's office was told.

Now, with all this merger business going on, another wrench has been thrown into the monkey works. Are you ready for this? A Tissue Issue! We're running low on, of all

things... toilet paper? Is this actually possible? Who woulda' thunk it? At least that's the latest rumor going around these days rearin' its ugly head in the head!

I know we have to do our bit to whip to the dreaded Hun during this financial mess with us doing more with less and all but if this rumor is true, we're in deep doo-doo, literally.

I can see it now, when you're checking your equipment before you go out on patrol: gun, handcuffs, ammo, night-stick, raincoat, toilet paper.

Everything is being cut from supervisors working 8 hour overtime blocks instead of 12 hours and "flying" to C.B. holding late calls, at somebody's direction, all to save on overtime.

It's gotten so bad that at one point somebody was toying with the idea of having sector cars remain stationary while they received a call, all to save on gas. Unbelievable! Talk about reactionary.

Another cost saving measure is that all unnecessary lights in the station houses and headquarters are to be shut off. Hmm... I hope everyone still has their Rossi flash-lights handy. Wouldn't want anyone falling down the stairs because it was dimly lit, if at all.

Well, here's a cost savings. If someone wants to cut back on toilet paper, how's 'bout procuring 2-ply paper instead of the I-ply the Department issues. Yeah, I know it costs a little more but you use less of it and in the long run, voila!, a savings has occurred.





# Seventh Precinct

by Tom O'Reilly

Car 54 Where are you? I'm Sure you all are well aware of the RMP shortage we are currently experiencing, it appears that someone has clearly dropped the ball on the ordering of new cars. January alone we have had RMP operators doubled up in excess of 10 tours, a clear violation of minimum manning. Minimum manning is both cars and police officers assigned per tour, you need both, it's not one or the other. The PBA will be filing a grievance on this matter; this will be a county wide matter so make sure you report all shortages to your PBA Reps ASAP. Fortunately the legislature approved a capital projects budget which includes the funding for 90 marked police vehicles. Although this is a positive step in the right direction, we are still face with the reality of having a tired fleet of RMP's out on the streets. The first new cars will probably not hit the streets until late April early May, so please try to keep your maintenance up to date. This does not mean that if the RMP is not safe you keep on the road, if the car has poor brakes, bald tires, no heat, etc, you should be taking that vehicle out of service.

Congratulations to the CSEA on their recent arbitration award, as Newsday's editorial board stated an eye popping 3.5% wage increase, eye popping yes. But wait when the county wants to raise my taxes 3.9% that's a modest increase that reflects the CPI (consumer price index), or when my school board announces a 6.2% school tax increase it's revered as financially conservative, give me a break. The new CSEA contract does affect us indirectly somewhat. The 7th pct mechanics will no longer be part of the police dept. and will fall under DPW as of January 16th they will be reporting to and working at Cedar Creek Park. The 6th and 7th pct mechanics are part of a pilot program that the county is instituting for consolidation; you know the do more with less theory. The PBA will be monitoring this pilot program very closely to see its impact on the precincts involved either good or bad. We need the police officers involved in the affected precincts to report to their PBA reps any good or negative feedback. We will also be losing at least one of our custodians; Marty will be going over to work at Eisenhower Park.

The PBA recently ratified two new MOA's one regarding tour changes for court and the second on the use of auxiliary Police Officers. As per the contract the Department has the ability to change your tour for the purpose of attending court up to 8 times per year. The change has to be your first tour of your set, any court appearances after that would be on overtime, and you would be entitled to the 9 hour rule. The new MOA states the Department can use once per day in each precinct a police officer who had his tour change for court toward minimum manning while they are attending court. Any other police officers who had their tour change for court may not be used toward minimum manning while attending court. The second MOA involves the use of Auxiliary's Police Officers, Auxiliaries

will only be used as they have been traditionally used in the past, they are not to be used for assignments that have been traditionally been the work of PBA unit members. Our work is our work; remember the Bayville agreement, if you see any violations of this let a PBA rep know immediately. If you have any questions contact one of your PBA reps.

Reminder, I have been asked by a few cops about the 12 hours of comp awarded in the contract extension. Police officers will be credited with 12 hours comp on January 1, 2012, if you leave before then it will be in your separation check.

Deferred Comp Rep is Sigrid Goltz 516-861-4029A Good Credit Score is 700 or Above. See yours in just 2 easy steps!

## TOP COP - JUNE 2008

On June 11, 2008 Police Officer Stephen Polla was working a 0700 x 1900 tour of duty assigned to RMP 721. At approximately 1400 hours Officer Polla was assisting with a domestic investigation in which an intoxicated male subject had strangled his wife and threw her to the ground. The subject also broke items in a boathouse before fleeing recklessly on a 21- foot Chapperal boat that was last seen heading south on the Alhambra canal.

At 1435 hours Officer Polla was able to locate the Town of Oyster Bay Constables at John Burns Park in Massapequa, who assisted by bringing Officer Polla aboard their patrol boat to search South Oyster Bay for the fleeing subject. A short time later Officer Polla observed the subject in the 27- foot Chappera1 at the Massapequa Cove. Upon pulling along side the subjects' boat, the subject gave Officer Polla permission to board his vessel. Officer Polla noticed that the keys were in the ignition of the boat and that the subject, who was visibly upset, had a strong odor of alcohol on his breath, bloodshot eyes and slurred speech.

At approximately 1506 the subject was brought back to the dock where a SFST was performed with positive results. Officer Polla then placed the subject under arrest and transported him to CTS for testing. The subject was charged with BWI, Menacing 2nd, and a warrant for outstanding VTLs.

As a result of his through investigation and dedication to duty Officer Polla was able to quickly locate and arrest the subject who had just assaulted his wife and was a danger to other boaters in the area. Because of actions displayed on June 11, 2008 the Seventh Precinct "Top Cop" Committee has selected Police Officer Stephen Polla -"Top Cop" for the month of June.

## TOP COP - JULY 2008

On July 29, 2008 Police Officer Michael Beard was assigned to RMP 715 working a 1900x0700 tour of duty. At 0055 hours he received an assignment for a woman in labor. Upon arrival at scene he found the aided lying on the bathroom floor about to give birth. Police Officer Beard delivered the baby girl who was blue in color and not breathing. After checking the baby's vitals it was deter-



mined that a heart beat was present. Officer Beard quickly and carefully cleared the baby's airway and positioned the baby so fluids could drain. He also began to rub and gently pat the baby's back. Officer Beard repeated this maneuver twice. After a short time the baby started to gurgle and cry. Her color soon returned to normal. The baby and mother were then transported to South Nassau Hospital where they made a full recovery.

As a result of his quick and effective actions taken on July 29, 2008 the Seventh Precinct, "Top Cop" committee has selected Police Officer Michael Beard as "Top Cop" for the month of July 2008.

## **Eighth Precinct**

by Marisa Caroselli

St. Patrick's is just a mere six weeks away! I hope the knowledge can get you through the last long stretch of winter.

### **ORDERING GAME**

Put these three steps in order:

- 1) Provide patrol officers with basic training, even just a pamphlet explaining the buttons on the new radios;
2. Distribute appropriate sized radio holders to officers on patrol;
- 3) Implement new radios on patrol.

If you said the steps are correct as numbered you would be wrong. The correct order is 3, 2, and eventually, 1. Good luck with that.

### **CONDOLENCES**

Our deepest sympathies to Dave White on the loss of his father, James White. Condolences to Vinny Bellissimo on the passing of his father-in-law.

### **ACHILLES HEEL**

There has been no rematch in the Battle of the East End Titans perhaps due to a prevailing belief that any redo would yield the same victor as the first. In hopes of stirring the pot and lending a much needed edge I offer this piece of intelligence to Donley as garnered at the Eighth's Touch Football game—if you put Kappenberg on cleats he is sure to fall. In fact, the game MVP would have gone to Kappenberg for his acrobatic tumble had the cleat feat actually occurred during the game and not after in the parking lot.

