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AN ORGANIZATION OF RETIRED NEW YORK CITY POLICE OFFICERS AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS



Club Officers

On Sept. 14, six Club mem-

Community Heroes brunch

The words of admiration and

appreciation for first responders expressed by the stu-

dents, parents, faculty, and clergy of Christ Covenant

Church and Day School

were heartwarming and a

pleasant change from the daily barrage of anti-police

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It was an extremely reward-

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The big hit of the day for the

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



L-R Club members Neil Sullivan, Jim Kennedy, Club Pres. Harvey Katowitz, Club member Mike Blondo, VP Coca-Cola Jody Billiard, Club Historian Joe Kozlowski& Club member John Vigilante

At our Sept. 11 membership meeting, we once again honored the memories of our heroes who perished on 9/11/01 and our heroes who have succumbed to 9/11 related illnesses since then. Sadly this year we had to add the names of 17 new heroes to that roll call of honor.

On a more joyful note, I am happy to report that on Sept. 26,126 golfers participated in the 4th annual Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament and we accomplished our goal of raising \$17,000 to purchase a Trackchair All Terrain Vehicle and car trailer for a Wounded Warrior.

I owe a great deal of gratitude to the following people who made my job easier and without whose help this tournament would not have been a success: John & Valerie Sabato, Mike Yacopino & John Erker.

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Our Next Membership Meeting Is Tuesday October 11 at 6 PM at the Charlotte FOP Lodge #9, 1201 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte NC 28205

http://www.charlotte10-13.com/

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Kudos to the following people who volunteered at the tournament and helped it run smoothly:

Matthew Ó'Brien Ben Pepitone Ian McGrouther John Erker Brenda Jordan Jim O'Brien Ken Bernard Michael Katowitz Elaine Klein Jim Rochford Lisa Rosa Robert Fee Margaret DeFillipo Frank DeMasi Joe Kozlowski Scott Hickey

A special thanks to Brian Burchill, owner of Famous Toastery for donating a sumptuous breakfast for participants and Anthony Carmada, owner of Brooklyn Pizza, for providing a delicious lunch for participants.

Lastly I would like t thank all of our members who solicited hole sponsors and donations for our raffle.

Below are a few of the emails I received regarding the tournament.

Hi Gents, Just a quick email to let you know what a great time I had on Monday. I have participated in many of these events over the years and find it hard to recall one so well put together from organization, to food, to signage, etc. Congrats to you and your group. The weather you ordered was a great plus!! I hope you raised a bundle. Look forward to supporting the effort again next year.

Best Regards, Duff, Brew's Tavern

Good Morning, Just wanted to thank all the volunteers and all who helped at the Tournament yesterday. Our foursome had a great time and enjoyed the course and everyone we came in contact with.

Great job!!!!!

Already looking forward to next year's event. Thanks again, John Rondeau

Thank you for having us. We had a lot of fun and it was an honor to be around so many wonderful people today.

Please stay in touch and let me know if I can be of any help. Sincerely, Pete Pistone, Honda of Rock Hill

During the month of September, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg FOP Lodge 9 Political Endorsement Committee, which I chaired, interviewed sixteen candidates who are running for office in Mecklenburg County and who are seeking the endorsement of the FOP.

At the Oct. 6 FOP membership meeting I will be presenting a synopsis of the interviews and the committee's recommendations to the members for a vote. I will notify our club members of the candidates approved for endorsement by the FOP at this months membership meeting..

For those of you who live in Mecklenburg County, please take this into consideration when you vote on Nov. 8.

On September 20, a CMPD officer shot and killed a black man who failed to comply with repeated commands by officers to drop his gun, as they were trying to take him into custody. My initial reaction to this shooting has troubled me. With all of the anti-police rhetoric and protests over recent police shootings I mistakenly felt a sense of relief that this would not occur with this incident, because the shooting involved a black police officer.

Unfortunately passions were inflamed by a one hour + video, posted on YouTube by the dead man's daughter, during which she unleashed a profanity laced diatribe against the police and repeatedly claimed that her father was holding a book and not a gun. This was proven to be untrue by evidence gathered at the scene and by witnesses interviewed.

Once again people jumped to conclusions based on erroneous information and without knowing all of the facts. This led to two nights of riots and numerous days of protest marches in Charlotte, during which several police officers were injured, police vehicles damaged and stores looted.

The ensuing statements by protesters, activists, certain politicians and community leaders laid the blame for these demonstrations on the actions of the police and societal ills rather than the actions of the man shot and his failure to obey the commands of the police.

Below are excerpts released by the White House last year, of prepared remarks for a speech that President Obama gave the following day that I wish everyone would remember today.

"Society expects police to control societal ills stemming from unemployment, substandard education, inadequate drug treatment programs and lenient gun laws." "Too often, law enforcement gets scapegoated for the broader failures of our society and criminal justice system."

For days following the shooting I continuously watched live videos of the protests and news conferences during which CMPD Chief Kerr Putney spoke. Based on what I saw and heard, Chief Putney should be commended for voicing support of his officers and his officers should be commended for the restraint and professionalism they displayed under extremely trying and dangerous situations.

Please continue to keep CMPD officers in your thoughts and prayers and pray that the misguided distrust of police by certain members in the community diminishes and does not spread.

Fraternally,

Harvy Katowitz

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They Must Never Be Forgotten



We honor those Who have laid down their life for their country. Whether weary or emboldened, quiet or defiant, Vulnerable or ready when You called them home, Their sacrifice are too humbling for words except to these uttered in prayer. Let these great warriors find rest at last: Ever reminded that we who are left behind cherish their spirit, honor their commitment, send them our love. and we will never forget the service that they gave.







Police Officer Christopher Hoban was shot and killed during an undercover drug buy.

Officer Christopher Hoban and undercover narcotics officer Michael Jermyn entered an apartment at 19 West 105th Street in Manhattan to make a narcotics buy. During the operation the three suspects began to suspect that Officer Hoban and his partner were police officers. When they searched Officer Hoban's partner and found his service weapon, Officer Hoban immediately drew his gun and a shootout ensued in which Officer Hoban and one of the suspects were fatally wounded.

Officer Hoban was taken to St. Luke's Hospital where he died of his wounds.

The two surviving suspects were apprehended and later convicted of murder. They were both sentenced to 25 years to life in prison.

Police Officer Christopher Hoban 10/18/1988

Officer Hoban had served with the New York City Police Department for four years and was assigned to the Manhattan North Narcotics Unit. He is survived by his parents and two brothers.







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FALLEN FINEST

POLICE OFFICER WILLIAM L. CHISOLM 45 Precinct

n Saturday, October 7, 1989, Police Officer William L. Chisolm was shot and killed during an altercation while off-duty.

Officer Chisolm and a female friend were sitting in his parked car in front of the Patterson Houses on 145th Street in the

Mott Haven section of the South Bronx.



At approximately 1:45 am, the ex-boyfriend of Officer Chisolm's female friend approached the vehicle. An argument ensued, and Officer Chisolm was attacked by the suspect. During that altercation, the suspect was able to gain control of Officer Chisolm's service revolver and fire one shot, striking Officer Chisolm in the forehead. Officer Chisolm was taken to Lincoln Hospital where he died from his wound several hours later.

The 19 year-old suspect fled the scene, but later surrendered himself to police. He was convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to 20 years to life in prison. He was paroled January 21, 2011.

Officer Chisolm was 24 years old and had served with the New York City Police Department for a little more than three years. He was survived by his parents, Arthur and Celestine; and his daughter, Chauntel.





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FALLEN FINEST

POLICE OFFICER JOHN WILLIAMSON Police Service Area #6



olice Officer John Williamson was killed when a person threw a 30 pound bucket of spackling compound from the roof of a six story building onto his head.

On Friday, October 8th, 1993 at approximately 10:00 pm, Officer Williamson responded to the street distrubance on West 175th Street in the

Washington Heights section of Manhattan. Several area residents had become loud and aggressive in a dispute with police officers already on the scene and their behavior caused a crowd to form.

Police Officer Williamson assisted in dispersing the crowd and as he walked back to his patrol car, a suspect hurled a large white bucket containing plaster material from a roof which struck him in the head.

PO Williamson was removed to Columbia Presbyterian Hospital with severe head trauma where he expired.

The suspect initially fled to Philadelphia and Camden, New Jersey before flying from Newark Airport to the Dominican Republic. He returned to New York and was charged with murder. The jury acquitted him of murder but found him guilty of manslaughter.

Police Officer John Williamson had served with the Police Department for three years and was 25 years old. He was survived by his parents, John and Catherine; his sister, Nancy and his brother, Paul.





SEPTEMBER 9/11 MEMORIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



JIMMY LAROSSA MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT







NYPD IO-I3 Club of Charlotte, NC Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament

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Raffle Prizes/Food/Beverages/Cash

131 Main Blakeney Jim'N Nick's Bar-B-Q

Adams Beverages John Krohn
Asian Grill - Waxhaw Larkhaven

Bad Daddy's Burger Bar Lucius McMillon

Ballantyne Advanced Chiropractic Mamas Pizza & Pasta

Ballantyne Golf Course Marios Pizza & Italian Restaurant

Ballantyne Golf Course Massage Envy

Ballantyne Self Storage Mortimer's Pub and Café

Big View Diner Northstone GC

Black Finn American Pub Olde Sycamore GC

Bone Fish Grill - Matthews Outback Steak House

Charlotte National Publix

Coca-Cola Red Bridge Golf Course

Don Julio's Mexican Restaurant - Waxhaw Scott Hickey

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Fuzion Hair Design - Waxhaw Tavern at the Lake

Greco's Fresh Grille Ten Park Lanes
Harey Katowitz The Divide

Harris Teeter Store The Olde Mecklenburg Brewery

Heritage Food & Drink - Waxhaw True Pizza

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JB's Lazy Pig Barbecue- Waxhaw Zapata's Mexican Restaurant - Waxhaw

MEMBERSHIP



2016 Monthly Meeting Dates

October 11

November 8

December 13





SICK DESK UPDATE

Paul Johnson is back in the hospital.

Please keep Paul in your thoughts and prayers,.



