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January 10, 2012

To: P. B. A. President James Carver
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7th Precinct Commander Mary Blanchard
All members of the Nassau Co. Police
Dept., especially the Policemen and
Policewomen from the 7th Precinct
From: Colleen Magnificio's parents

There aren't any words in the dictionary that could express our sincere thanks to all members of the Nassau Co. Police Dept.; especially the Policemen & Policewomen from the 7th Precinct who were at our daughter's side at the horrific accident on Southern State Parkway.

A police officer held her head when she was taken out of the car until she reached NCMC Trauma Center.

From then on, there were at least 2 officers with her 24/7. Most of the time there were others, many who

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visited on their lunch time or on their day off.

We are thankful that she is now recuperating slowly but surely at home with her great husband Gregg and her wonderful daughter Molly.

May God Bless all of you and your families with good health and lots of happiness always for the kindness you have all shown Colleen.

Most sincerely and with
lots of love,

Tom + Dot Castello

1st Vice-President

by Pete Paterson

The 2012 legislative session in Albany has started with the introduction of the budget for the fiscal year 2012. While there was an introduction for a new Retirement Tier System for new hires contained in the budget, we were pleased that they didn't go after any benefits for existing employees. **Your current pension is protected by the New York State Constitution**, but we still have to protect other rights and benefits. The Governor even went as far as to mention in his budget proposal that the new tier will only affect the "unborn". While this does not affect our current members, we are still opposing the effort to implement a new tier system. Just three years ago, Tier V was enacted for new employees and most departments, including ours, have not hired any one under this plan. This is still yet another attack on our benefits.

The budget is still being worked on and I will let you know what happens with the new pension tier proposal for new hires, if it stays in the budget.

Legislative issues

Workers compensation law

The PBA is supporting a bill that would assist our members that are having difficulty with getting medical treatments from Chiropractors or physical therapists. They have instituted new rules that limit the amount of treatment from what you would have normally received under the old rules.

Tier II Death Benefit Annuity Beneficiary

This would allow beneficiaries of members in Tier II to receive the death benefit in the form of an annuity and be able to assign another beneficiary. Currently the law allows the beneficiary to receive the death benefit in the form of an annuity but he or she cannot assign another beneficiary, therefore the benefits stopped upon their death.

4th of July Holiday for Military Reservists

This bill would amend the military law so that active reservists can have the same exact benefit for the Fourth of July holiday that retired reservists have.

The Martins Act

This bill would allow the comptroller to seek damages due to losses in investments that occurred due to violations of state security laws. The New York State Comptroller has some ability to join in class action suits, and has done so, in order to recoup monies that were invested from the pension funds. While the Comptroller's office have recouped millions of dollars by doing so, this bill would allow him to bring a direct action for damages against an entity that committed, aided or abetted or participated in securities fraud under the Martin Act.

Line of Duty Disabilities for Active Reservists

Currently, the law provides for line of duty death benefits for public employees who are killed in the line of duty while serving our country. This bill would seek to take care of any of our members who may become permanently disabled from their participation in the war on terror so that their families would be properly provided for.

We are working on several other legislative issues and I will address them in a legislative update and later newsletter columns.

Retirement System update

I recently attended a New York State Comptrollers advisory meeting in Albany to receive a formal update from New York State Comptroller DiNapoli. He has publicly been a strong supporter of our defined benefit pension plan that we have now.

At the meeting he pointed out several issues that will be a potential problem with the new Tier VI if it is enacted. He further stated that the investment portfolio has been bringing in stronger returns over the past year. Since the contribution rate is figured with using a five year investment rate period, this should hopefully bring down the rates in the near future. We will be following this closely to see what effect it has on the next few county budgets.

The Pension system is fully funded and the system maintains a strong ranking amongst state pension systems

9/11

A great deal of Police Officers and Firefighters made the ultimate sacrifice that day and they should never be forgotten. A lot of our membership participated in the rescue and recovery effort at the World Trade Center disaster and unfortunately are suffering from various illnesses as a result. We also don't know how many are going to be affected in the future. We have been working on this issue for several years on a local, state and federal level. Here is some of what has been accomplished so far:

Local level: negotiated an agreement for our members who were activated immediately after the events of 9/11 so that their families wouldn't suffer undue financial losses. We have several outstanding issues we have to deal with for our members. One issue involves our members who participated as first responders for another agency such as the NYPD or NYFD. There are several questions arising of what benefits they are entitled to since they now work for another agency. The PBA held a seminar in the fall at the PBA office, and it was very well attended. We received a lot of good ideas and we are following through with them both locally and through the state legislature.

We have been in contact with representatives from the 9/11 task force and we hope to have some new legislation put in the near future to address some of the concerns and issues that were brought up.

Federal Legislation

I am a member of the Legislative Committee of NAPO (National Association of Police Organizations). This is an

organization that represents police officers with respect to federal issues and legislation. NAPO worked closely with Congress to supply the necessary funding under the Zadroga law to provide treatment and monitoring the health of our first responders of the 9/11 attacks.

Recently, a committee recommended that certain cancers be covered under the Zadroga Act. We will be working closely with NAPO and support their efforts to include these illnesses in the law.

I will send out a legislative update in the near future to keep you advised of these issues and any other legislative issue arises.

2nd Vice President

by Kevin Tobin

As I write this article, the PBA has just left the legislative meeting on public safety. It was by far one of the most horrific meetings we have ever attended. The intolerable way the public, the PBA, and whomever else the leg. could treat with disrespect was the order of the day. It was a day that Peter Schmidt and his soldiers will go down in history, as one big smear in Nassau County. It was even a sadder day for the Police Dept. of this county.

Not since the Suozzi days have we seen this type of dismantling of the Police Dept. or bashing of the entire organization as a wholesale target. The deputy County exec. speaking on and for the commissioner. Commissioner Dale arriving at a plan that he stated was his plan, for closing the pcts. It was actually so troubling to witness that people had to leave for a break so as not let their anger overcome them. To tell people that this plan was his personal plan, and then let deputy county exec. Rob Walker and our own 1st deputy Commissioner Krumpert do the explaining of the plan is just short of calling everyone idiots. Are you kidding me?? This plan was born way before he got here, by Commissioner Krumpert and Rob Walker, and whoever else they could get to buy into the utter destruction of this Department. Not only is this plan flawed on several different levels, we have the same deputy Commissioner Krumpert who worked under Suozzi attempting to assist Ed Mangano with this plan to begin the demise of this job. Why do you think he remains at a very high position in the department???

Never once was a feasibility study ordered, any projected difficulties that would be encountered, nor were the "backbone" of the department, the cops, or middle management even consulted. They are ramming it down everyone's throat and they know it, that is why the public hearing they made everyone who wanted to speak, wait over 4 hours to say their comments, in spite of their raw tactics, many stayed and were more angry than anyone could imagine. All but one were dead set against this plan, yet the vote on party lines took front seat, another disgrace for Nassau County.

Where are the advocates for Police Officers in this County??? Better yet, where are the advocates for Police Officers within the department??? If this meeting was an example of this department being a family, then there is new meaning to DYSFUNCTIONAL!!! The only difference between this new initiative and the Suozzi plan of everyone take a 7% paycut, is that the senior staff applauded Suozzi at his announcement. Ask yourself, why no one within this department will stand up and be heard except for 1st Deputy Krumpert and look how well that is working for the members of this department. What possible motive is there to a member of this department to agree with the County Executive on an issue that affects so many police and their families. Our salaries and steps are frozen, but yet a few chosen ones are able to get a raise, does that not cost the taxpayer?? This is his legacy and only he can answer to the rest of this department on why!!!! To enhance one's career is a very noble pursuit and each of us should want to do that for ourselves and our families. To accomplish that on the very backs of every cop on this job is deplorable.

In addition, we in this department have very capable and professional chiefs, inspectors, and middle management bosses. These folks have spent their entire career trying to make this department remain one of the most efficient and professional that it could be. Every one of them should be offended at these latest appointments. What it is saying to them, is that you are not trusted or capable of holding a higher position. The department can pepper it with all the spins it wants, but let's call it what it is. It is stepping on all of us. If that does not put an end to the career path, nothing will!!! But yet a few from those ranks will take on those positions even at the cost of their own integrity. Only time will tell who the people are that this new administration will pick as their new followers. WE ONLY ASK, AS POLICE OFFICERS, WHERE IS OUR ADVOCATE, BESIDES THE PBA!!!

Now onto other issues, such as arbitration for discipline. Where is the department on this issue??? This was achieved to make discipline for Police Officers a level playing field. It only applied to discipline relating to ten days or more. When this MOA was done, all the legislators voted unanimously to enact this provision, because at the time they saw how the system of disciplines was getting tainted. There were cops getting unfair treatment by the police administration, because they didn't know the "right people". In order to keep it from getting so polluted, this resolution was enacted. Inclusive of Ed Mangano, who voted to correct the then, unfair treatment of Police Officers. Now comes the rub, Commissioner Dale arrives and before he even discusses it with the PBA, it is decided that this MOA is bad for the department. WHAT DOES THIS TELL YOU?? Back to the days of Who you know to play. On top of that we have 1st deputy Krumpert actually having a change of heart and now advocating for this change. I can only let you know that he is the commissioner who has signed and agreed to stipulations for Police

Officers on this very issue. Just another indication of "whatever you say Mr. Mangano". Let me make it clear, I do not put the blame for these destructive decisions on our new Commissioner, He came here to do what Mr. Mangano tells him. As distasteful as that is for us, it is what he was hired to do. What is resentful and outlandish is the person who does know some of the history, Commissioner Krumpster sees fit to only tell the new boss part of the story. At the end of the legislative meeting, I approached the new Commissioner and asked that we meet to discuss this new change in heart and be able to resolve it in a reasonable manner. The response we received was "do what you got to do". This is clearly going to be the mantra. I still ask the Commissioner to sit with us, to at least see both sides of issues before making decisions that could be serious to all Police Officers and their families.

PASSION... Where is the passion of all of this department and its senior staff?? I ask that, only to show all of our cops, that is why you got to where you are today. The very same passion you had for making Sgt., Lt. and above should be coming through to our police officers. Our members need to hear from you on all these issues and where you stand!!! Please do not say, "I can't say anything and then after you leave this job, spout off about how wrong things were. That becomes YESTERDAY'S NEWS. The time to show what is "the right thing" is now!!! You need to have the passion and the heart to stand up for the job that you have spent most of your life, accepting the accolades, when they were being thrust upon you. Have that passion once again. Please do not hide behind the concept of... if I go along to get along I'll be safe. One only needs to look around, and see that you can also be set up for failure. There are so many SHEEP IN WOLVES' CLOTHING!!!!

As this saga continues, so does day to day operations. There are currently over 35 grievances pending and we suspect there will be more coming as the Mangano administration and his minions continue on their quest to dismantle a great police department. There is currently only one director of labor relations in the county. He has been told he has no authority to bind the county. Shortly, we will be pursuing this issue in any venue we can. So much for labor relations. We will continue to try and be reasonable, but there is no common sense to their arrogance.

The PBA urges all of our members to stay united. We realize the angst and frustration this administration is causing you and your families. It is even more disheartening when there is no transparency for us to believe in. Where do we put our trust?? The real sad part is that they know from commissioner, 1st deputy commissioner, and chiefs that this is a road of never ending obstacles and failures. The public and the politicians will curse the day they let this happen. All in the name of POLITICS, they are willing to sacrifice you, and your families to feather their own beds. What a Disgrace!!!! I hope they can get out from under their rock some day. This is the Legacy they want for themselves!!!!