### **FACEBOOK WARS**

The Eighth has a new venue for antagonism and hilarity, Facebook! The young guns are all doing it and some of the not so young too. So be it your new retirement hobby (hi, Degraz!) or just another vehicle for procrastination, you have to be in it to learn the whys (and who's) of Rico Suave versus Paulie Walnuts. There is no faster way to learn when

Cammarata is (again) starting his new no carb diet or if Clauss has reached his goal of 300 friends. Should you partake in the fun be sure to take some time out as well for worth while causes and join a humanitarian group such as People for the Ethical Treatment of Joe Casazza's mustache. See you on the flip side.



## **Bureau of Special Operations**

by Nick Squicciarini  
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### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Police Officers Frank Donohue and Ed Carlson both have newborns. On December 5th, 2008, Frank's wife, Danielle, gave birth to a healthy baby boy. His name is Daniel Patrick and he weighed in at 9lbs./ 3oz. and was 20 \_ inches long. Ed's wife, Patricia, gave birth on December 28th, 2008 to Conor Mason. He weighed 8lbs./ 8 oz. and is doing great. Both mothers are healthy and recovering. Congratulations to both families!

### **COP OF THE MONTH- JUNE 2008**

Police Officers Ira Tobias and Tom Dunbar were June's "Cops of the Month" for an excellent arrest. On June 27th, 2008, all day tour police officers and supervisors of BSO were assigned to a funeral detail in Roosevelt. The funeral was for a local Blood gang member who was shot and killed. During this gang member's funeral services, BSO maintained intensive patrol at and near the church. While parked and seated in BSO Car 946, Officers Tobias and Dunbar observed a male standing near a parked car and this person was adjusting an object in his waistband. Soon they saw what he was adjusting. It was the butt of handgun. They approached him and recovered a loaded Taurus 9mm handgun from his waistband. The subject was also a member of the Bloods street gang.

### **COP OF THE MONTH- JULY 2008**

On July 16th, 2008, the Nicole Diamonds, 800 Elmont Road, Elmont, jewelry store was robbed at gunpoint by two mutts. While inside the store, a robbery was announced, currency was removed from the cash register and jewelry was taken from the display cases. After the robbery, the subjects separated and fled on foot. Not far from the original robbery location, one subject was apprehended by some quick thinking Fifth Precinct police officers. During the investigation, Police Officers Brando, Lang and Perez responded to South Jamaica, Queens in search of the getaway car and the remaining subject. The second subject was apprehended while walking on Merrick Boulevard. Proceeds were recovered and the subject was brought back to Nassau County. It was discovered later

that this subject was also responsible for two other gun-point robberies in the County. Police Officers Brando, Lang and Perez are "Cops of the Month" for this great arrest.

### WITH SYMPATHY

Former BSO member Detective Tom Keteltas' father passed away. Tom's father was a member of this department. In 1983, Lt. John Keteltas retired from the Sixth Precinct. Our deepest condolences are extended to the Keteltas family.

### IN OUR THOUGHTS

Please keep Police Officer Police Officer Ken Baribault in your thoughts and prayers. On January 13th, Ken was transported from the Kessler Rehabilitation Center in New Jersey to his Suffolk County home. He will be receiving outpatient rehabilitation treatment here on Long Island. This was a big step for him.

A thank you note to Chief of Department Anthony Rocco for keeping us well informed of Ken's condition and how the criminal case has been moving along.

Police Officer Carlos Flores is currently in Iraq and is scheduled to be back home in March. Also, former BSO member Detective Don Carney is preparing to be deployed to Iraq. Please keep Carlos and Don and in your prayers for their safe return back to the United States.

ETA. It is time to staff our shores with at least one vessel and crew per shore 24/7, year round. Our public officials owe it to the public we serve.

### PO FUOCO GUEST SPEAKER

Our training officer, Joel Fuoco was a guest speaker in Cleveland, Ohio at the first Great Lakes Marine Intelligence Conference. The high level conference addressed maritime intelligence and security issues faced by law enforcement personnel when dealing with vessels from foreign countries. PO Fuoco was one of the only two police officers requested from the US to speak at the conference. The Department of Homeland Security under Secretary Chaparro, Intelligence Personnel from DHS, FBI, US Coast Guard, Canadian Police Agencies, and police officers from eight Great Lake States attended this conference. I wish our job would give you the recognition you deserve. Job well done Joel! Thank You I would like to thank PO Cernilli, PO Nappi, PO Cegelski and retired POs Clark, Debekker, Merrill, Sampson, Warrington and all of those police officers both active and retired who made our Christmas lunch and Kid's Christmas Party a huge success. A special thanks to Santa Claus, AKA Tony Cianciulli and Kevin Kane for the great pictures. Thanks to all for the gifts for the Toys for Tots campaign.

### CONDOLENCES

Donald Swensen, a retired member of the Marine Bureau since 1979, passed away at the age of 78 on December 11, 2008. Our condolences go out to the Swensen family.



## Marine Bureau

by John Connor

### MIRACLE ON THE HUDSON RIVER

It is 2300 hours on 1/15/09 as

I write my February newsletter article. Less than eight hours ago a US Airways Air-bus Plane ditched in the Hudson River by the Intrepid Air-Sea Museum with 150 people aboard. Miraculously all aboard were rescued with only minor injuries. I will not go into the cause. By now, all of you have read the numerous news articles.

NY Harbor had numerous vessels, ferries, excursion boats (Circle Line) on the river that helped with the rescue with NYPD and FDNY launches. NCPD sent to patrol vessel Marine #5 from the South Shore and Marine #2 from the North Shore to the scene at the request of the NYPD Harbor. Police officers from night tour were called in early to cover Nassau waters. Let this be a wake up call to all. What is this incident happened in Nassau?

Nassau County does not have busy harbor traffic to assist us with this type of disaster. NCPD Marine Bureau puts one vessel on patrol per shore on the day shore. Due to the budget crisis, many times during the night tour, a fly crew will have to respond to the North Shore by car from our base in East Rockaway. This can lead to an extended

### COMINGS AND GOINGS

Welcome aboard to D.I. Steven Salz as a new commanding officer of the new Marine Aviation Bureau. Good luck to Inspector McGovern, the new C.O. of 8th precinct.

### HAPPY NEW YEAR

A belated Happy New Year to all. Till next month be safe!



## Nassau Police Post 1050 American Legion

by Dan Scheidel

This time of the year there is not much to report as to the activities of the Police Post. The only important thing is to try to get those members that have not paid their 2009 dues to get with it. We would like to reach the one hundred percent mark before the deadline of April 1st so we ask the members to come aboard as soon as possible.

Membership is another goal for all of us but it seems like we are talking to a brick wall at times. Over and over I've

said how important it is to have a solid voice in veteran affairs and that can only happen through organizations like the American Legion, the VFW and other veteran groups. As we have watched the cutbacks proposed by our own governor, no one seems out of reach. Everyone talks about the good deeds our men and women of the military are doing but when it comes to cut back in budgetary matters, even veterans fall under scrutiny. A strong and united voice is needed to make sure the veterans are not undersold.

One of my favorite programs will be open in June and we are again opening it to our "Police Family". The American Legion's Boys' State Program lets us send a young man to a one week camp up state New York. The boy must be a Junior in High School and be in the top ten percentile of his class. For more information on this program I suggest you go to the computer and go to the American Legion web site and scroll down to Boys' State. This can be an important part of a young man's credentials when he enters college for many colleges grade a student on participation in such a program. Remember, it could be your son, grandson or anyone you might think worthy of being sent.

