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PBA OFFICE**

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From The Editor

by Brian Engelhardt

Summer, once again, has passed so we can now redirect our focus from family outings back to the business at hand. We look forward to a favorable decision on the wage/step freeze, new RMP's, retooled pistol range and reinforcements from the academy. All of the above will lessen the frustration members have been experiencing for a long time.

We have all witnessed our dysfunctional government operate for as long as we've been here. And it continues to this very day to operate as haphazardly as ever. Every initiative this county government has come up with has either never gotten out of the (oh I got an idea!) planning stage or has failed miserably. But what I see, this inability to function efficiently has crept its way into our own department.

From my point of view, I have observed this slowly growing mold-like inability of our managers to effectively do their job. It's sad to think that every boss has to look over his/her shoulder before anything can get done. There's no more trust or confidence exhibited from the top so why would any manager extend themselves. And this, as we know, has a trickle down affect throughout the department which has reached the rank and file.

We all took the oath to protect and serve and that's exhibited each and every day by our members. Our cops continue to do their job professionally with courage and compassion. But there's no direction or support only frustration. The only thing we can do now is circle the wagons. We are all here for the common good. And that used to mean, in my mind, the department. But what this unproductive pattern of flawed managing has created is a sense of isolation on a job built on camaraderie. And maybe that's what it's supposed to do. But we still have each other, our unity and resolve will prevail. We will watch them eat their own from the safety of our union.

Stay strong and be safe.

President's Message

by James Carver

NIFA LAWSUIT

As of this writing we still have not heard the result of the NIFA and county appeal to our wage freeze lawsuit. As stated in online presidents messages the decision could go one of three ways. The 2nd circuit court of appeals could either rule that Judge Wexlers decision is affirmed or over rule it.

The third possibility is that it could be punted to the state court to decide on the statute. It remains our opinion that Judge Wexler was correct in taking jurisdiction over this matter since it led to the unconstitutional freezing of our wages and steps. Either way the statute is clear that no wage freeze can last longer than the interim finance period,

which has expired. When a decision comes down we will notify everyone forthwith.

On August 14th I was called out on yet another shooting involving one of our own. Fortunately, the officer that was shot, Mohit Arora, survived and is recovering at home. He will need our support as he continues to recover from his injury. The response that night was incredible by all ranging from the great police work by the responding officers and detectives to the staffs at LIJ and North Shore Hospital who did a great job in taking care of Mohit.

This potentially fatal event is a reminder of the dangerous work each police officer encounters on any given tour. What it also brings to mind is the impact the wage freeze has on our members, especially those in the steps who would otherwise be at top pay. If an officer was injured and unable to return to work it would have devastating financial results for the rest of their life.

During the past two and half years we have tried to resolve the wage freeze in a way that would be beneficial to our members and the county with both sides having to give more than they wanted. We have come real close on several occasions only to have politics interfere with a settlement, a settlement that would take that added pressure off each police officers family as they continue to keep this county safe.

This year is the elections for all the county positions and the PBA political action committee will be interviewing each candidate to see where they stand on the issues that are most important to our members and their families.

After we make endorsements we will be asking each member to commit to help the candidates we support in an all out effort to have them elected. This is a time where we all need to unite!

1st Vice President

by Pete Paterson

LEGISLATIVE CHAIRMAN

The 2013 legislative session in Albany ended in June of this year. We had faced some difficult challenges, but in the end we were able to resolve the issues with minimal negative impact. The most crucial issue we faced this year was the Binding Arbitration extender. Binding Arbitration is an important tool in the negotiation process for all of police and fire unions throughout the state. The law that provides us with binding arbitration expires every four years. 2013 was the year that it was currently set to expire. If there is no legislation introduced to achieve that, the law automatically sunsets and the entire statute referring to binding arbitration is no longer in existence

Earlier in the year, the Governor introduced the binding arbitration extender as part of the New York State Budget. It was to be extended four more years; however, there were changes in the ability to pay with respect to

municipalities that were considered “fiscally distressed”. This is what was proposed:

Extending the current binding arbitration law unchanged for municipalities not covered under the 2% tax cap. Municipalities covered under the tax cap would also have the process unchanged, unless they were deemed “fiscally distressed,” which was defined in the proposed law as:

- The average full value property tax rate of such public employer is greater than the average full value property tax rate of seventy five percent of counties, cities, towns, and villages, with local fiscal years ending in the same calendar year as of the most recently available information
- or
- The average fund balance percentage of such public employer is less than five percent

Both calculations would use a five-year average in determining whether the municipality is fiscally distressed. Under the proposed legislation, if the municipality is considered fiscally distressed, the arbitrator would be limited in issuing the award by capping any additional compensation to 2%, less any increased costs of health insurance, and other factors that would limit the award even further. So, even if a union was able to prove its argument with respect to a municipality’s ability to pay, the hard cap of a two percent total compensation increase remains.

During the budget process, we argued against the new definitions, as well as any cap, in the arbitration law. Subsequently, the whole proposal was removed from the budget and we were left to deal with it as the legislative session progressed, with the Governor adamantly maintaining his position of not extending the current law without any changes.

We met with the Governor on several occasions and it was clear that he was not coming off the fiscally distressed municipality part of his proposal. The Association of Counties and Council of Mayors wanted a stronger position on the ability to pay, and some management groups urged him to let the law expire completely. After speaking with the legislative leaders in both houses, we felt that one of two possibilities would occur:

- The law would be allowed to expire
- or
- The Governors proposed legislation would be re-introduced as is and forced through the legislature

This analysis was done after several long months of being in Albany and investigating every aspect of this issue, both legally and politically. It was not done lightly, particularly with the current financial climate and what has occurred over the past four years. **We strongly felt that we had a responsibility to protect the binding arbitration statute and not let it expire.** The definitions were not negotiated, they originated from the Governor’s office, and they were not going to change. We proposed several other options with respect to the definitions, but he

would not move from his position.

Ultimately, we were able to convince him that several pieces of his proposal should be amended. The final version of the legislation contained the term “fiscally eligible” instead of “fiscally distressed”, and the hard cap was removed, after lengthy discussions. The enactment date was also amended to try and capture as many bargaining units as possible to fall under the older, existing law. This was a major achievement to protect binding arbitration in this current climate that we are in.

The binding arbitration law was also merged into another proposal by the Governor’s office that included a “financial restructuring board,” which could come into a fiscally eligible municipality, upon request, and make recommendations to the municipality that would *not* be binding *unless* they agreed to it *and* received grants, loans or other monetary incentives to initiate the recommendations. The board is *not* empowered to abrogate any contracts or violate any existing civil service laws. We do have some concerns with how it may make and enforce determinations, but the municipality has to request that they come in.

The board also may be utilized for the binding arbitration process, but the municipality **as well as the union has to agree** to let them have jurisdiction. In other words, *it is strictly optional for a union.*

The new Binding Arbitration legislation includes:

- Current binding arbitration law extended for three years
- The Law unchanged for municipalities not affected by the 2% tax cap (NYPD, NYFD, state employees, authorities’ employees, etc.)
- Added definitions for municipalities that are fiscally eligible:

1. If the average full value property tax rate of such public employer is greater than the average full value property tax rate of seventy five percent of counties, cities, towns, and villages, with local fiscal years ending in the same calendar year as of the most recently available information,

Or

2. If the average general fund balance of such public employer is less than five percent. (Both definitions use a five year average, and we were successful in getting language in the law that states if there is another fund balance, outside the general fund, which can be used for an award, then the existence of that fund’s balance can be used to argue that the municipality is not fiscally eligible under this section.)

Then

3. The arbitrator must consider the ability to pay section with a weight of 70% and the rest of the sections with a weight of 30%, and also has to consider the 2% tax cap, but will not be limited to a 2% cap on an award.

- If the municipality is not fiscally eligible, then the current binding arbitration process will apply, unchanged. (currently, under this proposal, Binding arbitration remains the same for Nassau County)

RETIRED POLICE/PEACE OFFICER WEAPON POSSESSION EXEMPTIONS

This is an important bill for our current and future retired members. The recently enacted safe act limited the number of rounds a person can legally possess in a weapon. This caused great concerns to police and peace officers, who possess the potential to run into dangerous criminals that they investigated, arrested, or incarcerated while employed as an active police officer or peace officer. This bill provides a new exemption for criminal possession of a weapon with respect to retired police officers, peace officers and federal law enforcement officers.

The new definition states that such officers are now qualified for an exemption in the penal section for sections 265.36 and 265.37, and subdivision 8 of 265.02 which covers the large capacity ammunition devices and certain types of assault weapons. With respect to large capacity ammunition feeding devices issued to such an officer, or purchased by such officer, in the course of his or her official duties and owned by such officer at the time of his or her retirement or comparable replacements for such devices that you can possess them if you meet the following criteria:

- You are a retired police officer, peace officer or federal law enforcement officer who retired from a public agency located in New York State
- You were separated from service in good standing
- You possessed statutory powers of arrest and were authorized to engage in prevention, detection, investigation, prosecution, or incarceration of any person for any violation of law
- You served five years or more with the agency and completed any applicable probationary period
- You have not been found by a qualified medical professional employed by such agency to be unqualified for reasons relating to mental health, or have not entered into an agreement with such agency in which you acknowledged that you are not qualified for reasons relating to mental health
- You are not otherwise prohibited by New York or federal law from possessing any firearm
- You were trained by your agency within 12 months prior to retirement with the weapon that you will be carrying, and
- You receive training, at your own expense, at least once every three years

This law basically allows retired officers to possess the weapon that he/she carried and was trained on, while employed as an active officer, with the amount of rounds that was also carried, provided that you meet the above listed criteria. This legislation was extremely difficult to get passed because, for the first time, it actually creates an exemption for retired officers. We were able to convince the legislature that retired police officers, because of their training and experience with carrying a weapon while serving as a active police officer, would be an asset to the community.

OTHER BILLS THAT PASSED BOTH THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

PO J. Olivieri Jr. Memorial Bridge signed into law by the Governor

This bill dedicates the New Hyde Park Road overpass, which crosses over the LIE (495) in New Hyde Park, NY in memory of Nassau County Police Officer Joseph Olivieri Jr. who was killed in the line of duty in October 2012. The Nassau County PBA requested this legislation be introduced to honor Joe's memory. We are trying to set up a formal dedication now that the law has passed and I will let the membership know as soon as it is set.

PO Arthur Lopez Memorial Bridge passes Senate

This bill dedicates the Jericho Tpke overpass, which crosses over the Cross Island Parkway in Bellerose, New York in memory of Nassau County Police Officer Arthur Lopez who was also killed in the line of duty in October 2012. The PBA requested this legislation be introduced also to honor Arthur's memory. The legislation was delayed because of a jurisdictional issue that we are resolving. As soon as the issue is resolved we will also have a dedication ceremony in his honor. These dedications are important so that their legacies live on and the sacrifice that they made should never be forgotten, and dedicating these bridges in their honor helps to achieve that.