Treasurer's Report

by Wayne Hartmann

I would have loved to start this article by welcoming our new commissioner but I am sure you can agree it is tough to say anything positive at this point in time. You have to ask yourself how a man who has done 40+ plus years with NYPD and left with an outstanding reputation has found himself in a position where in less than 5 weeks he has been saddled with a plan to close 4 precincts? From everything I have heard about our new commissioner from so many sources, this all flies directly in the face of logic. I was told he was the type to lead men who were happy to follow him out of respect for his accomplishments. How is it possible that this is the same person. Is it because he is carrying out the plan given to him by his underlings? Some one person or several on this job who have managed to ascend to the top with a very different reputation than his own. Is he following a group of leaders that have polarized themselves from the rank and file police officers, supervisors, and detectives. I have to guess that is exactly what happened. So then the question is what is next? Will he continue to be led by the politicians and those who have failed? Or will he take charge and gain the respect of the men he leads as his reputation of 44 years would dictate? I guess we will see.

Hopefully the precinct plan will fail!! It is so ill conceived on so many levels it is hard to believe it was not done in a bar on a Sunday afternoon. Anyone who supported this plan should be demoted!!! At a time when salaries are frozen, moral is at an all time low, and the police force has shrunk to 1940's levels, this is the last thing we need to improve this department! This is just another embarrassment that this job will suffer on its way down the reputation scale.

As for those who will take the incentive I wish you all well!! It is certainly a sad time to leave.

Corresponding Secretary

by Bob Rettinger

THEIR LEGACY

So the new Police Commissioner is off to a heck of a start building his legacy in Nassau County. In just 5 short weeks since taking over he has proposed to cut the number of precincts from 8-4 and submitted a request to change the disciplinary procedure in the department. A disciplinary procedure that when asked about at the county legislature he said he did not know what the procedure was. Now how you ask to change a procedure when you don't know what the procedure is beyond me. This is why I do not believe these two changes that he wants were something that he came up with. Now this is not meant to give him a pass, he has put his name to both of these things so he owns them now. This is the start of his legacy in Nassau County.

In regards to the closing of the police precincts, it doesn't

take a brain surgeon to see that the initial plans for this are the brain child of Ed Mangano and Robbie Walker. It is the only explanation I can think of. I would hope no one with a law enforcement background could come up with such a asinine plan. No one that has spent a minute on the street, a minute in police supervision, a minute investigating crimes as a detective, or a minute as an administrator of a police department could actually believe that this is a good idea. It only makes sense that it has to have come from 2 people that have no idea how to run a police department and how to ensure the public's safety. How else can you explain the idea of closing 4 precincts at a time when crimes against the public and violence against police officers is on the rise? How else can you explain that you come up with the idea that closing 2 of the busiest precincts let alone 4 all together is a good idea? How else do you explain that 3 of the 4 precincts that are to be closed are in democratic areas?

Let's face it that is what this is all about. Mangano and Walker are playing politics with public safety. This plan was not based on some yearlong study as they are claiming. If it was, then the people who did the study should be fired for taking a whole year off and then just submitting this study. During the elections in November when they first submitted the idea to close 2 precincts and 2 republicans were in a tight race, it was said by Peter Schmitt and many other republicans that the "1st and 5th" would not be closed. Surprisingly, those 2 tight races were in the 1st and the 5th. Flash forward to the new year, the republicans not only lost those 2 tight races but lost a seat, did not win the super majority that they should have, and now come up with this plan which closes the democratic legislator's 1st and 5th precinct. So it isn't hard to see that this is Mangano and Walker's plan. That this is the newest chapter in their legacy of failed leadership in Nassau County.

This leads me to the most disturbing part of this whole thing though. This is their initial plan but make no mistake, it couldn't have been done without some input from people in the department. Some people that sit over at HQ and profess to "love this department" and talk about how "this department is a family". It couldn't have been done without 1st Deputy Commissioner Krumpert sitting at the county legislature and testifying to stuff that he cannot possibly believe and knows is not true. It couldn't have been done without him and some other people from within the department going out to community leaders and misleading the public (the hell with it let's call it what it is - I believe they flat out are lying to the public). It couldn't have been done without people that must have a good prescription for Ambien so that they can sleep at night. It couldn't have been done without him and some people from within selling their soul and making the conscious decision that after 30-40 years of service, this is what they want to be remembered for. That this is how little they think of the Nassau County Police Department and its family. IT COULDN'T HAVE BEEN DONE WITHOUT KRUMPTER AND THE REST OF THEM DECIDING THAT THIS IS WHAT THEY WANT THEIR LEGACY TO BE.

Legal Report

by Milan Rada, Esq.

Finally, after writing endlessly about the Appellate Division, 3rd Department finding that "accidents" had not occurred, I can now write about a decision in which an "accident" was found to have happened.

This case involves a Port Authority of New York and New Jersey police officer who was assigned to JFK International airport. The rules and regulations governing accidental disability retirement benefits for Port Authority cops are identical to those applying to Nassau County and all other police officers and firefighters who are members of the New York State Police and Fire Retirement System.

The facts of this case are not complicated. As part of his work duties, the Port Authority police officer was required to perform weekly safety tests to assure that all systems on the emergency fire rescue trucks were operating properly. These safety tests were called "functionals." In January 1999, the PANYNJ police officer drove a rescue truck onto one of the taxiways to perform a functional. As he was getting out of the cab and putting his left foot on the ground, he slipped on black ice and fell, twisting his left leg and ankle and hitting his head and shoulders on the pavement.

In May 2007, the police officer filed an application for accidental disability retirement benefits and a Hearing Officer granted benefits. However, on review of the Hearing Officer's decision, the Comptroller reversed the favorable grant of benefits, finding that an "accident" had not occurred. The police officer filed this Article 78 proceeding to review the decision of the Comptroller.

The Court provides a succinct definition of the term "accident": "For purposes of accidental disability retirement benefits, the underlying incident must be 'a sudden, fortuitous, out of the ordinary and unexpected event that does not result from an activity undertaken in the performance of regular or routine employment duties.'" Further, the Court noted that "A[n] [applicant] seeking benefits bears the burden of proving entitlement, and a determination by the Comptroller will be upheld when supported by substantial evidence".

In this case, the police officer was able to establish through testimony and documentary evidence that the day of the accident was cold and clear with no precipitation. The record showed that the taxiway was dry as the police officer and his partner drove to the spot where they would be performing the functional, and the cop saw no ice as he was exiting from the truck's cab. The cop testified that he had never experienced icy conditions on the taxiway unless it had snowed.

As a basis for denying the occurrence of an "accident", the Comptroller based his determination in part on the application for benefits, on which the police officer assumed that the ice was created by leakage from the truck. In his testimony, however, the cop said that he did not see any water leaking from the truck and his assumption was based on the fact that there did not seem to be any other explanation for

the presence of the ice. The court noted that the record did not contain any evidence of such a leak.

The Court went to cite examples of when a slip and fall on ice would not be an “accident” and would be an “inherent risk” of the duties being performed: a fall caused by a slippery surface is not an accident when that condition could have been reasonably anticipated, i.e., applicant slipped on ice while stepping over 18-inch snow bank on snow-covered sidewalk; a firefighter applicant (same rules and regulations apply) witnessed fire department douse an area with water in sub-freezing weather and he slipped and fell on ice that accumulated while he was fighting the fire in sub-freezing temperatures.

The Court concluded with the observation that “we have never countenanced a doctrine, and cannot do so now, that would hold that any slip and fall during the course of work performed outside during winter renders that event foreseeable.” As a result, the Court found that the Comptroller’s

decision was not supported by substantial evidence and the matter was sent back to the Comptroller for further processing consistent with the Court’s decision.

This is a very nice decision indicating that when there is some unforeseeable intervening factor that is the cause of the ice in winter, a slip and fall on that ice can be an “accident” within the meaning of the law.

Unfortunately, the following week, on February 9, 2012, the Appellate Division came down with five (5) decisions and those applicants lost all of them. We have to relish Appellate Division victories when we can.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding accidental or performance of duty benefits, Social Security benefits, Workers’ Compensation benefits, personal injury lawsuits, or Medical Review/207-c matters, please do not hesitate to contact us at 516.496.044, ext. 4413.

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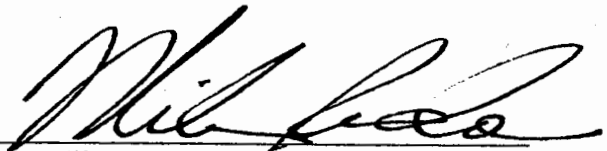
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Police Officer _____ is protected by a contractual provision known as "medical review". As part of this process, the Nassau County Police Surgeon will call you to discuss the officer's ability to return to work in a "light duty" capacity. Please be 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,
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REVIEW FORM

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

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

NAME: _____ COMMAND: _____ SERIAL #: _____

DATE OF COURT: _____ COURT: _____

JUDGE: _____

DEMEANOR TOWARDS POLICE OFFICER: _____

IMPARTIALITY: _____

GENERAL RATING: _____

COMMENTS: _____

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY: _____

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CASE PREPARATION: _____

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

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

1. Was a medical exam conducted? Yes No
2. What did the medical exam consist of (What did the doctor do?) _____

3. Did the Police Surgeon perform any medical tests as part of the examination? (feel for spasm, test for sensory loss, use a tape to measure for atrophy, test for reflex loss, make you walk on heel/toes, test straight leg raising, etc.)? _____

4. How long did the medical exam take? _____
5. Were you ordered to either Restricted Duty or Full Duty? Yes No
6. Was the Police Surgeon aware of the duties and responsibilities of your position before you were assigned back to full duty? Yes No
7. If you were ordered back to work, who gave the order, Police Surgeon or MAO Supervisor? _____
- 7a Did this order conflict with any of your doctors evaluations? Yes No
8. Do you feel the Police Surgeon treated you fairly and professionally? If not, please provide details. _____

9. Do you feel the MAO Supervisor / Staff treated you fairly and professionally? If not, please provide details. _____

10. Were you asked to complete any forms by the Police Surgeon? Yes No
If yes, what forms? _____
11. After completion of any forms, were you asked, ordered or in any way coerced into making any changes on any of the forms? Yes No
If yes what forms? _____
12. Did the Police Surgeon discuss your symptoms, such as pain that you might have? Yes No
Did you feel that this was a full and complete discussion? Yes No
13. Did the Police Surgeon or MAO Supervisor make any suggestions that you seek treatment with any doctors or physical therapists? Yes No

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

First Precinct

by Maureen Mazur

NYPD EAST

Well the way things are going, it doesn't look like there will no longer be a First Pct newsletter, because there will no longer be a First Pct. Who would have thought the politicians would stoop to this. Cost-savings – that's a joke....now PO's have to go twice the distance for an arrest, that just added another 2 hours of over-time to every cop, let alone leaving that post unmanned for that much longer, but "no" it won't effect the areas patrolled. (Yeah - ok!)

NYPD East is more likely a suitable name for our Police Dept. At least in the city – they have a station-house every 5-10 city blocks. This is unbelievable to say the least. I'd say if you are a resident of Nassau County - it's time to move. Good luck to us all!

