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From The Editor

by Brian Engelhardt

I had the honor of attending the New York State Police Memorial in Albany, the National Police Memorial in Washington D.C. and the Nassau County Police Memorial at Headquarters last month. Each event reinforced how dangerous our job is day in and day out and the supreme sacrifice made by Charlie Cole, Joe Olivieri and Artie Lopez as well as the other members listed.

Also in attendance were their families. Each time reliving the combination of pride for their loved ones heroic actions and the sorrow of their loss. They, as part of our police family, have also made the supreme sacrifice. We must never forget not only the members we've lost but their families as well. And as painful as these memorials are, they force us to remember the members lost, their loved ones and our responsibility to honor and support them.

I also attended the National Top Cops Awards dinner while in Washington D.C. Police Officers and their families from all over the country represented their departments and watched reenactments of some of the most heroic actions taken by law enforcement in 2012. There were hundreds of nominees for great police work but of course the committee had to pare it down to about thirty winners. Most of them were involved in horrific gun battles. One officer was shot fifteen times and only three of the bullets hit his vest. He and the other officers who responded that day were there to receive their awards.

These ceremonies and the memorials are a constant reminder of how dangerous our job is, not can be, but is. In a split second you may have to make life or death decisions. You might have to make a decision so quickly that the only thing you can rely on is an instinctive reaction which is a byproduct of your training. Always have your guard up and your head on a swivel.

Be safe and have a great summer.

President's Message

by James Carver

POLICE MEMORIALS

May was a very emotional month for all as we paid tribute to our fallen Heroes. The month started with a memorial at the FOP lodge in Hicksville on May 4th where Police Officers Joseph P Olivieri Jr and Arthur Lopez were added to their memorial wall. On May 7th the Senate passed resolutions naming the overpass on the Cross Island Parkway for Artie and the overpass on the LIE for Joe. Those resolutions were sponsored by Senator Jack Martins. The Assembly will be passing those resolutions which are being sponsored by Assemblywomen Solages and Schimmel. When the resolutions are signed off we will be having dedication ceremonies to honor these hero officers.

The following day the names of Police Officers Charles Cole Jr, Joseph P Olivieri Jr and Arthur Lopez were engraved on the police memorial wall in Albany in a ceremony held just outside the memorial wall. The week of May 12th the National Memorial was held in Washington DC where Joe and Artie's names were added to the National Police Memorial Wall. For those who have never attended any of the memorials I would urge you to attend future memorials held at these locations which display the names of all the fallen offices that made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

NIFA LAWSUIT

As stated in last months article, on June 10th the appeal on the Wage/Step freeze decision will be held at the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals. The police unions have filed our response and will be prepared to present our argument in front of the 3 judge panel who will decide if Judge Wexler's decision will be upheld in the police unions favor. There is no timetable on how long a written decision on the appeal will take but I am hopeful that a decision will be rendered in a timely manner so we can rightfully regain the steps and wages that have been frozen since March 2011.

This is the last Newsletter before the summer begins so we will keep you posted via emails on any updates to the lawsuit. We have gone to a new email system and if anyone is still not receiving emails contact the office to ensure your correct email address is on file.

PBA LAUNCHES FIRST PART OF NEW COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK: THE PBA PRIDE

Last month, the PBA launched the first part of our new communications network, THE PBA PRIDE, our new, and enhanced email system. If you presently do not receive PBA emails and want to be added to our database, call the office and ask to be added. If we already have your address but you're not receiving messages, call the office and ask to have your information updated. Please provide your serial number and command or note that you're retired. In addition, we are establishing a comprehensive photo database of our members in action. The photos will be used as part of our PBA Pride emails and on our new, soon to be released, website. If you would like to be participate, please call the PBA office, give your name and command, and we will set up a time and place for photos.



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Date

Re:

Dear Dr.

Police Officer is protected by a contractual provision known as "medical review". As part of this process, the Nassau County Police Surgeon will call you to discuss the officer's ability to return to work in a "light duty" capacity. Please be advised that all officers are required to work 10-12 hour shifts answering phones and interviewing complainants that enter the station house. If the surgeon articulates any reduced work schedule or special accommodations for your patient, please request that this information be put in writing and submitted to you for agreement before you state your opinion on your patient's ability to work.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Very truly yours,

FUSCO, BRANDENSTEIN & RADA, P.C.,

Milan Rada, Esq.

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:		c	OMMAND:	SERIAL #:	
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MAO / POLICE SURGEON QUESTIONNAIRE

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

NA	AME	SERIAL#	_
DA	ATE OF APPOINTMENT		
SC	HEDULED TIME OF APPOINTMENT	_ TIME SEEN	
I# _		-	
EX	AMINED BY (NAME OF SURGEON)		
MA	AO 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 exam	ination? (feel for spasm, test for sensory l	oss,
	use a tape to measure for atrophy, test for reflex loss, make you walk 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 you	ır 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	n 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 profes	sionally? 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 wa	y 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
	Did the Police Surgeon or MAO Supervisor make any suggestions that	at you seek treatment	
	with any doctors or physical therapists?		

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.

Legal Report

by Milan Rada, Esq. with John Hewson, Esq.

There have been many changes in the world of Workers' Compensation over the last few years that have affected the claims of many Nassau County Police Officers. Our office hears many of the same concerns and frustrations on a regular basis, and as such, we decided to address many of those in this month's Legal Report.

At its core, Workers' Compensation is a remedial system designed to help injured workers with benefits while they are disabled and unable to work, provide them with the needed medical care to return them to work, and ultimately, return them to the labor market with as little ongoing disability as possible. In the past, the system was far less restrictive in how it functioned both from a medical treatment perspective as well as from a procedural perspective. With amendments and changes to the Workers' Compensation Law within the past decade, the traditional methods of handling a Workers' Compensation claim have changed as well. In addition, the claimant's expectations for his or her claim also had to change.

One of the major questions we get on a regular basis deals with the distinction between new incidents or accidents at work and exacerbations. The biggest difficulty that comes with situations such as these is that just about everyone you might talk to about a circumstance will have a different interpretation or view as to whether the injury in question is an "exacerbation" or a brand new incident. Further, the distinction can prove to be crucial when it comes to a police officer's benefits under the law. Generally speaking, if a new, intervening event causes pain or injury to a previously weakened or injured body part, that intervening event leads the claim to be treated as a new injury and incident rather than merely as an exacerbation. However, if there is essentially no real intervening event or cause, then the "new" injury should be treated as an exacerbation or aggravation of the prior underlying injury. As an example, if an officer with a prior back injury wakes up one morning with back pain, but he or she does not recall anything out of the ordinary occurring in the moments or hours prior to the start of that pain, then the officer should clearly treat that injury as an exacerbation of the prior back injury rather than anything new. However, if the officer instead was at work moving equipment and feels a twinge in his or her back, then that intervening act of lifting and moving equipment very well may lead to a finding of this claim being a new incident rather than an exacerbation of the prior injury.

The next issue that is related to the exacerbation or new incident question is the one of line of duty status injuries versus Workers' Compensation injuries. Generally, if an officer is injured on the job, not only will (s)he be entitled to be compensated under Section 207-c of the General Municipal Law covering both medical treatment as well as wages while out of work, the officer will also be entitled to file for Workers' Compensation as he or she suffered a

work related accident. However, there are instances where an officer may be injured while working and have eligibility for benefits under Workers' Compensation yet may not be granted line of duty status by the Department. In fact, the establishment of an injury by the Workers' Compensation Board has absolutely no bearing on whether or not the Department accepts the injury as line of duty with one exception. In the case of occupational diseases such as exposure to mold, the establishing of the claim by the Workers' Compensation Board will lead to a finding that the injury was suffered in the line of duty. For example, if a police officer at the end of his or her shift is walking to their personal vehicle in a precinct parking lot and slips on ice, the injuries suffered are likely to be covered under the Workers' Compensation Law. However, that officer may not be granted line of duty status by the Department because (s)he was not in the course of his/her police duties when injured.

The other major issues that the Workers' Compensation Law changes have caused relate mainly to medical treatment that will be authorized and paid for by Nassau County through its compensation administrator, Triad Group.

In 2007, major changes were made to the Workers' Compensation Law and mainly how it traditionally handled long term and permanent injuries. In the past, our office has explained how there are no longer lifetime monetary Workers' Compensation benefits for permanent but partial disabilities regardless of severity. The only lifetime benefits for injuries suffered after March 14, 2007 exist for claimants determined to be permanently totally disabled. However, although not specifically ending lifetime medical care as well, the amendments have certainly tweaked existing medical coverage through Workers' Compensation to lead one to believe that lifetime medical benefits no longer exist.

In December 2010, the Workers' Compensation Board promulgated new Medical Treatment Guidelines (MTG). The creation of new MTGs were part of the amendments passed in 2007, yet took several years to come to fruition. The major changes that came with the new MTGs were that injured workers no longer required pre-authorization for many treatments and tests that are so desperately needed in the immediate aftermath of an injury. However, the trade-off for no longer having to jump through those hoops is that the new MTGs create a very strict regimen of treatment that doctors must follow in order to be properly compensated for their medical care. If a doctor fails to follow these rules of treatment, then the doctor very well may risk not getting paid by the carrier on the case, and more importantly for claimants, may put at risk the benefits the claimant is seeking.

The main victims of the implementation of the new MTGs have been claimants with older cases and injuries on which treatment is still being prescribed. The older a case becomes, the less the insurance carriers are being required to pay for treatment under the new MTGs. Most notably, the new MTGs have put a major restriction on the amount

of chiropractic care and physical therapy that a claimant can receive following an injury. Prior to the new MTGs, a claimant could receive physical therapy and chiropractic care on an as needed basis for practically the rest of his/her life. However, under the new guidelines, physical therapy and chiropractic care will be paid for by the carrier under a strict set of rules for three months. Beyond three months of care, the carrier can require the treating practitioner to file a "variance" request for more sessions of therapy. The variance request must be incredibly detailed and must specifically note the anticipated improvements, otherwise it will not be entertained or approved. In addition, if the form itself is defective or filled out incorrectly in any way, the variance will be rejected by not only the carrier, but also a Workers' Compensation Judge at a hearing. As you can see, the Workers' Compensation Board has effectively created a system wherein obtaining the treatment necessary is incredibly difficult unless the treating doctor is willing to follow the strict rules imposed on health care providers. The Workers' Compensation Board has become overwhelmed with hearings and appeals on these very issues. Worst of all, the new MTGs were applied retrospectively on claims prior to December 2010 so even older claims were treated with the same broad and strict brush as newer claims. There has been legislation introduced in the State Legislature hoping to address that issue as it relates to the older cases, but as of now, no action has been taken in correcting this injustice.

The same issues regarding physical therapy and chiropractic care have also affected prescriptions. The new guidelines have given the carriers great latitude in how they authorize medications prescribed by doctors. First, the carriers were given the ability to send claimants to particular pharmaceutical companies to obtain the medications, and now, we are seeing issues wherein claims examiners for carriers are demanding very specific letters of medical necessity from treating doctors as to why a particular medication was being prescribed. This is clearly in response to both the epidemic of prescription drug abuse in this country, but also, allows the carriers to attempt to not pay for care they are otherwise responsible for.