The following members joined our Club in September

Ret. NYPD PO Eileen McCambridge, PBQS

The following member re-joined our Club in September

Ret. NYCDOC Officer Keith Rand



Saturday January 21, 2017 - After holiday dinner party



We presently have 371 members, 258 from the NYPD and the remainder from 53 other law enforcement agencies.



2017 Dues are due now

Happy New Year to all of our Jewish members

May this new year bring health happiness and sweetness
to you and your family.

BIRTHDAYS



OCTOBER

Patricia Lewis	Oct. 01
Don Schappert	Oct. 01
Jay Garbus	Oct. 06
John Williams	Oct. 09
Richard Gundacker	Oct. 10
Bernard Kent	Oct. 10
Anthony Magliulo	Oct. 11
Bill Krebs	Oct. 12
Keith Rand	Oct. 13
Courtney Simuel	Oct. 14
Robert Fee	Oct. 15
Ron Olszewski	Oct. 16
Russell Crimi	Oct. 17
Jack Miller	Oct. 17
John Evrard	Oct. 19
Charles Dittrich	Oct. 20
Lisa Rosa	Oct. 20
David Conrad	Oct. 22
Theresa Freeman-Ginsberg	Oct. 22
John Mc Laughlin	Oct. 22
Paul Lemke	Oct. 25
John Agati	Oct. 26
Dan McKenna	Oct. 26
Harold Berg	Oct. 29
Greg Brown RIP 5/29/15	Oct. 29
John Cannizzo	Oct. 30
Sean Maher	Oct. 31
James Cuesta	Oct. 31



TRUSTEE'S PAGE



When our Club was initially formed with 35 members it was easy for the President to respond to emails from our members. Now that we have over 380 members, the task has become a full-time job and difficult for him to do in a timely manner. To alleviate this problem our trustees have been assigned to designated geographical areas. If you have a question, problem or concern, please correspond with your designated trustee.

Please save for future reference.

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Gaston County	Brenda Jordan	704-588-0652	516-852-3885	brenjordan5@aol.com
Iredell County	Bob Fee	704-919-1311	704-220-8400	rtfvs@yahoo.com
Lincoln County	Brenda Jordan	704-588-0652	516-852-3885	brenjordan5@aol.com
Mecklenburg County	Bernard Roe	704-595-3463	704-241-8002	broehroe@aol.com
Rowan County	Brenda Jordan	704-588-0652	516-852-3885	brenjordan5@aol.com
Union County	John Sabato	704-243-4807	516-314-5326	woodboy@windstream.net
All other areas	John Erker	516-445-3494	516-445-3494	erk8449@yahoo.com











Brenda Jordan

Bob Fee

Bernard Roe

John Sabato

John Erker





NYPD CEA 2016 Meeting Schedule

Day, Date

Time
Location

Antun's
96-43 Springfield Blvd.
Queens Village, NY 11429
Tel. # 718-468-6400

The CEA and the Superior Officers Council (SOC) will be moving into it's permanent location at 40 Peck Slip Tuesday September 20th, during which time the phones will be down . We ask that you hold any non-emergency questions until Wednesday September 21st.

If you have an urgent matter you may email me at AResnick@nypdcea.com

If you have an urgent issue regarding prescription, dental or optical you can email Maryann at Maryann@nypdsoc.com

Best Regards.
Ada L. Resnick
Captains Endowment Association
OFFICE MANAGER
Tel # 212-791-8292
Fax # 866-226-8330



Health Benefits - SOC

WHATS NEW - RETIRED

1- YOUNG ADULT OPTION THROUGH AGE 29

Under New York State Law Chapter 240 of the Laws of 2009, sometimes called the "Age 29" law, you have the opportunity to continue health benefits coverage through the City of New York group. Information and enrollment forms are available at www.nyc.gov/olr

Eligible Young Adult children of subscribers covered under group health insurance policies issued in New York State may purchase coverage through age 29. To qualify for the Young Adult coverage, the Young Adult child must meet each of the eligibility requirements listed below. By completing this form, the undersigned subscriber is certifying that the undersigned Young Adult child is eligible for this coverage under the terms listed below and the undersigned Young Adult child is electing this coverage. The Young Adult child's coverage will be the same as the subscriber under the current group policy.

Eligibility Requirements

The Young Adult child must: be under age 30; and be unmarried; and be a child of the employee/retiree insured by the City; and not be covered by, or eligible for, employer-sponsored insurance, a self-insured employer plan, or Medicare; and live, work or reside in New York State or in the plan's service area.

Click below for more information and rate table

Instructions for Enrollment - Young Adult Option "Through Age 29" http://nypdsoc.com/forms/ya29.pdf

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Instructions for Enrollment - Young Adult Option "Through Age 29"

2 - Step-children

Effective January 1, 2011, the SOC will provide benefit coverage for members' stepchildren. To enroll your stepchild (ren) you must complete the "Affidavit of Dependent Stepchild (ren)" and submit to the SOC Health and Welfare Fund Office. Coverage will only be extended to stepchild(ren) who meet the specific criteria outlined on the "Affidavit of Dependent Stepchild (ren)".

3 - Coverage of Adult Children Up to Age 26

Effective January 1, 2011, Federal Health Care Legislation requires essential health benefits (includes only the prescription drug coverage provided by the Fund) coverage be extended for current active members' qualified adult child(ren) up to age 26 regardless of their financial dependency on the active member, residency with the active member, martial status, student status, or employment status.

Coverage will not be extended for adult children up to age 26 who are eligible for other coverage through another employer sponsored plan, whether it is the adult child's employer or his/her spouse's employer. When a child of an active member turns 26, their coverage will end the day prior to their birth date. (For example, child turns 26 on July 17, 2011, the last day the plan must cover the child is July 16, 2011.)

If your adult child(ren) previously lost Fund prescription drug plan coverage because he/she "aged out", and he/she is not yet 26 years old, you will have an opportunity to enroll your child(ren) during the period of January 1, 2011 through February 28, 2011 with an effective date of January 1, 2011.

To enroll your adult child(ren) up to age 26, you must complete the form (click here ->) "Request for Coverage of Adult Children to Age 26" and submit to the Superior Officers Council Health and Welfare Fund Office.

If you have any questions regarding enrollment for adult dependents to age 26, please contact the Fund Office at 212 964-7500



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(212) 964-7500 Phone (212) 964-4240 Fax Emergency Hotlinei



SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefits Handbook

The Trustees of the Superior Officers Council Health and Welfare Fund are pleased to present you with this updated benefit handbook. Over the last few years, substantial changes have taken place to our Health and Welfare Fund. We hope this handbook will assist you and your family navigate through the benefits available to you. We urge you to read this handbook carefully so you will become familiar with not only your benefits, but also your rights and obligations related to the Fund.

Read More http://nypdcea.org/pdfs/2011_soc_benefitbook.pdf

Retired Member Death Benefit

SOC DEATH BENEFIT INFORMATION

The Superior Officers Council provides a Death Benefit to its members. The provisions of the Benefit are based on when the member retired, and/or what option the "Retired" member selected.

In December of 2009 the Trustees of the Superior Officers Council (SOC) discontinued the \$5000 Death Benefit for all new retirees effective January 1, 2010.

The SOC Health and Welfare Fund now provides the Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefit (Continuation of Coverage) to retirees. This benefit is provided to the deceased retired member's qualified dependents (defined at bottom of page) and includes prescription, optical and dental coverage. (see note below) The coverage is provided for three years at no cost to the surviving spouse/dependent(s) and gives the survivors the added option of continuing the benefits indefinitely for a premium.

(* PLEASE NOTE: "Continuation of Coverage" by the SOC does not include Major Medical, i.e. GHI, HIP, Aetna, etc. It covers only prescription, dental, and optical.)

If you retired between January 1, 1971 and December 31, 2009 you were offered the choice to convert the \$5000 Death Benefit during a One-Time Enrollment Period to a new benefit, the Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefit.

- * If you opted to retain the \$5,000 SOC Death Benefit, your named beneficiary(s) are entitled to this amount.
- * If you opted to convert the Death Benefit to the Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefit your qualified dependents (defined below) are entitled to receive prescription, optical and dental coverage for three years at no cost, and gives the survivors the added option of continuing the benefits indefinitely for a premium.

(Qualified dependents are defined as your spouse, or qualified Domestic Partner and eligible dependent children. Eligible children include natural children, legally adopted, stepchildren (rules apply) and children for whom you have court appointed guardianship or legal custody and who live with you permanently. For the purpose of the Dental and Optical Benefit, eligible dependent children are covered to the last day of the month of their 19th or up to 23rd birthday (full time student). For the Prescription Plan dependent children who were previously enrolled in the Optional Prescription Drug Rider will be covered until December 31st of the year they reach the age of 19 or 23 years (full time student) or until they graduate.)

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PRESIDENT



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September 17, 2016

"The Lying Daily News"

An article written by reporter Thomas Tracy in today's edition of the New York Daily News defies all canons of ethical journalism.

In a story headlined "NYPD Sgt. Boss ignores sit-down request from mother of Amadou Diallo who he helped in gunning down," Tracy said that Katiadou Diallo, the mother of Amadou, who died in February 1999, was willing to "extend an olive branch" and meet with Sgt. Kenneth Boss, one of the four officers involved in the controversial incident.

Tracy stated that Sgt. Boss let the olive branch "dangle," a clear implication that he was insensitive to Mrs. Diallo's feelings, concerns and comments. This is so far from the truth. The reality is far different from what was written in the Daily News, whose reporting on this matter was both irresponsible and reprehensible.

The goal of the Daily News was not to tell a true story, to not highlight the heroics of Sgt. Boss upon rescuing two people from dangerous waters, nor was it to deliver a message of empathy from a woman who from within her heart expressed words of healing and inspiration.

The goal was simply to sell a story, to sell papers and to continue a divide amongst all of us. What the Daily News failed to report was they fired a senior respected reporter who disagreed with the direction of their story. Apparently he had morals, values and an ethical standard for reporting.

The Daily News also failed to report that they sat outside Sgt. Boss's residence in the hope of capturing a quote from him, knowing full well that he would not talk to their reporter.

What should have been written are the facts, the truthful facts as conveyed to the Daily News, and that did not happen. On Thursday, Sept. 15, Sgt. Boss was one of seven SBA members honored as Sergeants of the Year. He was recognized for rappelling from a helicopter and saving the lives of two boaters who had been stranded overnight in Jamaica Bay.