Of the one hundred a ninety five members still in the Post we have 15 members with more than fifty years service to the American Legion. This year we have some more members reaching service milestones. They include William Carroll serving 65 years as a Legionnaire, Bill Schumelda, George Summers and Frank Tucker reaching the 55 year stage. Charles Ridky - 45 years, Thomas Martin and John Roberts - 30 years and Robert Waters, George Duguid, Richard Hanley and Fred Manney all with twenty-five years in the Legion. They deserve a lot of credit and we wish more active and retired police officers would come and join us.

Remember, you served your country once in the military, served your community as a police officer and now you can continue to serve your fellow veterans in the American Legion.

## **ARPO**

by Bob Livoti

ARPO continues to grow, a little bit at a time. Through the PBA newsletter and through the word of some of our members, the word is getting around that this is your organization when you retire. We have picked up a few new members in the past two months and its always good to see new faces at our meetings. Our December meeting went very well and everyone was happy with the good food that was there.

The dues notices got out a little late in January due to having our elections and getting the cards made up right after the elections. We are lining up guest speakers for our coming meetings and there will be a varying list of subjects.

One of the items I'm trying to get a special speaker for is Elder Care Law. Being that we are all in the same boat, this subject is especially important to us, as we are an older group. Hopefully I will have the guest speaker at our May meeting and when the final arrangements are made, we will get the word out to everyone.

The economic turmoil is still wrecking havoc on everything. The price of oil dropped to a level not seen in many years and then jumped back up over \$50 a barrel again. Just like a yo-yo going up and down. When I think about the whole thing, I also have to think that there are a lot of people that are in far worse shape than we are. Recently I was talking to a friend who is a retired cop in Hong Kong and he told me the situation there is just as bad as it is here in the USA. People there have lost their life's savings and have no where to turn to for help. Let's all pray that things start looking better in the near future.

I'll be down in Florida till the end of March but still trying to take care of the shop while I'm down there. While I'm in Florida, I'll be attending the Nassau Blue Reunion the end of January. Frank McCabe and Richie Buchan have been taking care of the reunion going on 19 years now. Richie recently suffered a serious health problem and is in rehab and doing well now. He has a hard road to recovery but is going to get well.

Remember our meetings at 8:00 PM the second Wednesday of every month except July and August at the PBA office. Come on down and get together with some of the guys you use to work with for over twenty years. Refreshments are served after every meeting. Our dues are \$20 a year and you can get an application by coming down to any of our meetings or give me a call at (516) 579-1195.



## **Columbia Police Association PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

by Carmine E. Soldano

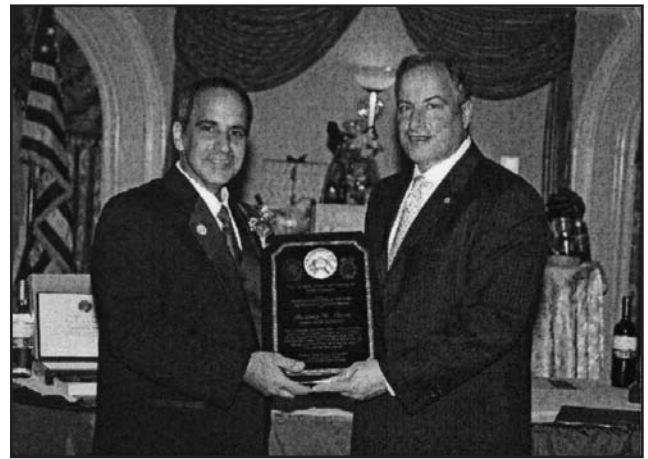
As Valentine's Day approaches, hopefully we have put half of the snow and cold weather behind us. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, February 9th, 2009 at 7:30pm at Verona Restaurant in Farmingdale. By now you should have received your 2009 Membership dues renewal notice. Please sign up for direct dues deposit and promptly get your membership dues in. Our 300 club Raffle Ticket Program is in full drive for 2009. There will be only 300 tickets sold at \$10.00 each. The first prize will be \$1000.00 drawn at our meeting in May. Please see Frank Ruvolo at the First Squad or any officer for more details.

On Monday, March 9th, 2009 the night of our regular meeting, we are bringing back by popular demand Dr. Mario Macaluso. Mario previously made a presentation to us back in November 2007 on Sicily. On March 9th, Mario will make his presentation on Pompeii. He will also present



a 15-minute slide show and answer any questions on Italy in general. This presentation will be made in conjunction with a delicious family style Italian dinner served by our gracious hosts at Verona Restaurant. Dinner will include several appetizers, family style dinner, dessert, soda, wine, and coffee, tea, or cappuccino. You receive a night of entertainment and a delicious full course dinner for \$40.00 per person. Make checks payable to the Columbia Police Association. Seating is limited to 60 seats. Please make your reservations as soon as possible by contacting any officer or myself. Payment guarantees your reservation. Once the 60th seat is filled, you will be turned down at the door so please RSVP early.

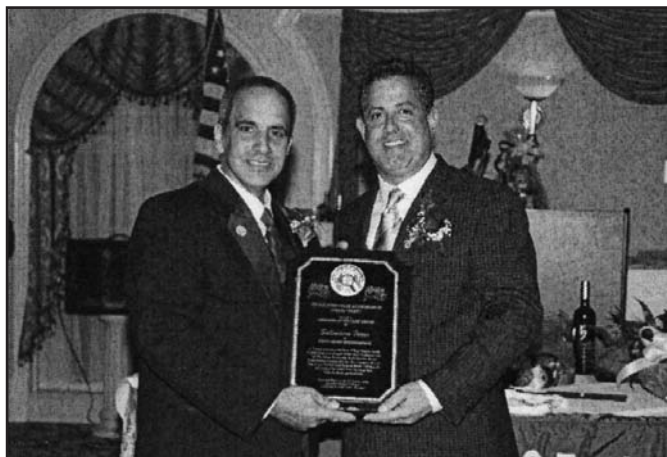
On Thursday, October 23, 2008, we held our Biennial Installation Dinner Dance at the North Ritz Club in Syosset. A special thank you to Commissioner Mulvey for attending and installing the 2008-2010 Executive Board of Officers: President-Carmine E. Soldano, 1st Vice President, John Leonardo, 2nd Vice President, Frank A. Ruvolo, Treasurer, Thomas J. Esposito, Recording Secretary, Louis Monteleone, Corresponding Secretary, Fred Eavarone, Membership Chairman, Antonio S. Graziano, Sergeant-at-Arms, Anthony C. Sica, and Honorary Chairman, Anthony W. Rocco. Our 2008 Police Officer of the year was Chief of Department, Tony Rocco and our 2008 Man of the year was Businessman Sal Ferro. Special thanks to all the individuals and businesses that supported both our Commemorative Journal and our dance especially the Ferro family and Alure Home Improvements. Please join us at our regular monthly meetings, which are held at Verona Restaurant in Farmingdale. The next two meetings are Monday, February 09, 2009, and Monday, March 9, 2009. Hope to see you all there.



**Carmine Soldano and Tony Rocco**



**Executive Board with Tony Rocco**



**Carmine Soldano and Sal Ferro**

**Next Open PBA Meeting  
Thursday, February 19**

## **Police Emerald Society, Nassau County, NY**

[www.ncpdemerald.org](http://www.ncpdemerald.org)

Tom DeSane reporting

Greetings to all our members and friends. With 2009 now fully underway, our organization is very busy planning for our upcoming events in the next few months.

At January's meeting, our new Executive Board was sworn into office. The officers of our Executive Board for 2009 - 2010 are as follows: President - Peter A. McGinn - N.C.P.D. Arson Bomb Squad, 1st Vice President - Thomas F. DeSane - Old Brookville P.D., 2nd Vice President - Jamie Wilson - N.C.P.D. Headquarters, 3rd Vice President - Michael Pitcher - Old Brookville P.D., Treasurer - Sean P. Cassidy - N.C.P.D. Eighth Squad, Corresponding Secretary - Robert E. Kurtz - N.C.P.D. Highway Patrol, Recording Secretary - Neil T. Coleman - N.C.P.D. Highway Patrol and Sergeant at Arms - John W. Trutt - N.C.P.D. Emergency Services Unit. Our Board of Directors, who are appointed according to our bylaws, are: Michael J. Fannon - N.C.P.D. Retired, Timothy J. Connors - Floral Park P.D., Francis T.