Unlawful Manufacture of VIN signed by the Governor law enacted

This bill amends the penal law, in relation to unlawful manufacture, production or reproduction of a vehicle identification number with intent to defraud

LOD COLA signed by the Governor, law enacted

This bill provides a 3% cost of living increase to the survivors of police officers killed in the line of duty

Town PO LIRR Pass signed by the Governor, law enacted

This bill would provide police officers employed by a township the ability to apply and receive a pass to ride the LIRR

Injunctive Relief Extender Signed by Governor, law enacted

This bill extends for two more years the right for a collective bargaining unit to receive injunctive relief in certain circumstances

Increases Partial Lump Sum Percentage S5053/A6942

This bill increases the current amount that a member can receive under the Partial Lump Sum law from 15% to 25%. The member would have to be eligible to retire for at least five years to apply for the maximum 25%. The partial lump sum law allows a member who is retiring to receive 5% to now 25% (upon enactment by the governor) of his retirement benefit in a form of a lump sum at time of retirement, receiving a less yearly pension benefit offset by the amount of the lump sum. Any member planning on participating in this program should seek financial advice to clearly understand the tax ramifications and the effect on the yearly pension benefits that you will be receiving.

PBA PENSION ESTIMATE PROGRAM

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

Lynn Ang
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Cell Phone: 516-946-1696
Retired HPB - Formerly - PAB-Payroll Section

2nd Vice President

by Kevin Tobin

In the following pages you will see two of the most recent settlements that were completed as a result of the PBA filing actions with Perb (Public Employee Relations Board). This is a state agency who oversees actions of public employees regarding the Taylor law and mandated subjects of bargaining for our members. This agency has Administrative judges who handle all the actions filed and follows them through to either a settlement or a court hearing resolves the issue or issues.

These two settlements were the result of the Department attempting to change the rules without bargaining with the PBA. Although you may think they don't affect you, think again!!

In these difficult times the department is constantly attempting to forego your contract and cut, cut, cut. Every month we are continuing to protect your rights, no matter how insignificant they think it is. Just remember there are those that would like nothing more than to see us begin to let them undermine our contract. Both of these settlements are what the PBA asked the county and the department to correct before going to PERB. As the hearing date grew closer, there was some people in labor relations that saw this was not going well. Surprise Surprise. We were able to

resolve these issues. The environment we are currently in causes us to continue to fight over issues that should be resolved with a phone call or a letter...But NO that is not how things work today. Once the administration stops the attitude that the unions are not their enemy, is when things may get back to normal labor relations, whatever that is?

We also still have a pending PERB action on the social media policy that the department put out to all members. We had a pre-conference hearing with a judge, and the judge directed the PBA and the County to negotiate over the policy. The judge also gave the county and the department time sensitive dates to adhere to. We have met with the department and we are moving forward on resolving the issues in that order. Once again we had tried to sit down with the department before it got to PERB but to no avail. These issues are important to us, as if they start to erode your rights on these issues, wait till you see what they want to get away with next.

Remember whatever you put out on Social Media is subject to being reviewed by those in higher places. What is offensive to some may not be to others. Everything is retrievable. Please use good common sense on this issue.

We will keep you posted on the results of the social media meetings. As we move forward with the day to day issues, please stay united in our quest for a favorable result in our lawsuit on the pay freeze. We do know the frustration level, and do not fall prey to rumors.

**STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD**

-----X
**Police Benevolent Association of the Police
Department of the County of Nassau, N.Y., Inc.,**

Charging Party,

Case No. U-32745

-against-

County of Nassau (Police Department),

Respondent.

-----X

STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

In settlement of the above-captioned matter, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Even though it enters into this Stipulation, the PBA continues to believe that the Police Department's actions described in the underlying matter violated Section 209-a.1(d) of the New York State Civil Service Law and the relevant provisions of and other agreements that comprise the parties' Collective Bargaining Agreement, and that it would prevail should the underlying matter be decided by the New York State Public Employment Relations Board and should the associated grievance be decided by an arbitrator.
2. The execution of this Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation") shall not constitute the admission of the violation of any Federal, State or local statutes, laws, rules or regulations.
3. The County acknowledges and agrees that drug testing of applicants for the positions of Auxiliary Officers is the sole and exclusive work of PBA bargaining unit members. The County also agrees that any further transfer or reassignment of such work to any non-PBA unit personnel (including but not limited to non-unit County employees, volunteers, outside contractors, or any other outside personnel) constitutes a violation of the parties' December 24, 1992 "Bayville Agreement" and the January 20, 2010 Agreement wherein the County agreed not to unilaterally transfer PBA unit work to non-PBA unit personnel, both of which are and have been incorporated into the parties Collective Bargaining Agreement.
4. The PBA's improper practice charge in the above-captioned matter is withdrawn.
5. The PBA's grievance dated February 20, 2013 (re: "Transfer of Unit Work (Auxiliary Applicants)) is also withdrawn.

**STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD**

-----X
**Police Benevolent Association of the Police
Department of the County of Nassau, N.Y., Inc.,**

Charging Party,

Case No. U-32815

-against-

County of Nassau (Police Department),

Respondent.
-----X

STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

In settlement of the above-captioned matter, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. The execution of this Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation") shall not constitute the admission of the violation of any Federal, State or local statutes, laws, rules or regulations.
2. Effective upon full execution of this Stipulation, PBA members assigned to the Canine Unit of the Nassau County Police Department shall be permitted to sign on and off duty for regularly scheduled tours as follows:
 - a. For police officers who live in Nassau County, they shall sign on duty from their patrol vehicles when they leave their homes and they shall sign off duty from their patrol vehicles when they return to their homes.
 - b. For police officers who live outside of Nassau County, they shall sign on duty from their patrol vehicles when they cross the border into Nassau County and they shall sign off duty from their patrol vehicles when they cross the border leaving Nassau County.
3. Nothing described in Paragraphs 2(a) and 2(b) shall change the current sign-on and sign-off procedures and practices related to situations when a Canine Unit officer is called into work on his/her regularly scheduled day off, for recall, and/or for any other assignment other than the officer's regularly scheduled tour.
4. The improper practice charge in the above-captioned matter is withdrawn.

Nassau County

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Police Benevolent Association

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THE FAMILY OF RETIRED POLICE OFFICER

JULIUS A. MOODY

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WHO CONTROLLED TRAFFIC ON THE LIE**

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THE POLICE BAND AND THE MARINE BUREAU
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AGAIN, A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL. BLESS YOU AND BE SAFE,

THE MOODY FAMILY

Widows and Orphans Attend Yankee Game



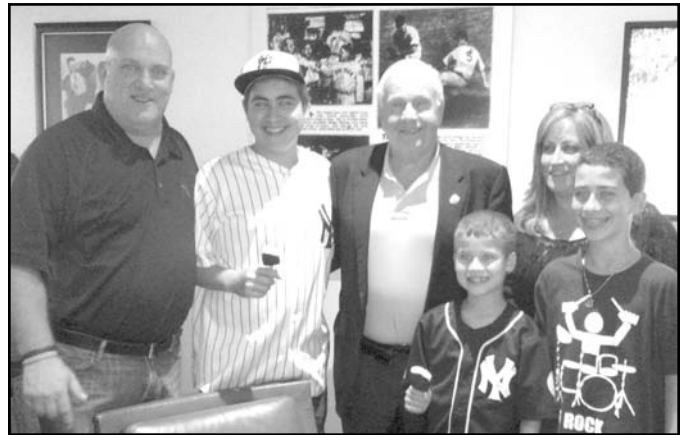
(L-R) Owen Breitkopf, James Carver, Marco Ramos, Charo Lopez Ramos, Joseph Dippell



(L-R) James Carver, Meagan Cole, Matthew Cole, Joseph Dippell



(L-R) James Carver, Owen Breitkopf, Connor Breitkopf, Paula Breitkopf, Joseph Dippell, Eileen Rafferty, Leslyn Stewart



(L-R) James Carver, Michael Califano, Joseph Dippell, Andrew Califano, Jackie Califano, Christopher Califano



(L-R) James Carver, Mike Olivieri, Paul Olivieri, Joseph Dippell

2013 Tug Of War Champions



Top row left to right; Bob McGory 5th Pct, Joe Grella FTU, Michelle Clifford NVB, Rob Stoler 7th Pct , Paul Hastings Wounded Warriors, Paul Ciaccia 7th Pct, Tom Kearney BSO, Mike Savino PA. Bottom row left to right; Joe Albergo 1st Pct, Mike Vonnes HPB, Keith Mishkin 2nd Pct. missing from the photo Bill Bourguignon BSO.



Nassau Combined Womens Champs left to right; Jean Marie Stoya NC, Lynn Maietta 6th Pct, Victoria Harden NC, Danielle Leroy NC, Kiki Morris NC, Janice Whitney 3rd Pct, Trish McCaffrey 7th Pct.



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CONVENIENT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT NEW YORK CITY AND LONG ISLAND

Date

Re:

Dear Dr.

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

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Very truly yours,
FUSCO, BRANDENSTEIN & RADA, P.C.,

By: _____

Milan Rada, Esq.

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

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

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

NAME: _____ COMMAND: _____ SERIAL #: _____

DATE OF COURT: _____ COURT: _____

JUDGE: _____

DEMEANOR TOWARDS POLICE OFFICER: _____

IMPARTIALITY: _____

GENERAL RATING: _____

COMMENTS: _____

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY: _____

DEMEANOR TOWARDS POLICE OFFICER(S): _____

CASE PREPARATION: _____

WAS ENOUGH TIME PUT INTO THE PREPARATION OF THE CASE? _____

WERE YOU CONSULTED DURING THE PREPARATION OF THE CASE? _____

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

COMMENTS: _____

OVERALL RATING:

EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR POOR UNACCEPTABLE

MAO / POLICE SURGEON QUESTIONNAIRE

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Legal Report

by Milan Rada, Esq.

ZADROGA DEADLINE LOOMS ONLY 33 DAYS LEFT! (AS OF SEPT. 1, 2013)

I hope that everyone had a great summer and also had the opportunity to travel to some memorable places.

For those of you, who may be eligible for compensation pursuant to the Zadroga Act, please be aware of the following deadlines for submitting a registration form to the Department of Justice, which is administering the fund:

The deadline for registering with the re-opened September 11th Victims' Compensation Fund (reinstated by the Zadroga act of 2011) for injuries or sicknesses related to the World Trade Center terrorist attacks is October 3, 2013. This applies to all those claimants who are or have been under medical treatment since October 3, 2011 or before, for a qualifying medical condition.

The registration deadline is October 12, 2014, for those claimants who were diagnosed with a qualifying cancer on or before October 12, 2012.

Those claimants who learned of a qualifying medical condition after October 3, 2011 must submit their registrations within two (2) years of the date that person learned or should reasonably have known that he suffered a qualifying medical condition as a result of the attacks. Please note that even though there is a two year window from date of diagnosis, all claims must be completed and filed no later than October 3, 2016.

If a medical condition was not on the original list of qualified medical conditions but is added to the list after October 3, 2011, the claimant has two (2) years from the date the specific condition was added to the list of qualified medical conditions, but no later than October 3, 2016.

Please note that all applications, documents, evidence and other proof must be submitted by October 3, 2016.

The bottom line is that if you have a medical condition that you think could be related to 9-11 exposure, call us right away!

Moving on to another area of the law, I had a consultation with a police officer who very candidly told me that he had no idea of how the disability process worked. Since this officer, more likely than not, is not alone in not knowing how the disability process works, I thought it might be beneficial to highlight some of the key elements when applying for either a $\frac{3}{4}$ disability pension, also called an accidental disability retirement (ADR) benefit, or a $\frac{1}{2}$ disability pension, also known as a performance of duty (POD) disability retirement benefit. Both benefits are tax free.