The press descended on the function in order to interview Sgt. Boss about the Diallo matter, not the incident for which he was being recognized. While Sgt. Boss was initially inclined to make a public statement, it was jointly decided by him and the SBA executive board that this was not the forum to do so and that he did not want to take anything away from the remaining honorees and their acts of heroism. As a result, Sgt. Boss declined all interview requests.

Members of the Daily News inquired to me if Sgt. Boss would be amendable to meeting with Mrs. Diallo. I clearly and unequivocally stated that such a matter would be discussed in the future and it was a much bigger issue.

I further explained if such a conversation did ever occur, it would not be done in the glare of the media spotlight, that this was too important of an issue for Mrs. Diallo and Sgt. Boss and that this would be something to be discussed.

Apparently, The Daily News did not agree and was more concerned about capturing a "story" rather than potentially healing two people. By headlining the article, "NYPD Sgt. Boss ignores sit-down request from mother of Amadou Diallo who he helped gun down," make no mistake that reporter Thomas Tracy lied. He was explicitly told by me, "Him (Sgt. Boss) and I will discuss."

Mrs. Diallo's sensitive and gracious comments were as appreciated as they were pertinent. The Daily News taking it upon itself in having the audacity, indecency and unprofessionalism to spin the story into something so much more ominous and self-serving was a cheap attempt to sell newspapers at the expense of any degree of journalistic integrity.

If and when Mrs. Diallo and Sgt. Boss ever meet, it will not be done at the behest of a frothing media. I applaud Mrs. Diallo for being so fair-minded and courageous under such difficult circumstances, but it is also important to recognize Sgt. Boss, who has dutifully served our city as an NYPD officer and his country as a United States Marine who has been deployed to Iraq.

I am proud to have him as a member of the SBA and would work side by side with him any day of the week.

In no way was Mrs. Diallo ignored, so Mr. Tracy and his editors making such assumptions and casting such egregious aspersions about such a sensitive matter surely makes one question the overall integrity of the newspaper.

Fraternally,

Ed Mullins Ed Mullins

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I further explained if such a conversation did ever occur, it would not be done in the glare of the media spotlight, that this was too important of an issue for Mrs. Diallo and Sgt. Boss and that this would be something to be discussed.

Apparently, The Daily News did not agree and was more concerned about capturing a "story" rather than potentially healing two people. By headlining the article, "NYPD Sgt. Boss ignores sit-down request from mother of Amadou Diallo who he helped gun down," make no mistake that reporter Thomas Tracy lied. He was explicitly told by me, "Him (Sgt. Boss) and I will discuss."

Mrs. Diallo's sensitive and gracious comments were as appreciated as they were pertinent. The Daily News taking it upon itself in having the audacity, indecency and unprofessionalism to spin the story into something so much more ominous and self-serving was a cheap attempt to sell newspapers at the expense of any degree of journalistic integrity.

If and when Mrs. Diallo and Sgt. Boss ever meet, it will not be done at the behest of a frothing media. I applaud Mrs. Diallo for being so fair-minded and courageous under such difficult circumstances, but it is also important to recognize Sgt. Boss, who has dutifully served our city as an NYPD officer and his country as a United States Marine who has been deployed to Iraq.

I am proud to have him as a member of the SBA and would work side by side with him any day of the week.

In no way was Mrs. Diallo ignored, so Mr. Tracy and his editors making such assumptions and casting such egregious aspersions about such a sensitive matter surely makes one question the overall integrity of the newspaper.

Fraternally,

Ed Mullins



The Detectives' Endowment Association, Police Department, City of New York

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The NOP Form can be found on the **NYPD Police Pension Fund website**. Click on the link below and scroll down to see the "Pension Alert" about the NOP.

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Some of the materials you can use to verify your Notice of Participation work claims include your memo books, DARS (daily activity reports), overtime slips, detail rosters, command log entries (either still at your command or at the borough command), signed and notarized affidavits from colleagues verifying you were at the pile, the Morgue, or Freshkills Landfill, photographs taken at the locations during the rescue and recovery, and/or news articles from the rescue and recovery in which you are mentioned.

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http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/home/home.shtml



PRESCRIPTION DRUG PROGRAM – RETIREES -- Mandatory Generic Reimbursement

The member, his or her spouse, and children (up to their 23rd birthday) can use the Benecard PBF drug card at participating pharmacies with a co-payment schedule as follows:

\$10 or less for generic prescriptions (not to exceed the cost of the medication);

\$10 or 30% for single source brands;

\$10 or 30% for multi-source brands, plus the difference between the cost of the brand and generic drugs.

There is an annual plan year deductible (July 1st through June 30th) of \$50 per individual and \$150 per family prior to plan benefit coverage.

There is an \$11,000 cap for a family per year. Prescription drugs that have an over-the-counter equivalent are not covered under our drug plan.

Asthma and psychotropic drugs have a 45% co-pay.

Children from the ages of 19 to the date of their 23rd birthday (who have proper student verification on file with the DEA) will now be eligible to use the Benecard PBF card to obtain their prescriptions, and simply pay the co-payment. Student verification must be submitted to the DEA twice each year for the fall and spring sessions. Please remember to submit student verification for the fall semester (which covers the time period between 9/1 and 2/28), and the spring semester (which covers the time period between 3/1 and 8/31). Click here for the DEA Student Verification Form.

Mail order -- The maintenance (continuous medication) drug program entitles you to a three (3) month supply with a co-payment schedule per prescription as follows:

\$10 or 30% for generic prescriptions:

\$10 or 30% for single source brands;

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You may contact Benecard PBF directly at 1-888 DEA NYPD or the DEA health benefits office should you have any questions regarding your prescription drug benefits.

The City of New York is covering certain prescriptions (injectibles and chemotherapy drugs) under the PICA program. This program is available to all non-Medicare members who are enrolled in a City-sponsored Health Plan and is administered by Express Scripts. Contact the DEA health benefits office or telephone Express Scripts at (800) 467-2006 for more information. You may also visit Express Script's Web site at www.express-scripts.com.



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The WTC Victim Compensation Fund Update

The **National Institute of Health** has linked more than 65 cancers to the toxic dust resulting from the destruction of the World Trade Center Twin Towers and the related rescue and recovery efforts which began in 2001. The most common cancers linked to the WTC by the NIH are cancers of the lungs, esophagus, kidneys, prostate, lymphoma, leukemia, and thyroid. If you (or anyone you know) was in New York City after the 9/11 attacks and have been diagnosed with any of the 67 WTC-linked cancers, there is a presumption by the NIH that your cancer was caused by the toxic dust.

Additionally, the **WTC Victim Compensation Fund** has released new guidance on deadlines to file a claim for compensation. Whereas the previous two-year deadline began to accrue on the date of diagnosis, the new two-year deadline begins to accrue on the date claimants are informed their condition is related to 9/11. In practice, this means that if a claimant is diagnosed with cancer in 2009, and later, in 2016 the World Trade Center Health Program certifies the condition as being related to 9/11, then the claimant has until 2018 to file. In the past, despite finding a causal connection in 2016, the claimant would be time-barred. This is a major game-changer for individuals exposed to 9/11 toxins.

For more information, consult **Pitta Giblin & Baione LLP** at **212-658-1766** or visit their website at - http://www.911benefits.com/ Or **Barasch & McGarry, PC** at **877-WTC-0911** or visit their website at — www.post911attorneys.com

DEA'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY in 2017

The DEA will mark its 100th year in 2017. The union is currently working on celebration plans and has created a challenge coin, which will be available at the DEA come the holiday season. In anticipation of the centennial, the DEA is also interested in collecting high resolution scans of photographs, documents, or any other interesting memorabilia relating to the history of the DEA or the NYPD's Detective Bureau. Email digital files or contact Sam Katz at the DEA at samkatz@nycdetectives.org Materials can also be scanned at the Union.

DEA ANNUAL WINTER CONVENTION At the Villa Roma Resort and Convention Center 356 Villa Roma Road Callicoon, NY 12723

January 20, 21, & 22, 2017

Appearing Saturday night is Journey lead singer Steve Suger

Fun for the whole family – skiing, skating, bowling, dinners, dancing in the after-hours lounge, entertainment, raffles, auctions, and more!

For information contact Paul Morrison at the DEA at (212) 587-1000.



September 21, 2016

TWO COPS INJURED IN CLASH WITH GOONS ON DIRT BIKES AND ATVS AS NYPD BATTLES GROWING PLAGUE OF THE ILLEGAL VEHICLES

Two motorbike fanatics were arrested for running over a cop and breaking two of his ribs, while bruising the hip of a second officer during a dustup in Brooklyn this past Saturday.

Graham Curtis, 34, of Middle Island, L.I., and Jamaal Elder, 32, of Queens, were part of a group of 50 dirt bike and ATV riders who descended on Old Fulton and Hicks Sts. between DUMBO and Brooklyn Heights about 5:20 p.m.

Patrolmen's Benevolent Association President Patrick Lynch said the root of the problem can be traced to the police staffing shortage. The department is down about 4,500 cops since its staffing high of 2001.

"These bikers come out in droves, and our officers are expected to corral them without enough manpower to do the job," said Lynch. "The situation is seriously hazardous to our members and a threat to public safety. To solve this problem, our troops will need reinforcements."

September 13, 2016

PBA'S POSITION ON OVERTIME OPPORTUNITIES FOR OFFICERS ON MODIFIED DUTY

PBA president Patrick J. Lynch said:

"Police officers can be placed on modified duty at the beginning of an investigation during which time evidence is gathered and analyzed and which may or may not result in disciplinary charges. Modified duty is not a punitive action nor is it a finding of any type. It is a holding action that allows due process to go forward. There is absolutely no justification to prevent police officers on modified duty from working overtime when the department requires. Overtime is not a reward and police officers do not control it, the department does. If the department needs to extend an officer's tour then they can be asked to or ordered to do so. These officers have every right to continue to support their families until there is some determination regarding their actions."