FIRST PCT SKI TRIP

On Feb. 3rd the 1st pct held its annual ski trip to Hunter Mountain. It should probably be called the 5th pct ski trip because there were more 5th pct personnel on the trip than 1st pct members. Despite the lack of snow on the ground off the slopes, the conditions on the mountain were good and a good time was had by all. Dennis Sheehan showed up with some of his ESU buddies....1 of which flew off the mountain into a fence – but was fine. Dennis may not be in the 1st anymore, but his heart and soul sure are! Thanks to JB for organizing the trip, hopefully next year there will be a better turnout.

IS IT TRUE THAT...

The First Precinct "satellite building" will be available for Sweet 16 and Bar Mitzvah parties?

Poulos and DJ Clarke did not know who Andy Sipowitz from NYPD Blue was? OMG – these rookies are way 2 young!

Now that Ramos is a dad....he no longer wears hair gel?

Second Precinct

TRUSTEE REPORT

by Ken Cortes

I am writing this, in the aftermath of the February 13th legislative meeting where various committees met, and voted on several police issues including the issue of Precinct closures. At the time of this writing, the issues were pushed forward for a vote to the full legislature. I as well as all of you, wait their decision.

Putting aside the issue of precinct closures for now, something else passed the rules committee that is worth taking note of. It was a new rule that gives the Police Commissioner full authority to fire anyone he sees fit,

without the benefit of the member going to an arbitrator.

On June 8th 2008, the PBA entered into an agreement with the county, to give you the working Police Officer, the right to see an arbitrator if your penalty exceeds 10 or more days. While very few members' have taken this option since this was enacted, it gives you various protections that are necessary for you to do your job.

Apparently the legislators, and the new police commissioner, want to bring back the bad old days, were the working police officers can be at the whim of one man. A time where there were no checks and balances, where you have the right to go to a departmental hearing, where your guilt is predetermined. The PBA has asked to have these arbitration rules put into place to protect you from politically motivated firings.

In recent times, the departmental hearings by the Disciplinary Review Board have been fair. Many of my 2nd pct. members' had been able to go there to explain their actions, and get favorable results. In the past 9 years I have been involved in the Union, I felt that the department took a turn for the better when it comes to discipline.

I personally remember the bad old days. When I had 4 years on the job, I was asked by several superiors officers (All of which are retired) to change fault on an accident report, to help a friend of the Chief of Patrol. (Also retired) As you know, I refused to do so. Without going into painstaking detail, I was privately threatened by several supervisors, and brought into Internal affairs without the benefit of a PBA representative or an attorney.

At that time, the department would tell you that I was a witness. I can tell you I was absolutely a subject. And my very livelihood was at stake. All for a 2 car property damage auto accident. While I never was disciplined for anything connected to this incident, it was due to the actions of Gary Delaraba and the PBA. However, this could have easily gone the other way. I can tell you that I and my family suffered during this time. At that time, I was in my 20's and had a more Pollyannaish view of life. I can tell you it was an eye opener.

My point in telling you this story is that the actions of the new police commissioner and the legislators are clear. They want to go back to the days where you get fired for your political standing in the department, whether you are liked, or who you have as political friends. You will not be free to make an unbiased call based purely on the law anymore. You will have to be aware of who you are dealing with politically, and act accordingly.

It is my hope that the legislators rethink this. While I'm sure our new police commissioner is a nice man, many at the top of the Police Department are subject to political pressure in making decisions. We cannot have politics involved in decisions that affect people's lives, their families, and their ability to make a living. What is the harm in having an arbitrator look at the decisions made?

This is a direct attack on the working police officer, as I wrote last month; both sides of the isle have the goal, of making your families suffer, and making you the enemy of the people. As you can see, they are attaining their goals. I

don't want to see anyone go through what I went through during late 1994-95. You should be free to do your job, without politics getting in the way. While arbitration is not perfect, it is necessary to have checks on the new police commissioner.

We need to more aggressively fight the administration, on this and other issues. These Politicians have no problem, with some of you losing 2 grand a month in pay, cranking up discipline, closing precincts to diminish police services, all designed to make your job more difficult. It's time we make some of them uncomfortable.

Be safe, be careful!

Until next time, Onward and Upward!

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Last Month's Song Lyrics Quiz

Jethro Tull :: Thick As A Brick (the ¾ Gent good call)

This Month's Rock Lyrics

Walkin' in the park just the other day, baby,

What do you, what do you think I saw?

Crowds of people sittin' on the grass with flowers in their hair said,

"Hey, Boy, do you wanna score?"

And you know how it is.

I really don't know what time it was, woh, oh,oh

so I asked them if I could stay a while.

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LAST MONTH'S PHOTO

John Cincotta - The Kung Fu Panda

THIS MONTH



RMS = BLING-BLING

Bring it on baby; The 02 is totally psyched to sink their teeth into this cash cow. This is akin to the Captain of the Titanic ordering the band to keep playing while water is washing over his shoes. I can't begin to understand the insanity of this decision, with the county hemorrhaging money everywhere rather than plug the leak here we're going to double down on a bad bet. Well then, my advice has to be let's hit the ground running on this issue and not let the department down. Additional training will begin soon as I understand it so everyone — enjoy! — The theme song of the day here is - Who needs SRC we're getting RMS.

TEAM OLIVIA UPDATE

by Joe and Lauren Chirco

12 bone marrow biopsies/spinal taps

6+ finger sticks

3 temporary lines placed

5+ IV's

8 rounds of intense chemotherapy

22+ red blood & platelet transfusions

39+ shots

3 echocardiograms

4 chest x-rays

1 cat scan

Oral med's 3x's per day for 6 months

3 in-patient hospital stays

Endless hours spent at Memorial Sloan Kettering...

And we are more than happy to report that Olivia is officially done with her 6 month protocol treatment!

Olivia now has a lifelong commitment to her hematologist/ oncologist at MSK. What lies ahead of her in the future are weekly blood draws (cbc's) for the first month or two, a check of the bone marrow in 3 months from now, and she will continue on oral antibiotics for the next 6 months or so as well. Her appointments to the clinic will decrease over time.

As of right now Olivia is in remission and doing great according to her large team of doctors. Her treatment was short in comparison to others but extremely intense. The chemotherapy did its job and got our little girl into remission and cancer free... This is not to say that this is the way it'll be forever, but that is our hope and goal for our child. Unfortunately, with Olivia's diagnosis there is a chance of relapse. We have done and will continue to do everything we can do to make Olivia's life as long and as full as possible! We will be forever grateful to her amazing team of doctors and nurses at Memorial Sloan Kettering, as they are the ones who saved our child's life.

Thank you all so much for everything, especially the constant thoughts and prayers. Thanks to everyone that donated money, wore their Team Olivia bracelet, or simply just asked me how my daughter was doing. We will be for-

ever grateful to all of you, and as Olivia grows and learns more of what she went through at such a young age, we will definitely tell her about all of you.

I write this update largely in part because of the daily questions about Olivia's progress that I get from many of you, which is greatly appreciated. Keep the prayers flowing for Olivia that the cancer does not come back. I believe that all of the constant prayers and thoughts for Olivia truly helped us get to this point.



Third Precinct

by Bill Purcell

I'd like to, first, start this article off on a happy note, since, unfortunately, it sure doesn't stay that way.....Congratulations to Neil Kinsella and his wife Jennifer on the birth of their daughter Kaelyn Therese on January 22nd.

PRECINCT GYM

As you can see we are finally getting the shower situation taken care of downstairs, I just wanted to thank Penny Kirkland for all of her persistence in making that happen. It's a bit of an inconvenience, but it will be well worth it. Please get your gym dues in if you haven't already.

RESPONSIBILITY

Financial concerns, everyone has them these days. When most families have financial problems, they modify the way they spend their money and put a little thought into how to save. They go out to dinner less, they buy their kids clothes from Target instead of Macy's, they call the crooks at Cablevision and downgrade from the gold to the silver package, they cancel their toilet paper subscription....oops, I meant Newsday subscription (actually, not a bad thing to do during good times also) . Anyway, you start to do some of these things and the savings start to add up and before you know it, you are getting by and things eventually get better. Now, some things you should not do to save money: stop feeding your kids and not take them to the doctor when they are sick. After all, as a parent, you do have some basic responsibilities.

Ed Mangano was elected to lead Nassau County. Mr. Mangano has some financial problems also, if you haven't noticed. Now, a good leader would follow the same basic saving ideas that you and your family would. For instance, this would certainly not be the time to put artificial turf on ball fields, refurbish cabanas, hire new patronage employees or hire a new police commissioner from outside Nassau county and add his \$225,000.00 Salary to the county payroll, when you have several capable people in this department who could have done the job and they are already on the payroll and would cost the county a fraction of the salary to bump them to the new position. Now, something the County Executive should never do to save money, put your residents safety at risk by closing half of Nassau County's

police precincts. After all, as the County Executive, you do have some basic responsibilities.

The new plan, same as the old plan:

As was apparent at the Legislatures Public Safety Meeting on February 6th, this plan is short on details and seems about as well thought out as deciding to get your girlfriend's name tattooed across your chest after a long night of drinking. Let's see, the original plan was to close two precincts, this well thought out plan was introduced by then Acting Commissioner Krumpster who stated a few months ago, we haven't decided which precincts we are going to close yet, but they definitely will not be the First and the Third Precincts. A couple of months later, Acting Commissioner Dale is at the Public Safety legislative meeting asking them to approve a plan of closing four precincts and one of them is the First precinct, which was one of two precincts that the administration labeled as untouchable.

Wait, it gets better, Acting commissioner Krumpster also rattled off crime stats, showed some graphs and explained the extensive research that went into how they would decide which precincts to close so that the workload would be evenly distributed. That plan fell apart when it was realized that it would cost a small fortune to have Motorola change the radio frequencies. So, the decision of which precincts to close for the new plan was made solely on eliminating one precinct from each radio band and nothing to do with crime stats and neutralizing the workload. Acting Commissioner Dale was asked by Legislator Dennenberg what the name of his new plan was, after he looked it up and read it off the plans cover, Legislator Denenberg then asked him if this was his plan and he replied "yes". C'mon.....Really, The new Commissioner had been here for 33 days at the time, he probably doesn't even know where all the bathrooms are on the second floor of headquarters yet and he has evaluated the entire Department already and came up with this plan. The new Acting commissioner could not even answer basic questions about the plan. The Acting commissioner brought the plan with him for the first time to the public safety meeting. None of the public safety committee members had even seen the plan, but were asked to vote on it. You really can't make this stuff up folks. These crazy ideas come out of nowhere and change by the minute. Nobody has any idea what is going on, and the ones that do, are scared to death to say anything to the ones that don't.....Really, who is running the Asylum?

February 13, 2012

After Legislator Dennis Dunne, who chairs the public safety committee, recessed the meeting which started on February 6th when things got too hot for him to handle, it continued on the 13th. Assistant Commissioner Robbie Walker.....oops, my bad, Deputy County Executive Robbie Walker presented the plan. He occasionally let the two Acting Commissioners speak when he allowed it. (Is there anyone else who thinks this plan stinks of politics?) Anyway, this plan was filled with a mutation of the facts. Let's take a look at the example of the Second and Eighth Precinct merger.....