We hope that you can see that our office is diligently fighting these issues on a daily basis on behalf of police officers and injured workers everywhere. The Workers' Compensation Board itself has realized the issues it has created, and it is trying to alleviate the issues. However, at this point in time, they have only issued band aids rather than actual cures to the problems. Our goal is to continue fighting to assist injured police officers in obtaining all the benefits and care they are so entitled to. We will continue to request hearings on the cases that require them, and we are here to work with the treating doctors towards helping to get to the goals that are set.

Shifting gears please be aware that the first deadline for Zadroga Act claims is rapidly approaching. It is very important for you to consider your potential entitlement to Zadroga compensation now since the PBA Newsletter does

not publish in July and August, so we cannot issue reminders to you during that time. According to the Zadroga Act FAQS, generally claimants with a qualified injury who plan to file a claim with the Zadroga Fund will have two (2) years to file a REGISTRATION FORM in order for the Victim Compensation Fund (VCF) to consider your claim. Claimants who know (or reasonably should have known) of physical harm resulting from the September 11th attacks as of October 3, 2011, must Register by October 3, 2013. If you subsequently learn of physical harm related to your service at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001 or thereafter, at any of the designated sites, then you must Register within two (2) years of the date you learn (or reasonably should have known) that you suffered an injury as a result of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

The final rule adding certain types of cancer to the List of WTC-Related Health Conditions took effect on October 12, 2012. Therefore, if you know (or reasonably should have known) as of October 12, 2012 that you suffer from a *covered* cancer, you must file your Registration Form with the VCF by October 12, 2014. If you learned after October 12, 2012 that you suffer from a covered cancer, you must file your Registration Form within two (2) years of the date that you learn (or reasonably should have known) that you suffer from the *covered cancer*.

If you have any questions regarding Workers' Compensation, Zadroga claims, disability claims, Social Security Disability Insurance claims, Veterans' Administration claims or personal injury lawsuits, please do not hesitate to contact us at 516.496.0400 ext. 4413 or by e-mail to mrada@fbrlaw.com. As a benefit provided to you by the PBA, we are ready to assist you whenever the need arises.

First Precinct

byMaureen Mazur

Well the summer is coming and we are **RECINC** headed for trouble. Be prepared to be ordered in because our manpower isn't enough to fill the role calls. The powers in the Ivory towers of HQ have decided that it's a good idea to do the role calls 4 days in advance. What a disaster this will be. Obviously the person(s) who made this decision are clueless how the front desk and time office works. Most awls are done the week of and no one goes sick a week in advance from when they want/need to go sick. The order in/ problems with role calls are the last minute bang-ins and prisoners at the hospitals. Doing the role calls 4 days in advance will not solve these problems. Most PO's decide the week of if they want to work over-time or not. Now most guys won't put their name in the book because they don't know what their week entails and are just going to roll the dice to see if they will be ordered in or not. How about the chiefs at HQ that made this decision sit as desk officers for a weekend in the summer and let's see if they still think this is a good idea. What a mistake!



First Pct. P.O. Paloscio during a timeout.



First Pct. Volleyball Team.

Notice

Next Open P.B.A. meeting

Thursday

June 20, 2013

Second Precinct NEWS FROM THE 02

Brought To By "The Beef" You Can Email At cebo209@yahoo.com.

Remember no July or August editions.

JUNE MOVIE LINE QUIZ

"Cinderella story. Outta nowhere. A former greenskeeper, now, about to become the Masters champion. It looks like a mirac...It's in the hole! It's in the hole! It's in the hole!"

2013 NY POLICE MEMORIAL



Young William



And the NCPD Pipe Band

A very somber day! Members marched in good order with the Pipe Band leading the way. For photos and video of the march go to the 2ndpct.org or view the video I posted on facebook and on the rant.

NEW UNIFORM SURVEY

Choice "A" I'm not crazy about the shirts!

Now to be fair maybe my tummy might rub up against a few too many things during the course of a tour but I would have never expected the front of my uniform shirt to look like a 1970's era shag rug after only three weeks of

wear. The uniform pants seem to be holding up much better but the shirt has to go before everyone on the job looks like a English Sheep dog shedding its winter coat. I like the color but I have to say they seem to get a little hot and it's still spring. For whatever the reason these uniforms do not appear to be the same as the ones tested by our uniform committee, it looks like the old bait and switch. To be fair I just don't recall seeing all the wear on the uniforms that were field tested.

PBA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

You have until June 6th to get your applications into the PBA office.



Third Precinct

by Bill Purcell

TYPICAL

I typically write about something that is wrong with the way the big guys run this department, which is usually like shooting fish in a barrel, because there are so many topics to choose from. This month I decided to take a break from that and wish everyone a good summer. Being that this will be the last Newsletter until after the summer, instead I decided to share a recent vacation story.

I just returned from Disney for a week of fun and sun with the family. I learned a couple of things on this trip.

- 1) The more you give your kids, the more they want. (This actually applies to adults also, I guess)
- 2) Florida is hot. Anyway, we went to the Epcot World Showcase, for anyone who doesn't know, this is a very long walking path around a lake that takes you through eleven mock countries. In each country there are shops and restaurants which sell merchandise and food that you would typically find in those countries.

Each country has a kidcot location (kind of like customs for that country), where kids go with a character cut out, that they have colored. Each character cut out is attached to an oversized ice cream stick (this colored character stick is kind of like a kid's passport). They bring these sticks to the Kidcot location in each country.

At each Countries Kidcot location there is a representative of each country, always a real descendant of that country, who stamps the kids stick with some type of insignia reflecting that country and then they either write something in their native language (usually the child's name, so they can see what it looks like written in a different language).

Each country's employees for all the shops and restaurants were originally born in that country and they wear name tags stating the city and country that they are from. For example, when you go to Germany, there is a real German who stamps their stick and draws something that Germany is known for. When they go to Morocco, yes, your kids are speaking to a person who was born in Morocco and he writes your kids name in Arabic. (Pretty

cool). We went through all of the other countries and finally made it back to America, the only stamp that my kids hadn't gotten yet.

We went to the American Kidcot station, there was a little Old Italian looking woman who looked like a long time, two pack a day smoker. She had a pack of Marlboro cigarettes sticking out of her shirt pocket and her name tag indicated that she was from Turin, Italy. (What the ???????). To top it all off, she had an Italian accent and it literally took her about two minutes to draw a very simplistic American Flag.

I looked at the woman next to me, who was watching the whole thing, in disbelief and she looked at me with the same look on her face that I had. We could only laugh and shake our heads. We then discussed that this truly was TYPICAL of our country and joked about moving to Canada before it was too late.

This story has nothing to do with Police work, I just thought it was funny and wanted to share it.

TOP COPS (FEBRUARY 2013)

POLICE OFFICER KEITH BARTSCH POLICE OFFICER JAMES WILLS

On Friday, February 22, 2013 at approximately 1517 hours, Police Officer's Keith Bartsch and James Wills in RMP 316 were conducting an auto accident investigation at the intersection of Powells Lane and Rutland Street, Westbury. They were approached by a male victim, who was visibly upset and shaking. He told the Officers that someone tried to rob him of his phone. The victim was placed into Rmp 316 and they began to canvass the area. When the Officers were on Covert Street they observed 3 males heading northbound. The victim identified one of the males as the subject who attempted to rob him of his cell phone. The subject was placed into custody and transported to the Third Precinct for arrest processing.

The defendant was charged with Attempted Robbery.

PRECINCT TRIVIA ANSWER



In the May article, I posted this picture of a Third Precinct Cop when he was about seven years old. Nobody that I know of was able to guess that it was Tommy Price. I hope he's not mad at me. If he is, he should really be mad at his wife, she is the one who gave me the picture.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Yes, another Third Precinct baby, they just keep on coming. Congratulations to John Failla and Tamara on the birth of their daughter Charli Marie Failla who was born on May 5th (6lbs 14ozs)

SAVE THE DATE

Belmont Day at the races (and concert) at Belmont Racetrack on June 28th (Families welcome)

FINAL THOUGHTS

Again, I hope everyone has a great summer and I hope when I'm writing September's article, it's about how we finally have gotten or will be getting the money that we fairly negotiated for, back into our bank accounts where it should have been all this time. Until then, continue to stay united

Go home safe, it's all that matters

Fourth Precinct

by Greg O'Neill

On Sunday, July 28th is our annual picnic at Camp Coleman. Look for postings in the precinct and emails for more information about the picnic. I think it is an understatement to say that this summer will be quite busy at the 4th pct. Please, never hesitate to contact a PBA representative with questions or concerns. We would like to wish you and your families a happy and healthy summer.

Honoring the work that fellow officers do each and every day is important. The Top Cop committee recently reviewed several cases dating back to April of 2012 and has made selections for Top Cop. Your work does not go unnoticed. We are still in the process of reviewing 2013 cases and we will continue to recognize officers in a more timely fashion. Below are the 4th Pct Top cops from April 2012 – January 2013:

April 2012 - Police Officers Robert Kohlmier & Robert Garofalo

Above listed officers responded to a call for suspicious youths at a home in Oceanside. Upon arrival they observed an unknown male squeeze through a fence in the backyard. They conducted a canvass and observed two males fleeing from scene. Both subjects were stopped and a further investigation revealed that the house had been ransacked. Both subjects were arrested for Burglary 2nd.

May 2012 - Police Officers Christopher Leek & Patrick O'Connor

Above listed officers responded to a call for a robbery with a weapon in Island Park. After gaining a description of the subjects and the proceeds from the victim, the two subjects were located by arresting officers on a dirt road that runs parallel to the LIRR train tracks. A foot pursuit occurred and PO Leek and O'Connor apprehended the subject. PO O'Connor was injured while apprehending the subject. Later, an MTA K-9 unit was able to locate and apprehend the second subject hiding by the Long Beach Bridge. Proceeds and articles of clothing that were used during the robbery were recovered.

June 2012 - Police Officers Nicholas Collins & Marcus Boykin

While trying to pull a car over in Cedarhurst for multiple VTL violations, the subject abandoned the vehicle and began fleeing on foot with a backpack. The above listed officers gave chase and apprehended the subject in a nearby backyard. A thorough investigation by the officers revealed that the auto was stolen, and the backpack contained wallets with credit cards, NYS driver's licenses, and I-pods that did not belong to the subject. The subject also had an open NY State parole warrant. The subject was charged with multiple accounts including Grand Larceny and Criminal Possession of Stolen Property.

July 2012 - Police Officer Greg Caserta & John Giovaniello

While conducting an investigation during a VTL stop, the above listed officers asked the two subjects in the car if they had anything illegal in the car. One subject provided the officers with a bag that contained a brownish green leafy substance believed to be Marihuana. The subject was removed from the vehicle for a protective search by PO Caserta. During the search PO Caserta felt a large bulge and handle in the defendants waistline area. PO Caserta recovered a fully loaded .45 caliber Sturm Ruger pistol from the defendant's waistband.

August 2012 - Police Officer Nicholas Collins

While performing routine patrol, PO Collins observed a subject repeatedly try to forcibly open the door of a deli that was closed and locked. PO Collins approached the subject and after further investigation it was determined that he was trying to break into the store. Besides the attempted Burglary, the subject was also charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance.

September 2012 - Police Officer Adrian Arzaga

An occupied burglary occurred in North Lawrence. The victim returned home to hear noises in her bedroom. A subject appeared and struck the victim with a laptop in her mouth. The defendant then fled on foot. Arresting officer Arzaga with the assistance of PO Carey were able to locate the subject and apprehend him. The defendant's personal property including a cell phone was recovered in the victim's bedroom.