Lenahan - N.C.P.D. Retired, Louis Walker - N.C.P.D. Retired and Robert Blum - N.C.P.D. Emergency Services Unit. Congratulations to all of our new officers.

Dues renewal letters were sent out last month. If you have not received your dues renewal yet, please let us know. If you have received it, please send it in. Applications, which can be used for renewal and new membership, can be downloaded from our website: [www.ncpdemerald.org](http://www.ncpdemerald.org). You can also download the NCPDFCU form for direct dues payment if you are so inclined.

Our Annual Cigar Dinner will be held on Sunday, February 15th from 4pm through 8pm at Mulcahy's in Wantagh. Admission will include full premium buffet, full top shelf bar and premium cigars. Check our website for further information. Limited tickets will be sold.

The 2009 Garden City St. Patrick's Day Parade & Party will be held on Sunday, March 1st. Muster will be at 1215 hours in the parking field, Franklin Ave & Ninth Street in Garden City. Our annual party will be held at the Mineola Knights of Columbus on Jericho Turnpike. Attendees will enjoy food, drink, music and a Pipe Band performance. Admission is free to all marchers and their immediate family, all others pay \$20 per family. No uniforms at the party, please.

The New York City Saint Patrick's Day Parade and Party will take place on Tuesday, March 17th. The Emerald Society Pipe Band will host their annual Breakfast from 0700 hours through 0900 hours. Please support our Pipe Band. Anyone wishing to take advantage of free transportation to and from the parade can muster behind Headquarters at 0900 hours. Leave your car and your cares behind and join us for the ride into Manhattan. For those wishing to meet us in the city, muster will be at 1130 hours on East 45th Street between 5th and 6th Avenues. Our Society will be hosting our annual Saint Patrick's Day Party following the parade. The party will be held at 1800 hours. Attendees will get food, special prices on refreshments, music, prizes and a performance by the Emerald Society Pipe Band. No uniforms at the party, please. Check our website for more information on the day's events.

Other upcoming events for 2009 include Police Memorial Week in Washington D.C. in May, our Installation Dinner Dance at the Crest Hollow Country Club on May 21st, our annual Golf Outing at Timber Point Country Club on June 4th, our annual Fishing Trip in July, our annual 200 Club in October, the National Conference of Law Enforcement Emerald Societies Convention in Baltimore in November and our annual Christmas Party in December. Please support our events during the year. Your support of these events is what enables us to keep the membership dues so low while providing member benefits.

Up to date information on all events and additional information, including membership applications, flyers and photos of all events can be found on our regularly updated website: [www.ncpdemerald.org](http://www.ncpdemerald.org). BE SAFE.

## Police Holy Name Society

by Neil J. Delargy, President

"Lord, through all the generations you have been our home!" (Psalm 90:1)

It's that time of the year when all organizations come knocking and ask you for your membership and significantly for your valuable membership dues. The Holy Name Society is no different and we need your participation now more than ever. Times are getting tougher for everyone and the HNS, as an organization that values charity and good works, is being tasked with many more requests to assist our members and community. Let me share with you an example of one of our programs that HNS member's support: (sent in an email)

Let me just touch on the logistics of just one project that the President and the Officers of the Society mentioned in praising Eddie Richards and his lovely wife Judy. They have been putting together the Thanksgiving & Christmas Baskets for the past 28 years. This loving couple has opened their home to all the workers to enjoy themselves while the food is being packed. One person told me that this gathering was his Christmas. We have figured out mathematically that during the years that Ed & Judy ran the operation, an astounding 16,000 people have enjoyed Turkey Dinner that was put together in the Richard's garage! Some of the members and their families have been assisting in this operation for the past 28 years. This is one of the things that the Holy Name Society pays for through the dues of the membership.

This year we put together approximately 60 baskets combined at a cost of over \$3,600 dollars. This charity would not possible without your membership dues.

So please once again "make us your home" and support the Holy Name Society in 2009.

Important dates to remember:

March 29, 2009, Holy Name Society Communion Mass: 8 am, St. William the Abbot Church, Seaford. Followed by breakfast: Stuart Thomas Manor, 2143 Boundary Ave., Farmingdale.

The 34th. Annual Police HNS Retreat: March 30-April 2, 2009 - St. Ignatius Retreat House, Manhasset. Contact Fred Seiling, H- 516-352-8957 or W- 516-773-5284.

Theme- "Are You Being Challenged?" Secularism and Cultures Challenging your Faith?

### GOOD BYE OLD FRIEND

(from Jack Welch, on behalf of the HNS)

Monsignor John Alesandro, one of our chaplains since the 1980s, has been named "Distinguished Professor of Canon Law" at Catholic University of America. This will necessitate his leaving our job as chaplain to take this new position in Washington D.C.

If you wanted to describe Jack Alesandro in one word, most people would call him "Smart." And they would be right. He is so smart in fact that I would be hard pressed



to think of anybody in the Catholic Church with a more magnificent mind since Thomas Aquinas in the 13th Century. Now if you find that statement exaggerated, then back it up by naming somebody else. A fellow chaplain, Monsignor Ed Trench, once described Alesandro to me as being "Episcopal Timber" while describing himself as "Catholic Driftwood."

John McGann, then a Msgr., saw Jack's potential when, as a young priest, he took him out of his first parish and sent him to Rome to become a canon lawyer. Good move, for in due course – not necessarily in this order – Jack earned a doctorate in canon law, a doctorate in theology; a practitioner of canon law, became diocesan chancellor; vicar general; diocesan administrator; president of the Canon Law Society of America; consultant to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops; an expert canonist for the U.S. Bishops in revising the Church's 1983 Code of Canon Law; was involved in the (state) laws for do-not-resuscitate orders and the health care proxy and was on the task force which concluded that no right to suicide existed in the U.S. or NYS Constitutions.

Now if the students at Catholic University think they are getting the standard book worm who will teach them the law, they are in for a shock, for Jack didn't just read the law, he lived the law. Satan hates everything, but in particular he hates smart-aleck Catholic canon lawyers. So Satan became Alesandro's greatest adversary. (If you think I'm making a joke here, I assure you I'm not. I have the gift of discernment of spirits and what I tell you now is true and actually happened.)

They met twice in court. The first time Satan entered the body of a poor soul who was knocking on Jack's door and confronted Jack in his home where they had a discussion about "One God." Satan tried to flip Jack and all his vast Christian knowledge with the use of but one word that had but one letter. Satan showed Jack a Bible, written in the Greek, and suggested that the sentence read not "One God" but "A God." Jack responded, "Be gone Satan for there is no such word in the Greek as "A." Satan had probed Jack by trying to turn him with a single word that had but one letter and didn't even exist. In reality, Satan was making Jack over-confidant for their second meeting.

Many times Satan will attack quickly so you have no time to prepare a defense. Their second meeting in court came when the Priest scandal struck. Jack was the Chancellor of the Diocese at the time; a job where the buck stops here. Jack could have fought back with his vast knowledge of the law; after all he had beaten Satan in their first encounter. But no, Jack took a different approach. Even though he was personally innocent, he decided to hang on the cross and take the whipping for the church – a whipping that was administered by many good people who just had their facts wrong. It was a silent whipping that gradually gained the admiration of his home parish of St. Dominic's. Jack has had a lot of accolades in his life but none add up to the whipping he took for his church. I believe this was his finest hour! God's speed Monsignor

Jack! And remember, Satan went to court with Christ three times.