Workers' Compensation payments will impact your disability pension. In the case of a POD ($\frac{1}{2}$) pension, any Workers' Compensation payments, which are also tax free, will be paid in addition to the POD pension. However, in the case of an ADR ($\frac{3}{4}$) pension, Workers' Compensation

payments will result in an offset of the pension amount. So, if you are receiving \$700.00 per week from Workers' Compensation, this will result in a \$700 per week reduction of your ADR ($\frac{3}{4}$) pension. In the case of a POD ($\frac{1}{2}$) pension, the \$700 per week in Workers' Comp payments will be paid in addition to the POD pension.

Filing a timely Workers' Compensation claim will not only entitle you to the benefits provided under that section of the law, but will serve as giving the Retirement System timely notice of your injury, which is required under the Retirement System law. Failure to provide timely notice of your injury will result in a denial of your claim.

So when does an ADR or POD claim actually begin? It begins at the time of your injury and the initial written descriptions of how you were hurt. The determining factor in whether you are entitled to an ADR or POD disability pension is the way your injury occurred. In order to qualify for a $\frac{3}{4}$ disability pension, your disabling event must be an "accident" within the meaning of the Retirement System's law. The courts have held that not every workplace injury will result in payment of the more generous ADR pension. If the Retirement System deems your injury was not the result of an "accident", then you will only be entitled to a $\frac{1}{2}$ disability pension, plus whatever payments you are entitled to receive from Workers' Compensation. For injuries that occurred after March 13, 2007, Workers' Compensation payments will be capped for the number of years this payment will be made, usually about five to eight years. When the time period for which you were awarded Workers' Comp expires, you will receive only POD benefits. If you were receiving benefits pursuant to an ADR, the Retirement System will restore your benefit amount to $\frac{3}{4}$, replacing dollar for dollar the amount that you will no longer be receiving from Workers' Comp.

The very first descriptions of how you became injured are crucial in determining whether or not you are entitled to a $\frac{3}{4}$ disability pension. Obviously not every injury will present itself as permanently disabling at the time of injury. Recognizing this to be the case, you must pay close attention to what caused your accident and how you describe it. You need not go into the minutia of your injury. But, in order to qualify for the $\frac{3}{4}$ ADR pension, your description has to describe an event which is out of the ordinary, unexpected, unforeseen and not an "inherent risk" of the police officer's job duties. For example, a slip on black ice during the winter will not be found to be an accident; an injury incurred while lifting a stretcher will also not be found to be an accident. However, if the driver of an RMP is involved in an auto accident, this will result in an ADR claim, assuming no "gross negligence" on the part of the police officer. If a police officer is assaulted, this can result in an ADR claim. Take your time writing out the description of your accident, do not allow yourself to be rushed and don't feel that the description must fit in the small box provided on the Police Department's form 206. You should include all factors that were unexpected and out of the ordinary. You should not write a conclusion, i.e. "I was assaulted." Rather you should describe what happened to

you that constitutes an "assault." You should indicate if you were kicked, punched, knocked down, stomped on or hit with an object by the perp. Some years later, if your application for ADR benefits winds up before a Hearing Officer, you will be in a poor position if you are asked for details and these details do not appear anywhere in the contemporaneous descriptions.

You will begin the process by filing an application for ADR or POD benefits, or both. On the application, among other requests for information, you will be asked to describe how you were injured. Of course, the best position to be in is if your application description of your injury is consistent with the descriptions written very shortly after the accident. The Retirement System will obtain all the contemporaneous written descriptions of the accident and will give greater weight to the written descriptions completed shortly after the accident, as opposed to the application description, which might not be provided until years after the accident.

Once the Retirement System has examined your application and any other proof submitted, it will make a determination as to whether or not your injury was the result of an "accident." This step does not apply for POD applications. You will receive written notification only if the Retirement System decides the injury does not result from an "accident." If the "accident" is approved, then the process will continue to determine the severity of your injury and whether that severe injury is the result of the "accident" (i.e., causally related to the accident) and whether it is permanent.

In order to be successful on the claim, the medical evidence must show that you are permanently incapacitated for the performance of the full duties of a police officer and that this disability is the result of the "accident" claimed on the application as the cause of disability. As part of the medical evidence process, the Retirement System will send you to a doctor of its choosing, for the purpose of performing an "IME," which stands for an "independent medical examination." Please note that very often these IME's are neither "independent" nor was a "medical examination" performed.

As you might imagine, there are State "IME" doctors that range from good to terrible. Some doctors demonstrate outright bias in their reports, some are more interested in preaching and pontificating and some think they are lawyers and their job is to advocate in favor of the Retirement System. It is important to understand that the Retirement System usually gives great weight to the opinion of its medical "expert," and more often than not will decide the claim on the basis of the opinion of its examining doctor.

Since it is the applicant's burden to prove all the requirements of an ADR or POD claim, the applicant must be certain that the Retirement System receives all the medical evidence that indicates the presence of a permanent disability. Such medical evidence will include the office records/notes from treating sources, along with the reports

of all objective, laboratory test results, such as X-rays, MRI's, CT scans, EMG's or stress tests in a cardiac case. You should also provide the Retirement System with your treating sources' opinions on the severity of your condition, whether or not it is permanent and whether the condition is the result of the claimed accident. Other medical evidence to be provided to the Retirement System also includes all hospital records, including ER treatment and operative reports, as such relate to the claimed injury. Once the Retirement System has received all the medical evidence, including its own consultant's report, a determination will be made. If your application(s) is denied, you have the right to appeal, but that will have to be the subject of a future Legal Report.

If there are any questions concerning ADR or POD disability claims, Workers' Compensation claims, Social Security Disability Insurance claims, Veterans' Disability claims, or personal injury lawsuits if you have been injured due to the negligence of another person, please do not hesitate to contact the PBA's disability counsel, Fusco, Brandenstein & Rada, P.C., at 516-496-0400, ext. 4403 or by e-mail at MRada@fbrlaw.com.

Be careful out there and stay safe!



First Precinct

by Maureen Mazur

Welcome back Raymond Buttacavoli to the 1st pct after his brief stint in the 7th pct/ 3rd squad. Welcome to the precinct Brian Coscino from the 3rd squad/ 4thpct. Adios to our Marine Bureau boys, Myer, Shahinian, Caroselli and last but not least Citarella, who got his own transfer orders on his own order because he is special!

Now Sept. – Farewell to Deputy Inspector Magrane to the 7th pct. Welcome to Deputy Inspector Psoinas from the 4th- 5th. Congrats to D.I Palmer on becoming our new C.O. Welcome back to Timmy Cestaro from Dubai, who was activated there for over a year.

So the summer in the 1st has been as projected...A LOT of ordering in. Some guys are working pretty much everyday. Thanks to everyone who has stepped up this summer and filled the voids on roll calls, some volunteered, some were ordered in. Some of the special patrols guys really stepped up and held over and came in early to help fill the roll calls, thank you so much. If everyone did their part and worked, it wouldn't have been so bad, but the job has certainly changed.

FYI for those of you trying to avoid getting ordered in there's a form at the front desk to excuse you, its PDCN form 194.

Sergeants' test in September...doesn't seem quite fair to have a test in September when guys in the 1st were getting ordered in the entire summer with NO time to study; maybe someone should keep this mind. What's fair is fair.....

IS IT TRUE THAT.....

John Halmo actually stayed longer at his last day shindig than Eddie Wahl?

Eddie Wahl is leaving Baldwin? What will the residents do without him?

You can never tell if Greg Ech is lying or not, because he smirks all the time?

Eddie Knox is JB's errand boy and that Mo is his personal assistant?

Eddie Wahl was welcomed to his new spot in RMP108 by getting invited to the firehouse, only to be locked out by his squad members.

Onowich was looking for his check under "J" for his check, because his name is John?

Lenny Cascino is so bad at parallel parking that Bruckbauer and Costello had to direct him into a parking spot?

Eddie Costello and Danny Clarke Sr. cannot work next to each other because that's too much moustache going on there?

Ray Hickman was overheard trading recipes with PSA Paone in the gym?

Chris Lettieri is known as Vanilla Ice?

Greulich pretended to be cool when a Pepsi commercial was being filmed in Uniondale with Giants Victor Cruz, but when it came right down to it he was anything but cool.

Fosbeck got breakfast/pastries from a bakery costing the inside crew \$72!

WHAT P.O.....

Invited a bunch of people to a last day retirement party for Babydoll and Darlene on the wrong day?

Is named "Clear right"?

Has the nick name of "cupcake"?

Do you not want to get advice from?

Is begging to be on McCarthy's soccer team?

Had his partner shave the back of his neck in the men's bathroom of the highway bldg. with a disposable razor?

Nite P.O. says he doesn't work weekends unless it's on over-time?

PO(s) banged in sick for "heat" on a Saturday night in July? (Causing 2 PO's to get ordered in)

Lets his wife paint his toenails?

WHAT BOSS...

Went 3 for 3 in arguments with cops/Bosses?

Is known as Mahem?

Is known as Dr. Death?

CONGRATS (JUNE)

Richie Mahepath, Sammy Augello, Brian Judson and Sgt Soto on their permanent status/transfer to CIRT. The precinct will not be the same without you, and neither will the newsletter!

To everyone on their new spots/car seats.

To the 1st pct volleyball team on their consecutive 3rd win for the County championship! Way to go!

CONGRATS - JULY

Matt Dunseith on the birth of his daughter Finley.

Carl Tedeschi on the birth of his son Joseph Vito.

Jon Anderson on the birth of his baby boy Matthew.

Mark Lentini on his retirement.

FARLEY'S FOLLIES

A riddle from Farley.....

Always old, sometimes new.

Never sad, sometimes blue.

Never empty, sometimes full.

Never pushes, always pulls.

What is it?

Answer in next newsletter...or see Farley!

Second Precinct

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LAST MONTH'S MOVIE QUIZ

Bill Murray Caddyshack

WHAT SONG AND WHAT BAND "HINT" SING THESE EIGHT LINES ABOUT EIGHT GIRLS QUICKLY

Deborah was a Catholic girl,
she held out to the bitter end.

Carla was a different type,
she's the one who put it in.

Mary was a black girl,
and I was afraid of a girl like that.

Susan painted pictures sitting down
****like the Buddha sat.****

Reno was a nameless girl
a geographic memory.

Cathy was a Jesus-freak,
she liked that kind of misery.

Vicky had this special way
of turning sex into a song.

****Kamala who couldn't sing,****
kept the beat and kept it strong.

TAHOE - TAHOE -EVERYWHERE HOW ABOUT PATROL?



There seems to be a whole sea of black tahoes parked over at fleet. And while patrol drives around air-conditionless in 100 degree heat with most RMP's having well over 100,000 miles on them these black beauties await their destination. We were told that there's a chance we could see

some new cars by the end of August. I give a ton of credit to our Pct mechanic Dave who managed to get us through the summer fixing most cars with spit - Band-Aids and zip ties. While patrol is dealing with no AC - used tires - bald tires - old cars - driver side only windshield wipers - broken gas pumps - broken booths and god knows what else we're being told morale is supposed to be up and we should be doing our jobs at a high level of performance despite the death traps patrolling the streets in. This makes sense ask you?

Yes I'm Told - Only In Nassau County.