Currently, in one 12 hour tour, this is what you have:

2nd Precinct

1 Desk Officer
3 Sergeants
3 Station House Police Officers

8th Precinct

1 Desk Officer
3 Sergeants
3 Station House Police Officers

Current combined

2 Desk Officers
6 Sergeants
6 Police Officers

After the merger:

New 2nd Precinct

1 Desk Officer
4 Sergeants
5 Police Officers

If you have been following along, we seem to be missing 1 Desk Officer, 2 Sergeants and 1 Police Officer for a total of 4 sworn members per tour. Let's take a look at the Squad.....

Currently:

The 2nd Squad

1 Detective Lieutenant
3 Detective Sergeants
13 Detectives

The 8th Squad

1 Detective Lieutenant
3 Detective Sergeants
18 Detectives

Currently combined

2 Detective Lieutenants
6 Detective Sergeants
31 Detectives

The new 2nd Precinct

1 Detective Lieutenant
4 Detective Sergeants
27 Detectives

Once again, I think we are missing 1 Detective Lieutenant, 2 Detective Sergeants and 4 Detectives for a total of 7 Detectives.

I'm not sure, but when Ed Mangano told the Acting Commissioners that we wanted to get the guns off the street, I don't think this is what he had in mind. How can anyone say that they don't think Public Safety is going to be compromised?

Let's take a look at our Public Safety Committee Members:

1) Norma Gonsalves (R)

What a disappointment: legislator Norma Gonsalves.....being in the third precinct, we all know who Norma is. She

has developed a reputation over the years as a tough little lady who loved her cops, especially her POP cops. Norma always seemed to do what she thought was the right thing, no matter how much heat she took. I know the POP cops bent over backwards for Norma and took care of her every concern.

When the Third Precinct went from four POP cops to one...not a word from Norma Now four Police precincts is on the chopping block...not a word from Norma, how disappointing. You have to know that these extra Pop-Cops they are talking about are a complete farce.

2) Dennis Dunne (R)

Lacking Courage: Legislator Dennis Dunne.....I can't say Dennis Dunne is all that much of a disappointment. As one of his constituents, I always thought he was a bit of an empty suit who just happens to be in a mostly republican district and blindly gets reelected. I do have a great amount of respect for Mr.Dunne's military service though. I'm a huge fan of anyone who has served or is serving in the military. Having served in the military, Mr. Dunne must have had some courage at some point in his life, because as far as I'm concerned, there are no cowards in the military. I wonder what he would think about the closing of military bases, knowing it would jeopardize the safety of both the troops and civilians alike. It's actually scary that Mr. Dunne is the head of the public safety committee because he hadn't even obtained the details of the Precinct closure plan nor did he ask any questions about it, but was prepared to vote on it. Mr.Dunne you can't think this is a good idea, so if you have run out of courage and cant stand up and do what you have to know is right, it might be time to hang it up before you get someone hurt.

3) Joe Belesi (R)

Done before he even got started: most Legislators don't know the way the Police Department really operates, so it is easy for the Commissioner to pull the wool over their eyes when distorting the facts, because they don't know the right questions to ask. It is a disgrace that Joe Belesi, a retired Sgt. from this job doesn't expose this plan for what it is. Anyone familiar with this job, with half a brain knows that if this plan is implemented, there are going to be less cops and Supervisors on the street on any given day in Nassau County. He must also know that this plan is not going to save 20 million dollars; I would be astonished to find out that it doesn't cost money. Mr. Belesi can't possibly believe that this isn't going to compromise public safety. Joe Belesi is a complete sellout and I hope he enjoys his one term as a representative of the people.....what a joke. He only cares for himself and his new political career. He is turning into the typical politician that he probably spent his whole life hating.

4) Denise Ford (R)

Out of touch: Legislator Denise Ford asked the new Commissioner if during his time in the NYPD, did he work in Queens. The Commissioner replied yes and Ms. Ford stat-

ed, well then you have experience dealing with communities like ours, because we are very similar to Queens. Hello, Can we get a reality check in Legislative District #4 please.

5) Dave Dennenberg (D)

6) Joe Scanell (D)

7) Wayne Wink

Legislators Wink, Scanell and Dennenberg are in favor of keeping the precincts open and for finding revenue in other less severe places and I appreciate their support.

IN CLOSING

I really did not intend to make this a political article. Unfortunately, if you look at this plan, it can't be seen any other way. This is Ed Mangano's war on the union for not supporting him in his election. Mr. Mangano's war is going to leave a very bloody battlefield and the casualties of this war are going to be the citizens of Nassau County, both figuratively and literally.

Stay united, Continue to serve the public in the manner they deserve and go home safe.

Fourth Precinct

by Greg O'Neill

On February 12, the three Republican-controlled legislative committees voted along party lines and sent Ed Mangano's police reorganization plan to the full legislature for a final vote on February 27. Hundreds of angry residents and law enforcement personnel voiced their opposition. Many pointed out the obvious bias by Republican committee legislators. Legislators were asked by the public to leave politics out of their decision and to vote for what is fair and ultimately the right choice for the people who elected them and for whom they represent.

For hours the public listened to Rob Walker, an appointed official with no law enforcement background, and Thomas Krumpert, recently removed from the Acting Police Commissioner's position to Deputy Police Commissioner, speak on Acting Police Commissioner Dale's behalf. Dale was present and has been leading the department in an acting role for the last 6 weeks. His inexperience as a Nassau Police Official was evident by his inability to answer questions about his "personal plan" on his own. The presentation ended with the Nassau County Police Department Mission Statement. The mission reads: To serve the people of Nassau County and to provide safety and improved quality of life in our communities through excellence in policing.

The mission is a powerful statement and is accompanied by core values: Loyalty, Integrity, Fairness, and Excellence. In the last three weeks, the County Administration and the Police Commissioner have generated a drastic and not well thought out plan that would negatively change the way

policing is provided to the residents of Nassau forever. It should make you wonder if the leaders of our County and the Police Department follow the NCPD Mission and it's values.

Where is the Loyalty to the residents and communities we serve? Is it by diminishing eight precincts to four precincts within a matter of weeks while not considering the public safety risk to residents. Is it trying to balance a bloated budget on the back of public safety? Nassau County started with four precincts in the early 1900's and as the population grew so did the Police department. Today's current layout works and has provided Nassau with the reputation for being the safest municipality of it's size in the country. This is a testament to the police officers who go out there everyday to protect the public in Nassau. As a resident stated at the hearing: "why change something that is not broke." This change is drastic and the proposed annual savings is a minimal return for what is ultimately being sacrificed: your public safety.

Integrity speaks to obeying the law, individual accountability and responsibility for actions and decisions. When a new idea is proposed that affects the residents of Nassau County, the common practice by the legislation will be to hold public hearings before they go to a vote. It is a legislative process law that has been adhered to for many years. When this idea was first leaked to the public a couple of weeks ago, the Mangano administration tried to avoid all public hearings. The goal was to avoid public opposition and to place this idea, because their "plan" lacks sound numbers and information, into the hands of the Republican dominated legislative process for immediate approval. In the last couple of years, ideas have floated around in regards to consolidating the police department. At first, it was combining the 2nd and 8th precinct. In late 2011 it evolved into closing two precincts. Not included were the 1st and 5th precinct, which under the new plan will be gone. Now a couple of months later, the County has proposed the closing of 4 precincts. The precincts that are closed will then be converted into unnecessary and unwanted community policing centers. Acting Commissioner Dale also praised technological advancements in the department. It was noted that these advancements such as touch screens in cars and the updated radio system alleviate the need for a precinct. The Acting Commissioner was a three star chief with the NYPD. Historically, NYPD has always been on the cutting edge with technology and equipment. At no time during his lengthy tenure as a supervisor did he implement the closure of city precincts. Currently, the city is adding another one in Staten Island. Does the Acting Commissioner truly believe this is right or is he abiding by the rules set forth by the County Executive to try at all cost to bypass contractual obligations to fill police cars? It is a simple equation: closing precincts will lead to less police officers on the street and an increase in crime.

Residents deserve impartial service from the department. When you look at the proposed closures, it is clear that the minority communities in the First Precinct and the

Fifth Precinct suffer the most. Where is the fairness to those citizens? How can the Police Department and County Executive earn the respect and continue to strengthen relationships with community leaders and their residents when you strip away their core services. This is not about race but about a Police Department and County administration that should provide the best police service to each resident no matter his or her socio-economic status. Hundreds of residents from the 1st and 5th precinct have signed petitions against the closure of their precincts. Residents physically show up to civic meetings and hearings by the legislators. Their voice as well as many other county residents voices are being heard loud and clear. Unfortunately, politics, not what is best for residents is what is dictating the final decision.

We are constantly reminded that we are committed to excellence in the police service we provide. There is no questioning the tough economic times that we are all currently experiencing. It is nationwide. But, policing is a vital service that should never be compromised. I agree that technology and methods of policing have changed throughout the years and as department you must adapt in order to provide the residents you serve with the best policing possible. Criminals continually adapt and so should the department. Under this proposed idea, two out of the four precincts are in flood zones and during natural disasters/storms, most recently Hurricane Irene, will have to be evacuated. That idea is not following a commitment to excellence in police work. Hiring outside law enforcement officials for \$150,000 a year to carry out an elected officials agenda is not an example of excellence in policing. Stripping citizens of precincts or safe havens and opening community centers is not providing excellent service to the community. Implementing this idea, because you can (based on party vote) with so much public opposition does not encompass the importance of excellence. If anything it is Un-American.

The final vote for the implementation of this "plan" is on Monday, February 27. Your Police Department and elected officials should be here to serve you. Your voice should be heard and recognized. Making quick judgments and rash decisions is not how we became the safest municipality of our size in the country. It has taken years to gain that status, and you can attribute it to the hard working officers who are dedicated to serving you. The Acting Commissioner and County Executive should slow down and look again at the way we are spending money towards policing instead of slashing and cutting services that the public deserves and clearly wants. We are all waiting and watching for someone to step up and make a sound decision for what is best for our residents. I assure you the criminals are waiting and watching also.

**Next Open P.B.A. Meeting
Thursday, March 15, 2012**



Fifth Precinct

by Joe Nocella

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MEET THE NEW BOSS ...

Here we go again everybody. Roll out the clichés and double talk ... might as well roll up your pant legs too while you're at it. "We're going to do more with less", "we're not closing precincts, we're opening community policing centers". Last month's public safety hearings on precinct closures would have made even the Ringling Brothers green with envy. It had all the makings of a three-ring circus ... Elephants, Donkeys, even a dog and pony show.

Meet Mr. Thomas Dale, the Nassau County Police Department's new Commissioner. Once again, the NYPD invades the NCPD, and once again, an attempt will be made to reinvent the wheel. Mr. Dale's agenda ... Step 1: Clean up the crime lab; something he's obligated to say. Step 2: Present DC Krumpster's plan to close half the county's precincts and call it his own; something he's obligated to do. Step 3: Do away with our right to arbitration in matters of discipline; something purely NYPD.

During his confirmation hearing, Mr. Dale had very little to say with regard to the lab or precinct closures. Forget the fact that he was completely unprepared and unable to speak on the matters, but when he did, he was flat. He was monotone, stoic, and passive. But when it came time to present his case to wrestle discipline away from an arbitrator, Dale came alive.