October 2012 - Police Officer Charles Sparacio, Jacek Trybala & Tom O'Grady

The above listed officers responded to call on Rte 878 in Lawrence for a fellow Police Officer, Dominick Stanganelli, struck by an auto. Upon arrival, responding officers made the scene safe by strategically placing their RMP's in the roadway to block traffic and to prevent any further injury to the severely injured officer. PO O'Grady provided neck stabilization while PO Sparacio controlled bleeding and PO Trybala stabilized the officers' lower extremities. The quick actions of these officers prevented any further injury to both the struck officer and responding assistance. Dr. David Ng of

NUMC later declared and provided in writing that the proper and timely first aid techniques rendered to the patient by the aforementioned officers contributed to sustaining the patient's life beyond that of the Emergency Room. Due to the actions of these officers, PO Stanganelli is currently still recovering from his injuries.

November 2012 - Police Officer Richard Vera

A family argument in Elmont resulted in the murder of one man and a critically injured woman. The victim was transported to Franklin General hospital by the subject and left her for hospital personnel and then fled the scene. Officers who responded to the hospital broadcasted a notification of the subject, the subjects NY registration and description of the subjects' vehicle. Police Officer Vera and other 4th pct west end officers received the notification. Realizing that the address of the subject was located just outside the confines of the 4th Pct in Far Rockaway, PO Vera and Velte set up observation posts for the defendant's vehicle on Central Ave/Doughty Blvd and Central Ave/Rte 878. The officers knew that this was the main thoroughfare for vehicle traffic to the defendant's address from Nassau County. Some time after the initial 911 call and notification, PO Vera observes the defendant operating the vehicle heading towards Far Rockaway. PO Vera calls for a 10-33 and notifies other units of his location. PO Vera initiates the felony car stop with the assistance of PO Velte, Lutz and Ryan. The subject was successfully apprehended without further incident. PO Vera was able to locate and arrest a subject wanted in connection with a Homicide, as well as recover the loaded handgun, which was on the drivers seat within reach of the defendant.

December 2012 - Police Officer John Giovaniello & Greg Caserta

Post Hurricane Sandy, the above listed officers were on routine patrol in Island Park They noticed two subjects in a parking lot that was being used as a staging area for total loss vehicles due to the hurricane. One defendant had white gloves on and a four way tire iron in his hand. They also observed an SUV, with a NY Reg., which had a large 3 ton jack and 4 rims with tires in the rear cargo area. Further investigation led to the arrest of the two subjects. A gun was also recovered from the defendant's car.

January 2013 - Police Officer Santo Scavuzzo

Victim went to the defendant's home in Atlantic Beach expecting to look at a bike that was for sale. Upon arrival the victim was invited inside the home by the defendant. Once inside the house, the defendant pulled out a handgun and told the victim to give him money. The victim provided the defendant with US currency and a prescription bottle. The victim fled scene and called police. Police Officer Scavuzzo arrived at scene and started a preliminary investigation. With the assistance of the fourth squad and PO Sparacio, PO Scavuzzo arrested the subject and he was charged with Robbery, Criminal use of a Firearm, Criminal possession of a weapon, Criminal possession of a controlled substance. Also, several other weapons besides the handgun used in the crime were removed from scene.



Fifth Precinct

by Joe Nocella pbanewsletter@yahoo.com

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Last month it was David Macaray, and this month it's Matt Taibbi. Terrific piece by the political columnist in last month's Rolling Stone magazine.

WHO CAN STOP THE KOCH BROTHERS FROM BUYING THE TRIBUNE PAPERS? UNIONS CAN, AND SHOULD

by Matt Taibbi

A few weeks ago, we did a story about hedge fund king Dan Loeb's plans to address a conference of institutional investors and perhaps solicit new clients among the public retirement funds in attendance, despite his involvement with a political lobbying group that campaigns against those very types of defined benefit plans. When stories by Rolling Stone, Washington Monthly and the New York Post came out about Loeb's affiliations, Loeb canceled his scheduled speech at the Conference of Institutional Investors and fled the event, reinforcing the simple idea that powerful interests can be forced to choose between taking the public's money and involving themselves in regressive politics.

We have another one of those situations brewing now, only it's a much bigger deal this time – the much-talked-about, much-dreaded potential sale of the Tribune newspaper group to the odious Koch brothers. As first reported in the Times a few weeks ago, the Kochs, after years of working through the media with relentless lobbying and messaging, are exploring the idea of skipping the middleman and becoming media themselves, with the acquisition of one of the biggest media groups in the country.

The Tribune papers encompass eight major publications across the country, including the Los Angeles Times, the Allentown Daily Call, the Chicago Tribune, the Orlando Sentinel, the Baltimore Sun, the South Florida Sun Sentinel, the Hartford Courant, the Daily Press of Hampton Roads, Virginia, and Hoy, America's second-largest Spanish-language paper.

It should go without saying that the sale of this still-potent media empire to the cash-addled Koch brothers duo – lifetime denizens of a sub-moronic rightist echo chamber where everything from Social Security to Medicare to unemployment benefits to the EPA are urgent threats to national security, and even child labor laws are evidence of an overly intrusive government – would be a disaster of epic proportions. One could argue that it would be on par with the Citizens United decision in its potential for causing popular opinion to be perverted and bent by concentrated financial interests.

Of course, conservatives will argue that people like myself are only talking that way because the potential buyers of these people are conservatives. If George Soros or some other wealthy, Democrat-leaning meddler in national affairs was leading the pack to become the next Hearst, I wouldn't bat an eyelash – right?

Well, that's true. But the issue here isn't so much what I think about the Koch brothers. It's what the private equity firms and banks that are the major shareholders in the Tribune Company think of the Koch brothers. Because it turns out that some of these firms are heavily dependent upon investment from public unions, which would make their participation in the sale of a media empire to the public-union-bashing Kochs severely problematic.

The Koch brothers have always taken powerful and unequivocal stances against public sector unions and their retirement plans. They were primary financial backers of Scott Walker's anti-union movement in Wisconsin, where the Koch-backed Americans for Prosperity group engaged in massive ad buys and signature-collecting campaigns to back Walker's play to crush collective bargaining rights for public workers. Through direct donations and support of groups like the conservative state policy group ALEC, the Kochs have taken aim at public unions, public union lobbying and public pensions in multiple states across the country, among other things spending \$4 million in California to support Prop 32, a state ballot measure restricting union political activity.

The potential conflict comes from the fact that two of the major stakeholders at Tribune Co. are investment management firms that manage billions of dollars of public pension funds. One is called Oaktree Capital, a Los Angeles-based group that owns 23.5 percent of Tribune Co. Another is called Angelo Gordon & Co., which is based here in New York and owns 9.4 percent of Tribune. J.P. Morgan Chase, another major Tribune stakeholder, also manages public-sector funds.

This sale really can't happen, obviously, without the assent of these companies. Yet these companies are financially dependent upon public pension funds.

Oaktree's client list includes the two monster California funds, CalPERS (the California Public Employees' Retirement System) and CalSTRS (California State Teachers' Retirement System), as well as the City of Philadelphia Board of Pensions, the Houston Municipal Employees Pension System, the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, the Illinois State Retirement Systems, the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System, the Los Angeles County Employees Retirement Association and the Los Angeles Fire & Police Pensions, plus public funds in Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts and New Jersey.

Angelo Gordon's clients, meanwhile, include those same CalSTRS and Los Angeles Fire & Police funds, the Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management Board, the New York State Common Retirement Fund, the New York State Teachers' Retirement System, Ohio State University, the Pennsylvania State Employees' Retirement System, the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio and the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, among others.

What this means, essentially, is that public-sector work-

ers in the very cities and states where the Kochs plan to take over these iconic newspapers will in a sense be subsidizing or enabling the sale by keeping their monies under management with companies like Oaktree and Angelo Gordon.

Many of these groups have already contacted Oaktree and Angelo Gordon to express their concern. As was the case with Dan Loeb and his courtship of public-sector union money, the unions want to make sure firms like Oaktree understand that their decision on the Tribune sale may influence their own investment decisions.

"None of this is in a vacuum," explains Liz Greenwood, a trustee for the LA County Pension Fund (LACERS).

Oaktree declined to comment for this piece. Angelo Gordon has not responded to inquiries.

If and when the sale goes down – and sources indicate it's not an imminent decision – companies like Oaktree will be in a tough spot. If, as expected, the Kochs' bid turns out to be the highest by a significant margin (they are reportedly preparing a bid that would exceed a billion dollars for properties some estimate to be currently valued at a collective \$600-\$700 million), then the "fiduciary responsibility" argument would likely be part of the rationale should the Trib papers cave in and accept the Koch bid. Oaktree and A&G would likely say that they would have had a difficult time explaining to their other investors why they wouldn't take the highest bid.

The situation is far less ambiguous for the unions. In the long run, it would almost certainly be both financially and politically detrimental to all of these public sector employees who trusted their money with these management firms to see the massive propaganda power of the Trib papers unleashed upon them.

Conservative pundits have made no bones about their excitement at the prospect of doing an ethnic cleansing of the rolls of all these newspapers. One of the future affected, the Chicago Tribune's Cal Thomas – simultaneously one of the stupidest and most charmless columnists ever to keep a death-grip on a job at a major American daily for decades on end – gushed about how happy he will be when his office is finally rid of all the Bolshevik intellectuals he's been forced to share space with, and full up instead with unbiased folks like himself:

When news of the Koch brothers' interest in their paper reached the Los Angeles Times, columnist Steve Lopez asked for a show of hands from people who would quit if the Kochs bought the paper. According to a report in The Huffington Post, "About half the staff raised their hands."

That should make things easier for the Kochs. They can start by replacing liberal quitters and others whose ideology has turned off conservative readers. They could hire reporters and editors who will try to win back readers and advertisers by providing the type of ideologically balanced coverage they seek.

There are many good unemployed and underpaid journalists who could report the news fairly and without bias . . .

Classic Cal Thomas, calling for a purge of all employees who turn off "conservative readers" and in the same sen-

tence cheering that process as a return to "ideological balance." In any case, this is the vibe of jovial, free-spirited debate we can expect from the print dailies in many of our biggest cities if this awful deal goes through.

Regardless of where you stand on union issues, this is a situation where the public-sector unions themselves need to know what kinds of activities their money-managers are involved with. These workers possess an enormous amount of political power via their retirement plans, which lumped together with the plans of their co-workers often represent the largest institutional investors in the country.

Funds like CalSTRS and CalPERS can almost single-handedly move markets with their investment decisions, and as clients they have tremendous leverage – leverage they almost never use – over the banks and hedge funds that fight with each other for the chance to service the retirement holdings of public workers.

Greenwood tells the story of a Midwestern firefighters' union that campaigned against a certain private equity fund that invested in private ambulance companies, which compete with firefighters for jobs. When Greenwood looked into the fund, she found out that a teachers' union in another state was one of its big investors.

"We're investing in companies that lead to the layoff of our beneficiaries," she says. "We have to be aware."

The potential Tribune sale would be a high-profile litmus test of the unions' financial self-awareness. Public-sector workers from Massachusetts to California can force their investment managers to make a choice: sell to the Kochs, or keep managing their retirement billions. If the Kochs want to buy newspapers, this is a free country, and nobody can stop them. But the people whose benefits they want to slash don't have to help them get there.