Third Precinct

by Bill Purcell

ANOTHER SHOOTING, UNBELIEVABLE

The amount of Police involved shootings over the past few years really blows my mind. With the Artie Lopez tragedy still fresh in our minds, this job certainly doesn't seem to be getting any safer. This time, one of our own precinct members was badly injured and through the grace of God it wasn't fatal. As I write this article two days later, it seems he will hopefully make a full recovery and be back on the streets before you know it. Keep him in your thoughts.

The animal responsible for this was captured and will hopefully spend the rest of his life in a cage. The reason he was captured was the great teamwork of several other Officers. They all put themselves in harm's way attempting to catch this guy and they heroically succeeded. Great job guys.

APPEAL UPDATE

Unfortunately at the time of this article, there is nothing to update you with. Our fate still lies in the hands of three judges. I am optimistic that the outcome of the wage freeze will eventually be a victory for us, but it's been a hell of a ride with a lot of twists and turns. Whether it ends in this court room, some other court room or some deal that appears out of left field, I remain optimistic.

Our situation hasn't changed all summer and neither has my confidence in our attorney's and the Executive Board. I completely understand and sympathize with everyone on this job who is owed money, especially the guys in their steps. This has gone on for way too long and has the potential to possibly go on much longer, although I personally do not believe it will. So, I hope everyone remains united, because that's what makes us strong, and calm, because excitement won't change anything. We have done all that we can for now and must wait it out.

PRECINCT PICNIC

The Third and Sixth Precinct combined again for a precinct picnic on August 10th. Again, it was held at the Pierce Country Day Camp which was generously donated for the day. The attendance was great this year and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. Us, PBA guys work really hard

to put together events like this and it makes us happy to see people attend and enjoy themselves. I was talking to Eddie Conroy about the large turnout and he smiled and said "This is what it's all about", and he's right, the job will always be the job. We will have good days at work and we will have bad days at work, but if you don't put it all aside every once in a while and spend some time with your family and friends, what good is it.

Eddie had koozies made up that said 'Precinct Picnic 2013' on them. They had a three on one side and a six on the other. (Great Idea by the way) I don't know if the Sixth Precinct guys had any rules, but we made sure that when any of the Third Precinct guys were holding their beverages, no part of the number six could be visible. This rule made life difficult for Sue Enteman, who works in the Third but is married to a Sixth Precinct delegate. Her koozie was constantly being rotated, depending on which crowd she was hanging with. (PS: Sue helped out from setting up to cleaning up, and I want to say thanks).

E-MAILS

The new PBA E-mail system is up and running. If you are not on the contact list for the PBA E-mails and you would like to receive updates, contact one of your PBA representatives. The Third Precinct also has an E-mail system that is for information affecting our precinct members only. There are some people who are not in our system either, so again, if you want in, contact a PBA representative for that also.

TOP COP (MARCH 2013) POLICE OFFICER ROBERT FLORIE

On Sunday March 31, 2013, at approximately 0230 hours, Police Officer Robert Florie in RMP 322 received a radio assignment for a man who was found bleeding in the street. Upon his arrival, he found a victim, who's right thumb was partially severed from his hand. In addition, the victim had deep slash wounds to his head and face, from a machete attack. As the investigation unfolded, two additional victims were located. One victim had a deep laceration to the front of his head and the other had a deep laceration to his left arm. A witness was located at the scene and pointed out a group of three men that he had observed assaulting the three victims. Officer Florie attempted to stop and question the three male subjects but they ran off. He gave chase and after a brief foot pursuit, Officer Florie was able to place one of the defendants into custody. A perimeter was established and with the assistance of Officer Costleigh, a K9 Officer, along with his service animal "Gehrig" located a second defendant. The third subject was never located. The victims were transported to the hospital and the two defendants were transported to the Third Squad for arrest processing the defendants were charged with Attempted Murder, Assault 1st, Gang Assault 1st and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd.

ON THE MEND

We sure have our share of walking wounded around the Station House. It seems that we have a steady stream of peo-

ple rotating through the desk. Jodie Wolkowicz, Dan Bilz, Chuck Vroom and Mike Covais are still out of commission due to summer surgeries. We hope to have them back in action real soon. (Hopefully some of them, by the time this go's to print) Feel better, guys.

BABY ANNOUNCEMENT

I can't remember the last article I wrote that did not have a baby announcement in it and this month is no different.

Congratulations to Jason Wrieske and his wife Theresa on the birth of their son Jason Jared who was born on July 15th.

Go home safe, that's all that really matters

Fourth Precinct

by Todd Gerbasio and Greg O'Neill

We hope you all had a great summer with family and friends. Though we are extremely short on manpower, everyone stepped up and made the summer a success. We urge you to continue to do the great job you are doing.

Hopefully in the weeks to come we will receive a decision in regards to the appeal by NIFA and the County in Second District Court. This case is in federal court and any decision/judgment will be issued when they are ready to issue it. No firm dates are attached. Hopefully it is sooner, rather than later. Once a decision has been issued, the PBA will send a notification to all the members.

PRECINCT CONSTRUCTION

Does the County or Police Department care about us? The answer is clearly no! Due to the consolidation of the 4th and 5th pct, the County is now building an extension onto the 4th Pct. The extension is adjacent to the desk area. The building is prefabricated, and does not even match the original, dilapidated structure that we currently work out of. Let us remind everyone that the original structure is one that an independent firm claimed should be knocked down and rebuilt. The County decided to do this extension and never notified anyone in the department of their working plans. One day, they started to dig a hole, cut pipes and cause people inside the building to become ill. A short while later, the prefabricated building, which looks like a glorified dog house, was scheduled to be put in place during the middle of the day. They never made a plan to evacuate the officers and other personnel. The PBA had to call the department and demand that all our members be evacuated from the building. What about the safety of our officers? Does the hierarchy of our department care about the safety of the officers? The answer is consistently no!

The "doghouse" is in place and a breezeway is in the process of being built to connect the new structure to the precinct. In order to build/connect the doghouse to the run-down precinct they had to knock down a wall and remove pipes. As we all know, the precinct is built of brick and cement. We also know that the independent report had noted that the floors contained asbestos. Workers had to jack ham-

mer though the wall next to the desk area. So you would figure that the County would notify someone. They did not! With our inside people, who are swamped everyday because of the consolidation, and the Desk Officer present they started to jack hammer. "Good morning, Fourth Precinct. How can I help you" as dust and debris was sent into the air inside the precinct and the sound of jack hammering muffled all conversations on the phone. As a result a police officer goes home sick and three others felt ill. What was in the air? Was there asbestos? Was there lead paint? The PBA was told by the County that there was nothing to worry about. We were assured by the powers that may be that no asbestos was in the building. The PBA once again had to get involved and requested that a test be done. The results confirmed that there was asbestos in the precinct. OSHA was notified of the possible violations and asbestos abatement was ordered. They were wrong again and they put our members in danger. This is another example of how they have let us down and it reminds all of us that they lack respect for us and our families and the residents we serve. In regards to the construction of the building, once again they never had a real plan.

OUR BOOTHS

We are a department that is open 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. At minimum our officers deserve a clean booth to use in order to go to the bathroom, to clean their hands, sit and have a bite to eat or even be able to use a working phone to call in a case report. During Superstorm Sandy, several of our police booths were flooded with water and sewage. The PBA presented the issue to the department and requested that the booths be repaired and cleaned. Almost 10 months later, at the end of July, the County said they were sending crews out to clean and repaint the booths.

We asked the County if they were aware or if they knew if any mold was in the booths? The answer from the county was no. Doesn't this sound like the asbestos story in the precinct? We asked how and when they tested the booths for any mold or other potential harmful bacteria. We received no answer. Once again, the PBA had to step in and request that each booth be tested. The findings: mold and possible black water (which we are told is worse than mold). So for 10 months Police Officers were expected to use these facilities and were possibly exposed to harmful bacteria. Can someone at headquarters or with the county explain how homes that were flooded, had to rip sheetrock walls down and have a specialized company do mold abatement? Our Superiors and County think that putting a fresh coat of paint on a wall will make everything better. Do they have magical paint? No, they just don't care. This "band-aid" approach adds up.

Eventually it will not only cost them more money in the future but they will also lose all credibility and support from their employees. We are still waiting for the next steps from the county on how they will repair the booths correctly so that the hard working officers can make use of them on a daily basis. The County and Department has lost all credibility! They continue to lie, mislead and deny. There is no rational answer to the way they act. They simply don't care about us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Michael Califano Memorial Scholarship Pancake Breakfast – September 22 – contact P.O. Kear for more info

Sergeant's Exam – September 28– good luck to all members taking the exam

F-Troop – October 3 – Atlantic Beach Sands – contact a PBA rep for more info



Fifth Precinct

By Joe Nocella

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YEAR ONE

It's been a year now since the fifth precinct was closed, and after twelve months, not a single issue created by the closure has been resolved. The cries for reason were completely ignored, our police officers have been stripped of their identities, and the people have had their local safe haven torn out from under their feet. I cannot explain the negative impact the closing has had on the town of Elmont. People are constantly asking if Mangano is going to reopen their precinct ... I only wish I had an answer for them. They feel that as each day passes, it becomes less and less likely the place will reopen, and while that is a logical assessment, I can't help but think this will be undone. How could it not? This simply does not work. And don't kid yourself, Mangano and company know this to be true. Why else have they decided against closing the first precinct? C'mon ... They know damn well that closing the fifth has created a giant mess, but at the end of the day, they just don't care. They don't care about officer safety, they don't care about logistics, they don't care about the administrative mess this has created, they don't care that exposure to mold has made people physically ill, they don't care that people who work in the fourth are subjected to poor air quality while they make room for the new arrivals, and they sure as hell don't care if they subject people to a potential disaster during construction. Go ahead ... Lift that modular building directly over the station house while its occupied ... What could possibly happen??? None of this matters. They just stand on their soapbox and tout savings ... As if the \$34 it would have cost each household to keep all eight precincts open would have broken the bank. Well guess what ... Their stump speech has been completely disproved. There is no savings achieved from this plan, in fact, I recently read that this year's overtime is going to surpass last year's mark. Imagine that. In 2012, the overtime budget was busted due to Super Storm Sandy. And this year? ... Well, we have Hurricane Ed. A natural disaster of another kind.

The closing of the fifth precinct has been a complete disservice to cop, civilian and community alike. A failure of epic proportions, and from the front lines, to the ivory

tower, everyone knows it. Something's gotta give ... But when? At what point do we abandon this farce and bring sanity back to policing in Nassau County?

TOP COPS

It's been a hell of a summer. Robberies, burglaries, robberies ... wait a minute, I said robbery twice.

Congratulations to the following officers on being voted Fifth Precinct Top Cops. For the month of March, Doug Penna, Natalie Coppola, Lisa Cardinale, and Jimmy Dobbs received the honors for the arrest of three subjects for attempted burglary, all of whom had prior burglary collars under their belts.

In April, John Sikorski and Bill Kennedy received the honors for the arrest of a subject for robbery and several larcenies from auto's. It should be noted that JJ and Bill stopped the subject prior to a radio assignment being transmitted. Yes folks, they're that good.

In May, Bill Casey, Kevin Imperato, Eric Surface, and Anthony, aka: TJ, Uvena received the honors for the arrest of two subjects who committed a knife-point robbery ... The result of which closed out two prior robbery cases.

And lastly, in June, Mary Ann Hernon and Eric Kafka received the honors for the arrest of two subjects who committed multiple burglaries.