After having answered questions for literally hours, this was the first time Dale spoke with life in his voice. It was obvious, getting sole control over discipline was the one thing he actually put any thought into. He even prepared a statement, which he read with tremendous vigor. His voice suddenly filled the room. "Give me complete control over disciplinary matters." Dale's plan is to transform our department in the image of his former employer, and that includes ruling over the cops with an iron fist.

DON'T MESS WITH A WINNING FORMULA

Even though we're right next-door, as far as policing is concerned, Nassau County is a world away from New York City. We couldn't do things more differently than they do. If you have prior time, by now you surely know this to be true. We are a service oriented police department. That is what separates us from everyone else. You would think that being a life long resident of Nassau, Mr. Dale would have recognized that.

JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT YOU HIT ROCK BOTTOM

On multiple occasions over the past two years, I've thought to myself, God, it can't get any worse than this, yet time and time again, Ed Mangano has proven me wrong.

If nothing else, the man is consistent. Consistently bad, but consistent nonetheless.

NASSAU COUNTY REPUBLICANS

There's no interest, like self-interest ... 'nuff said.

5TH PRECINCT PRIDE HITS THE ROAD

I don't know if we'll still be here by the time this article goes to print, so for what may be the last time in history ... Going on a trip? ... Snap a picture of your coin wherever it is you go. This month's destination ... the Fifth Precinct in Elmont, New York. This photo was taken during hurricane Irene by yours truly.



Over the past two years, "the coin" has visited over 34 locations, 9 of which were international. The newsletter has seen the coin in the Hawaiian Islands, Atlantic City, NJ, Long Lake, NY, Stone Mountain GA, Citifield - Flushing, NY, Camden Yard - Baltimore, MD, PNC Park - Pittsburgh, PA, South Beach, Miami, FL, Hershey, PA, New Orleans, LA, Lake Tahoe, NV, Washington DC, Ohio Stadium - Columbus, OH, Great American Ballpark - Cincinnati, OH, Lake Wallenpaupack, PA, Congress Hall - Cape May, NJ, Lincklaen State Forest - Upstate NY, the New Jersey Meadowlands - East Rutherford, NJ, Yankees Stadium - Bronx, NY, the Montauk Lighthouse - Montauk, NY, Notre Dame Stadium - South Bend, Indiana, Alafia River State Park - Tallahassee, FL, Breckinridge, CO, Block Island, NY, Chicago, IL, Vietnam, Iraq, Lithuania, Costa Rica, Germany, The Bahamas, Kuwait, Turks and Caicos, and Aruba.

A very special thanks you to Bill Hussain and Chris Kelly for taking the time to make these coins. They've become the official symbol of the fifth precinct and a source of pride for the people who carry them.

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY ...

The next open meeting is Thursday, March 15th at 8pm. Come on down and see if we're a department of 8 or 4.

Sixth Precinct

by Ed Conroy

Atrocity

Although, by the time you read this newsletter and this article the outcome of the Legislative vote on the County's Police Consolidation plan, or Police Efficiency Initiative, or whatever they are calling it now will have been voted on by the Legislature. We will either be dealing with the continued demise of the Nassau County Police Department or taking a sigh of relief that a tragedy was averted. On February 6, 2012 at the Public Safety Committee meeting of the County Legislature the administration was to present their Police consolidation plan and Acting Commissioner Dale delivered the plan to the Legislature only minutes before the Committee was to vote on it. Legislator Denenberg asked the Acting Commissioner if he himself would vote on something that was presented to him only minutes earlier to which the acting Commissioner responded, absolutely not. This is exactly the point that some Legislators were trying to make, but it appeared that the Republican majority on the committee was set on approving this plan and pushing it forward for a full Legislative vote. In my opinion the Republicans had their marching orders and they were going to approve this plan whether they agreed with it or not and whether it jeopardized public safety or not. Acting Commissioner Dale attempted to answer questions but fell short of articulating the plan and even stated that he was told to bring the plan to the Legislative meeting. Maybe he thought he was just going to drop it off and have it approved without any questions. I guess the pressure was getting to be a little too much because now Deputy Commissioner Krumpter and the Deputy County Executive of Public Safety, Victor Politi joined Dale at the podium. The three attempted to take charge of the meeting and even told the Legislators to e-mail or write down their questions which they will answer at the next meeting to be held on February 13th. They kept attempting to sit down only to be called back to the podium time and time again. I don't know about you, but this tells me that they were not prepared and didn't have the answers as usual. I guess they didn't realize that they were now in the House of the Legislators and were subject to their control and questions. The arrogance grew with Victor Politi even taking cell phone calls while at the podium. Maybe the County Executive or his sidekick Rob Walker was ordering them out of there before they embarrassed themselves further. Again Acting Commissioner Dale was asked if he would approve a plan that was presented to him only minutes earlier and this time he responded, no comment. I guess he was told that his original response of, absolutely not was wrong by whom ever told him to bring the plan to the Legislature. A five minute recess was taken when the discussion became heated and when the Legislators returned, the Police Department Brass and County Executive staff were nowhere to be found. The Republicans adjourned the meeting without a motion or vote to adjourn, and left the chamber leaving the Democratic

caucus and the public in shock with many questions.

I don't know about you, but I always thought that if there was a committee such as the Public Safety Committee they were to take into consideration any issue relevant to their purview and if it was not appropriate, safe or fit for approval it would die in committee and it would not see the light of day. But not so with this Republican majority lead committee, they were all set to just push this thing through even though it flies in the face of everything that is just. These Legislators are going against everything that they represent and everything that they were elected to do. They were elected to represent the people of this County, they represent checks and balances in County Government, and they are suppose to stop any plan, motion or directive that is detrimental to the County and its residents. Instead they are tuning out the pleas of their constituents to stop this proposal and they are marching in line with their party to ram down the throat of the residents and the employees a plan that should never be entertained because the County Executive wants it. I am a resident of this County, my friends and family are residents of this County, as well as many of my coworkers and I will do everything that I can to make sure that these Legislators who followed in lockstep with their party and failed to represent the people are voted out of office. Be careful when you sell your soul to the devil, you might not like what you get in return.

On February 13, 2012 the atrocity continued but this time Deputy County Executive Rob Walker was present to control the questioning and walked everyone through this scripted farce. There was an amateurish power point presentation that acting Commissioner Dale presented by reading verbatim the outline he was sent with that had very little to do with how this plan was going to make the Police Department more efficient but more about the history of the equipment of the Department and it left out one key element, the Police Officers that are needed to operate this equipment. The power point suggested that if you had an iPhone with the Nassau Now App you are safer and that the County Executive was 10 years old in 1972 and will turn 50 this year. What kind of crap is that! It is just more of the ridiculous antics pulled by the administration that insults the public and its workers. This plan is not about increasing efficiency but ultimately about reducing the payroll by 100 employees and circumventing contracts that were negotiated in good faith with the County for the safety of the public and the Officers that protect them. They don't care about the work load that they planned on shouldering the remaining administrative staff with or about the diminished services that they would be providing the public. It is all about reducing costs at no matter the cost to the public or the Officers that serve them. Nothing in this plan points to increased efficiency, it just continues the trend of doing more with less and the end product will suffer for it. The arrogance of the County and the members of the Department that presented the plan to the Legislature were astounding. The ignorance of the republicans who sit on the Legislature was overwhelming and it was epitomized when Legislator Ford pleaded with the Unions to sit down with the County

and make concessions. This is no longer just about concessions, and the County was going to push forward with this plan regardless of whether there were Union concessions or not and if I'm wrong, and this was all about them trying to extort concessions from the employee unions then that makes the situation all that much worse if the Legislators knowingly had a hand in this. The County is looking to break its workforce while they continue to play charades with the residents of this County by throwing car shows, upgrading sports fields with artificial turf, and throwing free public concerts and events that ultimately cost the taxpayers' money because someone has to pay for it, all while they continue to say that we are in a financial crisis and try to balance the budget on the backs of the employees.

Births

Congratulations to Chris Innace and his wife Jessica on the birth of their son Joseph Salvatore. Joseph was born on February 10, 2012 and weighed 7 lbs 6 oz and was 20 inches long.

Newsletter

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

Top Cop Info

The Precinct Top Cop committee needs your help. If you know of an Officer or Officers that deserve recognition, please submit the information to the clerk's office or Sgt Ward our Top Cop Committee Supervisor. There is also a new TOP Cop folder at the Desk Officers spot in which anyone can submit something for review.

Open Meeting

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

Until next month, be safe and stay healthy.

Seventh Precinct

by Tom O'Reilly

How much money would it take to sell out your family, your brotherhood, how much money would it take you to sell out the union that you had served as 1st Vice President for? How much money would it take for you sell out and turn your back on the very precinct you served at as a patrol supervisor. How much money to sell out the very job that supported your family, afforded you to purchase a home in the county you worked in, provided food, shelter and education for your children. Well if you ask Joe Belisi all it takes is a mere \$39000.

All it took was \$39000 for Joe to give up his moral fiber and principals. \$39000, to turn his back on the job he professed to love so much and allow the continued dismantling of the Nassau Police Department. The Job that had 3100 members when you left, down to a dismal force size of 2380 only to shrink more. Joe Belisi has turned his back on every active, and retired Police Officers of this county, members of this job should know that His loyalty lies to only the republican party, not to those who wear BLUE. He claims that he is an independent guy and does not tow the party line, what a crock, come on Joe gives us some credit, did you forget that you were talking to cops?

Well before the printing of this article on February 27 the full legislature will meet on the closing of the 4 precincts, once again it will give legislator Belisi a chance to vote with his conscious and not along party lines. I am not expecting anything will change, hopefully Joe will prove me wrong and that would be ok with me.

The legislator will also be voting on enacting an administrative code that will give the Police Commissioner sole authority for disciplines. This local law would delete the section in our contract that allows members of the PBA to go to arbitration for discipline for 10 days or more. This is very dangerous legislation and leads to a slippery slope, unchallenged and municipalities will attempt to create local laws that gut all your benefits and rights you are entitled to. Once again this is the mentality of the republican administration to attack organize labor and to blame all the administrations fiscal failures on the workers of this county.

Keep up the good work you do out there day in and day out, take care of the public. The Police Officers out on the street is the PBA's biggest asset. Stay sharp and watch each others back.

Until next month. Stay safe.

Notes from the ESU Corner

by Clarence Hudson III

This month's column may be more of personal observations over the past couple of weeks. If anyone had a chance to see the legislative hearing on February 13, 2012 I wonder what comes to mind. Amazed? Concerned? Confused? All of these seem to be appropriate adjectives after watching the show. Despite what your personal feelings are, there seemed to be some incredibly convincing arguments against closing any precincts. One law enforcement professional, who spoke against the closing, was so convincing that one would think he worked for the N.C.P.D. But alas, the vote was basically a rubber stamp. If this goes through it would appear to be an administrative nightmare. But, since I am not an administrator I guess it doesn't concern me. I am however concerned about the safety of my fellow officers. I hope it goes well.

I recently received some news concerning my health that was not all that good. With expert medical care and a posi-

tive mindset I believe I will recover completely. I will say this: I am the fourth person from my unit that was at The World Trade Center Rescue and Recovery that has come down with an illness. I don't care what anyone says (they usually don't want to spend any money on other people's health problems) there is definitely a connection. I just hope it is proven soon. That being said: if you spent any amount of time down there (get your documentation) have a physical every year and a blood test. You are absolutely crazy if you don't. This is especially true if you were on the "big job" first, and, then came out here. You and your family's future depend on you keeping track of this.