GREENER PASTURES

The past couple of months has seen the departure of several fifth precinct perennials. Sincere congratulations to Tom Schubert, Gary Hamilton, Harry Draper, and Mike Flynn on their recent retirements. I'm fairly sure each of these gentlemen have worked their entire career in the fifth. It's not often you see police officers spend that kind of time in what is considered one of, if not the busiest precincts the job has to offer. Career fifth precinct cop ... A badge of honor for sure, especially in this day and age. Your service and dedication to this job and our command is truly commendable.

FIFTH PRECINCT PRIDE HITS THE ROAD

Going on a trip? Take your coin wherever it is you go. This month's destination, Washington DC, and Arlington National Cemetery during National Police Week. Thanks to Bill Hussain for taking the time to snap the photos.

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY ...

Last open meeting before the summer break, and who knows, our appeal may be completed by then. June 20 at 8pm ... See you there.





Sixth Precinct

by Ed Conroy Pba006@verizon.net

I would like to start by wishing everyone a safe and happy summer. I hope everyone gets to enjoy some

time off and gets to spend it with family and friends. If it is not out already we will be coming out with the date for this year's picnic. Last year we had a great turnout and everyone enjoyed themselves. Hopefully this year it will be more of the same. If you have transferred or retired from the command and want to be notified of upcoming functions you can e-mail me at the above address. If you had done so in the past I had a computer issue and had to recreate my e-mail list all over again so I apologize.

NEW EQUIPMENT

The new uniforms are out and so is the jury on how they will hold up with some members having issues already. The Department has already contacted the supplier and hopefully by the time this newsletter reaches you any issues will be on the road to being corrected. Replacement body armor has been selected by the Departments committee and if it hasn't begun already measuring will start soon for your new vest. Just a reminder while we're on the topic, the Department has a mandatory wear policy now with regards to body armor and on the off chance that someone is not complying, COMPLY! It could mean the difference between you going home or not. Last but not least, new patrol cars. The Department's Committee has

recommended the Chevrolet Caprice and the Ford Interceptor SUV as replacements for the Crown Victoria which has been phased out by Ford. Hopefully these new models will prove to be good replacements for the Crown Vic and will be able to hold up to the rigors of patrol work.

TOP COPS MARCH 2013

On March 6, 2013 Police Officer Joseph Altieri responded to an auto accident with injuries in Great Neck in which one of the parties involved had fled the scene. Officer Altieri and other responding units along with the Fire Department attended to the operator at scene who had been injured and were able to get the registration plate number and a description of the vehicle that left the scene from that victim. Upon ascertaining the owner information of the vehicle, Officers checked the owners address and determined that she may be located at an address within Great Neck not far from where the accident occurred. Upon arrival at the given address the female subject was found with the vehicle involved and her male passenger by Officer Altieri along with Police Officer Damian Finucane and Police Officer Konstantinos Anastasis. Officers at scene noticed that the subject had white powder by her nose believed to be drugs. She was unsteady on her feet and gave all indications of being under the influence of illegal drugs. The female subject was taken into custody by the Officers. While interviewing the passenger of the vehicle who also had what appeared to be drug residue by his nose, he continued to place his hands in or near his pockets and was directed to stop by Officers. He was pat down for Officers safety and the Officers located Marijuana and pills on the subject. This subject was also taken into custody. It is because of their keen observation and investigative skills that these two subjects were located and arrested and that is why we name Police Officers Altieri, Finucane and Anastasis as our Top Cops for March 2013.

RETIREMENT

Rob Perfetto recently received a disability pension and retired as of May 16, 2013.

I know this is not the way you wanted to leave the job but we all wish you good health and the best of luck in your retirement and whatever the next chapter in your life brings.

TRANSFERS

Congratulations to Jethro Cardona on his recent transfer to P.A.L. This unit is underrated by most but the members there have a positive impact on the lives of the children that participate and hopefully leave them with a feeling of respect towards Police Officers and confidence and respect in themselves.

Congratulations to Ralph Rubino and Bob Browne on their recent transfer to the Police Academy. Ralph will be assigned to the EVOC section and Bob to the Academy itself. We wish you the best of luck in your new positions.

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. If anyone else would like to submit an article, let me know.

Top Cop Info

The Precinct Top Cop Committee needs your help. It is more important now than ever with the merger that we get information from someone involved or someone who knows the info so we can recognize the officers involved. If you know of an Officer or Officers that deserve recognition, please submit the information to Sgt Shea the committee Supervisor, Glenn Demeo, Carlos Rivera or Ed Conroy.

OPEN MEETING

The PBA open meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month with the next meeting being held on June 20th. There are no PBA open meetings held during July and August. They will resume in September. Come down, stay informed and get involved. Hope to see you there.

Have a safe and stay healthy summer.

Seventh Precinct

by Tom O'Reilly

NIFA LAWSUIT

The Second Circuit Court of Appeals on June 10th has scheduled to hear the appeal brought on by NIFA and the County. All the briefs and rebuttals will have been submitted by then and each side will be given a specific amount of time to present their case. The case is in front of a three judge panel, which will hear the case, review the lower courts decision, and all discovery material. There is no timetable as when a decision will be handed down, but I am hoping for the end of the summer. Our attorneys have been preparing very hard to protect our rights and defend Judge Wexler's decision and we all wish them the best.

NEW RECRUITS

The county is set to hire a new class of Recruit Police Officers, 37 men and women will become the newest members of the NCPD, I would like to wish them good luck on their appointments. The job is in desperate need of an infusion of new blood without a doubt, the hiring of Police Officers is good for the Job, as well as the active members. New hires lead to the chance of promotion, designation to the Detective Division, as well as movement for our senior Police Officers to move to a specialized command, these are all good things.

My concern is how do you as the employer hire these people, ask them to leave their careers, and take a job that has so much uncertainty, to a county that has clearly no direction on how to right the ship or fix any of the problems they are faced with. How do you offer someone a job where they may have to give their life for others, take a life, put themselves in harms way every tour of duty for a starting pay of 34K that has been frozen for the past 3 years, arguing in court that the pay of all employees must remain frozen indefinitely? Without the county or NIFA addressing the real problems and issues of the County's state of affairs, they are merely playing Russian Roulette with the new Police Officers careers. How long do you think they will be able to last on 34K per year?

COUNTY LOSES AGAIN

Once again the county has lost another lawsuit in court, costing the taxpayers an additional \$26 million dollars to the already mountain of debt. Nassau agrees to take a cash infusion from the MTA upfront and pay it back over time, somewhere along the way, someone in county government felt there was no longer any need to pay this back, and guess what happens, MTA goes to court and wins. Do you see a pattern here?

TOP COP

On January 8, 2013, at approximately 1730 hours, a Robbery had occurred in the parking lot of King Kullen, located at 1340 Wantagh Ave, Wantagh. A notification was made over the department radio, providing a vehicular description of the subject's vehicle. Police Officer Jason Sepulveda, Shield 3280, Serial 8800, assigned Post 701 operating RMP 4217 spotted the subjects vehicle and attempted to pull it over. The subject refused and attempted to get away.

Police Officer Sepulveda followed the wanted vehicle on to the Wantagh Parkway heading north, the subject exited the parkway at the Hempstead turnpike in Levittown. The subject then exited the vehicle on foot, attempting to run from the scene. Officer Sepulveda never losing sight of the subject, chased him on foot, apprehending the subject and placing him in custody, with the assistance of PO Ernest Thompson Shield 3547, Serial 9124.

The subject was arrested and transported to the Seventh precinct for arrest processing with a charge of Robbery and Reckless Endangerment 2nd Degree. The 7Th. Squad Detectives were also able to close out two unrelated cases in the 8th Pct, involving the apprehended subject.

For his actions the Seventh Precinct Top Cop Committee has selected Police Officer Jason Sepulveda as the Top Cop for the month of January 2013.

Have a Great Summer

Next Open PBA Meeting Thursday June 20, 2013

2nd Precinct South

(Formerly known as the 8th Precinct)

by Joe Salvatore

As this is our last newsletter before the long-awaited summer break, we want to wish everyone and their family a happy and safe summer season. We look forward to returning to action in early September.

GYM NEWS

A reminder to anyone using our facility, that a small gym fee of \$40 covers you for one whole calendar year. We need that donation/membership charge for certain upgrades and renovations. Please see PO Mazzara, Muchow, or even myself (yes, I finally paid...freeze killing a brother) if you have any further questions or comments.

TOP COPS

For the month of February 2013, the Top Cop Committee awarded PO Robert Desimone and PO Gerard Langan for their actions.

On February 11th, at about 1115 hours, Officer's Desimone and Langan were patrolling the back streets of their posts. They were looking for a vehicle that was used the day before in a local bank robbery. The description of the vehicle was extremely familiar to the both of them. Due to that fact, at 1139 hour the Officers were a block away from a radio assignment for a Burglary in progress. The Officers responded and were met by the complainant. Seeing the foot prints in the recent snow, they followed them. Going through multiple yards, Officer Desimone heard the sound of breaking glass. Being just yards away he radioed his location and requested further assistance. Officer Desimone approached two subjects from the rear yard and Officer Langan approached from the front. When PO Desimone announced himself, the subjects who had gained access to the residence now ran inside to evade Desimone. At this time, PO Desimone gave chase and followed the subjects into the residence. Langan, who heard the commotion, ran to the rear yard. As he got half way there he now heard the subjects exiting the front door. As the subjects exited the front door, one subject fell down the front stairs due to the icy conditions. They both got up and a foot pursuit ensued. With the assistance of PO Langan, the one subject was apprehended in the rear yard of a residence several doors down. Both Officers sustained minor injuries during the foot pursuit. It must be noted that these Officers and their assistance were in a foot pursuit in over two feet of snow that in most cases was not shoveled.

The second suspect was apprehended by arriving assistance. A third suspect that was driving the getaway car was also apprehended.

Because of their quick response, high level of diligence and work ethic, all three subjects were apprehended. Those three have been arrested for burglary several times in the past. The actions of those officers involved led to the closing of numerous burglaries.

We would like to congratulate Bobby and Gerry, two veteran cops, who are well-respected in our confines, of this well-deserved award. Great job guys!!

BONUS SEGMENT

Iannone tip of the month: The ability to communicate clearly and concisely is the MOST IMPORTANT single skill.

Question: The type of communication having the advantage of speed and also well adapted to emergency type conditions is...

Choices are....A. Autocratic B. Democratic C. Freerein D. Organizational

Answer: A. Autocratic Be safe and God bless

Marine Bureau

by Dennis O'Sullivan

As the 2103 season begins, I would like to welcome back the temporaries,

Mike Shahinian, Kevin Shannon, John Coupe, John Ripp, John Citarella, Eric Myer, Ed Caroselli, Eric Dollhausen, Sean Lynch and first timer Mike Schwaner. Mike Kalab, we are still waiting for him to be sent back and hopefully that will have taken place by the reading of this article.

TRAINING

Sgt Boyle, Sgt Miller and PO Schwaner have completed Marine Patrol Vessel Operators Course, MPVOC or as we call it Fuoco U. They are all now certified and versed in the proper operation of our vessels and patrol on the high seas. PO Fuoco and PO Larmony spend a great deal of time teaching this course and it is greatly appreciated.