Through all the nonsense, through all the adversity, fifth precinct police officers continue to perform at an extremely high level. It's a true testament to their character and professionalism. Congratulation to you all!

FIFTH PRECINCT PRIDE HITS THE ROAD

Going on a trip? Take your fifth precinct coin wherever you go. This month's destination ... The coin makes another stop in Hawaii. Both shots on the big island, via helicopter over and active volcano, and an exceptional, beachfront sunset ... If only these photos were printed in color! Many thanks to Vic Gladitz for taking the time during his honeymoon to snap the photos.



EVERY THIRD THURSDAY ...

2013 is a big year, election wise. Both the County Exec and the entire legislature are up for re-election. One can only pray that people are paying attention ... Four more years of this simply unthinkable.



Sixth Precinct

by Ed Conroy

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I hope that everyone enjoyed their summer and took some time to relax and enjoy family and friends. Now we're into September and back to work and school. My fellow parents out there know that September brings the start of a full schedule of after school activities and sports which make for a busy day but that's what it's all about. Watching your kids get involved and excel. Members of the Sixth and Third Precincts had a chance to have a day of fun in the sun when we joined together for a combined picnic. We had a great day and a great turnout with 170 people in attendance. Everyone seemed to really enjoy themselves and we look forward to doing it again next year. I'd like to thank both the 3rd and 6th Precinct Delegates for all their hard work and for making the picnic a success again this year.



THEODORE ROOSEVELT ASSOCIATION POLICE AWARDS

On June 13, 2013 the Theodore Roosevelt Association held its 19th annual Police Awards ceremony at the Sagamore Hill National Historic Site in Oyster Bay. The award is given to Police Officers who have overcome life threatening illness, a major physical challenge or handicap as Theodore Roosevelt did. This year our own Pete Chuchul was recognized for his recovery from a debilitating condition that had the potential to leave him paralyzed. In November of 2010 Pete began to experience the loss of the ability to feel hot or cold, texture and had a decrease in grip strength in both hands. He also developed numbness and tingling in both arms as well as loss of leg coordination and balance. After seeking medical attention and seeing an orthopedic specialist, Pete was diagnosed with having a severely impinged spinal cord. Without surgery Pete faced the likelihood of being paralyzed. He underwent a surgery that removed a portion of his cervical vertebrae and replaced it with Titanium. There was great risk involved in this surgery and Pete did suffer from one of the side effect conditions associated with it. Pete's determination to recovery from this condition and surgery pushed him to rehabilitate. Over the next year he worked hard to

rebuild muscle strength and was able to regain nervous system control. Pete was granted full duty status in December of 2011 and remains full duty at this time performing the job that he loves. Pete was faced with a life altering condition and he took it head on and was determined to fully recover and live a normal and healthy life. While it is not an award that anyone sets out to obtain, Pete is definitely deserving of the recognition for his hard work, will and desire to overcome this obstacle that would have severely altered his life.

TOP COP APRIL 2013

On April 26, 2013 at approximately 0423 hrs Sixth Precinct Officers responded to an assignment for a suspicious male in front of a commercial business in Greenvale. Prior to arriving at scene Officer Dennis Jiannaras observed two males backing out of a business driveway not far from the location of the radio assignment. Officer Jiannaras conducted a stop of the vehicle and requested assistance. Upon investigation by Officers including Officer Thomas Tierney burglars tools and a stun gun were discovered in the defendants vehicle and substance believed to be heroin on one of the subjects. It was determined that the subjects had entered a fenced area and cut the locks on several trucks used for storage and spools of cooper were taken. Upon further investigation the two subjects were linked to a prior Burglary at the same location. It is because of their keen observation and investigative skills that Officers Jiannaras and Tierney are named our Top Cops for April 2013 and these two subjects were located and arrested for the crimes they committed.

TOP COP MAY 2013

On May 8, 2013 Sixth Precinct officers including Police Officer Daniel Fliedner and Lauren Blozis responded to an assignment in which a male reported being assaulted. The male victim reported that he had an argument with a female acquaintance over their relationship in front of his residence. The victim stated that the female was with two other females known to him and two unknown males. The victim stated that after the dispute he went into his residence and shut the door. A short time later his doorbell rang excessively and the female acquaintance and her associates entered his home through the unlocked door without permission. The victim was assaulted by the individuals and robbed of personal belongings. After a thorough investigation Officers Blozis and Fliedner were able to assist in arresting subjects in the Robbery and for their actions have been named our Top Cops for May 2013.

NEWSLETTER

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

TOP COP INFO

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

OPEN MEETING

The PBA open meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month with the next meeting being held on September 19th. Come down, stay informed and get involved. Hope to see you there.

Until next month stay safe.

Seventh Precinct

by Tom O'Reilly

Well, another summer in the books, I cant believe how fast they go by, hopefully you were able to take some time off and spend sometime with your families and friends. We did see an increase in the overtime this summer, but I don't think it was as bad as we were led to believe. Actually some cops complained that they were not getting more, I think most of it went ok, a few bumps in the road, most of our problems as expected were the weekends. Thanks to all those that went the extra mile, volunteering, coming in early or staying over. Hopefully with the end of the summer will come the end of the 5 days in advance roll calls, I felt that the 2 days in advance roll calls were working fine. The five day roll calls are just problematic, there are too many variables that can interfere with the fair and equal distribution of overtime. Going into the future I would like to see that the roll calls are done two days in advance, most of the members I spoke with all agreed that the two days worked well.

NIFA LAWSUIT

June 10th, our attorneys presented our arguments to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, as of this writing we are still anxiously awaiting the courts decision on judge Wexler's decision. Nifa and the county had asked for an expedited appeal which the PBA agreed to all hoping for a decision before the end of the summer, when a decision is made your PBA Reps will get the info to you as soon as possible.

SGT'S TEST

The county and the Department announced in late June that they would be administering a new Sgt's Exam for Police Officers, test date scheduled for September 28th. Who thinks this stuff up? The department frets and worries that they won't be able to get cops to fill the post cars, and even mulls the idea of redistributing personnel to balance

out the precincts, and then they come up with this brilliant idea. Is it so imperative that we have this test in September. How about maybe November, when things die down a bit, police officers will be able to hit the books more and be better prepared. Believe it or not there was not much interest in this Sgt. Exam, I mean can you blame the Cops, you put all that hard work and effort and they promote 30 Police officers to Sergeant, over a four year period.....pathetic. To those of you taking the test all the best of luck to you.

TOP COPS

Sgt. Murphy would like to remind the members of the precinct that if you have something you feel should be recognized as a potential Top Cop candidate, you should reach out to him or one of the committee members. Top Cop recipients do not necessarily always have to come from an arrest, if you do something that you feel should be considered let the committee know. You need to be your biggest fan, there is nothing wrong with boasting about some good Police work you did and being recognized for it.

WELCOME

This summer we saw a change at the top here in the 07, welcome to our new CO DI Sewell, previously from the the 4th, and DCO DI Magraine from the 1st pct. Goodbyes and good luck to our departed Top Bosses Inspector Barbieri and D/Inspector Mullane, both have gone to the 4/5 as the CO and Deputy.

Til next month stay safe.

Eighth Precinct

(2nd Precinct South)

by Joe Salvatore

WELCOME AGAIN

It is great to be back after our well-deserved summer hiatus. The beautiful season of Fall is imminent and the smell of football season is back. We hope that some of you who were inundated with overtime will get a September reprieve. And there are those among us who have September 28th penciled in as Judgment Day. Some of the heavy hitters in the 2nd South include:

Steve 'Standards of Proof' Schwartz, Steve 'Flexible Response' Leavey, Dave 'Rules of DPA' Ditieri, Jason 'Culpable Mental State' Collins, John 'Compstat' Horn, Karissa 'People vs. Bing' Karn, Dave 'PODSCORB' Cafarella, Julio 'Span of Control' Chaves, Paul 'NIM Model' Lamonaca, Pat 'Plain View' Muchow, Mike 'DIKI Continuum' Mazarra, Brendan 'No Knock Authority' McGovern, Shav 'Trial Jurisdiction' Hussain, Paul 'Adjoining County' Toscano, Mike 'CAABER E' Mendolia, Brian 'Penal' Law, Carolyn '3 E's' Barnett and Shaun 'CCGRAPESRAM' Michels. And for all those closet studiers, my staff knows you are out there. Good luck to all.

FAREWELL/RETIREMENT

This summer, PO John Bligh, Shield#1879, retired from our ranks. John is one of the nicest and smartest cops that I have had a chance to work alongside. I know that I am not alone sharing that sentiment. John has dedicated a great portion of his life to police service, and served honorably.

-John Bligh joined the NYPD on January 4th, 1984. He was immediately assigned in NSU 16, which turned out of the 114 in Queens. Shortly after that stint, PO Bligh moved to Bushwick, Brooklyn, where he worked for the next two years. It was at this time when PO Bligh moved his talents East and joined forces with the Nassau County Police Department. John began his service to our County on January 23rd, 1987. Almost 27 years later, he finally parts ways, but never to be forgotten. I talked with John behind the garage on one of his final days. His advice to all was that this is still a great job/career. He went on to say, "Times may be a little tough now but we will get through it." When asked what he will do now, John said, "Tell my wife to be quiet on the morning so I can read the paper from front to back." John told me how he worked 815 Post for over twenty years and loved the Post and people around it. We talked for about fifteen minutes and I leave you with a quick story he shared with me when I asked him of some of his early memories of his career here.

-January 23, 1987 at the Cross Street School Academy, first day. PO/Recruit Bligh was seated alphabetically, coincidentally, between two other 8th Precinct legends, Recruits Bellissimo and Bouton. There was an ice storm that day. Most of the academy instructors never even made it in. The local newspaper was there to snap a few pictures of the new recruits on their first day. All was well until two weeks later. Their instructor barges in the classroom, screaming at the top of his lungs. He was holding a picture in his hand. It was taken by that paper on day 1. What was in this photograph? It was a picture of those same 3 cops, Bellissimo, Bligh and Bouton. The only problem was that Bligh was in the middle with his eyes fully shut, head tilted. Uh oh! Was he out cold on day 1??? The CO got wind of this and had to plead with that local paper to use another photo for their story. Let's just say that he was not thrilled with the still photo. Luckily, the paper obliged and never used the picture. John Bligh swears to this day, with a smile on his face, that the instant photo caught him "blinking." I won't investigate this any further. However, the CO never fully bought the story either, so Recruit Bligh was required to write a letter.

From all of us who got to John through the years, we want to thank him for his service. The 8th family will miss PO John Bligh dearly. We wish him and his family the best, and may his best years be yet to come. See you around the south shore John...

NOTE: SOA bi-laws prohibit me from referencing supervisors in many facets. So keeping within the memorandum of agreement, I want to wish both Lt. John O'Donnell and Sgt. Chet Clark nothing but the best. They

are not only two awesome bosses, but also two stand-up guys that you could easily communicate with. I hope their newsletter does their careers justice. God Speed fellas...

GYM NEWS

For those of you who are unaware, our precinct gym has been leased out to an independent local affiliate who will begin operations effective October 1st. For those members who paid their yearly dues, you are grandfathered in until 2014. However, our palatial gym is no longer titled '8th Precinct Gym' on your contracts. The new chapter will name the facility 'Thick Jimmy's Lift Factory.' This title will be appropriately annotated on your 2014 membership forms. We expect this to be a smooth transition and will keep all of you hard core lifters posted.