September 1, 2016

PBA OPPOSES CHANGES TO LAW THAT PROTECTS OFFICER'S PERSONNEL RECORDS

PBA president Patrick J. Lynch said:

"The law was passed to deal with important issues in the pursuit of justice and in protection of those who risk their lives to enforce the law. Nothing has changed to negate the need for that law and we will strongly opposes any changes to it."

Links to Police Line and Fraternal Organization websites

http://www.nvcpba.org/policelinks.html



http://www.nycdetectives.org/ http://members.sbanyc.org/







http://www.nypd-lba.org/



http://www.nypdcea.org/





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RETIREE FUND Eligibility

The benefits provided by the Retiree Health and Welfare Fund of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association of the City of New York are available to retired New York City Police Officers (Members) and their eligible dependents. Temporary continuation of coverage is available, at a cost, to dependents who lose coverage due to a qualifying event through COBRA.

Member

A "member" is a retired New York City Police Officer for whom the City of New York is required to make a contribution to the PBA Retiree Health and Welfare Fund. Participation in the Fund, and eligibility for benefits, begins as of the first day for which the City of New York is required to make a contribution to the Fund. In general, participation in the Fund ceases when one of the following events occurs:

Death of the member:

• The City of New York is not required to make contributions to the Fund for the member.

Dependents

A Member's eligible dependents include the Member's:

- Spouse
- Domestic Partner
- Dependent Children

A "spouse" is a Member's legally married spouse. If a Member and spouse are already legally married on the Member's first day of participation, eligibility for coverage for the Member's spouse begins as of the Member's first day of participation. If the marriage occurs after the Member's first day of participation, eligibility for coverage for the Member's spouse begins on the date of the marriage.

A "domestic partner" is a Member's domestic partner who has been approved for coverage as such by the City of New York Health Benefits Program. Written approval of domestic partner coverage by the City of New York Health Benefits Program must be provided to the Fund in order to enroll a domestic partner. There may be tax consequences associated with enrolling a domestic partner. For more information, please contact the Office of Labor Relations Domestic Partnership Liaison Unit at 212-306-7605.

A Member's "dependent children" include the Member's natural or legally adopted children, children for whom the Member has court-appointed guardianship or custody, children required to be covered pursuant to a qualified medical child support order, and stepchildren living in the Member's home. Dependent children are generally covered through the end of the calendar year during which they attain the age of nineteen (19). Coverage may be extended through the end of the calendar year during which the dependent child attains the age of twenty-three (23) if he or she is a full-time student.

Extension of Coverage as a Full-Time Student

To be eligible for dependent student coverage, a student must meet the following criteria:

- Student is unmarried
- Member supplies at least 50% of the student's support and student is an eligible dependent of the member
- Must be enrolled as a full-time student as defined by the school in an Associates or Bachelors degree program (trade schools and
 correspondence/on-line courses of study do not qualify) at an accredited College or University in the state in which the school is located
- Must have filed a PBA Dependent Student Certification Form. This form must be filed every verification period.

Note: In lieu of the PBA Dependent Student Verification Form, the Funds Office will accept a current Enrollment Verification Certificate from the National Student Clearinghouse http://www.studentclearinghouse.org.

If your dependent has graduated, or is otherwise no longer enrolled as a full-time student, coverage will terminate at the end of the verification period (January 31 or September 30) for which a PBA Dependent Student Certification Form has been completed. For example, if your dependent child's full-time student status has been verified for the spring verification period ending September 30, 2015 and graduates on May 25, 2015, coverage will terminate as of September 30, 2015.

Separate Enrollment Processes for PBA and City of New York Benefits

It is important to note that the Fund and the City of New York Health Benefits Program do not share enrollment information. You must submit enrollment and dependent status change information separately to both the PBA Retiree Health and Welfare Fund and to the City of New York Health Benefits Program. Updating information with one plan does not update information with the other. This includes, but is not limited to the following:

- Address changes
- · Adding dependents
- · Removing dependents
- Providing information regarding other coverage for Coordination of Benefits (COB).

To update your information with the PBA Health & Welfare Fund, go to: http://nycpba.org/benefits/forms/enrollment-retiree.pdf
To update your information with the City, go to: http://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/index.page

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https://www.vcf.gov/index.html



9* HEALTH WATCH

Below are summaries of news articles that appeared recently about 9/11 Health and Compensation issues.

An archive of past articles by year, can be found on the 911 Health Watch website at http://www.911healthwatch.org/news/:

September 14, 2016 — Star-Ledger — Scott Garrett called out for trying to take credit on first-responder funding | Editorial U.S. Rep. Scott Garrett, the Republican who represents parts of Warren County, has developed a curious habit of taking bows for his failures in judgment, which is an opponent's dream come true.

September 14, 2016 — *Daily Beast* — <u>Donald Trump's Bogus 9/11 Rescue</u> The guy who says he lost hundreds of friends and sent hundreds of workers to help can't seem to name one of them.

September 13, 2016 — Ring of Fire — Republicans Won't Stop Yammering About Patriotism Yet Refused to Fund 9/11 First Responders For Months When it comes to honoring and acknowledging the work and the sacrifices of real American heroes — military or civilian — the Republicans talk a good game.

September 12, 2016 — Ridgewood Patch — <u>Father Of Fallen 9/11 First Responder Bashes Garrett in New Commercial</u> "For the life of me, I could not understand why Scott Garrett turned his back on 9/11 responders," Joseph Zadroga said in the ad.

September 12, 2016 — NJ.com — Sweeney: 9/11 attacks still taking their toll | Opinion We all remember where we were 15 years ago on the morning of Sept. 11, and we never stop remembering.

September 12, 2016 — WhoWhatWhy — DC Partisanship Nearly Derailed Health Care for 9/11 First Responders Congressional infighting and indifference are not only destructive to the people's trust in democratic government; the inability to pass legislation in a timely fashion can also put the lives of thousands of citizens at risk

September 11, 2016 — *Huffington Post* — <u>Never Forgetting 9/11 In The Worst Possible Way</u> The words of lawmakers promise one thing, but the heroes of Sept. 11 see very different deeds.

September 11, 2016 — *ABC* — <u>9/11 First Responders Battle Toxic Exposures 15 Years Later</u> It has been 15 years since Ray Pfeifer saw news about a plane hitting the north tower of the World Trade Center.

September 11, 2016 — *NY Daily News* — <u>9/11 first responders to be honored with their own memorial</u> The heroes who rushed to the World Trade Center on 9/11 as everyone else ran for their lives the other way are finally getting a memorial of their own.

September 11, 2016 — Guardian — 9/11 health crisis continues: New York cleaner fights cancer 15 years later Merita Zejnuni was working nearby when the towers fell. It wasn't until 2009 that she began treatment – but 'I don't want anyone to feel sorry for me'

September 11, 2016 — *Guardian* — <u>9/11 health crisis: death toll from illness nears number killed on day of attacks</u> At least 1,000 people have died from illnesses tied to exposure to debris

September 11, 2016 — Governor Andrew M. Cuomo — Governor Cuomo Signs Legislation to Ensure Benefits for 9/11 Workers and Volunteers Legislation Extends Deadline for New Claims Related to 9/11 Rescue, Recovery and Clean-Up

September 11, 2016 — Governor Andrew M. Cuomo — Governor Cuomo Announces Monument to be Built Honoring 9/11 First Responders and Survivors State Will Launch Request for Proposals to Select Design and Location for Monument in New York City

September 11, 2016 — NY Daily News — Ex-EPA boss Whitman offers first-ever apology for bad info on post-9/11 air quality: 'People have died because I made a mistake' The former head of the Environmental Protection Agency apologized for the first time for her declaration a week after 9/11 that the air in lower Manhattan was safe to breathe.

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September 10, 2016 -- MSNBC -- Unsung heroes at Ground Zero still fighting As Americans get set to observe the 15th anniversary of 9/11, they are also remembering the unsung heroes who risked their lives to help others





NYC Health Benefits Program

Health Benefits Forms & Downloads

http://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/retiree/health-retiree-forms-and-downloads.page

Health Benefits Application: http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/health-benefits-application.pdf

COBRA Form, Notice of Rights and COBRA Rates: http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/cobra.pdf

Young Adult Option Through Age 29 (NYS Law Chapter 240) : http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/young-adult-package.pdf

Domestic Partner Enrollment Information: http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/domestic-partner-enroll.pdf

2014 IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement (Instructions & Form) - Reimbursement will be issued beginning June 2016: http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/irmaa-2014.pdf

2015 IRMAA Medicare Part B reimbursement instructions and form will be available July 2016

Retiree Change of Address Form (PDF): http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/retiree-change-of-address-form.pdf

Notice - Early Retiree Reinsurance Program: http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/early-retiree-reinsure.pdf

Creditable Coverage Notice (Employees Age 65 or Over): http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/creditable-coverage.pdf

Health Insurance Marketplace (Exchange) Notice: http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/health-ins-martketplace-exchange-notice.pdf

Health Benefits Summary Plan Description (SPD): http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/health-full-spd.pdf

DET. COREY DIAZ BLOOD PANEL

The Executive Board of the DEA adopted The Detective Corey Diaz Blood Panel, named in honor of OCCB Det. Corey Diaz, who passed away October 7, 2009, only seven days after he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. The Detective Corey Diaz Blood Panel is a series of six blood tests (seven if you are female) that can be taken in your physician's office or at Inner Imaging. If you have health insurance with GHI, this panel is a covered service. If you have coverage with another carrier, please call them and inquire if they will cover this blood panel. The diagnosis code is V87.19 (YOUR PHYSICIAN MUST USE THIS CODE)

CPT #	PANEL PROFILE
86301	CA19-9, Serum (Proposed as a marker for Pancreatic Carcinoma)
82378	CEA (Carcinoembryonic Antigen measures a protein in the blood for those with certain kinds of cancers)
86304	CA 125 (for women, test for Ovarian Carcinoma)
82105	Alpha Fetoprotein (is a tumor marker)
82150	Amylase, Serum (Acute Chronic Pancreatitis)
80053	CMP (Comprehensive Metabolic Panel. Tests for elevated glucose level. Most cancers thrive on glucose.)
82977	GGT (Gamma Glutamyl Transferase. Useful to diagnose obstructive jaundice, intrahepatic cholestasis and pancreatitis; diagnose metastatic carcinoma in the liver; diagnose chronic liver disease.)