RETIREMENT DINNER

Our retirement party was held on May 8th 2013 at Sands on Lido Beach. The guests of honor were Joe Petrella, William Scharp, Kevin Vienne, Brian Frey, Tom Dolan, Jay Dalton, Steve Salz and Glenn Radilinsky (who unfortunately could not attend). 119 people, 30 of whom were retirees themselves, attended the affair. This affair could not be held in a venue such as the Sands without the attendance of the previous retirees because of the minimum amount that has to be guaranteed. Again as always, thank you to them. The affair went well, Greg Magnifico was the emcee and did a very good job. The caricatures that we had drawn for the event all came out fantastic and were all done in fun. I would like to thank Greg for all his help, also Bob Schmidgall and John Ripp for their help selling the raffle tickets. Joe Weller and Steve Schmidt were the winners of the raffle, congratulations to them. Lastly, an anonymous, previous retiree donated \$80.00 to be given to the longest previously retired PO in attendance, to cover their entry fee. That attendee was Artie Merrill, congratulations.

FYI

Last month in the vicinity of Bar Beach the crew of Marine 1 was assigned to patrol a detail, in service, from 0800 to 1700, "A Row For Autism". The participants included 192 crew boats with 8 persons in each boat, for a total of 1536 people. There were approximately 5 or more crew boats in the water at any given time, Marine 1, and two Bay Constable vessels. After seeing the enormity of this detail, the patrol supervisor and the CO were contacted, and another crew was brought in to cover patrol. If in the future you get to a detail and the coverage is insufficient, contact the patrol supervisor.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to Ed and Marisa Caroselli on the birth of their 7lb 12oz son, Declan Caroselli.

Notes From the ESU Corner

by Clarence Hudson III

Visiting Washington, D.C. for Police week was an eye opening experience. The fact that two members of this Department had their names added to the Memorial Wall was an honor. The reasons why Arthur Lopez and Joseph Olivieri were added to the wall are unfortunate. However, if you have never been down for the Memorial do yourselves a favor and try and make it. Just once. You will not forget the experience. The outpouring of support and love for our fallen Police Officers was overwhelming. This was from other Police Officers and civilians alike. We must never forget our fallen heroes. We must also never forget their immediate family and other relatives. They are as equally affected by the loss of our heroes as is the police department.

It is an emotional experience to look for and find your friend/co-workers name on the wall. Then, when you see it, there is a note from a young child saying that they miss that officer. One final comment. I would like to give a huge collective thank you to all of those who stepped up and worked, did mutuals, tour changes, etc. so that their co-workers could attend the memorial. We also know that a lot of people took their own time off so that they could attend the memorial. You all deserve a huge thank you for stepping up and doing the right thing.

This will be the last newsletter before the summer break. As the hot weather comes in, please don't forget to wear your vest every tour. No matter how uncomfortable it is. It could be a lifesaver.

Also, when we come back to you in September, please be advised that there are at least two fraternal organization parades in September. Check your schedules now to see if you can be off those days and attend. It would be appreciated.

Finally, enjoy the summer. Enjoy the time with your

friends and family.

Be safe out there and we will see you in September. Clarence Hudson III



ARPO

by Bob Livoti

If you are a snowbird and have come back north and haven't notified us, your newsletters are still going south so let us know when you come back north so we

can re-direct your newsletter to the right address.

We had another successful AARP Driving Class last month. The next class will probably be in September. If you want to take the next class, make sure you are on the ARPO e-mail list because that is the first line of notification for ARPO news. If you want to get on the list, just send an e-mail to ARPONCPD@aol.com and let us know. I'll put you on the e-mail list and then all you have to do is make sure you notify us if you change your e-mail address.

Last month we had to drop 20 members because they haven't paid their dues for 2013. We sent them 3 notices and still haven't head from them. If you know any of the following, please tell them to contact us about their 2013 dues:

ARRESTO, ROBERT L.
ASINELLI, ROBERT M
AUFRECHT, WILLAIM
BARNYCH, ALEXANDER J.
CLEAVER, WILLIAM F
HALKA, JOESEPH R
HANNA, JOAN T
HANSHE, JOHN H
KENNEDY, THOMAS R
KLETT, JOHN M

MAHONEY, JAMES J MAURO,RICHARD J NASBITT, RON PERLOW, DON RYAN, EILEEN SCHINDLAR, OTTO J. SCYMCYK, STEPHEN J SPERLING, EDWARD VOULO, CHRISTOPHER WING, FREDERICK J

We are looking for stories and photos from you for future issues of the newsletters. This is your newsletter and we would like to have as much input in it from you as possible. George Maher is constantly researching through the old files at HQ and in storage for things to put in each issue. Between George, Dave Fischer and myself, we have managed to keep things going but would like something from you. We know there are many photos and stories out there that everyone would find interesting so please send them into us. If you mail me your old photos, I'll scan them and send them back to you. We are especially interested in color photos if any one has some. Since we have the ability to use color on our front page, it always looks nice with a color photo on it.

Dave Fischer has to be congratulated for securing over 100 tickets to a Mets game last month. Dave with his vast number of connections was able to get the tickets from his contact with the NY Mets and the tickets were given

out at the May open meeting. Members were advised by e-mail that the tickets were available as the deal came up about a week before the open meeting. Great job Dave.

For you snowbirds that have returned north and haven't told us, your newsletter will still be going south unless you notify us that you are back north. Let us know at least 1 month in advance when you are making a move.

This is the last issue before our summer break. We hope you enjoy your summer and hope to see you at our next meeting in September.



Columbia Police Association

by Frank A. Ruvolo, President

First, I would like to thank and acknowledge all members of our Department who made an effort to attend the many Police Memorials over the past month. With so many locations and different dates, I hope you were able to make at least one of them to honor and memorialize our own heroes. I attended the F.O.P and the Headquarters memorial service and was glad I made the effort to be a part of both. May our officers, and all those across the country honored at Washington Memorial rest in peace. I also thank the participants, including our own member Chris Ferro who rode in the Police Unity Tour to Washington.

Our June meeting is the last for the year, we hold no meetings over the summer. If you happen to be reading this before the meeting date of June 10, please try to attend. We will not meet until the September 9th meeting but emails will be sent of any news or events from this Organization. A reminder to send in those Scholarship Applications, our deadline was June 1 but there are many others within the booklet to apply for. We will meet with the Police Commissioner shortly who will draw the scholarships, good luck to all who entered.

This month, also is a Fundraiser car show being held at St Anthony's High School for our member Joseph Olivieri and also for Artie Lopez and NYPD Sgt Divers, please check the May newsletter and here for the flier and try to attend to show your support. I thank all members and friends for buying the \$20 raffle tickets for the \$10,000 prize, all proceeds to the 3 officers families, tickets will also be sold and drawn at the show.

Our organization had a table and signed up some new members at Police Family Day at Headquarters on May 18, it was nice to see our members stop by the table to say hello.

At the May meeting, unfortunately our guest speaker, Chris Callagy of Janney Montgomery Scott financial services wasn't able to attend due to an emergency and will be rescheduled. Fortunately, our member Alaine MacDougall who is with New York Life became our guest speaker at a moment's notice and spoke about life insurance, tax brackets, annuities and investments, Alaine works from the New York Life Melville office and can be reached at 631-391-2920.

Sal Mistretta of Pistol License also spoke about the recent gun law changes and magazine issues and mentioned the state form to remove your name from any list of a licensed holder, I thank Sal for speaking also.

Our membership renewals have come back with great response, still if you hold yours and haven't renewed, please do it soon.

To be included in our email list with meeting and event updates, or have any ideas or questions or know of any member suffering or in need, or have knowledge of a good arrest, email me at dept email or: frankcar108@aol.com

I look forward to seeing you when the meetings resume and I encourage you to invite other eligible or prospective members to the future meetings. Hope you and your families a happy and healthy summer.



Police Emerald Society Nassau County, NY

www.ncpdemerald.org by Tom DeSane

Summertime is here. We have already had a great first half of 2013, featuring some of our premier events. We still have some great events planned in the coming months.

Last month, our representatives once again attended Police Memorial Week in Washington, DC. We were joined by many of our members and friends in honoring two of our brothers from NCPD whose names were added to the granite walls of the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial. We also were there to honor all of our brothers and sisters who have made the ultimate sacrifice and their families. Everyone in our profession should attend Police Memorial Week at least once during their career. It puts into perspective the things that are really important in this life and reminds us to appreciate them every day.

Our Installation Dinner Dance was held on May 16th at the Crest Hollow Country Club. Congratulations to President Wilson and our Executive Board on their official swearing in. Congratulations also to our honorees, Man of the Year John Murray Jr., Louis Walker President's Award winner James Carver and Police Officer of The Year Michael Schneider. All who attended our dinner had a great time as usual. Thanks again to Dinner Dance Chairman Rob Blum, who has been involved in running our dinner's since some of us were in grade school, for again providing our members with a spectacular event.

Our Golf Outing will be held on June 6th at Timber Point Country Club. Breakfast is at 0700 with an 0800 shotgun start. \$150 per golfer includes breakfast, lunch, dinner, refreshments and awards. Inquiries regarding last minute

registration can be made ASAP through our email, ncpdemerald@yahoo.com. We cannot guarantee an opening at this time, but will attempt to accommodate any requests if possible. Flyers are available on our website at www.ncpdemerald.org/FLYERPAGE.

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month, excluding July and August, at Peppercorn's in Hicksville and are free for our members to attend. Non members are welcome to attend and sign up at the meeting.

Remember, up to date information on all events and additional information, including important notifications, membership applications, flyers and photos of all our events can be found on our regularly updated website: www.ncpdemerald.org. You can also check us out on facebook. STAY SAFE and have a GREAT SUMMER!

Police Holy Name Society of Nassau County

by Neil J. Delargy, President

The week in which I write this article is a very stressful and exciting one not only for the Police Holy Name Society but for the entire Catholic Church. The HNS Communion Mass and Breakfast takes place this upcoming Sunday which also happens to be St. Patrick's Day. As we all know, Pope Benedict XVI, has stepped down from the Chair of Saint Peter, and this third week of March marks the meeting of the College of Cardinals to pick his successor. By the time this article is delivered the Catholic Church will have a new leader. We in the HNS pray in solidarity for the new successor of Peter, the next Bishop of Rome.

That was the opening paragraph to the May Newsletter that was, unfortunately, not published. The new pope has been selected and Pope Francis has captured the world's attention with his humble manners and his simpler and less formal approach to the position of leader of the Catholic Church. The Police Holy Name Society joins the Catholic community in praying for Pope Francis.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended the Eighty-first Annual Police Holy Name Society of Nassau County's Mass and Communion Breakfast.

A special thanks to all of you who attended our Mass at Saint Agnes Cathedral.

The Mass was celebrated by Most Reverend Bishop William Murphy of the Diocese of Rockville Centre and our Chaplains Reverend Joseph D'Angelo and Reverend Gerard Gordon. They were assisted by Reverend Monsignor William Koenig of St. Agnes Cathedral.

The HNS Communion Mass is the singular event where we ask Society members and supporters to join us in publicly professing our faith. This year's Mass was very well attended we spiritually remembered PO Joseph Oliveri and Det. Arthur Lopez along with our Department members who passed since we last gathered.