TOP COPS APRIL 2013

The Top Cop South Division unit would like to give a big shout-out to Police Officer Al Troisi on this deserving award.

On April 19th, 2013 at approximately 1444 hours, Officer Troisi received an assignment for a suspicious auto that was switching its plates. It was in a certain vicinity of Bethpage. This area has had numerous burglaries in the recent months. PO Troisi located the vehicle which was occupied by two males driving in the area. A traffic stop was conducted. PO Troisi requested from the driver his license and registration. The driver did not respond but the passenger began speaking. Troisi now asked the driver again for his info and requested that the passenger not answer. At this point, the driver sped away from Al (bad mistake bro!). A broadcast was put on main band. The driver drove through several stop signs and was exceeding the speed limit. Officer Troisi kept the vehicle in sight broadcasting their location. The driver then began to drive in a reckless manner. PO Troisi kept a visual on the auto while remaining behind. The driver finally pulled over into a parking lot. Both the driver and passenger exited the vehicle and fled. Al located the passenger under a van a short distance away. The passenger was ordered out from underneath the car at gunpoint, and he refused to show his hands when ordered to do so. Force was needed to handcuff the unruly passenger. The driver was found in a drainage pipe located in a sump adjacent to where the vehicle was abandoned. Both subjects were arrested.

-The result: The passenger was charged with resisting and was also found to have pills on his person. A search of the drainage pipe also revealed numerous pills. It was obvious that these two losers were preparing to commit another crime(s). PO Troisi put a stop to that with quick and thorough police work.

-Joe Sal's Take: One of the most respected veteran members of the Eighth. Al has been around the block a couple of times to say the least. When I came across and read this case, you could have taken white-out to the cop's name. And anyone in our precinct with half a brain could figure out that Al's name had to be the ink under the white. Kudos to PO Troisi.

MAY 2013

The Top Cop South Division unit would to extend formal recognition to Police Officer's Glenn Kappenberg and James Rail on their honor.

On May 18th, 2013 at about 0100 hours, Officers Rail and Kappenberg were assigned to plainclothes and on patrol near an ale house in Levittown. They observed a 2000 Dodge with Indiana tags driving around the parking lot and parking in numerous stalls. Officers observed a subject exit the Dodge and look into other vehicles in the parking lot. Subject tried to gain entry into these autos. Officers followed the subject out of the parking lot when the subject ran a red light. Rail and Kappenberg conducted a car stop. In plain view, both of them observed a green container with pills inside. They also saw a woman's pocketbook in the rear seat that was in disarray. Due to their investigation it was found that those pills were Oxycodone's which did not belong to the subject. The pocketbook was also not his. A back pack containing a DVD player was also found that did not belong to him as well as several other containers of prescription drugs, during a lawful search.

-The result: The subject was placed under arrest, and the results closed out several larcenies in the area.

-Joe Sal's Take: There is a reason why the South Division chose both Jimmy and Glenn for the summer assignment. They get the job done, and get it done right. Congrats to both Jimmy and Glenn for all their efforts, whether they are recognized or not.

JUNE 2013

The Top Cop South Division unit would like to recognize both Police Officer Pete McDonough and PO Matt Csjako on their award.

These two fine cops responded for a disturbance at a restaurant in Bethpage. Upon their arrival, they were greeted with a large family disturbance in the establishment. This emanated from the bar there refusing to serve a family member who was intoxicated. The Officers moved those involved out of the restaurant and into the rear parking lot. At this time PO McDonough was trying to diffuse an argument amongst several males. Officer Csjako ordered the males to move back and give Pete some space. One subject purposely bumped Officer Csjako while looking him in the eye. As Csjako tried to apprehend the subject, the guy's father stepped in the way. At this time a subject struck Matt in the face. Additional assistance was requested. A crowd of approximately twenty people had surrounded the officers. As the police tried to place several male subjects of the same family into custody, the use of pepper spray and batons were needed.

-The result: 3 subjects were arrested with charges including Riot 2nd, Assault 3rd, Resisting Arrest and OGA.

-Joe Sal's Take: I worked alongside these two fellow cops when I was on nights. When I first heard this story, it disturbed me, but I realized that both Pete and Matt were the right cops to handle this quarrel. Big ups my brethren and keep up the good work.

Dear Joe Sal,

I am taking the Sergeant's Exam on Saturday September 28th. Five years ago I made a great run at promotion but fell just short. This time around I am determined to do better and hopefully attain those stripes. I am totally organized and have tweaked my studying accordingly. However, my question has nothing to do about the material. I know how marathon runners eat pasta the night before their run. I was just wondering if there was some sort of 'brain food' that could aid in my mission before the exam.

Sincerely,

Hope to make boss

Dear HTMB,

Studying and taking tests requires mental attention and focus to perform your best. Just like physical performances, mental tasks are also dependent on a healthy mind and body. Good nutritional habits are important to keep your body and brain sharp, well rested and focused. Eating the wrong foods, particularly prior to test taking, can affect your performance negatively and result in low scores or failed attempts. Improve your test-taking performances by eating healthy foods that fuel your brain and mind. So get your 8-hours of good sleep and wake up with a balanced breakfast meal. It should include complex carbohydrates with protein such as whole-grain cereal with milk or a hard-boiled egg with whole-wheat toast. This will give you that additional edge you need...former PO!!!

BONUS SEGMENT

Iannone tip of the month: The 'Unity of Command' principle requires that every employee of an organization should be under the direct supervision of only one person.

Question: Situations are favorable to different types of leadership. The type of leader generally thought to be the most effective over a long period of time is the...

Choices are....A. Autocratic B. Democratic C. Free-rein D. Ingenious

Answer: B. Democratic

Be Safe

And God Bless



Marine Bureau

by Dennis O'Sullivan

Welcome back Mike Kalab. It was four months over due but as you know, there were a lot of people in this Department that spoke up to try and correct this situation. Two key people, Jim Carver, and Kevin Tobin were instrumental in the pursuit of fairness. Chief Kirby kept his word to them by transferring him back as he said he would when the next group of officers retired in July. Thanks to all CO's and Supervisors who helped with their phone calls.

NEWLY RETIRED

Speaking of retirees, Norm McCloy, Joe White and Kathy McQuaid all retired recently, over 100 years combined on the job. Congratulations and we wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors. I would like to note that Norm and Joe each spent 40 or more years as Nassau County Police Officers, a good portion of their careers in the Marine Bureau and their experience and knowledge will be missed greatly. Again congratulations to all.

PICNIC

The Marine Bureau Picnic was recently held at Tobay and was a great success. The attendance was in excess of 130, including a large contingent of retirees. During the picnic Bob Hayes stated that Timmy Leake said, "doesn't it seem like there's a lot more work this year than other years", and Bobby replied, no this is what happens every year, you just actually got off your phone and helped for once." (I cleaned up Hayes's language a bit) Thank you Bob Hayes and Tim Leake for another picnic well done. Also thank you to all those that helped setup, cleanup and prepare food. And Bob Schmigall and Mike Shahinian, Tag your it!

NICE JOB

Recently during a stop of a PWC, Mike Schwaner, Bill Gordon and Gene Drum arrested a subject who tossed a bag of cocaine from his jet ski as they approached to stop him for speeding. Subject was charged with felony possession.

Artie D'Alessandro, John Klesseraht and Joe Weller responded to a menacing call between two clammers, one clammer was arrested for pointing a rifle at the other. He was charged with two counts of menacing 1st. Good job by all.

ESU Corner

by Clarence Hudson III

Welcome back. I hope everyone had a fantastic summer. With some of the extreme weather changes it has been interesting. Especially here at work. One would hope that no matter how hot it get, everyone is wearing their vests every tour. This is an important reminder especially as I write this after another one of our colleagues was shot and injured in the line of duty. It is pretty much evident that the criminal element has absolutely no respect or fear of the police. Once again, however, our cops proved they are second to absolutely no one when it comes to looking out for each other and backing up each other. They handled themselves with dignity and professionalism under the most extreme duress. Please continue to do so.

On another note our local tabloid is awash with stories about the budget and whether or not there is a deficit. Whom to believe? Don't know but please don't forget to vote.

We here in ESU have had an interesting summer. Along with the usual barricades, auto accidents and EDP'S we added a body recovery or two. With the weather being as hot as it was for a time these tasks were a little more difficult. I must say the guys tackled their tasks and completed them very well.

I would like to add that some of our members are still having a little difficulty coping with some pretty harsh illnesses. I wish you all the best as you recover. I recently had some good news concerning some tests I had regarding a previous illness so that is good. So I would wish everyone good health and enjoy some crisp fall weather. School is starting by the time you read this so be a little extra vigilant out there. I will certainly have more next month.



Nassau Police Post 1050 American Legion

by Dan Scheidel

With the end of summer nearing it is time to get down to some serious thought on what to do with our Post. The apathy of our members toward attending a meeting, just once in a while, has led us to believe that there is no or little interest in keeping our Post solvent. No organization can function properly when only a few members are responsible for making all the decisions for such an important organization.

Granted of our one hundred and sixty members thirty or more live out of state or some distance from our meeting place. Also there are a number of members that may have difficulties traveling because of age or infirmities. But there are still many that live within driving distances that could give us an hour or two each month. We need that extra input as to what Legion programs we should support and how we can improve the activities of the Post.

Our September meeting will cover many of these problems and hopefully answer some of these questions. So we ask that if anyone has an idea or two, please come forward and lend your voice. Some ideas so far expressed were: Disbanding the Post, quarterly meetings, changing the venue of the meetings, etc. Nothing will be settled until the will of the majority has its say. Our next meeting will be on September 10th at the Bellmore American Legion Hall, Royale Street, Bellmore. Meeting will begin at 2000 hours and refreshments will be served.

I know I may have sounded testy with these remarks but over the past three months I've been hospitalized with pneumonia, have had a heart by-pass operation and just lately a congestive heart problem requiring another hospital stay. I'm tired. It is time for some new blood to come forward and take the reins of this organization. The American Legion is an important part of all veteran needs and concerns and it must have capable leadership even at this level. So in the end this is also an invitation for all police officer veterans to come join us and lend your support.



Police Emerald Society, Nassau County, NY

www.ncpdemerald.org
by Tom DeSane

Sadly, summer is winding down. Our society has already had a great first half of 2013, featuring some of our premier events. We still have some great events planned in the coming months as we head full steam into 2014.

Our Golf Outing was held on June 6th at Timber Point Country Club. Breakfast, lunch, dinner, refreshments and awards were included in the cost to each golfer. All who attended had a great time. Thanks to Frank Arcuri, John Trutt and everyone who helped to make our outing a great success.

Our representatives will be attending this year's NCLEES Fall Meeting from November 1st through November 3rd in San Francisco. For further information on the fall meeting, check their webpage, <http://www.sfbalees.wildapricot.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1520478>. Future fall meeting locations include Boston next year and Chicago in 2015. The NCLEES spring meetings are always held at Police Memorial Week, from May 13th through May 15th in Washington, DC. All society members are always welcome to participate in NCLEES functions.

This month's meeting will be held on September 18th. Our monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month, excluding July and August, at Peppercorn's in Hicksville and are free for our members to attend. Non members are welcome to attend and sign up at the meeting.