One other note. My co-workers have been great. It is wonderful to have friends. But having cops as friends just seems to be just a little bit better. Some of them may not know it but I will be forever grateful for their support, their encouragement, their understanding, and, most of all their joking around. Because at a time such as this, laughter truly is the best medicine. And, boy can they bring the jokes. With no mercy either. But it was extremely helpful and comforting. So, I would like to thank the entire ESU family as well as HPB. Also, thanks goes out certain individuals in CSSS.

One final note: please remember that March 12, 2012 is the one year anniversary of when Geoffrey J. Breitkoff made the Supreme sacrifice in the performance of his duty. Keep Geoffrey and his family in your prayers. See you next month.



Nassau Police Post 1050 American Legion

by Dan Scheidel

Sorry I missed last month's newsletter but family matters come first. I hope this message will be short and maybe not so sweet but here goes. The Post lost two old timers since our last article. Harold Weingartner and John Sheridan answered the last roll call all our veterans must answer. We salute them both for both their service to our country and the services they rendered to our county as Nassau County Police Officers.

I will say this, that since our last newsletter we did gain three new members. Two of whom are active police officers on this job. One was a transfer for another Post and one a new member of the American Legion. The third new member also transferred from another Post and we sure welcome all and any others that wish to join a great Post.

This past week I was fortunate to be able to award two Certificates of Appreciation to two great supporters of our Post. One went to the ladies of the Mineola AARP Chapter for their donation of three dozen lap robes which the Post was able to present to the veterans residing in the Northport VA Nursing Home. Each year the ladies work hard and provide us with the robes that are welcomed at

the home. The other certificate went to a lady from East Williston, who on her own puts together many lap robes which I deliver to the Long Island State Veterans Home in Stonybrook. This woman insists that we take the robes there because she deems the sacrifices our veterans make demand such services. In the past three years this woman has donated over one hundred lap robes. Beside the certificate we were able, with members' permission, to give her a small token of our appreciation.

We have only one other message to get out to the members of our department besides asking for all you veterans, both men and women, to come join our Post and keep our voice important to the welfare of all veterans. The other message is that we, Nassau Police Post 1050, are now having our annual fund drive. I know I've said this many times before but because of our charter, only allowing us to take police officers, active or retired as members, we must rely on the "Police Family" for our support. Line and some fraternal organizations always are there for us but we need the help of our brother and sister officers as well. See the flyer in this month's newsletter. Thank you all.



ARPO

by Bob Livoti

Reading everything that has been going on with the county and the PBA, it's hard for us retirees to understand what this community policing is all about. Do the people go to the station houses for a block party?? Listening to Mangano talk about community meetings, it sounds like maybe the school board meetings and the Elks and Kiwanis Clubs and Lions Clubs will all be using the abandoned station house for their community meetings. It's also obvious that the newly appointed PC doesn't know anything about it either because he couldn't explain anything about the plan when they had the first legislative hearing on it. What a loss to the citizens of Nassau County if they do away with 4 of the precincts. I know that being out so many years, the job has changed and we probably don't know any of the things going on or how things work on the job now, but doing away with station houses doesn't seem to be a good job. Why not do away with all of them and just have a HQ? I don't think that would work because I remember a couple of years ago I was in Mineola and wanted to get a new ID card and I went to the front door of HQ during the day and the door was locked and a sign on the door said it was closed for the holiday. I think it was Veterans Day. Can you imagine that!

A second notice was mailed out for ARPO dues payments. If you are one of the members who still haven't paid your dues, we would appreciate it if you sent in your dues payment as it is now past due.

I've been away in Florida since the middle of January and so far there haven't been any major snow storms up

north. That is a good sign as I've been getting very tired shoveling all the sunshine we have in Florida. I attended the Nassau Blue Reunion the end of January as many of you did. I was glad to see many of you at the reunion as we really enjoy getting together with old friends that we don't get to see too often. The Nassau Blue people did a great job with the reunion again and everyone in attendance had a great time.

OK, once again I am going to ask you to send me some photos for our 2013 calendar. Old color photos are the best but we'll take anything that is in good condition. If you happen to have them on your computer, e-mail it to me but make sure that the photo is a large size. If you don't know what I'm talking about, then snail mail it to me and I'll copy it and send it back to you.

Before you know it, Open House will be here (if Mangano or the PC doesn't cut that out) and Police Memorial Day in the month of May. Open house was always a good time to bring the kids out to or in our case, the grandkids.

Don't forget our ARPO meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 8PM. Come on down and meet your friends, have a slice of pizza and go home with a goodie bag compliments of Dave Fischer.



Columbia Police Association

by Carmine E. Soldano, President

The Columbia Police Association is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year. We decided to print some of the Association's history in segments during the year. Below is the first segment.

Again, we are happy to report that our 2012 membership drive is in full force. Members or past members that did not receive a renewal notice should contact membership chairman, Tom Iervese at 516-573-7120. We continue to urge members to sign up for direct dues payment through the NCPD Federal Credit Union. Applications are available on the credit union website under links. Then click on Fraternal Organizations. The Columbia Insignia Bars are available to purchase to paid-up members. Department Special Order 09-051 authorizes members to wear these bars when in uniform. They are available through any officer of any association meeting or event.

At our February meeting, we hosted Christopher Callagy, Senior Vice President of Investments at Janney, Montgomery, Scott in Garden City to speak to the membership. Chris was very informative on both investments and retirement strategies. At the March meeting, we will host guest speaker Gino Leocadi, who will demonstrate which cutlery to use for certain foods while preparing your special Italian meal.

We are getting close to the time of the year to prepare for our Scholarship Program. The applications are now available on our website and will also be available in the PBA

Scholarship booklet. There will be between two and four active member scholarship awards presented in the memory of past Commissioner, Daniel P. Guido and between two and four regular member scholarship awards in the memory of past Commissioner, Samuel J. Rozzi. Please see our application for more details on requirements and filing.

Our next two meetings are scheduled for Monday March 13th, 2012, and Monday, April 9th, 2012. Please join us for another evening of great Italian food and company.

ASSOCIATION HISTORY - SEGMENT-1



Henry W. Tirone
President from 1962 - 1964

February 15, 1962: Judge Frank Gullota signed the charter to create the Nassau County Police Columbia Association. Patrolman Henry Tirone and Patrolman Sam DiGuiseppe formed the Association when Francis Looney was appointed Commissioner and one of his duties was to approve the forming of the Columbia Police Association of Nassau County.

December 17, 1962: First Columbian Christmas party was held at the Garden City Hotel.

May 19, 1963: The First Anniversary celebration was held at the Alitalia Restaurant in Mineola. Hugo Mutz, Jr., a Suffolk County detective was given the Association's Citation award.

June 4, 1964: A Stag Spaghetti Dinner was held at the Wheatley Hills Tavern in Westbury.

October 12, 1964: The 2nd Annual Scholarship Dinner & Dance was held at Carl Hoppl's in Baldwin.

October 3, 1965: "Italian Day" was held at Salisbury Park by order of the County Executive, Eugene Nickerson. A variety of Columbian Chapters merged at this point.

October 9, 1965: The Scholarship Dance was held at Carl Hoppl's in Baldwin.

Awards were given for achievement in entertainment. The first one went to Salvatore Baccolini of the Metropolitan Opera (a gracious recipient) and Anna Marie Albergetti (a not gracious recipient).

December 11, 1965: Christmas Party held at the Levittown Hotel. 350 people attended.

October 7, 1966: The 5th Scholarship Dinner Dance was held at Leonard's of Great Neck. 4 scholarships were awarded and 850 people attended.



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Police Emerald Society, Nassau County, NY

www.ncpdemerald.org

by Tom DeSane, President

The unofficial end of winter has arrived. March is traditionally the premier month for our organization. This year is no different.

This year's major events will kick off during parade season. The Mineola (formerly Garden City) Saint Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Sunday, March 4th at 1300 hours. The traditional route of the parade has drastically changed. It will begin where it used to end behind the County Courthouse on Old Country Road. Marchers will proceed north on County Seat Drive to Old Country Road where they will turn left. At Mineola Boulevard the parade will turn north into Mineola. Marchers will continue to Jericho Turnpike and will turn right onto the turnpike. The reviewing stand will be just east of the firehouse and the parade will end at Jericho Turnpike and Willis Avenue. We ask that our members show their support for our organization by assembling at 1200 hours behind the County Courthouse. The parade is a short one and is a good warm-up for the NYC parade. We will also be hosting a party following the parade for those who march. Check our website, www.ncpdemerald.org, for further details.

On Saturday, March 17th we will be participating in the 251st New York City Saint Patrick's Day Parade. As usual,

we will be supporting our Pipe Band by encouraging our members to attend their annual breakfast before the parade. Start the day right at 0700 hours at The Nutty Irishman, 323 Main Street in Farmingdale. \$10.00 per person is a great deal for a great breakfast. We will again be providing parade transportation. Buses will depart from behind N.C.P.D. Headquarters at 0915 hours. Those who want to meet us in the city can muster at 1135 hours at West 45th Street between Fifth Ave and Sixth Avenues. The New York City Saint Patrick's Day Parade Committee has stressed to our organization that their rules will be strictly enforced this year. Those who wish to march in civilian clothes must wear proper business attire. Those are the parade's rules, not ours. Anyone wearing jeans, sneakers, etc will not be allowed to march, period. Also, please try to cooperate with any parade officials that you encounter in the muster area. We do not want to have the problems that other organizations have encountered in the past. We have a 50 year tradition of being one of the best marching units in the parade, let's keep it that way. We are pleased to announce that our society will once again be hosting our annual Saint Patrick's Day Party following the parade at The Nutty Irishman in Farmingdale. The party will be held from 5pm to 9pm. Members should use the password "Emerald Society" at the door to avoid a cover charge. Those who purchase a \$10 raffle ticket inside the door will receive a wristband which entitles them to special prices on refreshments. Guests will also enjoy free food, music and a performance by the Emerald Society Pipe Band. No uniforms at the party, please. Check our website for full information and flyers for the day's events. You can also check our Facebook page for informational updates.

On May 13th, our representatives will once again travel to Washington to participate in Police Memorial Week. As you well know, there will be the addition of two NCPD Officers to the Memorial wall this year. The National Conference of Law Enforcement Emerald Societies has a block of rooms secured. These rooms are expected to go quickly. Anyone interested in a room should let us know ASAP and we will provide you with the info to secure a room. We are asking that those attending this year bring a uniform and participate in the NCLEES Memorial March on May 14th as a show of respect for our fallen brothers.

Other upcoming events this year include our annual Golf Outing on Thursday, June 7th, our annual 200 Club Raffle in October and our Christmas Party in December.

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month 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. We are very receptive to new members and new ideas.

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.



Nassau County Guardians Association

by Arline Butts, Corresponding Secetary

I wanted to start this article with acknowledging all of the hard work that the three unions combined PBA, DAI and SOA are doing to work out a deal with the county. Say NO to closing ANY police precincts. We have to keep the faith that the GOOD for all of our safety will prevail above all of this.