The Breakfast was held at the Knight's of Columbus Hall in Oceanside and we were served a hearty meal along with a timely and interesting program.

We enjoyed the largest turnout in recent years and our program moved swiftly and entertainingly. The Society honored the Ceremonial Unit of the Police Academy, Support Division as our Saint Michaels Award recipient. The Saint Michaels's Award is the highest and most prestigious award presented by the Holy Name Society. It is presented annually to a person or persons who have distinguished themselves by a pure Christian act or Christian way of performing that has inspired or assisted other people.

Below is a reprint of the presentation given by our Chaplain Father Gerard Gordon, honoring the Ceremonial Unit:

They call it "baptism by fire." My first experience with the Ceremonial Unit was very shortly after I was commissioned as the newest chaplain for the Nassau County Police Department. An officer had just died and I was to meet the Ceremonial Unit at the family's home to discuss arrangements for his funeral. As a priest I have been at the epicenter of death and crises many times, but I was in unchartered waters as the new chaplain for the Nassau County Police Department. I was told to meet with a Sgt. LeBrun at the family's home. The first thing I noticed was that Sgt. LeBrun arrived in full uniform to meet with the family, which impressed upon me the gravity and dignity of what we were about to do...and the seriousness with which Sgt. LeBrun took his office. Subsequently there were more times I was privileged to be involved with the Ceremonial Unit: Califano, Brietkopf, Catapano, Olivieri, Lopez. Wakes, funerals, memorials, graduations, wreath laying, retirements. Albany, Washington, Headquarters, Ground Zero. And in all those times it was always with the greatest care, respect and patience that Sgt. LeBrun and the members of the Ceremonial Unit cared for those entrusted to them. Scared and grieving parents and children in hospital trauma rooms, thousands of officers at funerals, families planning funerals, coordinating a wake for hundreds, helicopter fly-overs, finding a cemetery, coordinating with a parish church. No room for mistakes. Nothing ever omitted. Everything always accomplished.

It is this Unit which has as one of its many duties, to keep everyone together. Ritual is important because it keeps us united in tradition; and tradition keeps us united with one another and with those who have gone before us. Often these sacred rituals are done in silence...without a single word: a salute, a procession, a wreath laying, standing at attention, or simply just one's presence. In a crisis, Fr. Joe and I are one of the first ones to trauma rooms in hospitals when an officer has fallen. Usually we arrive before the families have arrived, so we bless the body and await the arrival of the family members to notify them. There are two things I notice at this point: the steady arrival of Police Officers who silently line the halls of the emergency room. The key word is "silent." Their silent presence is palpable as they stand against the walls. When the priests escort the deceased body through this sea of blue one can in fact feel the fraternal presence. It is an awe-inspiring and emotional moment. The second thing that takes place is when the Ceremonial Unit takes over. Slowly, patiently, every preliminary detail is gone over with the family. And every 15 minutes Sgt. LeBrun will say: "Let's take a break."

In putting together these few thoughts I realize that the thoughts are very serious and emotional for all involved at the time, but there is no other way to explain it. This is what the Ceremonial Unit does. It carries us through crises through the tradition of ritual. They carry through when many are too distraught to go on. That's why we feel the lump in the throat when they do what they do.

Conversely, I have enjoyed the off-duty company shared by this special unit as well. Traveling with them to Albany for the State Memorial and Mass last year was a great experience for me to share in their fraternity and revelry. I enjoyed spending a few days with the group and enjoyed going out to dinner with them after a day of ceremonies. They are an elite and indispensable part of the fraternity most worthy of this award.

You all receive this award from a grateful fraternity and a grateful community: Richard, Michael, Steven, Fintan, Linda, Michelle, Michael, Daniel, Anthony, Robert, Peter, Scott, Richard, John, Catherine, Robert, Daniel and Terrance.

Lastly, and on a very personal note, I will always be grateful to the Ceremonials Unit for their unexpected presence at my own mother's wake and funeral in December. In those days I was able to understand first-hand what it is like to be the recipient of the graciousness of the Ceremonial Unit. In Catholic parlance, we call that "grace." The help that God gives us to respond freely to His call to service. That is what they do; they bring God's Grace to difficult times. They do it well. They do it every time.

Father Gordon did a great presentation and the HNS was proud to have DI Dan Flanagan the Commanding Officer of the Police Academy present along with Sgt. Rich LeBrun and many members of the Ceremonial Unit to receive this worthy award.

Our guest speaker was Bishop Robert Brennan of the Diocese of Rockville Centre who gave an inspiring, insightful talk about his life as a Long Islander who has risen to a position of importance in the Catholic Church.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank the unions and fraternal organizations that have supported our function by purchasing a table or tickets and most importantly by attending our affair. Big thanks to Police Officers Bob Graves and Dan Johannessen of Community Affairs who coordinated the slide shows and made it possible to have the wonderful assistance from the Police Explorers. Thank you to: the Pipe Band; Curt Maler and Gus Kalin our Department buglers; Doris Ryan our Department Photographer; the Color Guard and the Ceremonial Unit led by Sergeant Rich LeBrun who helped keep us in line that morning.

The HNS has planned an exciting Pilgrimage to Italy that has now taken on a new level of significance, as we have the opportunity to possibly greet the new Pope while in Rome. We travel November 11 for ten days enjoying the splendor of the Italian countryside beginning in the iconic city of Venice

and concluding in the majestic city of Rome. People have asked, "why a pilgrimage and how is that different that a tour?" I have found an excellent explanation of the difference of these experiences while reading the Long Island Catholic. Monsignor James McNamara of the RVC Diocese takes many parishioners on pilgrimages throughout the world and it just so happens we are taking a trip very similar to one he is leading this summer.

Msgr. McNamara explains: "Many people like to travel. Many people of faith prefer to go on a pilgrimage rather than a tour. A pilgrimage is different from a tour. On a tour you go to see places. On a pilgrimage you go to meet a person. Specifically, on a pilgrimage you go in search of God. In the routine of daily life within our familiar surroundings, we tend to be busy and unreflective. In this setting it may be hard for God to gain our attention or, to reverse the perspective, it may be hard for us to be attentive to God's presence. On a pilgrimage we displace ourselves so that we can go in search of God. We displace ourselves from all that is comfortable and familiar so that God may speak to our hearts in a new way. Whether it be the variables of travel, the unfamiliar language and customs of a new place or the opportunities for discovery, pilgrimage puts us outside our own routine and our own comfort zone so that we can look for God in new ways and with fresh perspective. On one level this means letting go of our American standards and expectations to open ourselves to the hospitality that is given in a distant land. On a spiritual level it means making ourselves available to God so that we can be surprised by grace."

We have traveled to Jerusalem, Rome, Fatima, Loyola, Lourdes and many other historic Catholic sites as a group with the Holy Name Society and we invite you to join us on our new adventure to Italy. Please go to our website policeholyname.com for all the details.

The Monsignor

by Rick Capece

One of the strongest influences to the Nassau Police Holy Name Society "The Monsignor" Jack Welch passed away in April. It has been written how he mentored and influenced so many Police Officers and people through the writings that so many of us came to know and love. He was a staple at the retreats and received great joy in explaining the retreat house "facts" to first timers. I want to pass along what has not been spoken about, Jack Welch the cop.

I worked for Jack for 10 years in the 6th Pct., he loved his job. He approached police work as he approached life, spiritually and with an insight to the human condition that most would ignore but he didn't. He started a tradition at Christmas of setting up baskets to be distributed to the needy on the North Shore. You may ask "where are the needy on the North Shore"? Jack found them. He turned the collection of the baskets into an informal Precinct Christmas Party that unified and uplifted the morale of the

command. Pictures of those gatherings still hang in the 6th Pct.

I remember on a cold midnight getting a signal 30 to the desk and Jack telling me to take an unmarked car and drive a woman and her two children to Queens. They were the victims of a domestic on Spinny Hill. This was before the Domestic Violence Policy or safe havens were around. He gave me \$20 and said make sure she stops for some groceries for the kids and whatever I do don't get into an auto accident. That was Jack.

There was a woman in Great Neck who was involved in a horrific accident that left her paralyzed. Her family basically abandoned her and left her bedridden to be taken care of by aides. She became bitter and nasty. Several calls to the Precinct were generated by her for basic nonsense but then Jack responded one day and spent time talking to her. He listened and understood and got others to do the same. This bitter woman now had some bright spot in her life. That was Jack.

Whenever someone in the command needed some time off for a family matter Jack took care of them. When women came on the job in larger numbers in the 80's he treated them fairly and explained the job to them and made them feel comfortable. When someone in the command was in need, no matter what the reason, Jack would quietly assemble the resources needed. If in confidence it stayed in confidence. That was Jack.

I can go on and on. Jack was great guy, a mentor and a friend. He pointed things out to me that I would never have seen, real and spiritual. I still remember some of his advice and adhere to it. I owe a lot of how I supervise and get things done to Jack. He influenced me and countless other Police Officers. Rest easy my friend, your life's work carries on.



Last month I wrote I had nothing. This month I got something. Though I wish I didnt have anything. I had submitted my May article on April 12th, days ahead of the usual April 15th deadline because I was heading up to Boston that weekend for the marathon. The plan was to run 26.2 miles that morning. Try to do a decent enough time based on the amount of training I had done for it this year. And then go out and celebrate that night in a place crowded with other runners who had finished the marathon. But there would be no celebration that night. The finish line. The end of a long journey. It is where the runner gets cheered on more than at any other point during a race whether it is a 5k, 10k, a marathon or something in between. Family. Friends. Strangers. All gathered at one spot with a shared interest. To see someone finish a race. Yell. Scream. Shout. All in good fun. But that April afternoon in Boston, yell, scream and shout took on a darker tone.

The Boston Marathon starts in Hopkington, twenty six miles outside of Boston. Over 22,000 runners going off in 3 waves - 10 am, 1020 am and 1040 am. I was running in the first wave with the faster runners. Not that the other two waves are all that much slower. The Boston Marathon with its mixture of qualified runners and those running for a charity is still a very fast runner's marathon. 26.2 miles to Boston. A finish line awaited for those who would complete the journey back to Boston. As you make that final left turn onto Boylston Street in Boston, the finish line is in sight. About a quarter of a mile to go. Both sides of the street are packed with screaming spectators. Some in the stands. Others standing behind the barricades. Nothing unusual about the finish. I crossed the finish line in 3:07:02. About 1:10 Boston time. The finish line is now a gauntlet of activities. Bottle of water. Heat sheet wrap. Medals. Photos. Gatorade. Snacks. Then it is off to pick up your belongings that were checked in back in Hopkington and left of school buses. By now I am several blocks away from the finish line. I gather my bag and look for a place to sit. Waiting on a friend who ran as well. It is also a chance to change into warmer clothes. Eat. Rehydrate. No rush to leave as we still had just over a mile walk back to our hotel in the Boston Common area. It was about 2:10 pm when we started to walk back to our hotel. I turned the TV on and posted on Facebook that I had finished the marathon. About 5 minutes later, around 2:50 pm the two bombs went off.