## DAPPER TONY V.

It is my sad duty to inform you that one of the most colorful and best dressed cops the job had ever known has passed away to join many of our fellow brothers and sisters in the Ninth Pct. Detective Tony Visslailli, was the 16th President of the Police Holy Name Society from 1967 to 1968. The largest Police Holy Name Communion Breakfast in our history was held during his reign. (900 cops were seated for breakfast at Carl Hoppl's Restaurant in Baldwin. During his career, he was the bodyguard for many, many famous people including Presidents and Senators and a host of other famous people. The war-stories he had were unbelievable. Except for a few more colorful ones, he proved to be a truly professional cop and took the rest of the stories to the grave with him. He was buried from his parish of Saint Dominic's in his hometown of Oyster Bay. Tony left a mystery for us to solve. Jack Welch tells me he was asked by Tony to write the words for a plaque that he was making to honor a former Chaplain named Thomas Helfrick. Father Helfrick was the longest serving Chaplain for our job. (37 years) Jack says he gave the words to Tony but never saw the finished plaque. Some cops say they have seen the plaque but it was never hung. No one knows its present whereabouts. If we could find it we would like to present it to the Job perhaps for the museum. We would appreciate all the help we could get in helping Tony honor a Priest from beyond.

## Running Club

by Rocco Sinisi



Winter is just about halfway over and I have been doing a pretty good job staying off the treadmill for my long runs. And I am apparently not alone as I have notice the usual brave souls running around Hempstead Lake Park where I do most of my running. Still I do go down to Miami a few weeks ago for several days to get in some long runs in warmer weather. The Boston Marathon is just over 2 months away and I have already started my training.

Living on the South Shore, I don't have any hills to train on. When I think of hills I think of the James St hill in Northport and I am looking into doing a series of one mile loops that will incorporate that hill in my training. I may also venture up to Wurtsboro NY in March to run in the Wurtsboro Mountain 30 that a friend recommended and is a good hill course for Boston.

However, I did find an excellent treadmill workout that I can use for hill training. Courtesy of Running Times Magazine, the "Six/Sevens" workout consists of doing the following as a set:

90 seconds @ 6 percent grade and marathon pace



1 minute recovery @ flat jog  
1 minute @ 7 percent grade and marathon pace  
2 minute recovery @ flat jog

It is recommended that you do between 6-10 sets and having done this workout once already I bailed out after 6 sets and decreased the pace of the hill climbs after the first three sets. It is an exhausting workout but if it makes the hills at Boston seem flat to me than I will have been worth all the exhaustion. At the Ho Ho 5K run in December Lesli Hiller scored 2nd place in her age group and while Frank Dandrea ran with his son in less than desirable conditions that day.

The Runner's Edge on February 15th is doing a 9 am Fun Run with a choice of 3 distances - 3, 6, or 9 miles. And the Northport Running Club is holding their annual Joe Latino 6 X 2 mile relay on February 21st at Sunken Meadow Park .

## St. George Association

by Bob Baumann

It's been said (usually rather cynically) that, "Everyone brings a little joy into our lives, some when they arrive, some when they leave."

Although most such adages have some basis in factor history, such wasn't true in the most recent case which when brought to our attention generated at first disbelief and then dismay.

Citing fiscal difficulties, the county administration prematurely terminated the service of our cherished Chaplain, the Rev. James G. Anderson, eft. 2400, Wed., 12/31/08. Several other Chaplains who we're certain will also be sorely missed by the faithful flocks they've shepherded were similarly terminated.

Acceptance of such disappointing developments comes slowly,reluctantly and with difficult, but after reflection and remembering another adage "Most change works out for the better", we've come to accept the unexpected, with the same optimism Jim has that he's now free to go on to still better things.

Jim may have been officially terminated, but despite the administration's power, resources and motives, our relationship personally and an organization has emerged even stronger than ever.

We've come to accept the change (we had a choice?) assured that the Good Lord will bless the new status of our relationship with seamless continuity.

## Retired Column

by John Nosovotich

**STAN (John) SCOLLARD...**jscol1671@aol.com

Guys, well I've been off the computer for 2 weeks. I had a house fire on December 1, Sunday night and I just got out of the house by the skin of my teeth. The smoke engulfed my bedroom in seconds and I yelled to my wife

and she was able to get out of the back door. There I was lying on the front lawn in my underwear, no shoes in the rain yelling to the neighbors to call the Fire department, The fire was restricted to the basement. We've been in motels and are now living in a trailer on the front lawn. The house is going to be torn down and a new one will be built in it's place. It is going to take 6 months to rebuild, my nephew is handling everything for me. I did not realize how close I came to death, if it would have been an hour later I would have died in my sleep. Thanks to all for your prayers.

**DON KAIN...**julyfive97@aol.com ...I have to be another retired cop to thank you for the Newsletter column. Because of you I now e-mail with Carl Johnson and thru him, I have e-mailed Stan Scollard today and hope to hear back from him soon. Because of the economy and diesel fuel prices, we have stayed home this year. We still have a time share in Daytona the first week of November and we are planning to use it this year. We have been invited to a wedding in California in January and have not decided whether to drive out there so far. If we go it will be in the RV, via the southern route, which will take us past your place, a quick stop in San Antonio to see a friend, a visit with a very good friend in Albuquerque, two stops in Arizona, and then to the wedding. On the return trip we would have to make some money in Las Vegas, look at Hoover Dam, stop at the 4 Corners, and see the Grand Canyon. These are things I want to do before I have to check out of my earthly space. One thought is to go for it and stick the credit card companies with the bills. Decisions, decisions, decisions. All the best.

**DICK BOZA...**dick6114@hotmail.com...A very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you both and your family. Kay had her second hip replaced September 29th and is doing great. She now has 2 new hips which are working well and all her pain is gone. We were in New York in September and attended 2 weddings on the same day,one in Kings Park and the later one in New Hyde Park. Saw family members we had not seen for a while. While in New York got to visit with Jack Reed. Jack is still the same Jack. even though he is confined to bed for about a year now. He is still cracking jokes and laughing. Enjoyed a cigar with Jack (which he supplied). We received a Christmas Card from Micky and Jack and she informed us that Jack will have to have a leg amputated after the Holidays. {Our thought and Prayers are with him} Kay and I still volunteer at the 9:30 Mass at Mary Queen of the Universe Shrine just off I-4 and I usually see some of the attendees of the Nassau Blue Reunion (the ones that make it that early after the night before) I plan to stop over on Saturday the 24th and then Kay and I are leaving on a cruise on Monday the 26th of January for 5 days.I just had my 75th birthday in December (feel like I'm still 35) and in May I was retired 30 years (I guess I beat the system) John I remember when **Ed Lecci and Dan Greenwald** along with others like you became involved in the PBA and we began to get benefits which we still have. It is because of guys like Ed and Dan and you

that we enjoy what we have. It is great to know the PBA has continued to fight for the members and have not forgotten the retired members. Also Ed Curran and the Retired Police of New York have been outstanding in their endeavors and are appreciated. Fraternaly

**TOM ORGAN**...tomrita1594@mailstation.com...A belated Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and your family. You and I crossed paths many times when I stopped in the 6 pct when I was in Highway. I was driving 2290 the chase car on the Expressway to deliver summons written in the local precincts. 2290's post covered the 2nd,3rd and 6th pcts. I was in HPB for 20 years and prior to that 8 years in the 3rd Pct. While in the 3rd, I drove 309, the Mineola car and my footman when he came to the 3rd was your good friend, Teddy Taxter. Teddy and I became good friends also. Teddy was a good cop to have at your back when you needed it. John, I don't expect you to write all of this in your great retired column. I just thought it was about time to thank you for the good reading your column brings to us retired people. I'm retired 21 years and living in Florida, a suburb of Fort Lauderdale and loving every bit of it. I just want to say thanks for your input to the retired members. What I wrote was information so you would remember me from a long time ago. {Yes, Tom I sure do remember you and all the summons you wrote. Lots of them!} Retired from HPB1988