Last month was very exciting for the NCGA. In the spirit of celebration for Black History Month, we had a multitude of events to attend as guest as well as proudly presenting our own program in conjunction with Legislator Robert Troiano at the Lakeview Library. Our program was open for the public; we had an overwhelming attendance again this year. Putting together programs and staying involved with the communities that we serve is what this organization is all about. As the spring opens, we are going to be conducting our workshops at the local schools. Stay posted to your emails for dates and times. If you have not done so, please submit your dues along with your membership application. Thank you.

Our next monthly meeting will be on March 12, 2012 at the African American Museum in Hempstead at 1930 hours. Until then stay safe, stay blessed and keep your heads up!

Nassau County Shomrim Society

by Gary Shapiro, President

Happy New Year to all. I start by welcoming the new Nassau County Commissioner of Police Thomas V. Dale who took the reigns of NCPD on January 2nd after a distinguished 40 year career in the NYPD. We wish him well and pledge to support his efforts to keep the Department strong as we head into 2012.

The year 2011 as you know was a tough year for the Nassau P.D., we lost two Police Officers in the line of duty and an AMT to a sudden illness. Our own Shomrim members had their challenges as well as successes that we celebrated during the year.

I want to thank recent Past President Saul Roth for all his efforts over the last two years. It seems Saul still has the energy he had when I first met him almost 25 years ago. As a matter of fact he still has most of the hair he had back then as well. Seriously though we thank Saul for all his time and effort and we offer him a speedy recovery from his recent surgery. He'll be home recuperating for a few weeks so give him a buzz when you get the chance.

I offer condolences to past President Cheryl Garber who lost her father Morris after a long hard fought battle as I write this. Cheryl, true to form was all class when I spoke

to her as she praised her father as a good man who had a great life. Cheryl has always been a positive force in this organization and we support her and her family all the way.

This organization is built on a solid foundation of a core of dedicated, loyal individuals who work together toward common goals. I intend as President to reinforce those ideals.

The Shomrim Society is a Police Fraternal Organization made up of members of the Jewish faith that supports the community, the Department and the membership. While the Nassau County Police Department takes center stage we take great pride in the fact that we are comprised of members of many law enforcement agencies and those who support them.

Nassau Police Running Club

by Rocco Sinisi

Blame it on the rain. I just got back from Miami/Bahamas in mid February to escape what I thought would be a cold winter. But compared to last year we are fortunate enough to have more outside running days as opposed to treadmill days. In Miami I encountered rain and humidity for the 4 days I was down there. South Beach has the beach pathway and long boardwalk to run on and if you venture out on the local roads you will find that motorists down there actually will give you the right of way rather than try to beat you to the corner to make their turn. As for running on a cruise ship, having never taken a cruise before, treadmill running can be an adventure if the boat is docked and rocking a bit. I opted for the promenade deck where one lap around the ship was just over 500 yards. Rough headwind around the turns but great tailwinds on the straightaways.

The club held a meeting last month at Mulcahys. Those in attendance got a look at the NPRC running apparel that will be offered as part of your renewed membership at a discount. The club is celebrating its 30th Anniversary this year. The ASICS warm up suit will have the NPRC logo embroidered on them. The final cost to members will only be \$35. Members can go to Runner's Edge in Farmingdale to try out the suits and make your purchase. Only 2012 club membership cards entitle you to the discounted suits. Those first timers wishing to join the club will find an application at the back section of the newsletter.

Leslie Hiller swept her age group in the four races of the NYS Winter Series. Joann Distler placed second in her age group at the final race at Jones Beach 5K in the series.

UPCOMING RACES

- March 10 Farmingville 5k
- 11 Run Nassau Series #2 4 Miler Nickerson Beach
- 17 Huntington St Pats 4 miler
- 24 Kings Park 15K
- 25 Suffolk County half marathon/5K Selden Patchogue 5K
- April 1 Aspire 10k Plainview

Retired Members

by John Nosovitch

JOE GRELLA...jgrella@tampabay.rr.com Hi, we returned home 3:30 on Sunday. We unloaded and stowed away the reunion supplies then returned the U-Haul. By the time we were in the house we were beat !!!!!. We hope your trip home went well and our efforts at this reunion were worth it to all who attended. Next year's reunion will be the last week-end in Jan., the theme will be 50s-60s Rock & Roll. "BE THERE OR BE SQUARE DADDY-O".

JIM KANE... jwkane@verizon.net DeRuyter, NY...

January 14th, 2012... I don't know which is harder to believe, that it was 40 years ago on this date that 200+ recruits arrived at 1490 Franklin Ave to begin what would become their careers as Patrolmen... or the fact that also on this date I celebrated 20 years of retirement. Retirement has been good and it has been busy. Never really stopped working... Customs Inspector, B&B owner (with my wife), car salesman, substitute teacher and Pastor to name a few, but the interesting thing is that no matter what hat I wore/wear, once someone finds out that you were a COP, that is the identity that they associate you with and that's not a bad thing. John, thank you for your faithful handling of this column. it is the first place I turn every month, keep up the good work!

JOE FAILLA joewee2554@aol.com It was forty years ago today, January 14 that I had the honor of standing with a number of you in the assembly hall at Police Headquarters as we swore an oath the Nassau County Police Department, the United States of America and Almighty God. Since that day I have been blessed with all of the people such as yourself that I have had the privilege to work along side, to laugh with and to cry with. I thank God for the opportunity to do all of this. I thank God for all of you and I pray that He watches over you and your families all the days of your lives. God bless you and God bless America.

ED WATSON edwnpcpd@aol.com Hope you guys got home OK. Despite a few hick-ups, we had a ball at this years reunion. Guess you know that we had a power outage on Thursday night. As we could not get to our rooms in the tower, the hotel gave us rooms in the lower older rooms near the pool. While we had light, NO HEAT! About 1:30 a.m. the power came back on and it sounded like a jet plane hit our room when the heat came on, UGH! It was great seeing you and Betty again. That was a super story that Charlie Meade wrote about Richie Rose, I was on a day off, but remember it well. Lord willing we will make the next reunion.

ALEX BEHR ...Son of Alexander Thomson Behr of Clarks Summit, formerly of San Diego and Long Island, N.Y., died Tuesday at the Abington Manor Nursing Home. He would have been 84 next month. Born in New York City, he grew up in Bronx, N.Y. and was the son of the late

Henry and Sophia Thomson Behr. Alex was a Navy veteran having served honorably in World War II and the Korean War. Alex spent 20 years in the Nassau County Police Department, proudly protecting its citizens and upholding the utmost respect for the criminal justice system. He began his law enforcement career as a foot patrolman in 1956 and had risen to the ranks of detective and retired as detective sergeant in 1976. Shortly after retirement, Alex moved to San Diego and attended Western Sierra Law School, where he graduated with a juris doctorate degree. His passion for criminal justice and law enforcement never waned. Upon graduation, he continued to serve the public in a variety of capacities. He taught a number of criminal justice classes to sailors at the San Diego Naval Base and to students at the San Diego State University; he served the courts in San Diego and the city of Santee and he held the position of code enforcement officer for San Diego County and National City. Upon moving to Clarks Summit in 2004, he performed some volunteer work for the borough, attended council meetings and offered advice to the borough's police chief and code enforcement officer. His motto: "Here's the way we did it in San Diego." Yes, he truly was the neighborhood watchdog. He was very proud to have served the public. His life stories and jokes will be missed by all those who were fortunate to have known him.

ALLEN MCGOVERN Sent by Herman Jorgensen and Pidge Murphy

I have not written a long time now and this one is a bit unusual. Just recently a friend, Pidge Murphy wife of deceased Jim Murphy NCPD, sent us an article she read in the November 19, 2011 of Newsday. The article was written by Allen McGovern NCPD retired. I found the article to be a wonderful example of human interest that our fellow retirees may enjoy. Herman Jorgensen

TITLE: It started so quietly for a man on patrol.

I slowly dressed in my uniform, thinking that this Thanksgiving would be my first real holiday away from family. I had been a patrolman for less than a year. My wife and young son would be spending the day with my family. I on the other hand would be driving one of the few cars on patrol that day. Times were different in 1972. Most restaurants and diners were closed on holidays. Families were meant to be together and customers could wait. I was normally a foot officer, but today I was assigned to car 306 in Nassau County's Third Precinct covering the Villages of East Williston, Williston Park and Mineola. I arrived at work early to allow the day tour officer the opportunity to be home in time to eat his Thanksgiving meal with his family. He thanked me and set off to catch up with his family. Signing in at the tiny police booth in East Williston, I began my lonely tour of duty. The crisp autumn air and blowing leaves deepened my loneliness. The police radio remained quiet. By late afternoon I began to search for an open establishment for food. Jack in The Box was dark so I drove to Roy Rogers; the lights were all out. The

Camay Diner and even the Mineola Diner were locked up tighter than a bank vault. It appeared that I would have to make do with Dunkin Donuts and a cup of coffee. I drove back to my booth to telephone the station house and ask if they needed anything. There in front of the booth was an automobile. I pulled in and was greeted by several teenage girls. They always waved to me when I was directing traffic at the local train station. The girls reached down on the front seat and produced a large plate covered in tin foil. They had brought dinner and desert to my lonely corner. Such a simple gesture, yet it meant so much. I still missed my family and our traditions, but these girls and their families showed me that I wasn't just the cop in the blue suit. They recognized my efforts and appreciated it. It was in only a scarred police booth, but that was one of the finest meals I have ever eaten.

MARC NEDDLEMANtrooper514@yahoo.com
Fran and I have become Cruise Addicts. From Thanksgiving week through Christmas week we did 5 cruises. We just about had time in between to come home and change our undies. We are now working on Bill and Kathy Buckley attempting to make them addicts too. They will be joining us on a 14 day Panama Canal Cruise in February and then again in November for a 14 day Holy Land Cruise from Rome, Italy. And we are hoping to sneak a short one in in between. We also did 3 days in Las Vegas with Bill and Kathy at the beginning of January, we are hoping to do it again.

FRANK MONTELEONE ..fmonteleone@cfl.rr.com
For the second time we're going to Aruba. For the second time I can't dive. Having rotator cuff surgery next week 2/13 and can't dive for 6 months. We're leaving March 26th and I'll just be finishing up physical therapy. Snorkeling with a bunch of amateurs doesn't make me happy but better than nothing. Did the deep dive in Cozumel and Grand Cayman a few years ago. To tell the truth I wasn't impressed. I like the reef dives. 92 feet in Cozumel, 94 in Grand Cayman on the wall in both places.

NOTES AND COMENTS FROM THE NASSAU BLUE REUNION

Bill & Pat Stegmuller..We arrived in sunny Florida in Tuesday for the 19th Nassau Blue Reunion and were very pleased with the appearance and friendly staff at the Ramada Gateway. All due to the return of the old/new manager. At the breakfast Robin greeted and served members as old friends in her usual friendly efficient manner. The "Blue" committee came in on Wednesday and immediately set up the hospitality room which was stocked with plenty of food and snacks. If you left the room hungry it was your own fault. As the old saying goes "a good cop doesn't get wet or go hungry" Everyone's favorite mixologist, Charlene McCabe kept the drinks flowing with no waiting, while Joe Grella had a story with every drink, and always had a waiting line.. Sorry Joe just had to stick that in. George and Alice Ann Kenny brought their stable of pony's for the afternoon at the races and you

could hear the roar of the fans as their favorite steed charged to the finish line. To those who haven't come down thinking they wouldn't know anyone, forget it. As Will Rogers would say. "There are no strangers at the reunion only friends you've yet to meet". When Pat and I first came down we knew very few people and now we have over a hundred friends at the Reunion. Some snow-birds opted to hang out by the pool during the day to soak up some Florida sunshine, but when the sun went down, the Hospitality Room was the place to be. Saturday night everyone enjoyed good food, thanks to the Chef and the music had plenty of feet shuffling around the dance floor. Sunday was departure day for many, and hugs and kisses exchanged as they headed home. Thanks to the entire Nassau Blue Committee for another job well done. We always enjoy the company of all the members and are looking forward to Reunion Number Twenty (20). See y'all in 2013.