Other events scheduled for this year include our Annual 200 Club Raffle and our Christmas Party. Stay tuned for updates. 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.

Something to remember: "Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power." – Abraham Lincoln. STAY SAFE.



Nassau Police Running Club

by Rocco Sinisi

Another summer has passed and I am writing this article while in San Diego in early August. A first time visit here and I have done some running around Balboa Park and some trail running. Along the San Diego port and running sets of stairs at the Convention Center. Lots of long

hills. Cool mornings and cool evenings make for ideal running conditions on an almost daily basis.

A welcome respite from the heat and humidity in New York. A week long heat wave in July being a tough but memorable week to be out on the roads running and racing.

Summer Series has come and gone once again. Picking up medals at some of the races were Lesli Hiller and Rocco Sinisi. Others running in the series were Kevin Mcpadden, TR Hughes, Tom Conroy, Michael Yowhan, Frank Borgi, Mike Marino, Joe Federico, Nick Pandolfo, Michelle Dipaolo and George Fertal to name a few of the usual summer series participants.

The Police Appreciation Run was held in June under ideal weather conditions. We had another good turnout with a number of new faces showing up to run. The NYPD running club led by Tom Biggers showed up to lend support and also had one of its runners win the race outright.

Lesli Hiller won the overall Female LE category. Rocco Sinisi placed 3rd overall in LE while Kevin Mcpadden took 2nd place in LE masters.

Others showing up to run included Mark Spottiswood, Kiernan Healy, Doug Escher, Michelle Clifford, Gregg Morga, John Miller, Alan Hirsch, Frank Decicco, Roy Gier, Barbara Friel and Jim Tilton.

The Ocean to Sound Relay takes place on September 29th. It's an 8 person relay team that will traverse the Island from Jones Beach to Oyster Bay.

The club will be entering a team in the Law Enforcement category.

Upcoming Races in September

- 7th - Smith Point Bridge 5k run
- 8th - Angels on the Bay 5k/10k Jericho
- 14th - Sayville 5k Buddy Run
- 15th - Tanger Outlets Fit for a Cure 5K Run
East Meadow 5K Cancer Center for Kids
- 21st - Cow Harbor 10k
- 29th - South Nassau 5k



Police appreciation award winners Rocco Sinisi, Lesli Hiller and Kevin Mcpadden

Retired

by John Nosovitch

GEORGE WEICK ... suegecat@comcast.net

I just got an e-mail from a guy I know back on Long Island. He is not a cop, but told me that he had heard that Artie Barabult had passed away. I've not seen Artie since I retired in '78 and don't know where else to turn to see if the info is correct. Have you heard anything about his passing? { A FEW DAYS LATER} I think I found Artie's Obit in Sun City Az. He passed 4/20/13. I know he retired the month after I did (me, 1/78, Him 2/78) We both belonged to a dive (scuba) club back in Nassau. I had not spoken with him since I guess December '77 .I just went looking on this trusty computer and back checked the name. I knew he lived in Lynbrook and then he wanted to move "out west". Found that he lived in Glendale Az Died 4/20 and services were 4/23. His wife's name was Mary, but she was called 'Cindy" Wish I had kept in contact with him, but then again, John, after we retire we enter into a whole different life and the guys we worked with become just fond memories. I think most of us old timers feel that way..

JOE FAILLA... joewee2554@aol.com

Hey John, I hope all is well in Texas. Yours is one of the States that we missed on our recent ride. All in all we did a total of 24 States. My companions on the ride were Jim Cosgrove, Paul Englert, who rode up from Florida to go with us, Andy Fal and Tom De Stefano who joined us in Torrey, Utah.

We rode to the Pacific Coast via US 20, "The Oregon Trail," then south on the Pacific Coast Highway to Sacramento, CA then east on US 50 "The Santa Fe Trail." Nothing like seeing the USA on two wheels. Be well, hope to see you in January. .{Hope to be there}

BILL STEGMULLER ...1497 Carroll St. Wantagh N.Y. 11793-2334. I hope the fires and drought haven't affected North Zulch, Texas { The fires are to the southwest ,but the drought is very bad} and you are both in good health. Summer is gone. No more BBQ's, beach and bikinis. Fall is on us and soon the holidays . One thing the politicians haven't been able to change is that December 25th is still CHRISTMAS. Time to think about and start planning for the Nassau Blue Reunion in Kissimmee, Florida. January 2014 Details and your invitation will soon follow . The Committe Members devote a lot of time and effort to make this once a year event a great time for us and each year they out do themselves. New blood is always welcome, so get together with your friends and come on down. Listen to our tales of old and let us know what's new, While at the reunion a simple 'Thank You' to a committee member for their efforts will make their day.

Pat and I stayed at the Ramada for a week, then head over to Oak Plantation, also in Kissimee for an extended vacation. before returning to Long Island to face the remnants of winter.. Do you remember long sleeve wool shirts and ties all year long ? When a lieutenant took your hourly

rings on midnights, recorded summons numbers and on your 2 a.m ring it was either "don't bother me till 6 a.m or get me a flute, kid, long sleeve wool shirts, when it was a cardinal sin to wear your hat behind the desk or drive the PD without it on, the blue light atop the pole meant the Stationhouse wanted to hear from the footman (what's a footman ?) . You didn't look up at the sky when the word was passed that the stars are out tonight, long sleeve wool shirt, driving the black Pontiac on emergency calls with on hand on the steering wheel and the other on the siren button mounted on the dashboard and the list goes on, did I mention the long sleeve wool shirts... Stay in touch with your friends . The reunion is a good way to do it. Life is short and no one gets out of it alive. Too many friends are like this summer - gone.

NASSAU BLUE REUNION...21st Annual Reunion.... January 23-26th, 2014 Ramada Gateway 7470 West Irlo Bronson Memorial Highway (US 192) Kissimmee, Fl. Open to any retired or active members from any Department that served in Nassau County. Bring your family and friends and have an extended vacation. You must make your own reservations by calling the Hotel at 800-327-9170 or 407-396-4400 between 9 AM and 5:00 PM Monday thru Friday and tell them you are attending the Nassau Blue Reunion. Room rate is \$75 includes a breakfast buffet for two each day. Rates are for two and good for 3 days before and after reunion dates.

Cut off date for a guaranteed Nassau Blue room is December 24th, 2013. No shows or cancellations for rooms are based on Hotel policy. Check in time is 4 PM. If you arrive early please come to the Hospitality Room until your room is ready. This year's 21st Anniversary events include: *Hospitality Room- the place to meet and greet old friends and * *Saturday Evening Dinner and Dancing. Details Hospitality Room Hours: Thursday 11AM till 1AM; Friday 9 AM till 1 AM; Saturday 9 AM till ? ? ? (CLOSED DURING DINNER SHOW 5 PM until 10:30 PM) and Sunday 8 AM till 10 AM. A Hospitality Fee of \$25 per person is required from ALL attending reunion and Nassau Blue Registered guests Attendees with RESERVATIONS OFF property or with discounted room rates, fee will be \$50** per person **Local Florida residents not included in up scaled fee. Saturday Evening Dinner . It will be a sitdown dinner with a choice of three entrees plus desert. The attire will be jackets and ties preferred, for the guys, and dresses for the ladies. There will be no assigned seating. The festivities and a Cash Bar will start at 6:30 PM, dinner slightly later. The entertainment this year will be provided by Debi G with music for all ages. Cost per person will be \$47.00. 50/50 winners will be announced during the evening. Checks for Dinner and Hospitality Room should be made payable to: "Nassau Blue Reunion Fund" and mailed to: Nassau Blue c/o Ed Graham, 3365 S. Oakdale Terrace, Iverness, Fl 34452 - 7149

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HEALTH AND WELFARE

Get well wishes... Greg Vazquez, John Collier to Dee Lee, wife of Robert and my wife Betty, after her surgery.

Deepest Sympathy to the families of Frank J. Napoli, John Russell Eberhardt III, Kevin T. O'Shea, Arthur Barabult, Julius A. Moody, David M. Chase, Vincent R. Huysman, Francis P. Elliott Jr., William O'Donnell, Edward M. Cullen, Ronald G. Eagar, Virginia (Ginny) Munnich, wife of Fred, Charles (Chuck) Clark, son of Charles (Charlie) Clark and Police Surgeon Francis J. Lanzone. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time..

WRITER'S THOUGHTS

Hope everyone had a great summer it seemed to fly by I have gotten a message from Joe Grella - he states "THIS WILL BE THE ABSOLUTELY LAST REUNION unless someone steps up to be the reunion chairperson and forms a committee. The Reunion does not need to be in Florida". You all state the Retired Column is the first column you read.. Then why don't you younger guys think about taking the reunion over and keep the memories going with your fellow retirees and some of the older retirees...Life is to short.

Joe also needs volunteers to help before, during and after the reunion.

Please keep in mind if you are no longer a Member of Nassau County PBA, your articles will not appear in the Newsletter, but if you are a member don't forget to write.

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IPA News

by Daniela Farrell, Bd. member

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. Region 5 has been hopping, busy sharing time with our brothers and sisters from around the world. We had two families from France drop by during their vacations. One is the family of Det. David Picker of the Lyons Police Department, our friends from Reg.2 NYPD offered their hospitality and we enjoyed a lunch together at PHO Nha Trang restaurant at 87 Baxter St, NYC, a Vietnamese restaurant, which I highly recommend if you are visiting the court district in the One PP vicinity.

PO Brian Ronan of the 2nd precinct and NYPD Ret. Rich Mueller hosted Florence and Cristoff Conan of the Val de Marne Police Department just south of Paris. They joined us along with a family of Greg Shaw from the Victoria Police Department at our Belmont Day at the Races IPA event done together with Reg. 15 our sister region to the east. Lou LaGois, retired NYPD, did an excellent job at coordinating this event. I would love to see more of us from NCPD participate and take advantage of all that the IPA has to offer.

The International Police Association (IPA) is a non-profit worldwide fraternal police organization whose member-

ship consists of active and retired law enforcement personnel. The association promotes global and cultural friendship among officers. This summer I had a boy, Laro from Santander, Spain stay with me for 3 weeks. He is the son of two National Police Dept personnel of Spain, his father is a DI in the Task Force Div. of Immigration. PO Dan Johannsen and PO Graves of Community Affairs were instrumental in giving Laro a real life experience of American culture by allowing him to participate in the NCPD Explorers Academy, he made some friends while here and went to numerous graduation parties as he was taken in by the NCPD Explorers community. Laro got to experience a high school graduation ceremony, a Yankees game, a day at Coney Island amusements, the Nintendo and FAO Schwartz stores in NYC and a visit to Central Park. It was an eye-opening for my children to see how children of the same age from Europe are more knowledgeable of international current events and of world history. I highly recommend the youth exchange program offered via the IPA. I hope in the future to have more NCPD police officers involved as members of this extraordinary association.

Servo per Amikeco,
Daniela

Class Of July 1963

by Arthur J French, Sgt. Retired

This July 4th, will be the 50th year since I and a room full of newly sworn in Nassau County Police department "Patrolman" entered the Training Bureau".

Shortly before, during June, we passed our physical exams and interviews and were sworn in and given our shields. Me, being underweight at 138 lbs, drank 3 quarts of water in the parking lots of the "E" Building, to make the weight.

The Police Surgeon was Dr E.Terrell Montgomery, a dapper guy...I whispered to him that I was about to burst and he said "run son", I would rather have you skinny than in the "Fat Boys Club", which was a reality in those days.