**RALPH TORRES**...snowtowers@earthline.net...n 1997 while living in Tampa, Florida and my wife Dolores was about to retire from her job, we decided to travel throughout South America. While visiting one of the many local coffee shops of Tampa, I met a man from Rivera, Uruguay. Since we were not sure where in South America we wanted to travel, after many talks with the man from Rivera, the idea of visiting Uruguay was developed. The only problem we had was selling our Tampa home. One day while cleaning the front yard, a car stopped to make inquiries about home for sale in our neighborhood. I told him that since I was the president of the local Homeowners Association he was talking to the right person. I also informed him of our future plans to sell our home (In two and one half months). He asked if he could look at our home and after a cursory inspection he bought the house right there on the spot. There were some interesting events en route to Uruguay; however, this is not the time for sidelines. When we arrived in Montevideo we rented a condominium at Pocitos Beach. Looking at post cards from Montevideo, Uruguay, Pocitos Beach appears to be a magnificent beach. A very attractive setting, unfortunately, this beautiful area is where the raw sewage from Montevideo is discharged and the water appears to be much polluted. Another interesting way of life is that dogs in Montevideo are allowed to defecate on any street and this is specially so for Pocitos Beach. Not only was the water polluted, the beach was not unlike walking in a mine field. In most third world countries, there is usually a decent bus system. If travelers and tourists take advantage of the bus system, they can travel throughout the

country at a very reasonable cost. My wife and I took full advantage of the inexpensive bus system and we visited many interesting places in South America. However, in all our travels in Uruguay, we only saw one black face. The inhabitants of Uruguay are mostly of European descent. They either killed or chased all the indigents into southern Brazil and the Brazilian blacks never dare to head south. My Irish-American wife was made to feel very much at home in the Caucasian society and everyone assumed she spoke Spanish. It was also interesting how well she was accepted even when she did not speak Spanish. We met and became friends with a couple with names Oscar Goni and Mirta Garreras. From them we learned about Ferias, ferias are similar to roving flea markets. Oscar traveled throughout South America and sometimes North America purchasing goods to sell at the ferias. One day he called me from the airport requesting my help; it appeared he did not have enough money to pay the extra tariff that was being imposed by a custom agent. Every bag of imported goods, depending on their value, has an assigned specific price. Clothing is one price, electronics is another, jewelry is another, etc. and etc. After the proper hands were greased and the right people consented, the rest was easy. When I sent for an old and used computer modem from the U.S. for a young man, I ran into the same problem. One of the customs agents wanted \$35.00 gratuity on a modem that was worthless. In fact, it was not worth the mailing costs. A friend who accompanied me was surprised at my refusing to pay...eventually I persevered and was given my old modem.

**JOE WEISSENBERG** .... 26 Carldon Road Com-mack, NY. 11725-1631.... Best to all the Retirees from Della and I. Things are good, not very good, but good. I had a by pass in 2007. I retired from the 6th Pct in May of 91. We have 6 children and 14 grandchildren and one more on the way in 2009. Happy New Year to all the Retirees. {Joe also called on the phone, but we were Christmas shopping at the time.}

**LOU SAVINI** .... ljspike@comcast.net I wonder if you would do me a favor and in your next Retired Column in the PBA newsletter include a comment that the International Police Association Region #26 is looking for new members. We cover the area on the east coast of Florida which includes Stuart, Palm City, Port St. Lucie, Fort Pierce, Indiantown and Hobe Sound. We meet every second Tuesday of the month at one of the local restaurants for dinner. Our meetings include wives, girl friends and guests. We presently have 95 members, but we would like to increase that number. I know that there are retired law enforcement in the area who may not know of the organization and the benefits it offers. I would suggest that if one goes on line to the IPA website (www.ipa-usa.org) they would be impressed at what they find. Anyone interested can call me at 772-288-1972, 772-215-1901 or email me at ljspike@comcast.net. I will see that you get an application and send you a copy of our newsletter. Thank you.

**HENRY (HANK) GRASS**...Derifoxgrass@ yahoo.com My name is Geraldine Fox-Grass, wife of 33 years to Henry

J. Grass, known as Hank in the 4th Pct where he retired after 20 1/2 yrs in 1983. Life has been wonderful for us and have lived in a bedroom community outside of Wilmington, North Carolina for 16 years and feeling like you were on vacation each and every day. In March of 2008 Hank was diagnosed with saliva cancer and received many months of chemotherapy and radiation. In summary, he is alive, well and kicking - in total remission. Following his treatment he successfully underwent an artery bypass in his leg. His secret .... live life, trust the Lord and give gratitude for each and every day we have on this earth. We are hoping that any of the folks that were in the 4th pct when Hank served, would get in contact with him - to have communication\and dialogue about the "good old days". In the meantime, should you want informational attractions data on Wilmington, North Carolina, please visit my website at JeriFoxGrass.com Wishing a peaceful, and a life of good health - and joy. Blessings to all Jeri and Hank Grass.

The following **Retirees** send Best Wishes to all for the New Year Vince Baumer ( Now 90 years young), Henry and Inga Saul, Dick and Betty Friskey, Spike and Kathy Twining, Bill and Addie Yushuk, Anne Wiley, Sue (Taxter) and Ned Rimmer, Bob and Dianne Livoti, Lou Marcus, Richie Leger, Terry Greenwald, Greg and Janet Vazquez, Roger and June McQueen, Jim and Joanne Herve, Ray and Dorothy French, Mike and Betty Kovas, Bob and Liz Doepper, Bob Burdewick, Charlie Clark, Norm and Maddie Sarne, Jerry and Dale Baralo, Bob Teufel, Connie Carparelli, Augie and Dorothea Savello, Ron and Maryann Hertz, Ralph and Alice Geata, Ed Cirella, Ed and June Cullen, Ray and Nancy Handwerker, Guy and Pat Hammersmith, George and Patty Izzo, Barbara Bartels, Bob and Joan Hayes, Deacon ( Evans) and Lollie Conforti, Bob and Kathy Michele, Fred and Joan Manney, Walter Dluginski, Larry Neushotz, John and Leah Carlson, Bill Doughty, George and Susan Weick, Barbara Beckerman, John and Sue Collier, Jay Haines, Roy MacMillian and Anne Pursehouse, Mario and Jean Furno.

**ODDS AND ENDS.** ....**Kathy Twining** wife of **Spike** is now in to Rehab with her broken tibia bone... **Lou Marcus** has been cruising the Caribbean..... **Guy Peter** also took off for a few days for a vacation ...Congratulations to **Bob Livoiti** on his election to the Presidency of the ARPO and to his board also. **Richie Buchan** in now in Rehab after a long battle with his heart and a breathing problem, heard he is doing much better..**Cabana "Al" Shultze** is back home and doing well once again. A note to **Ed Miller** - Great talking you. I never received your message on the Golf Tournament that is held in the Villages to support some of the local emergency services.

**GOOD AND WELFARE GET WELL WISHES** to Richie Buchan, Tom De Beche, Charlie Bedell and Jerri Maas, widow of Herbert (Herbie). DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the families of Donald D. Swensen, John S. Keteltas Jr., David (Dave) Ryan, Alfred M. Heiser, Charles B. Cowley, Peter Valkavich. Also to active members Coleen and Paul J. Clark on the loss of their daughter Lauren E. Davis. Our thoughts and prayers are will you at this time.

**WRITER'S THOUGHTS.** Here we are in 2009 this century is moving along at a quick pace. So as usual each month I am reminding you to write, we are all getting older and some of your old friends would love to hear from you out there in Retirement land before it is to late! Remember we are not getting any younger. So Write ... John Nosovitch 7445 Live Oak Lane North Zulch, Texas 77872 936-399-2420 jnoso@tconline.net

## DINO DOINS

by Bob baumann

30 survivors, of the Christmas and NewYear's eve/Day holidays met at 1000, Mon., 1/5/09, in the Nautilus Diner, Massapequa, for the usual. monthly exchange of lengthy, grossly exaggerated, tall tales and insults. It was quickly apparent that most of the storytellers suffered from Faulty Memory Syndrome (FMS, aka CRS!)] This threw numerous, unsolicited questions, would-be corrections and considerable controversy into the mix. No blood was shed so our record remains intact with participants eagerly anticipating the next challenging episode. (2/2; same time' and place.)