Freddy De Bois ..A Great Party I will be back. Jim Baralo... Having a great time so far with a wonderful bunch of old timers... Greg & Janet Vazquez. Another good time we are having at the reunion. A wonderful group of people...Fred & Nancy Kerlinger...Having fun great company at Nassau Blue. Vic Dolgos. Having a nice reunion down south- will be coming here as long as I can, but my true love is up north in New Hampshire, July and August. Dave Owen... Sorry to see so many peers passing. but, good to see the rest of us showing up for a laugh and a tale or two. Vin Cloonan.. A great reunion! Old faces, good friends and lots of laughs. The time has raced by and the friendship has remained DH! FMR Sgt John Sluus. What ever happened to my last PDCN form 207 ? Bob Doepper great Seeing a lot of the guys I worked with. Charlie & Chris Varney.. We "the Varneys" are looking forward to the 20th Anniversary. We sure have enjoyed this year and had a great time. We are so glad we were able to come, we were lacking transportation, but Charlie Donesi called and said we could go with him and Joan. Thanks a Million....Ed & Kay Watson .. Having a grand time as usual. The committee works so hard to make sure we all have a good time. See y'all next year. Tom & Bobbi Goelz.. We have enjoyed every reunion so far! Looking forward to the "20th" A big Thanks to all who worked so hard to make it the best one yet and Frank who made this all happen ! Deacon Conforti. Good to see old friends, some that I have known for over 40 years. We can talk about events of yesterday. Nassau Blue does a great job year after year running this event. Thank You for your efforts. Lou Marcus.. Another great time. Can't mention that Ron Graef is here because he doesn't want anyone to know where he is. The only thing that would make this annual event better would be if some of our newer retirees would come down. The Nassau Blue organization is always open to new members, but being a member is not required in order to attend the reunions. This reunion is what comrade of being a police officer is all about.

ODDS AND ENDS

Pat Hammersmith is probably home from her cruise by now!...Tim Ivers and Joe Grella have joined the stent club..... Tim Ivers is having some other health problems as is Bob Burdewick. We hope and pray you get well soon.. Joan Drake's granddaughter is being married in the Dominican Republic in April.....Anne Wiley will be joining them for the festivities..Belated Happy Anniversary to George and Patty Izzo.... Great to See George and Alice Anne Kenny back on the dance floor at the Nassau Blue Reunion.

GOOD & WELFARE

Get Well wishes to Joe Grella, Frank Montelone, Tim Ivers and Bob Burdewick and Barbara Kramer

Deepest Sympathy to the families of James H. Cosgrove, Edward L. Zaleski, John F. Sheridan, William R. Cotton, John S. Denier, Walter J. Myerback, Raymond C. Mayberry, Alexander T. Behr, Richard A. Meditz, Joseph A. Rabasa and to John Nikiel on the loss of his mother Irene K. Nikiel and to Tim Jaccard on the loss of his mother Marilyn Jaccard. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time..

Writer's Thoughts .. If you missed the Nassau Blue Reunion you really miss one of the best reunions ever.. Wonder what they will do to out do themselves next year on their 20th.. I am hoping to be there since I attended the very first one and plan on the 20th if our health stays good.. Why don't you plan on a getaway for a weekend to see old friends and meet some new ones..That will be the last weekend in January of 2013. Don't forget to write this is your column let folks know how you are faring or where your next trip will be to!

John Nosovitch 7445 Live Oak Lane North Zulch Texas 77872 - 936-399-2420 jnoso@tconline.net

St. George Association

by Ret. Det. Wayne Mathison

This article is to inform any former St. George Association members on the status of the association. As with other fraternal groups in the police department our association has suffered. The lack of new members forced the board to make some changes. We had to suspend operations and due to NYS law, close our bank accounts. Under the advise of our attorney and accountant we decided to donate the money. We divided the funds between two groups, CHILDREN OF HOPE, part of NCPD, and the WOUNDED WARRIORS PROJECT.

We felt that those two groups would be worthy of the money donated. There are a few members still available, should anyone have questions or need assistance. If so, feel free to contact me at 516-316-9873.

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

www.the7thpct.org
and register

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★4th Precinct Website★

the4thprecinct.org

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★Fourth Precinct Retirees★

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12:30 PM

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(Corner of Merle Ave) 12 Hr. T.O.H. Parking Lot

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★Eighth Precinct★

BREAKFAST CLUB

Meets 1st Monday of the Month

Embassy Dinnr

Hempstead Tpke., Bethpage - 10:00 AM

★Fifth Precinct★

Retirees Brunch

11AM - First Wed., each month

Massapequa Diner

★Second Precinct ★

Retirees Breakfast

10AM - Second Tuesday each month

Hauppauge Palace Diner

(corner Rte 347/Rte 111)

Next Open P.B.A. Meeting
Thursday
March 15

★HIGHWAY PATROL★

Retirement/Reunion Party

Honoring

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Party: 1700 hrs

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Dan Scheidel (NCPD Retired) Commander
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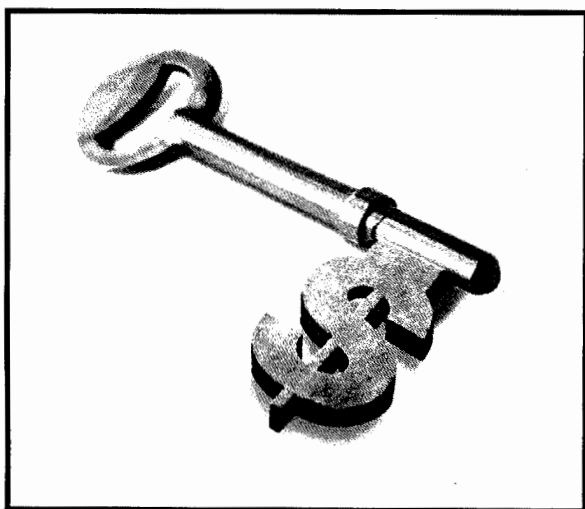
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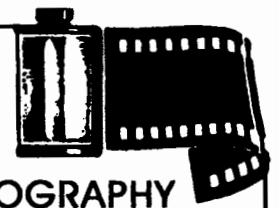
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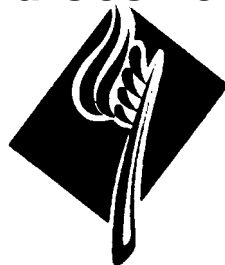
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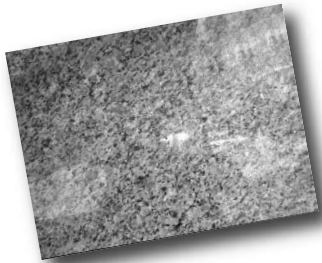
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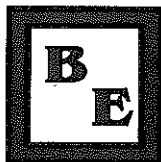
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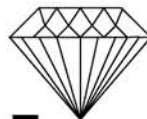
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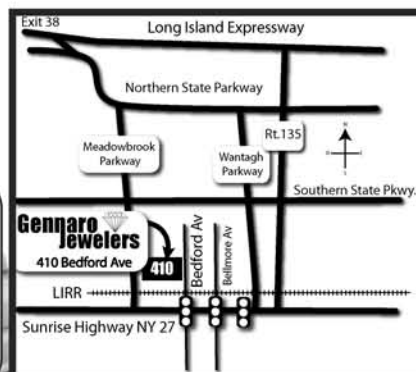
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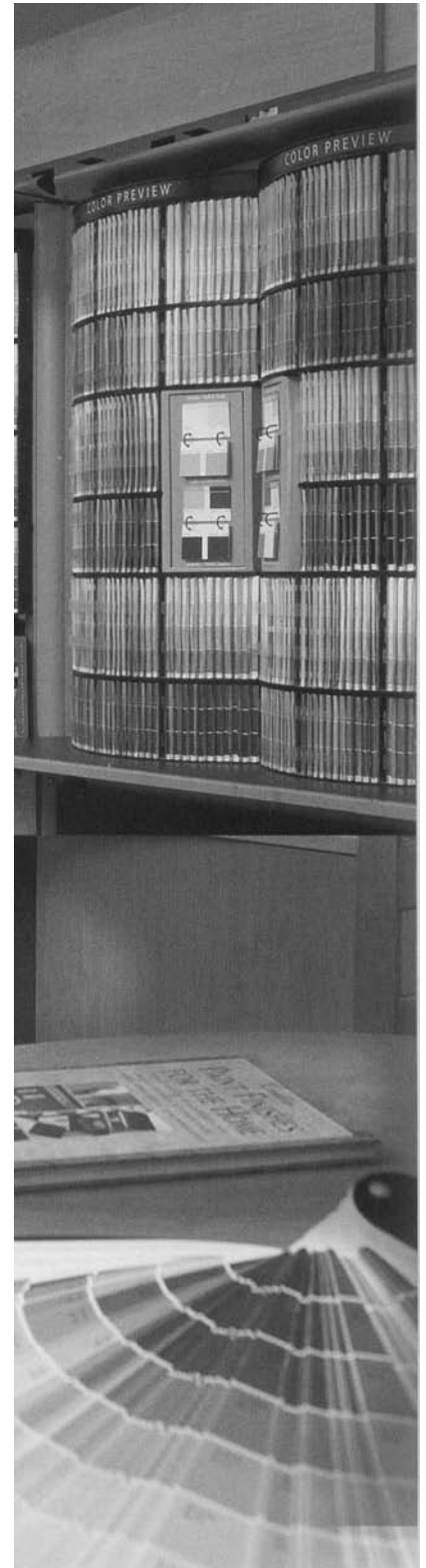
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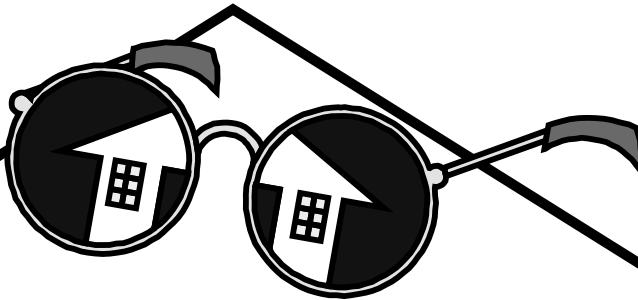
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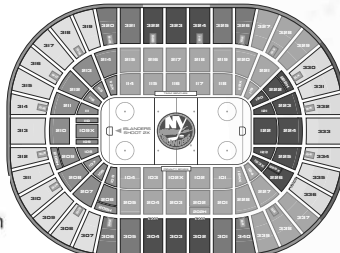
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