Dear City of New York Employee or **Non-Medicare Eligible Retiree**:

Through the joint efforts of the City of New York Office of Labor Relations and the City's Unions, represented by the Municipal Labor Committee, there are important changes to your GHI Comprehensive Benefits Plan (CBP) and Empire BlueCross BlueShield Plan effective on July 1, 2016. Please read this notification carefully and keep it with your important papers.

GHI CBP Medical Plan

The GHI CBP program will:

- Enhance coverage to provide for in-network preventive services* (such as those listed below.)
 - Routine physicals
 - Immunizations
 - Colonoscopies
 - Mammograms
 - Birth control prescriptions and other preventive prescriptions as listed on emblemhealth.com/city

These services will be available with \$0_copayments. Visit emblemhealth.com/city for a full list of preventive services.

- Allow for a <u>\$0</u> copayment when you visit a primary care physician (PCP) or specialist affiliated with the multispecialty physician practice of AdvantageCare Physicians (ACPNY). For more information, visit <u>emblemhealth.com/city</u> or <u>acpny.com</u>.
- Increase or decrease copayments for certain in-network services. (Refer to the table below.)

Benefits Summary	Current Copay	July 1, 2016 Copay	
ACPNY PCP	\$15 copay	\$0 copay	Out - of - Network Cost
ACPNY Specialist	\$20 copay	\$0 copay	There will be no changes to your current out-of pocket costs.
All other PCPs	\$15 copay	\$15 copay	You will still pay any applicable out-of network cost-
All other specialty providers	\$15 or \$20 copay	\$30 copay	sharing plus the difference between the provider's fee
Urgent Care	\$15 copay	\$50 copay	and GHI's reimbursement (which may be substantial.)
Diagnostic/Lab	\$15 copay	\$20 copay	
MRI/CAT/Hi-Tech Radiology	\$15 copay	\$50 copay	
Physical Therapy	\$15 copay	\$20 copay	

Empire BlueCross BlueShield Hospitalization Plan

Benefits Summary	Current Copay	July 1, 2016 Copay	NOTE
Emergency Room	\$50 copay	\$150 copay	Waived if admitted to hospital within 24 hours

Reminder: New Pre-certification Requirements

As we previously communicated, many procedures require pre-certification. Your provider should call NYC Healthline at **1-800-521-9574** for pre-certifications including:

- · In-patient admissions
- · Within 48 hours of an emergency admission
- Ambulatory surgery
- Physical and speech therapy after the 16th visit

Member ID Cards

Your new member ID card will be mailed to you approximately 10 days prior to the July 1, 2016 effective date of your plan changes. Please begin using it when claiming benefits, and be sure to destroy your previous card once you receive your new one.

Questions?

If you have any questions about the changes to your GHI CBP medical benefits, please call EmblemHealth Customer Service at **1-800-624-2414**, Monday to Friday, 8 am to 6 pm (closed on weekends.) If you have a hearing or speech impairment and use a TTY/TDD, please call 711. Or, visit the website at **emblemhealth.com/city**. You can also visit the City of New York Office of Labor Relations at **NYC.gov/olr**.

If you have any questions about changes to your Empire BlueCross BlueShield hospital benefits, call **1-800-433-9592**. Or visit the website at **empireblue.com/nyc**.



I still receive numerous inquiries from members who are unsure of what medical coverage they have through GHI.

Thanks to Club member Mike Conover here is a link to the City of New York Health Insurance For You And Your Dependents Handbook. http://www.emblemhealth.com/~/media/Files/PDF/NYC%20Certificate%20of% 20Insurance.pdf

The handbook contains information of all of the medical coverage provided to NYC employees and retirees covered by GHI Comprehensive Benefits Plan.

Additionally, many members are still unaware of the GHI Catastrophic Coverage provided by the Superior Officers Council, Sergeants Benevolent Association and the Detectives Endowment Association.

This benefit was established to assist members and **eligible dependents** to defray some of the non-covered medical and surgical expenses incurred for services rendered by non-participating or out-of-net-work providers and to provide coverage for catastrophic illness. The below information is listed on their respective websites.

SOC

Members must incur out-of-pocket expenses of more than \$4000.00 per year. (Out-of-pocket expenses are those medical and hospital charges that are considered reasonable and customary by GHI and that are not reimbursed by either the City Health Plan or private insurers).

Members must produce a statement of services, explanation of benefits form and cancelled checks for expenses submitted. Reimbursement is based on a contract year (January - December) 100% of GHI reasonable and customary charges based on the current profile.

The maximum lifetime benefit is 2 million dollars.

The SOC provides a self-funded \$1,000 direct reimbursement payable to the member after the member has submitted, qualified paperwork under the GHI Catastrophic Rider outlined above and the member still has a minimum of at least \$4,000.00 of out-of-pocket qualified. The exclusions and restrictions are the same as the requirement for the catastrophic coverage benefit.

For example you may have paid \$10,000 dollars out-of-pocket expenses, but GHI's payment schedule only deems the reasonable and customary payment for the services to be \$6,000 dollars. The Member pays the remaining \$4,000 dollars of the balance and may now be eligible to receive \$1,000 dollars from the SOC Catastrophic Benefit.

The first \$25,000 is covered for Private Duty Nursing care and thereafter 50% of the remainder with a lifetime cap of \$50,000 per person. The cap for in-hospital Mental Health charges is \$10,000 individual lifetime maximum.

SOC – After a \$4000 annual family deductible, GHI pays 100% of reasonable and customary charges based on a current profile with a maximum lifetime payment of \$250,000 per person.

Limitations: The first \$25,000 is covered for private duty nursing care and 50% thereafter of the remainder with a lifetime cap of \$50,000 per person. The cap for in hospital mental health charges is \$10,000 per person.

http://nypdsoc.com/retcatastrophic.html

SBA—Eliqibility

SBA members are eligible, as well as spouses/domestic partners and dependent children who are covered under a participating provider organization (PPO) or a point-of service (POS) plan presently being offered by the New York City Employee Health Benefits Program.

Definition of PPO and POS

Participating provider organization (PPO) indemnity plans offer the option to use either a network provider or an out-of-network provider for medical and hospital care. PPO plans contract with health care providers who agree to accept a negotiated payment from the health plan and predetermined co-payments from subscribers as payment in full for a schedule of medical services provided. When the subscriber uses a non-participating provider, the subscriber is subject to deductibles and/or a higher price schedule. GHI/CBP is an example of a PPO.

Point-of-service (POS) plans offer the freedom to use either a network provider or an out-of-network provider for medical and hospital care.

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SBA GHI Catastrophic Coverage continued.....

If the subscriber uses a network provider, health care delivery resembles that of a traditional HMO, with prepaid comprehensive coverage and little out-of-pocket costs for services.

When the subscriber uses an out-of-network provider, health care delivery resembles that of an indemnity insurance product, with less comprehensive coverage and subject to deductibles and coinsurance. HIP PRIME POS and U.S. Health Care (QPOS) are POS plans. The SBA H&W Fund catastrophic coverage plan does not cover subscribers of exclusive participating organizations (EPOs) because they do not provide any out of network benefits.

The catastrophic coverage benefit

The benefit pays up to 100 percent of reasonable and customary eligible expenses after a \$2,000 out-of-pocket annual deductible per person has been reached. Eligible out-of-pocket expenses are those SBA H&W Fund medical and hospital expense charges that are considered reasonable and customary by the basic City Health Plan and are not fully reimbursed by the City Health Plan or private group insurers.

Benefit limits and maximums

There is a lifetime maximum benefit of \$250,000 per covered person. Within this lifetime maximum are the following:

- (1) Mental health in-hospital care of \$10,000.
- (2) Required and approved private duty nursing is covered in full for the first unpaid \$25,000 and then at 50 percent for the remainder up to a lifetime maximum of \$50,000.

Services or charges not covered by the catastrophic benefit

In addition the benefit exclusions of the SBA H&W Fund, the catastrophic benefit does not cover outpatient psychiatric care and prescription drug charges. Ineligible charges such as experimental procedures or services not approved by the member's health plan are likewise not covered by this benefit. Medical, surgical and hospital charges incurred for services rendered by non-participating PPO providers or out-of-network POS providers must be approved by the member's health plan.

Submitting an SBA catastrophic benefit claim

Once you have reached the \$2,000 out-of-pocket, per-person annual deductible, obtain and submit the catastrophic claim benefit form to the Fund office for processing. Instructions are printed on the form.

http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/health&Welfare/additionalBenefits/catastrophicBenefitInformation.pdf

DEA—There are two parts to the DEA Catastrophic coverage. The first part is an extra rider that the DEA purchased through

GHI. There is a \$4,000 deductible (retired members) per calendar year.

Claims for non-participating doctors are submitted through GHI for their basic allowance. Because GHI's payment schedule is so low the member always has an out of pocket expense. When the difference between what your doctor's charges and what GHI allows exceeds \$4,000 you may apply for the DEA catastrophic benefit.

(For example. Bills submitted to GHI are for \$20,000, GHI's basic allowance is \$5,000, your responsibility is the remaining \$15,000. You would send your GHI statements showing the above to the DEA, we would in turn forward it to GHI to be reprocessed under the DEA/GHI Catastrophic Rider. Of the remaining \$15,000 out of pocket expense*** GHI would minus the \$4,000 deductible and then GHI would send you a check for \$11,000. (Maximum benefit lifetime per family \$250,000).

The second part of the DEA catastrophic benefit is when you receive the Catastrophic payment from GHI, send the statement showing the \$4,000 deductible was met to the DEA and then the DEA itself will issue you a check for an additional \$3,000.

*** Please be advised that if GHI does not make an allowance for services rendered, that specific service will not be included in the calculations for catastrophic coverage.