Bill Wener won the \$1.00 @ man drawing, earning himself the awesome responsibility of the care and feeding of our mascot "Dino for the next month. ("Dino" now proudly sports a shiny bona fide fossilized piece of genuine Dino POOP, on an attractive, bolo-style bit of neck wear. Dino's jewelry" was found by our illustrious President John Tyrrell during one of his many dedicated excursions into the netherworld of antique shops, junk shops, fragrant dilapidated out-houses and various other exotic venues. in his endless quest for the scarce, obscure, rare and hitherto unseen " examples of priceless memorabilia. (John's herculean efforts on our behalf have left him so exhausted that he's soon debarking for a warmer clime to recover, We have it on good authority that while there he'll buy a bigger dump truck to fill with similar goodies to save shipping expenses.

WIA: Bob (Not-as-young-as-he-used-to-be:) Ploth took a header recently while foolishly challenging the Wantagh St. Pkwy's. bike path. Seems the path, like most of the state's infrastructure, leaves a bit to be desired. His bike, following its independently-minded front wheel went its own way while he (always the law-abiding one) dutifully obeyed the laws of motion and maintained his original direction Fortunately, while aloft, Bob remembered the time honored remedy ("tuck & roll!") prescribed for just such hazardous moments and survived with minor boo-boos. (Hey, "Sonny." maybe it's time to put the training wheels back on Old Faithful; huh?) Gary Thynne proudly announced that he'd celebrated the 18th anniversary of his retirement just the previous day. The usual background noise drowned him out ensuring that only two members (one on each side) heard him. Since both had retired somewhat earlier than Gary (proving the accuracy of our motto: "Beat the system -keep breathing ") his words prompted one of the wags to advise him, to, "Come back in another 18 years!" (Outnumbered, two-to-one Gary wisely pretended he hadn't heard a word!)



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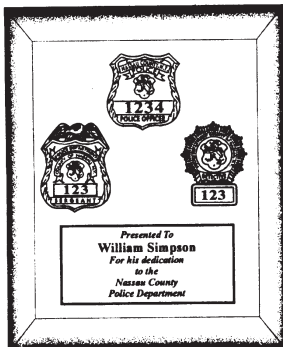
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As a past participant in the PBA outing we would like to inform you of the change of venue for next years event. Enclosed is a brochure for Skytop Lodge as well as a reservation form. We urge you to take the time to go to [skytop.com](http://skytop.com) and take a look at this place. This is a class A resort!!

All reservations will be done through Skytop Lodge and not the PBA office. There is a limited number of rooms being offered in the cottages at no extra cost. Each of these rooms has a patio area where you can relax outside. They will be offered on a first come basis so do not wait to make your reservation. Early booking will help us to make this event more successful than ever.

Upon completion of the reservation process please advise us who will be in your foursome.

The cost of this years outing works out to \$500 per person for 2 nights, 3 rounds of golf and 6 meals. I can assure that you will not be disappointed.

On behalf of the committee I hope you will consider joining us in 2009.

Sincerely,

Wayne Hartmann/ Brian Engelhardt  
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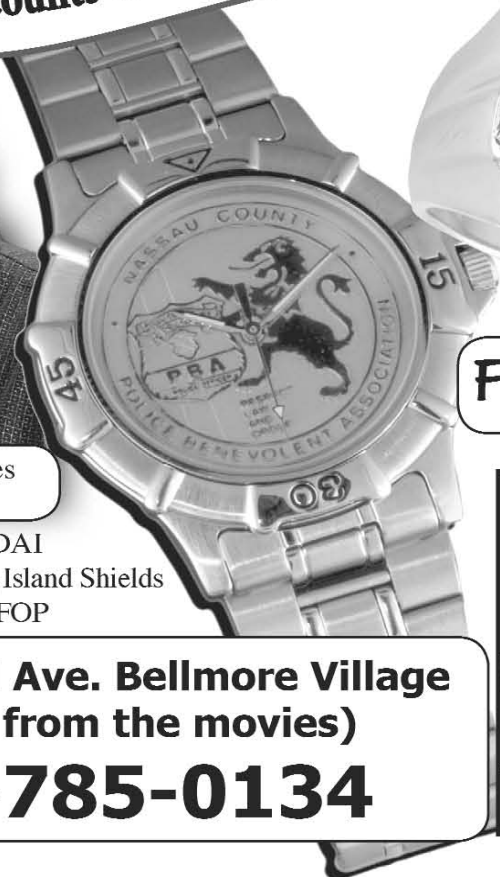


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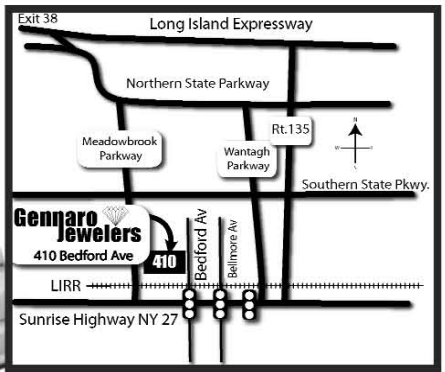
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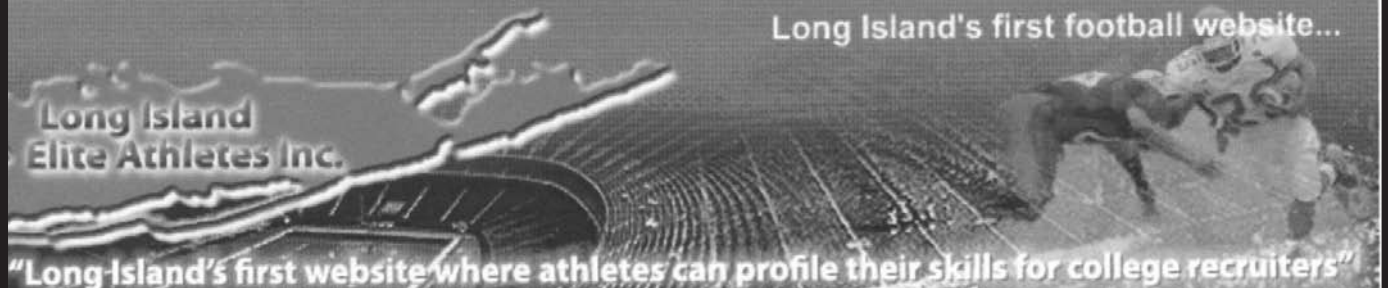
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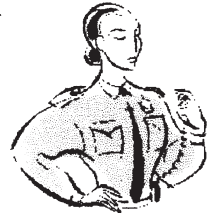
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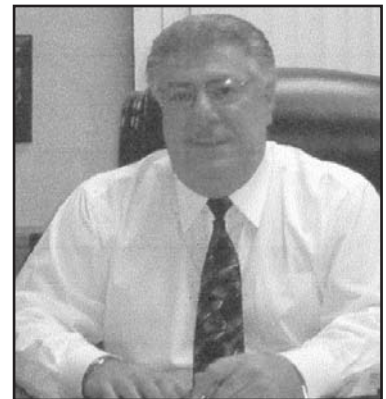
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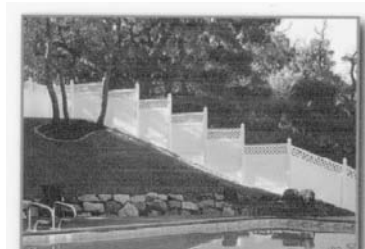
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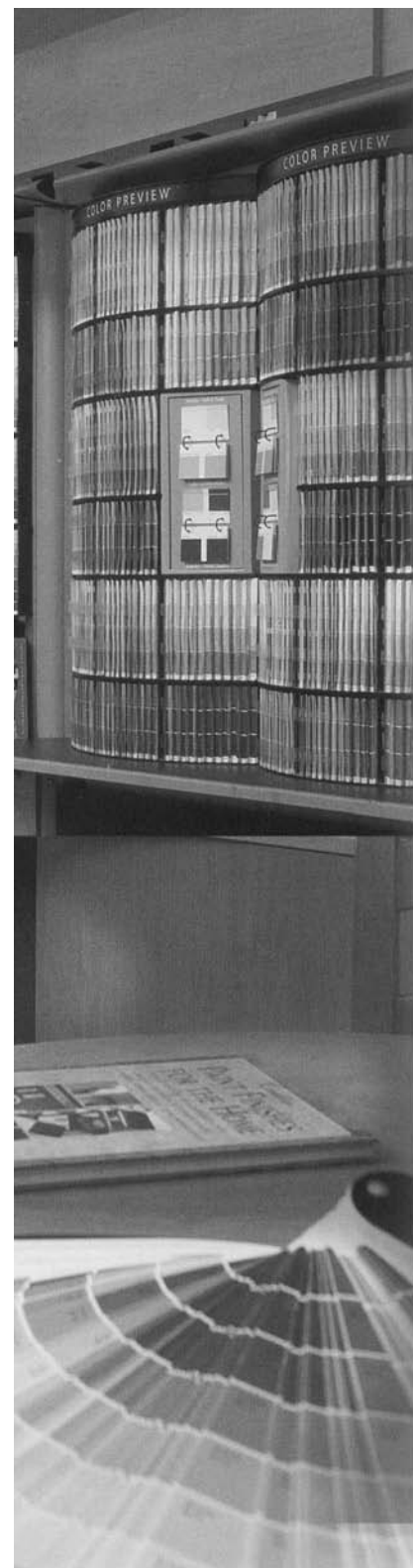
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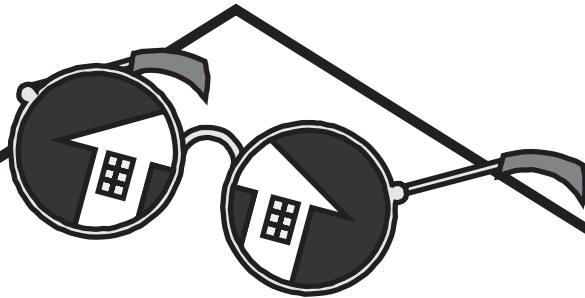