The TV cameras were focused on the finish line and the replays showed the first bomb going off. The day quickly takes on a somber tone. Communication lines go down temporarily. I am able to get text messages and post on facebook that I am okay and a mile away from the finish line area. Safely back in my hotel room. Who bombs a marathon? It will never make sense to us runners. However it was the spectators who suffered both death and serious injuries. The spectators who unwittingly became shields for the runners in that final stretch because so many of them came out to cheer us on. I think that is something that got lost in the aftermath. The focus seemed to be on the runners but other than an elderly runner who fell due to being startled, other runners continued to cross the finish line till it became clear as to what exactly just transpired. It has shifted as spectators were released from the hospital to talk about their injuries. Stories of those who died were told. The question of "Will you run again?" asked of runners shifted to "Will you come and watch this race again?" were now asked of spectators. I will be back in Boston to run next year. As will others. Spectators will be back as well. Interest in participating next year is high at the moment but the qualifying standard remains in place making it difficult for most runners to gain entry, though I expect the race organizers will make a number of exceptions. Especially to the 4000 runners who were stopped before completing the marathon.

I followed up the Boston Marathon three weeks later at the Long Island Festival of Races. The first Sunday in May is the bigger day of the two day festival with a full marathon (677 finishers), half marathon (3798 finishers) and a 10K run (1576 finishers) all running at the same time. I participated in the half marathon. Security was noticeable as only runners were allowed in the starting line area. Along the course were a mixture of police and auxiliary police. It never occurred to any of us that anything would happen to this race. I crossed the finish line in 1:29:58 and it was a typical sunday for a runner for the most part. But what had happened in Boston weighed heavily on our minds that day. Runners like myself wore shirts supporting Boston. The world continues to change and one can only take it one step at a time to keep pace with the changes. The Police Appreciation 5K run takes place on Thursday June 6th at 7 pm at Eisenhower Park. The club will be there along with members from the NYPD running club who support us every year. Registration will be able to be done on race day at the park. We hope for a large turnout as the funds raised go to support those officers in need. The NY State Summer series kicks off June 17th. The eight week series at various state parks is the clubs usual Monday night gathering. The full series is sold out but spots are still available for Tier 2 which consists of four races. But you don't need to run if you just want to come out to the park that night and hang out with the rest of the club in the picnic area. Updates will be on our Facebook page at Nassau Police Running Club.

UPCOMING RACES

June 8th Keith Nintzel 5k- Sayville

Center Moriches 5K

June 9th Sid Jacobson 5K - East Hills

June 13th NYC Police Chase 5K, Flushing Meadow

June 15th Ellen Gordon 5K

Eisenhower Park

Shwachman Diamond Dash Sayville

Shelter Island 10K

June 22 Long Beach 5K

June 23 Katie's Run 5K

New Hyde Park

June 30 Massapequa 5K Firecracker Run



Rocco Sinisi at the Boston Marathon.



Rocco crossing the finish line.

Retired Column

by John Nosovitch

ED (RUBBER GUN) GUNN ... rubbergunn1@ hotmail. com OK! The 20th Nassau Blue Reunion is over. They had a good turnout. I was talking to Andy Mulrain who has been to it and Paul Gresheimer and Conrad Grimm who have not. I suggested that the party animals who we were on the job with should make our presence known there. Where are the party people from 1967 to now. Here is an incomplete list of party people that I have hoisted a few with. Let's go to Kissimmee Fla. on Jan. 23-26 2014 and show them how it is done. I am sure we have a few tales to tell. Bob Pfeiffer, Paul Barthelson, Frank Bokrosh, Joe Pagliucca, John Fitzpatrick, John Markwalter, Bob Barry, All the Barrys as a matter of fact, Bill Roden, John McMurrer, Larry Pfaff, Dennis Farrell, Bobby Donald, Gary Corwin, Larry Zepernick, Andy Mulrain, Conrad Grimm, Bob Donely, Bob Gormsen, Craig Braun, Al Cole, Joe Bosco, Paul Gresheimer, Phil Rice, Steve Sullivan, John Daly, Larry Neushotz, Paul Farron, Dick Hanley, Warren Healey, Tommy Zolzer, John Yanch, Randy Kaser, Ed Madill, Bob Teppner. Hell, everyone in the First Pct. has partied with me. So let's represent our generation and show up and tell tall tales in January.

CARL W. JOHNSON ... Seriesman49@aol.com I would like to thank you for your work keeping this column going. I would like to say a few things about my friend, Mark Keener who as you know passed away on March 13th. Mark and I were friends for almost 40 years. We were kids when we met at the 6th Pct. Mark and I were partners in the Burglary Unit in the 6th from the Mid 70's to the early 80's. He was a great cop and more important a great human being. I could fill the newsletter with all the things Mark did to help people. He found out some one we worked with was very ill and would not be able to come back to work. Mark spent days making a basement apartment, so the ill man's wife would have some extra income. That was the kind of person he was caring, sincere and a standup guy. He also loved animals, he always had beautiful German Shepards. Plus he and his wife, Chris ran a bird rescue at their home in Sag Harbor. My wife Sandy and I went to visit Mark and Chris on our way to New York in December. Mark and I talked and laughed about our adventures. The next day we said our good byes and we both said we hoped we would see each other again. May God Bless you Mark, rest in peace - you were a good man!!

DON PESCIA...D.Pescia@aol.com 261 Easy St. Sebastian, Fl 32958. Just a short note to tell you about our Snow Bird Luncheon held in Port St. Lucie, Florida in February. We had about 70 people in attendance. Following is a list of 58 folks. I apologize to the people who attended as I did not get their names. The luncheon's purpose was three fold. 1. To honor retired Commissioners of Police Wayne Seay and John Kennedy. Two great men and bosses. 2. To honor the 83 members of NCPD that passed away in 2012. We had a great memorial of "the empty chair" ceremony. We also paid tribute to Bob Hayes. Bob was our Nassau Blue

South president who passed away on 2012. Bob and his wife, Joan were the heart and soul of NB South. We gave Joan and her daughters a framed poem of the "Officer's Prayer" 3. Introduction of Nassau Blue South Executive Board. President, Al Sarro, 1st Vice President, Don Pescia, 2nd Vice President and Treasurer Bill Stehling, Recording Secretary Ralph Patrone, Sgt. at Arms, Dennis Boyle, Chaplin Paul Murray. Trustees, Lenny Miller, Ralph Meyers and Connie Segwart. Attorney John Kennedy.

It was a wonderful luncheon and Nassau Blue Executive Board picked up the gratuities for all attendees. We plan to do it again in February 2014. The attendees were: Bill Aufrect, John Berg, Charles Blansfield, Cliff Burke, Nick Baudo, Jack Cain, Campanells, Tom Cassidy, Joe ConSalazio, Barry Crawford, William Cocks, Richard and Marge Daunt, Guy De Jesus, Lorraine Guzzi, Max Dolen, Tom De Paoloa, Barry Falk, Bob & Pat Farmer, Jules Fijuk, Charles and Carol Gordon, Ralph Gearcline. Bob Grimes, Joan Hayes, Joann Ilardo(Bob Hayes's Daughter) John Kennedy, Robert Krywak, Jerru Looney, John Lang, Ed Mansfield, Frank Mc Cormack, Debra McBride (Bob Hayes's Daughter) Wayne Mc Morrow, Ken Mc Goff, Ralph Myer, Lenny Miller, The Larry Neushotz, Steve Pavlick, Ralph & Ellie Patrone, Don & Mary Pescia, Bob Putko, Al Sarro, Frances Filoso, Frank & Jeanne Sielaff, Wayne Seay, Connie Seqwart, Frank Serianni, Bill Stehling, Bryon Sullivan, Jim Short, Tom Walsh, Greg & Janet Vazquez, Ed Watson, Tom Van Loan, If anyone wants to attend the luncheon in February of 2014. They can contact me at D.Pescin@aol.com or Al Sarro at frantix@att.net. Will see you in Kissimmee in 2014. Come early (Wednesday) and help us set up. Mary and I will be there as well as the Regulars from Nassau Blue.

FRANK McCORMACK ... 13 Chevy Chase Rd Hampton Bays, N.Y. 11946-2802. Frank wrote and sent Bob Burdewick's Obituary. Bob was involved in The PBA and SOA over the years and held many position including editor of the PBA Newsletter. Bob continued his love of police and writing after his retirement. As well as local politics in Dunedin , Florida. His achievements are too numerous to mention at this time. Bob was a good friend to many and is missed. Peg and I returned to Long Island on April 12th.

JOE GRELLA..... jgrella@tampabay.rr.com

Say Hey, Y'all. I hope this finds you two happy and well. We down here are fine. We were on the Island in April, from the 16th to the 20th. We went up for the Promotional Ceremony, at the Kellenberg Memorial High School, in Uniondale. My son Joe, was promoted to Sgt. in Dec. Needless for me to say it was a proud moment. He passed on a commission in the Navy to come on the Job so he could live his dream. Joe, wrote a request to Commissioner Dale, requesting a shield number change to my Sgt. shield number. I have been told the request was granted. I was also happy to see a few of the people that I worked with and who worked for me, moving right along. Namely, Chief of Det. Rick Capece, Dep. Chief Marianne Thompson, Dep. Insp. John Conti and Sgt. Thomas Karp. I saw my old partner Det. Bob (Barney) Hillman, of Robbery Sqd., his son Brandon, was promoted to Detective. I had it said many times to me by sev-

eral people "The Job is not the way it was as you remember". Maybe it is not, but one thing stands out and that is the people. Things move in cycles and our job moves in cycles as well. I remember some terrible times the Justice Dept. put us through. I remember some contract problems, like, you Cops will never see \$ 20,000. I also remember good times as well. While on the Island I along with Joe attended the RPA meeting on the 18th. in Massapequa. I ran into a bunch of guys who attend the Nassau Blue Reunion. Again, another nice evening with a real Massapequa Pizza. The 2014 Reunion is scheduled for the last week-end of January, from the 23rd. to the 26th. We are holding it at the same Ramada Hotel, with the Tower rooms. There will be a sit down dinner as opposed to a buffet and suits and dresses. As of right now the prices will be \$25.00 per for the hospitality room and \$47.50 per for the dinner which will be a choice of three different entrees. We will in the near future send out a flier with all the particulars. On the 18th. of May, Arlene and I are hosting the Nassau Blue Spring Picnic on the property. I finished rebuilding my pistol range and opened a 50 yard position for any members who want to blow the dust off or out of a barrel. With the ammo situation as it is there may not be too much shooting. I sure hope things improve in that area. Stay well and have a Great Summer !!.

ODDS AND ENDS

Ed and June Cullen are on a cruise from Enessenada Mexico to Victoria BC then flying back to Seattle.

Glad Ed is over his illnesses and is getting around once again. Glad to hear **Ralph Torres** is home and doing better.. Hang in their Ralph..

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Deepest Sympathy to the families of Robert C. (Bob) Cline, Louis J. Fucito, Frank P. Fehn, Anthony D. Manely and to Bill Burns on the death of his wife Elizabeth (Betty) Burns. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Get Well to **Ralph Torres and Tom Lynch.** Get Well soon...

WRITER'S THOUGHTS

This is it for the Summer. That does not mean out of sight, out of mind. Drop a line via snail mail or e-mail.

Lets us know what you are up to and your article will appear in the September issue of the Retired Column.