There is also an additional benefit for Retired members under the DEA Catastrophic program. If your out of Pocket expense does not exceed \$4,000 but does exceed \$2,000

The DEA will refund expense between \$2,000 & \$4,000.

http://nycdetectives.org/index.php/heath-benefits-active-members/health-benefits-retired-members1/item/20-catastrophic-medicalexpenses-retired

What's Happening



OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27 COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING POLICE SQUARE CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING	28	29	30	October 1
2	3 EMERALD SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP MEETING	4	5 HOLY NAME SOCIETY MAN-BX-SI MEMBER- SHIP MEETING	6	Z POLICE SELF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING	8
9	10 COLUMBUS DAY DESI SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP MEETING	11 RUSSIAN AMERICAN OFFICERS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING	12 REGINA COELI SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP MEETING GACES MEMBERSHIP MEETING	13 KOREAN AMERICAN OFFICER ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING	14	<u>15</u>
<u>16</u>	17 ANCHOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING SHOMRIM SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP MEETING	18 NY DOMINICAN ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING	19 PULASKI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING	20	21	<u>22</u>
23	<u>24</u>	25 COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING POLICE SQUARE CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING	26	27	28	<u>29</u>
30	<u>31</u>	November 1	2 HOLY NAME SOCIETY MAN- BX-SI MEMBERSHIP MEETING	3	4 POLICE SELF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING	<u>5</u>

What's Happening

NYPD REUNION ANNUAL LUNCHEON

NEW LOCATION THIS YEAR

Thursday, February 9, 2017 NOON-4:00PM

\$50 per person (pay **CASH** at the door)

Price includes sit down lunch and 2 hours of beverages. An additional 2 hours bar and door prize provided through the generosity of Irv Mechanic.

Bar is limited to beer, wine and soda

NEW LOCATION:

Benvenuto's

1730 North Federal Highway

Boynton Beach, FL 33435

561-364-0600

We **must** give Benvenuto's a firm count by Thursday, February 2nd. If you plan to attend, PLEASE email the committee or call one of us before the February 2nd deadline. Thank you!

Email attendance to: nypdluncheon@live.com



N.Y.P.D.



Columbia Association

Det. Anthony J. Venditti

Eighth Annual Memorial Motorcycle Tour

Sunday, October 2, 2016

Kickstands up 1000 hours Sharp

Registration & Breakfast from 0800 – 0945 hours Queens Museum – Flushing Meadows Park Corona, NY, 11368

ONLY: \$25.00 per Rider & \$20.00 for Passenger Donation is for BBQ immediately following ride w/ raffles & trophies

<u>Post-Ride Barbecue</u> Staten Island Marine Corps League Det. 246

46 Ontario Avenue, Staten Island, NY, 10301

To Attend and Save Your Spot Please Contact:

Al Bono at 347-538-9161 / Alessio.Bono@NYPD.org Michael Russo at 347-668-4626 / MichaelRusso@yahoo.com Christopher J. Pizzo at 516-318-3545 / cjpizzo@gmail.com





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Nearly 100% of this information is free and available for all veterans, the only catch is: you have to ask for it, because they won't tell you about a specific benefit unless you ask for it.

War-Related Illness and Injury Study Center - New Jersey http://www.wri.med.va.gov/

Depression and Trauma http://www.ptsd.va.gov/public/pages/depression-and-trauma.asp

Appeals http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21_1/mr/part1/ch05.doc

Board of Veteran's Appeals http://www.va.gov/vbs/bva/

CARES Commission http://www.va.gov/vbs/bva/

CARES Draft National Plan http://www1.va.gov/cares/page.cfm?pg=105

Center for Minority Veterans http://www1.va.gov/centerforminorityveterans/

Center for Veterans Enterprise http://www.vetbiz.gov/default2.htm

Center for Women Veterans http://www1.va.gov/womenvet/

Clarification on the changes in VA healthcare for Gulf War Veterans http://www.gulfwarvets.com/ubb/Forum1/HTML/000016.html

Classified Records - American Gulf War Veterans Assoc http://www.gulfwarvets.com/ubb/Forum18/HTML/000011..html

Compensation for Disabilities Associated with the Gulf War Service http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m211/part6%20/ch07.doc

Compensation Rate Tables, 12-1-03 http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/Rates/comp01.htm

Department of Veterans Affairs Home Page http://www.va.gov/

Directory of Veterans Service Organizations $\underline{\text{http://www1.va.gov/vso/index.cfm?template=view}}$

Disability Examination Worksheets Index, Comp $\frac{http://}{www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/Benefits/exams/index.htm}$

Due Process http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21_1/mr/part1/ch02.doc

Duty to Assist http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21 1/mr/part1/ch01.doc

Electronic Code of Federal Regulations http://www.gpoaccess.gov/ecfr/

Emergency, Non-emergency, and Fee Basis Care $\underline{\text{http://www1.va.gov/}}$ $\underline{\text{opa/vadocs/fedben.pdf}}$

Environmental Agents http://www1.va.gov/environagents/

Environmental Agents M10 http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication..asp?pub_ID=1002

Establishing Combat Veteran Eligibility http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication..asp?pub_ID=315

EVALUATION PROTOCOL FOR GULF WAR AND IRAQI FREEDOM VETER-ANS WITH POTENTIAL EXPOSURE TO DEPLETED URANIUM http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/DUHandbook1303122304.DOC and http://www1.va.gov/yhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=1158

See also, Depleted Uranium Fact Sheet http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/DepletedUraniumFAQSheet.doc

EVALUATION PROTOCOL FOR NON-GULF WAR VETERANS WITH POTENTIAL EXPOSURE TO DEPLETED URANIUM http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/DUHANDBOOKNONGW130340304.DOC

Fee Basis, PRIORITY FOR OUTPATIENT MEDICAL SERVICES AND INPATIENT HOSPITAL CARE http://www1.va..gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=206

Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependants 2005 http://www1.va.gov/opa/vadocs/fedben.pdf
OR, http://www1.va.gov/opa/vadocs/current_benefits.htm

Forms and Records Request http://www.va.gov/vaforms/

General Compensation Provisions http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/partii-chapter11-subchaptervi-html

Geriatrics and Extended Care http://www1.va.gov/geriatricsshg/

Guideline for Chronic Pain and Fatigue MUS-CPG http://www.oqp.med.va.gov/cpg/cpgn/mus/mus base.htm

Guide to Gulf War Veteran's Health http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/VHIgulfwar.pdf

Gulf War Subject Index http://www1.va.gov/GulfWar/page.cfm? pg=7&template=main&letter=A

 $Hearings \ \underline{http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21\ 1/mr/part1/ch04.doc}$

Homeless Veterans http://www1.va.gov/homeless/

HSR&D Home http://www.hsrd.research.va.gov/

Index to Disability Examination Worksheets C&P exams http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/benefits/exams/index.htm

Ionizing Radiation http://www1.va.gov/irad/

Iraqi Freedom/Enduring Freedom Veterans VBA http://www.vba.va.gov/EFIF/

M 10 for spouses and children < http://www1..va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=1007

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M21-1 Table of Contents http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/M21_1.html

Mental Disorders, Schedule of Ratings http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/regs/38CFR/BOOKC/PART4/S4 130.DOC

Mental Health Program Guidelines http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=1094

Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Centers http://www.mirecc.med.va.gov/

MS (Multiple Sclerosis) Centers of Excellence http://www.va.gov/ms/about.asp

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My Health e Vet http://www.myhealth.va.gov/

NASDVA.COM http://nasdva.com/

National Association of State Directors http://www.nasdva.com/

National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention http://www.nchpdp.med.va.gov/postdeploymentlinks.asp

Neurological Conditions and Convulsive Disorders, Schedule of Ratings http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/regs/38cfr/bookc/part4/s4_124a.doc

OMI (Office of Medical Inspector) http://www.omi.cio.med.va.gov/

Online VA Form 10-10EZ https://www.1010ez..med.va.gov/sec/vha/1010ez/

Parkinson's Disease and Related Neurodegenerative Disorders http://www1.va.gov/resdev/funding/solicitations/docs/parkinsons.pdf and, http://www1.va.gov/padrecc/

Peacetime Disability Compensation

http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=browse_usc&docid=Cite:+38USC1131

Pension for Non-Service-Connected Disability or Death http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/
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and, http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/
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Persian Gulf Registry http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub_ID=1003

This program is now referred to as Gulf War Registry Program (to include Operation Iraqi Freedom) as of March 7, 2005: http://www1.wa.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=1232

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Persian Gulf Veterans' Illnesses Research 1999, Annual Report To Congress http://www1.va.gov/ resdey/1999 Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses Appendices.doc

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Phase I PGR http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication..asp?pub_ID=1004

Phase II PGR http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication..asp?pub ID=1005

Policy Manual Index http://www.va.gov/publ/direc/eds/edsmps.htm

Power of Attorney http://www.warms.vba..va.gov/admin21/m211/mr/part1/ch03.doc

Project 112 (Including Project SHAD) http://www1.va.gov/shad/

Prosthetics Eligibility http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=337

Public Health and Environmental Hazards Home Page http://www.vethealth.cio.med.va.gov/

Public Health/SARS http://www.publichealth.va.gov/SARS/

Publications Manuals http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ publications.cfm?Pub=4

Publications and Reports http://www1.va.gov/resdev/prt/ pubs individual.cfm?webpage=gulf war.htm

Records Center and Vault Homepage http://www.aac.va.gov/vault/default.html

Records Center and Vault Site Map http://www.aac.va.gov/vault/sitemap.html

REQUEST FOR AND CONSENT TO RELEASE OF INFORMATION FROM CLAIMANT'S RECORDS http://www.forms.va.gov/va/Internet/VARF/getformharness.asp?formName=3288-form.xft

Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans Illnesses April 11, 2002

http://www1.va.gov/rac-gwvi/docs/Minutes April112002.doc

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VA Best Practice Manual for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) http://www.avapl.org/pub/PTSD%20Manual%20final%206..pdf

VA Fact Sheet http://www1.va.gov/opa/fact/gwfs.html

VA Health Care Eligibility http://www.va.gov/healtheligibility/home/hecmain.asp

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VA INSTITUTING GLOBAL ASSESSMENT OF FUNCTION (GAF) http://www.avapl.org/gaf/gaf.html

VA Life Insurance Handbook ¬" Chapter 3 http://www.insurance.va.gov/inForceGliSite/GLIhandbook/glibookletch3.htm#310

VA Loan Lending Limits and Jumbo Loans http://valoans.com/va_facts_limits.cfm

VA MS Research http://www.va.gov/ms/about.asp

VA National Hepatitis C Program http://www.hepatitis.va.gov/

VA Office of Research and Development http://www1.va.gov/resdev/

VA Trainee Pocket Card on Gulf War http://www.va.gov/OAA/pocketcard/gulfwar.asp

VA WMD EMSHG http://www1.va.gov/emshg/

VA WRIISC-DC http://www.va.gov/WRIISC-DC/

VAOIG Hotline Telephone Number and Address http://www.va.gov/oig/hotline/hotline3.htm

Vet Center Eligibility - Readjustment Counseling Service http://www.va.gov/rcs/Eligibility.htm

Veterans Benefits Administration Main Web Page http://www.vba.va.gov/

Veterans Legal and Benefits Information http://valaw.org/

VHA Forms, Publications, Manuals http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/

VHA Programs - Clinical Programs & Initiatives http://webmaila.juno.com/webmail/new/UrlBlockedError.aspx

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Welcome to the GI Bill Web Site http://www.gibill.va.gov/

What VA Social Workers Do http://www1.va.gov/socialwork/page.cfm?
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WRIISC Patient Eligibility http://www.illegion.org/va1.html



Office of the New York State Comptroller NYS Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli

What is Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)?

Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) is a permanent annual increase to your retirement benefit that is based on the cost-of-living index. Included in your monthly benefit (when you become eligible), it's designed to address inflation as it occurs.

How COLA is Determined

COLA payments, subject to pension caps and limitations, equal 50 percent of the previous year's annual rate of inflation, but never less than 1 percent or more than 3 percent of your benefit. The adjustment percentage is applied up to the first \$18,000 of your Single Life Allowance (or the actual amount of your benefit, if less), even if you selected a different option at retirement. Once COLA payments begin, they continue automatically and you will receive an increase to your monthly benefit each September.

This Year's COLA Increase

The September 2016 COLA equals 1.0 percent, for a maximum annual increase of \$180.00, or \$15.00 per month before taxes.

Eligibility

To begin receiving COLA payments, you must be:

- Age 62 or older and retired for five or more years; or
- Age 55 or older and retired for ten or more years (uniformed employees such as police officers, firefighters and correction officers covered by a special plan that allows for retirement, regardless of age, after a specific number of years); or
- A disability retiree for five years; or
- The spouse of a deceased retiree receiving a lifetime benefit under an option elected by the retiree at retirement. An eligible spouse is entitled to one-half the COLA amount that would have been paid to the retiree when the retiree would have met the eligibility criteria; or A beneficiary receiving the accidental death benefit for five or more years on behalf of a deceased Retirement System member.

Receiving COLA

You will receive your first COLA increase in the month following the month you become eligible. This payment includes the prorated portion due for the month in which you became eligible plus the COLA for the month you receive the payment.

Once you are eligible, you will receive an annual COLA increase each September. We will send you a letter informing you of the amount prior to your September 30th benefit payment, when the increase goes into effect. (Rev. 6/16)

THIS AND THAT

PENSION NEWS

As you all know, our pension benefits are protected by the NYS Constitution. It provides that our pension benefits cannot be diminished. This protection can only be changed or removed by changing the State Constitution. This occurs when the Constitution is opened for review and change by a Constitutional Convention. Every 20 years the Constitution requires that a referendum to propose a Constitutional Convention be put on the ballot for the voters. As per this requirement it will be on the ballot on **NOVEMBER 7, 2017**!

If it passes, three delegates per State Senate district and 15 at-large delegates (204 total) would be elected at the following general election in November 2018.

Delegates can include members of the legislature or other elected officials, as well as political party leaders-and they can hold (and collect salaries for) both positions.

The convention would then meet in Albany throughout 2019 for an unspecified duration. After which they would publish its suggested amendments. Any proposed changes are then submitted to voters for approval, separately or as a group, for another public referendum no sooner than six weeks after the convention adjourns.

They can propose changes to benefits, policies, or anything else protected by the Constitution. We MUST VOTE AGAINST the referendum when it comes due on the ballot!!! There could be ANY changes made to our pensions, benefits, rules or anything else affecting active and retired MOS. Fortunately, past referendums have been defeated. However, funding provisions for Catholic Schools was removed many years ago leading to the closing of many, SO IT COULD HAPPEN TO US TOO!!! In light of the antipension mindset of many, this referendum MUST BE DEFEATED!!! Ask EVERY registered NYS voter you know to VOTE NO!!! (Also be mindful of who you pull the lever for in all upcoming elections, he/she may end up on the Convention-find out their stance on pension benefits!)

Important Telephone Numbers

NYPD General Info:	646-610-5000
NYPD Operation Desk:	646-610-5580
Pension Section(Art 1):	212-693-5100
Pension Section(Art 2):	646-610-6824/8192
ID Card Sect:	646-610-5000
Employee Benefits:	212-513-0470
P.B.A. Retiree:	877-977-3880
D.E.A. Office:	212-587-1000
D.E.A. Health Benefit:	212-587-9120
SBA:	212-226-2180
SBA Health Benefit:	212-226-2180
LBA/SOC:	212-964-7500
CEA:	212-791-8292
Social Security:	800-772-1213
GHI:	800-358-5500
Empire Blue Cross:	800-358-9592
Medicare Reimbursement:	212-513-0470
Medicare "A"	800-433-9592
Medicare "B"	800-333-7586
NYC Health Line:	800-521-9574
NYPD (D.I.F.):	212-374-5508
VA Benefits:	800-827-1000
Social Security:	800-772-1213
Spring 3100:	212-374-5750
Do not call Registry:	888-382-1222
NYC Pension Website: www.nyc.	gov/html/nycppf/home.l

NYC Pension Website: www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/home.html

Medicare Website: http://www.medicare.gov
Social Security Website: www.ssa.gov
Veterans Admin. Website: www.va.gov



THIS AND THAT



Sat. Oct. 8, An HR-218 class will be conducted at Eagle Gun and Range in Concord NC. Cost of the class will be \$50. Contact Robert Crosby at 704-530-4886 to register for the class.

An HR 218 & NC concealed carry class has been scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 9, 0930 at Point Blank Range in Mooresville 0930. Cost is \$100.

You can register for the class at: https://www.pointblankrange.com/event-registration/?ee=2067

Sun. Oct. 16, Denver Defense will be conducting an HR 218 class. Register on line.



On-line manual for every gun on earth. Fantastic resource to have.

http://stevespages.com/page7b.htm

South Carolina Governor Signs New Concealed Carry Agreement with North Carolina and Georgia!

By Onan Coca August 30, 2016

South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley (R-SC) continues to do what is best for the people of her state as she staunchly defends the Constitution. The very popular Governor recently signed a bill to allow concealed weapons permit holders in the states of Georgia and North Carolina use of their permits to allow them to carry in the Palmetto State as well. The bill also ensures that South Carolina's concealed weapons permit holders can carry their firearms freely in either of these states too.

Lawmakers who agreed with the move argued that the new reciprocity deal was long overdue. "We have a lot of our South Carolinians that work in Georgia. We have a lot of Georgians that work in South Carolina, and they should never worry about whether they're in violation of the law," Haley argued before adding that visitors shouldn't be forced to give up their constitutional rights just because they are going on vacation. The Executive Director of Georgia Carry, a 2nd Amendment Defense group, Jerry Henry, offered a similar defense of the reciprocity deal. "It is a Constitutional right and there's no other Constitutional right that requires you to be trained before you can exercise that right."

However, not everyone is happy. There are many detractors in the Palmetto State who argue that allowing law abiding American citizens the right to carry a firearm across state lines could lead to a more dangerous situation in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. However, these anti-gun liberals have no factual evidence to support these fantastic claims. In fact, Mr. Henry, of Georgia Carry, explained to Channel 7 News in Greenville, SC that there is no research that supports opponents' claims that a reciprocity deal like this will make life in these states more dangerous. NONE.

"You will find no studies between any state that requires training and ones like Georgia that don't where there is any difference in the accidental discharge or negligent discharge of any firearm. There are no studies that show that Georgia is not as safe as South Carolina," Henry says.

For her part, Governor Haley sees dual benefits for signing this new law. Firstly, it's simple Constitutional math. Law abiding American citizens have every right to keep and bear arms, no matter where they are in the United States of America. Secondly, she believes the new reciprocity deal will be a boon to the tourism industry in all three states.

"We want to make sure our sister states of North Carolina and Georgia can come and vacation in South Carolina and not feel like they have to give up a right to be here... Tourism in South Carolina, always come vacation, buy second homes, all of that, it gets in the way of all of that if they can't legally do it, because no one wants to break the law. So if they've gotten their CWP in Georgia, we want them to be able to go to the beach in South Carolina and take it and not have to worry about anything happening. The same with North Carolina."

We need more forward thinking, liberty minded Governors like Haley who are willing to defend freedom, even when liberal naysayers are fear mongering about *what could happen*. Every law abiding American citizen should have the absolute right to *keep and bear arms* no matter where they happen to be in the United States of America... why? Because the Constitution and the Bill of Rights articulate and GUARANTEE that every one of us has the God-given inalienable right to do so.

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POLICE-MEN NEWS

Transfers-Appointments

News pertaining to those in blue

7 October 1922

Capt. Martin J. ROWE, commanding the Wilson Avenue stations is away on his vacation. Lieut. CONNORS is acting captain during his absence.

Patrolman August RUEDI of the Wilson avenue station is the "Beau Brummel" of the Bushwick section according to the bluecoats of the Wilson avenue precinct.

Patrolman William DEHNKERT, attendant at the Glendale station is busy filling in the ground in the front of the stationhouse.

Patrolman Richard E. DALTON, attached to the Traffic Squad E, has not been seen around the Ridgewood court in weeks. Dalton is a terror to all who violate the highway laws in Richmond Hill.

Lieut. Henry EBERT, attached to the Glendale station is back from a vacation spent motoring in Canada.

Patrolman William F. MAHONEY, of the Wilson Avenue station, spent his vacation at home.

Patrolman BIERMAN attached to the Glendale station is going to take the next examination for sergeant according to reports.

Patrolman Frederic YOUNG, of Glendale station had his hands full early the other morning when a trolley car jumped the rails and plunged into a cigar store in Ridgewood. After extricating the victims. YOUNG sent a call for an ambulance.