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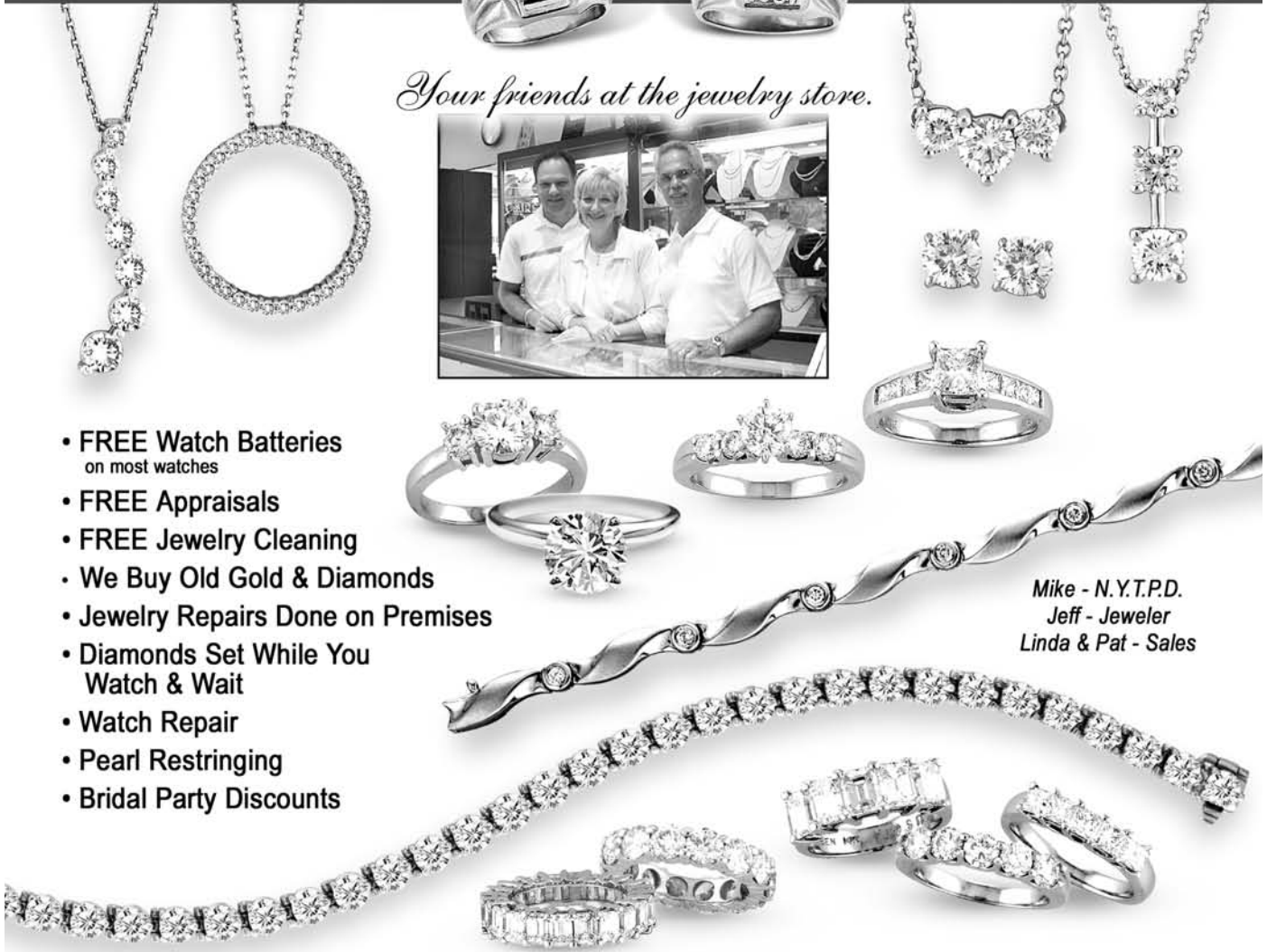


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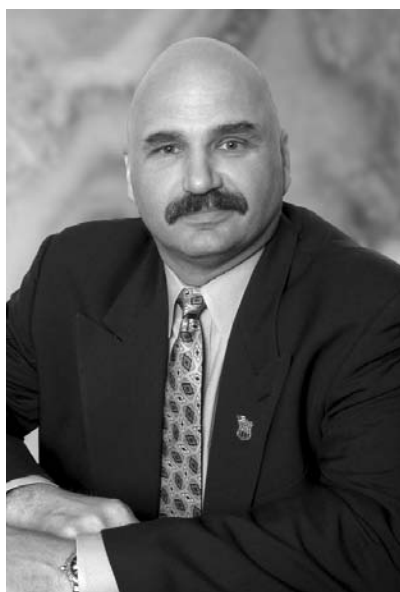
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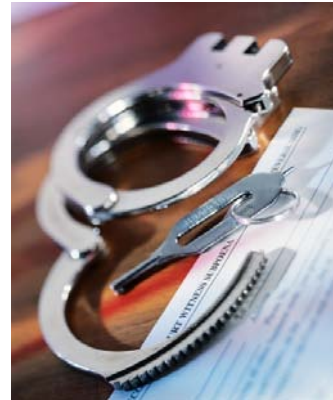
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