Have A Great Summer

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International Police Association, Region 5

by Daniela Farrell, 3 north

For those who are not aware, we are a fraternal organization in the department, but we extend well beyond the department, in fact we are worldwide. My family and I just

got back from China for Spring Break and were able to utilize the services available to us via our international website. My mother was attended to with kid gloves by our brothers PO Chong and PO Cheong of Hong Kong IPA. They picked her up from the airport, provided her with a local phone card and took my mother and my son to dinner being attentive to what they were ordering and alerting them to anything that may have been a bit too different for their palate. My son, Thomas (NCPD Police Explorer), in his youthful defiance, tried pigeon, scorpions, cicadas, starfish and jellyfish. Although their trip was over, on the last day PO Chong pleasantly surprised them and took them to see the Temple of a Thousand Buddhas. I felt comfortable to allow my mother and son to visit Hong Kong without my protective presence while my daughter and I were in Beijing, because I trusted our friends in blue were going to maintain a watchful eye over them like family.

Our President Sgt. Arnold Rothenberg, Sgt. Timothy Rooney and PO John Meehan of IPA reg. 5 are on the Police Unity Tour to support the Police Memorial in Washington DC, as they have done these past years. I am sure they will have some great stories to share with us upon their return.

This year we are organizing a joint effort with region 15 (Suffolk) to have A Day at the Races at Belmont mid July, lookout for the flyers soon to be released with more details. To be placed on the mailing list for this event please send an e-mail with your address to lflagois@optonline.net and/or mooshbali@aol.com we need an approximate head count ASAP.

Also, as members of the IPA, we have youth exchange programs, I am hosting a 16 YOA boy from Spain whose parents are both Federal police officers (dad is DI) and two families who had been to NYC before are returning with their children in tow and we will be providing them with our hospitality (one family from British Columbia and one from France). If anyone has been on the fence about joining this organization it is easy, send a request to either of the aforementioned e-mail addresses, with your address, and an application will be mailed to you, return it with a \$25 check and you will receive an IPA passport and your ID card from the International. If you are looking to travel abroad or want to send your child somewhere far away for a few weeks in the summer, once you are a member you may go on our website: www.ipa-usa.org and place your request. You will have friendly faces on the other side to assist you in feeling like you are at home while away from home.



NOTICES

★ ATTENTION ALL MARINES ★

Nassau/Suffolk USMC Association Meetings First Thursday of Every Month Tun Tavern, 1st Marine Corps District

605 Stewart Avenue, Garden City - 2000 Hours Yearly Event: USMC Birthday Celebration Assn. Chaplain - Fr. Joseph D'Angelo Annual Scholarship drawn at Birthday Celebration

Contact

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Dues: \$10/Year

★7th Precinct Website★

The 7th Precinct now has a website for active and retired members.go to:

www.the7thpct.org and register

★Second Precinct ★Retirees Breakfast

10AM - Second Tuesday each month Hauppauge Palace Diner (corner Rte 347/Rte 111)

★Eighth Precinct★BREAKFAST CLUB

Meets 1st Monday of the Month Embassy Dinner Hempstead Tpke., Bethpage - 10:00 AM

★3rd Precinct Website★ www.the3rdprecinct.com

Photos • Upcoming Events Squad Calendars • Turnout Notes Time Section Info...and much more

To gain access to the "Members Section" You must enter a user name & password

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Police Amateur Radio Club
is now on the Net at www.qsl.net/kb2uyp

★Fourth Precinct Retirees★2ND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH 12:30 PM

Johnny Russell's Union Park Cafe

2823 Long Beach Road • Oceanside, NY 11572 (Corner of Merle Ave) 12 Hr. T.O.H. Parking Lot (Enter from Rear)

★First Precinct★Romeo Club

(Retired Old Men Eating Out) Breakfast We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 9:30AM

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★4th Precinct Website★the4thprecinct.org

The new 4th precinct website for all present and past members of the 4th Precinct Log onto **the4thpct.org** to register and find out about precinct events and happenings

★Fifth Precinct★Retirees Brunch

11AM - First Wed., each month Massapequa Diner

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7:00 Breakfast/Registration 8:00 Shotgun Start 3 Hour Open Bar / Raffle / Awards Breakfast/Lunch.Dinner

\$150 per golfer

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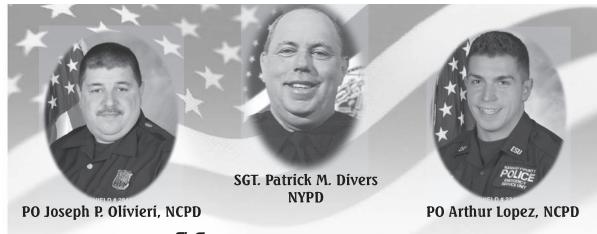
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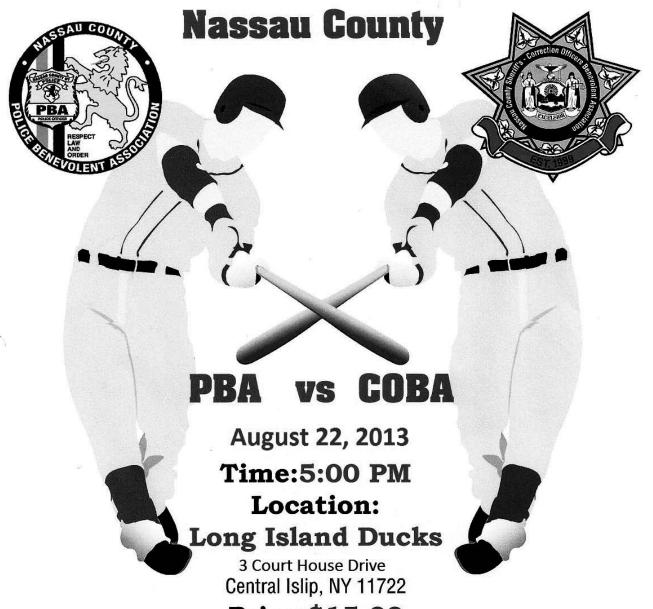
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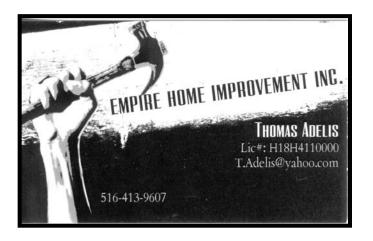
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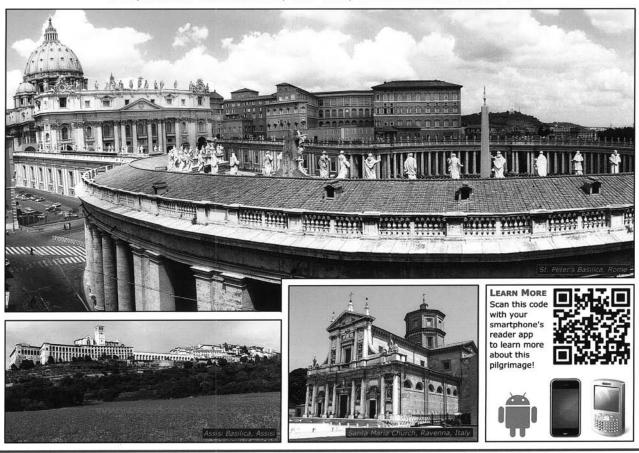
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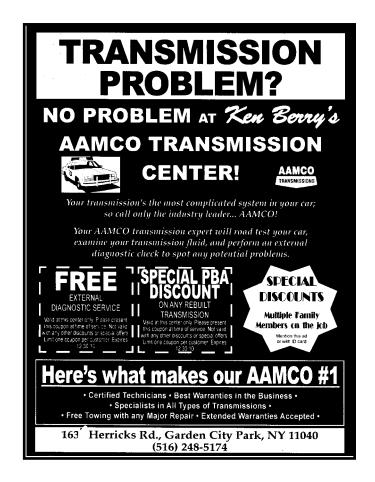
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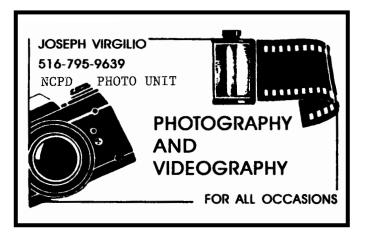
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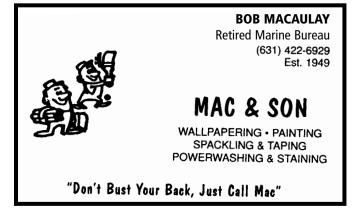
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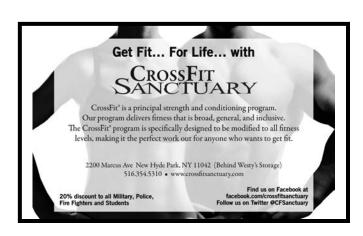




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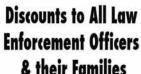
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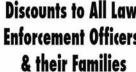


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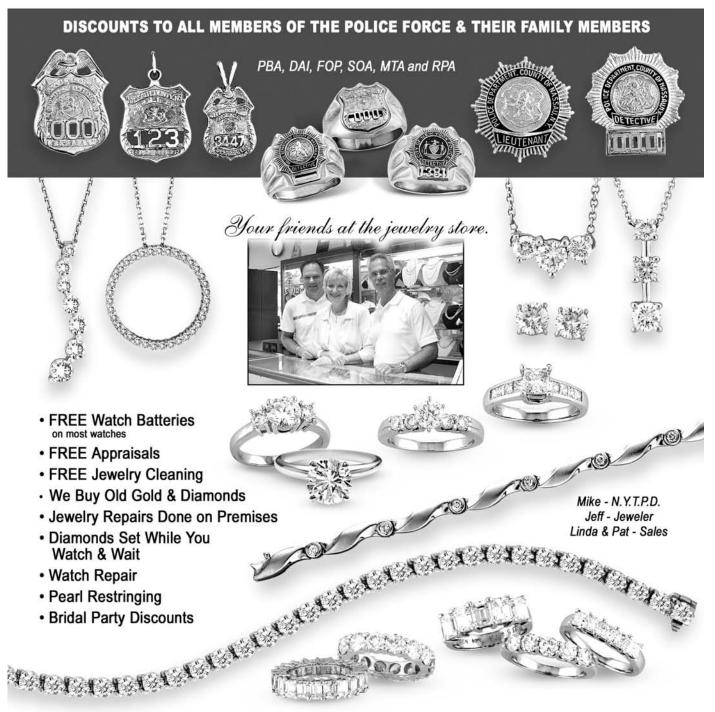


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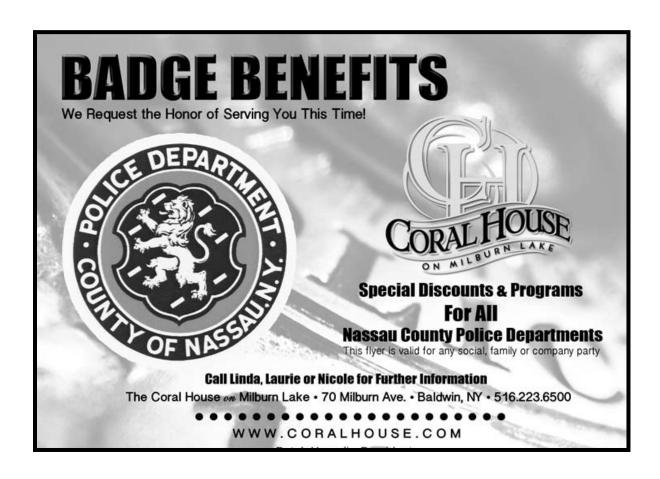
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