Sergt. Charles MAURER attached to the Glendale station is one of the best like bosses in the department. It is said that MAURER has never filed a complaint against any of his men.

Detective Sergt. Michael STIENLE of the Eleventh Branch Detective Bureau, is back on the job again after enjoying a honeymoon up-State.

Patrolman George SWEENEY, who for many years did detective work in the Eastern District, is now attached to the Stagg street station.

Detective Charles BATTALORA, of the Clymer street station is still bring them in. Last week he arrested three men for grand larceny and one for felonious assault.

21 October 1922

POLICE NOTES

Sergt SCHIEFFER, attached to the Wilson avenue station, is some orator, according to is associates.

Sergt. Charles MAURER, attached to the Glendale station, is one of the best liked bluecoats in the department.

Patrolman Henry FORST, of the Wilson avenue station, is one of the old Vernon avenue men and is well known in the Broadway section, where his post is located.

Detectives Leonard WOODLE and James DRUM, of the Wilson avenue station, recovered some automobile accessories stolen from a garage in the precinct the other morning.

Sergt. Arthur WAGNER was received with open arms by the attaches of the Wilson avenue station the other day, when he reappeared for duty after an absence on sick leave.

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POLICE-MEN NEWS continued.....

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Mounted Patrolman Edward RECKMAN of the Glendale station appeared at the Ridgewood Court the other day with his right arm in a sling. He refused to be interviewed.

Dick DALTON, of Traffic E, one of the athletic policemen of Queens, has begun training to compete in the police games in Madison Square Garden in February.

Lieut. Thomas CLANCY, of the Jamaica station has returned to his desk after a pleasant three weeks vacation, most of which he spent with his family in Richmond Hill.

17 OCTOBER 1923

POLICE DEPT. ORDERS

Police Commissioner Richard E. ENRIGHT yesterday issued these orders affecting Brooklyn and Queens members of the Police Dept.

Patrolmen pensioned on Police Surgeons'certificate: Edward LOUGHLIN, Snyder Ave station, \$1140 per annum.

Richard M. McKENNA, Greenpoint station, \$580 per annum.

John CLANCY, Greenpoint station, \$1140 per annum.

Michael J. BRENNAN, Newtown station, \$710 per annum.

Leaves with pay:

Deputy Inspector John KELLY, of the 13th Inspection district, Queens, for 2 days, from Oct 17, to be deducted from vacation

Sick Leave Granted:

Patrolman Alexander C. RUSSELL, of the Classon Ave station, for 60 days from Oct 13.

Fined on Charges:

Patrolmen John P. KENNEDY, Fort Hamilton Station, Aug 2, absent from out-going roll call, two days.

Charles MARTENS, Sheepshead Bay station, July 26, loitering and in conversation with patrolman, 1 day.

Charles MEISENZAHL, Brooklyn Ave. station, August, failed to promptly return to precinct from court, 2 days.

Sidney B. WALKER, Snyder Ave station, Aug 6, absent from post, 2 days.

Morris SCULLY, Snyder Ave station, Aug 16, absent from reserve duty, 2 days

John GILROY, Atlantic Ave. station, July 27, absent from post, 2 days

George FERGUSON, Poplar St. station, July 23, absent from reserve duty, one day

John SAYWELL, Poplar St. station. July 5, absent from inspection of uniforms and equipment, 1 day July 23, absent from reserve duty, 1 day

Louis H. MEERBOTT, Ralph Ave station, July 18, improper patrol, 2 days

John C. PFAU, Wilson Ave. station, May 28, failed to be properly uniformed, 1 day May 28, made false statement to captain, 3 days

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POLICE-MEN NEWS continued.....

Frank A.SHEA, Wilson Ave station, Aug 13, wore collar of coat unhooked, one-half day

James McAVOY, Lee Ave. station, June 22, improper patrol, left post without permission, 5 days

Leo J. NADOLSKI, Bushwick Ave., Aug 7, absent from post, 2 days

Herman W. TORRENCE, Bushwick Ave station, July 23, absent from outgoing rollcall, 1 day

Michael J. GEOGHAN, Bedford Ave station, June 1, absent from special reserve duty, 1 day

Anthony P. SPINNINGER, Bedford Ave. station, Aug 14, absent from post, signalled from wrong box, 2 days

Christian FRITZGER, Herbert St station, Aug 15, absent from post, 2 days

Daniel A. WALSH, Greenpoint station, Aug 8, improper patrol, 1 day

Mark McTIGUE, Flushing station, Aug 6, removed dept bicycle from precinct without permission, 1 day

Henry W.O. ROENICH, Flushing station, Aug 5, failed to take motorcycle from precinct garage to street before starting motor, 1 day

William A. GORDON, Glendale station, Aug 8, Glendale station, Aug 8, absent from reserve duty, 2 days

George ROSCHER, Richmond Hill station, absent from post, seated in garage, hat and coat off, apparently asleep, 5 days

Suspended Without Pay

Patrolmen Frank MULLANEY, Classon Ave station and Edward TRACY, Wilson Ave station

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Membership Meeting Minutes September 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:50pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 72 members, 49 guests and 1 new members present.

This was followed by the invocation, 911 Memorial Ceremony and the reading of the names and circumstances of death of the 13 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty since last month's membership meeting.

A moment of silence was observed for these officers and our armed forces personnel who died protecting our country.

Roll Call of Officers

President: Harvey Katowitz Vice President: Dave Schultheis Treasurer: Ben Pepitone Secretary: Scott Hickey Sgt. at Arms: Harry Dobson Trustee: John Erker Trustee: Bernard Roe Trustee: John Sabato Joe Kozlowski Historian: Chaplain: **Donald Sanchez**

Excused:

Trustee: Bob Fee
Trustee: Brenda Jordan

Review of August Minutes: A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by John Erker and seconded by Chris Russo. The motion passed.

Sickness & Distress:

• Bob Eilenberg had a stroke and is in rehab. He hopes to be home next week

Communications & Bills:

- On Wednesday, September 14, at 12pm, Christ Covenant Church and Day School, 800 Fullwood Lane, Matthews, NC, will
 be honoring law enforcement and other emergency service personnel during their fifteenth annual "Community Heroes Cele
 bration and Service." Prior to the service there will be a "Community Heroes Brunch" at 11am in the church's worship center.
 All 10-13 Club members are invited to attend.
- Sat. Oct. 8, an HR-218 class will be conducted at Eagle Gun and Range in Concord NC. Cost of the class will be \$50. Contact Robert Crosby at 704-530-4886 to register for the class.
- Sun. Oct. 16, Denver Defense will be conducting an HR 218 class. Register on line.

Report of Officers

President: Guest speaker for October's meeting will be Fr. Glenn Comandini, St. Mathews RC Church

VP: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: Ben Pepitone submitted the following report:

As of Aug 31, 2016

Beginning Balance: 21,589.81
Checks and Payments: -3,124.21
Deposits and credits: 5,631.00
Cleared Balance: 24,076.60

A motion to accept the Treasure's written report was made by Scott Hickey and was seconded by Harvey Katowitz. The motion passed.

Secretary: Nothing to report

Trustees:

John Erker: Nothing to report
Bob Fee: Nothing to report
Brenda Jordan: excused
Bernard Roe: Nothing to report

John Sabato: Nothing to report

Sgt. at Arms: Nothing to report

Historian: Nothing to report'

Committee Reports: 2017 After holiday dinner party will be on Saturday, Jan 21st at Tavern on the Lake in Sun City

Old Business: Golf Tournament: John Sabato reports progress on the tournament

New Business: Nominations were opened for the three trustees positions, Brenda Jordan, John Erker & Bob Fee, whose terms expire on Dec. 31. The following nominations were made:

- Scott Hickey nominated Brenda Jordan, seconded by Frank DeMasi
- Joe Kozlowski nominated John Erker, seconded by Scott Hickey
- Scott Hickey nominated Bob Fee, seconded by Frank DeMasi

No other nominations were mad so elections will not b necessary during Oct.'s membership meeting.

Proposition for Membership: Ret. NYPD Officer Eileen McCambridge

A motion to accept the new member was made by John Erker and was seconded by Dave Schultheis. The motion passed.

Good of the Club:

- Club member Joe DeMarco thanked the membership for their donations to defray the cost of medical bills for his son's brain surgery.
- 50/50 of \$190.00 was won by Joe Kozlowski. Joe donated \$50 to Joe DeMarco's son.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mike Kenary, seconded by Jim Rochford. The motion passed.

Respectively submitted by Secretary Scott Hickey.

Next Meeting Tuesday Oct. 11th



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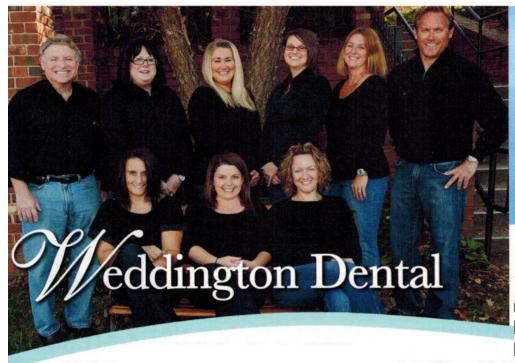
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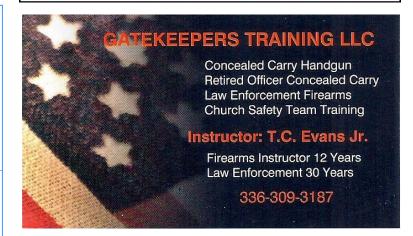


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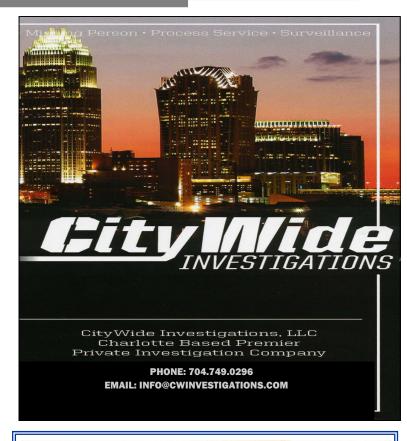
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