Not too many will remember what they put those guys thru.

We sat in the heat of the auditorium, with a sense of wonder of what we would face. In strides this Sergeant, Walter Webster, the class monitor, who one could tell, that this was not the place he wanted to be, stern and surly.

Endless lectures by a caboose full of officers. Boring speeches and even some threats, that these raw recruits would have to endure. Then at the end of day, they would hand out prints of the subjects covered and low and behold we would have to go home and type the lectures. The "Notebook" was a major part of the final grade. Of course they never prepared you for the real street work.

September 1st, we hit the street, I, and a handful were assigned to the Third Pct, not exactly the best place to be after what happened there.

There were "shoo flies" galore, and the supervision was all over the place, sometimes 5 "scatches" a tour. Due to

what had happened, there were many who were transferred out and the car men would avoid you like the plague, thinking you were a plant.

So here I was walking the 9/10ths of a mile foot post, up and down making rings at opposite ends of the post. 309 pulls up, the guy cracks the window and said "Hey kid, you are going to wear those shoes out in a week, the boxes are hooked up. They do not know where you are?" So I go to 309A and when the signal monitor, always a sergeant, answers, I say, Ptl French for a ring at box 310B. He asks "Where are you? I say 310 B. Wait there! Now what the hell am I to do? So I start running all the way to Willis Avenue and Jericho. The civilians looking at me trying to imitate Jesse Owens. I get there and not 5 seconds later, a Sgt pulls up in a station wagon..."Where were you?". I said, "Walking my post, Sir.", trying not to show I was out of breath... He said, "Don't 'shit me kiddo". I stayed with my story and he looked at me funny because I didn't show any fear. LOL

Those years, it was two on foot until they would let you maybe fill in or they would lay the car up rather than put a "rookie in the seat" four years, until you would be considered for a steady seat. For those of us who remember, the "relief squad", Tuesdays and Wednesday's off, would work three mid-nites, get stuck for turnout on Saturday, go home and come in on Sunday and work a day church crossing, get off at 3:30 and come back in and do your last mid-nite and get stuck on Monday for another turnout.... Well, some hard nose Sgt. was on the board, and you asked about a relief on the post he would say yes,,,,, at 9 am a call back...no relief, go home. Ball busters, for sure. Then all of a sudden, hats could

come off in the car...we all thought, finally, some brass were suddenly being humane...Nope!! guess again? an RMP wrapped up and the cap device pin stuck in the forehead of the cop driving.

The Third was great and the best 5 years, were spent in the Third Squad. The 'Job" has changed so much but back then, it was a close knit group, who stuck together and always had your back. Get-togethers reveal all the stories, we laugh just as hard as ever.

Well one day, Dep. Commissioner Marty O'Connor, said "0-3", (my nickname), "we passed thru the glory years of the County Police Dept. He was right!!! Sadly, it will never be the same. Great memories of all the good men and for those who have passed on. It was great knowing and working with you.

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★Second Precinct★

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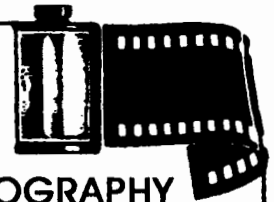
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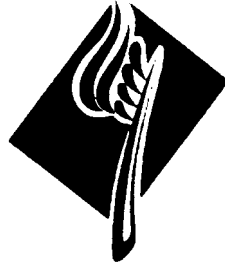
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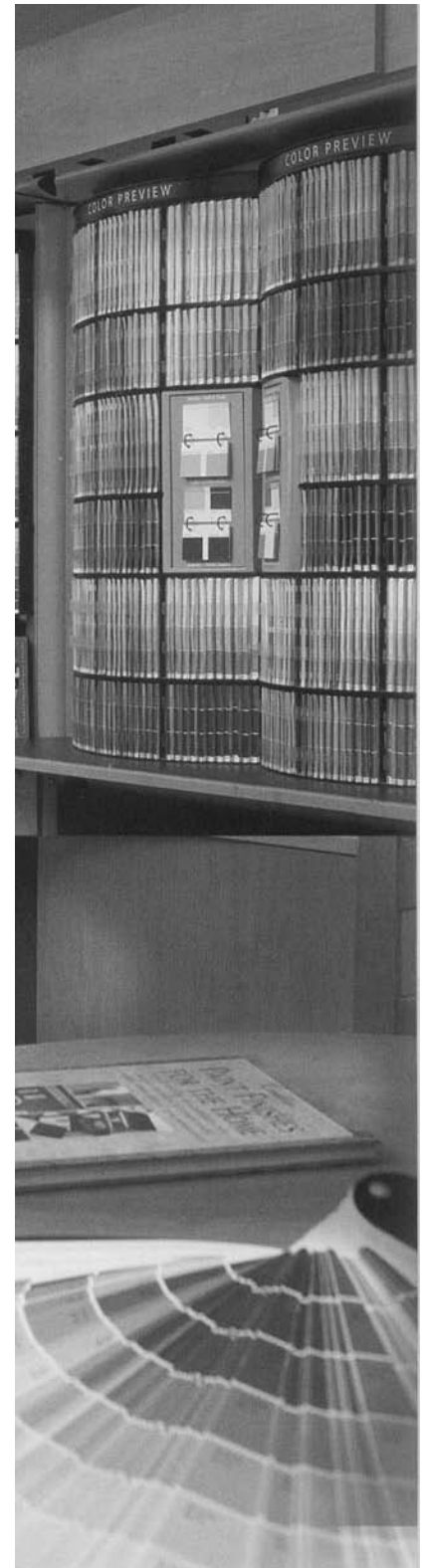
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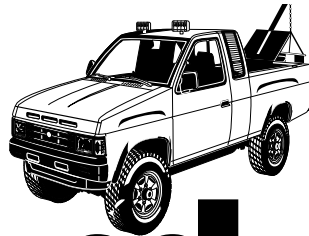
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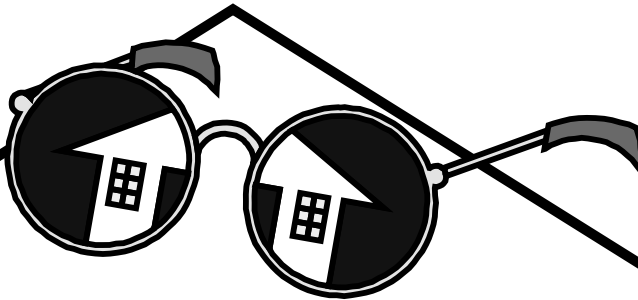
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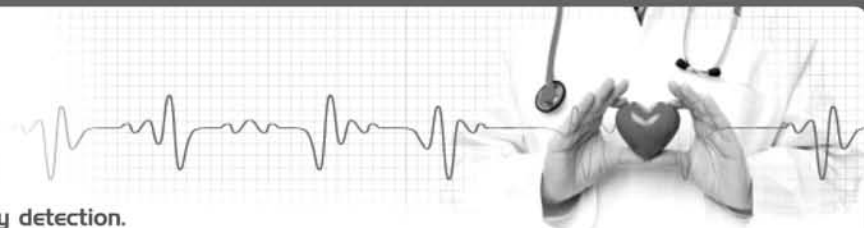
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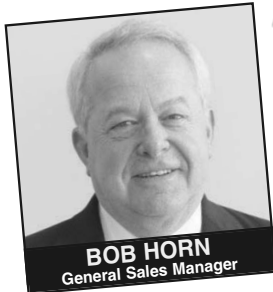
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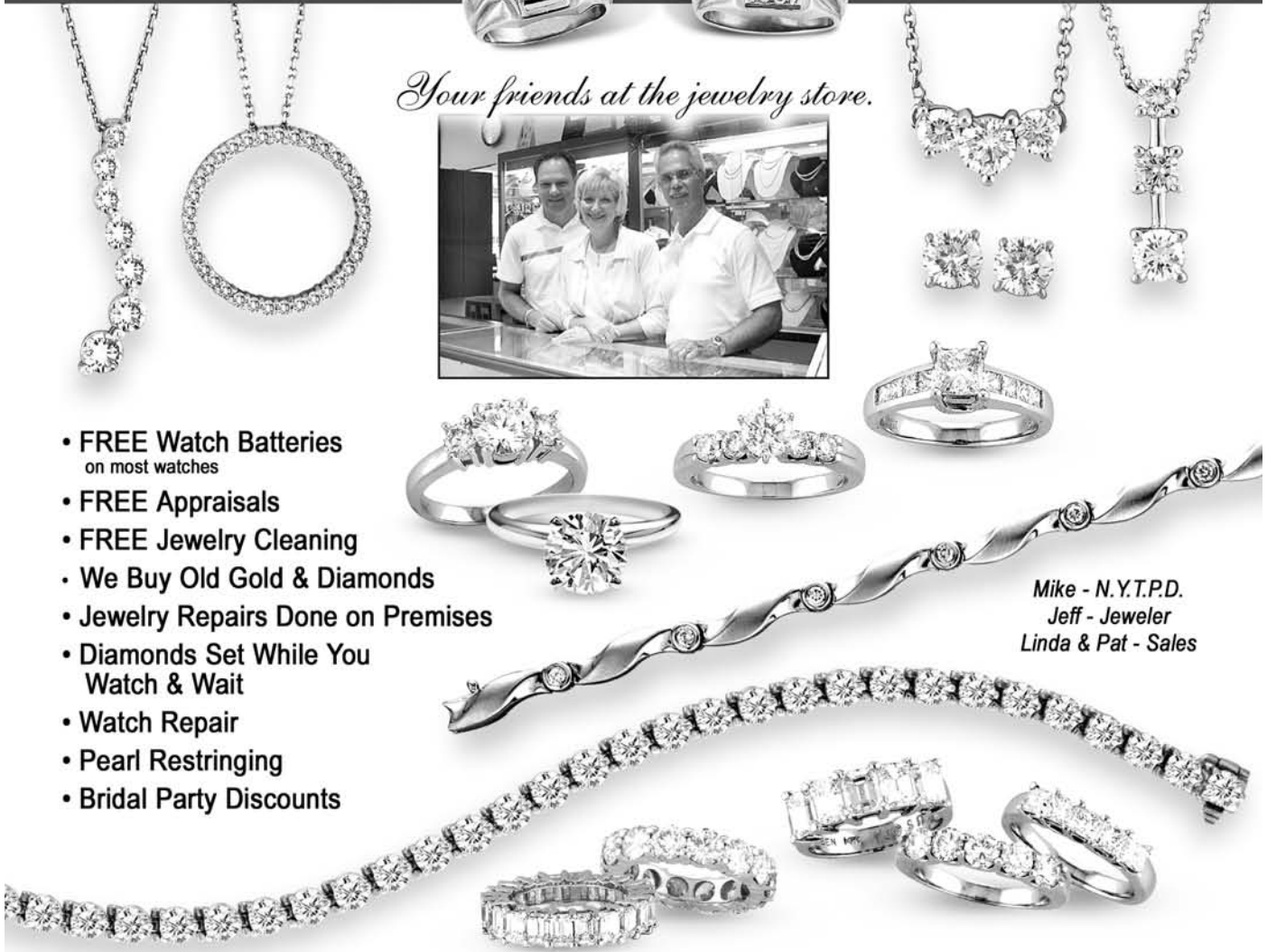


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