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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

During Police Week, May 11-17 we will once again honor the memories of our fallen brothers and sisters. This year 394 fallen law enforcement officers will have their memories honored during the 25th Annual Candlelight Vigil at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington DC .

Of the 394 names engraved this year, 75 (64 from the NYPD) have died in recent years from 9/11-related illnesses.

For a complete list of names go to <http://www.nleomf.org/assets/pdfs/fallen-officers-memorial-wall/added-in-2017/Roll-Call-pubyear-2017-FINAL.pdf>

For a complete schedule of National Police Week events in Washington, DC, visit <http://www.nleomf.org/programs/policeweek/>

Sadly each year, 9/11 related illnesses continues to debilitate and decimate the members of the NYPD and FDNY who worked tirelessly and diligently to rescue those trapped on 9/11 and to recover the remains of those who perished at the WTC.

One such person is Club member Paul Johnson who is an inspiration to all who know him. Paul has persevered and suffered through a myriad of ailments that would have made most people want to give up the fight to survive.

I visited Paul last week and like previous visits with him, I left a better person than when I arrived.

For those of you who do not know Paul, he was an Emergency Service Unit officer who spent over 6 months working 12 hour tours doing search and recovery efforts at the World Trade Center. Many of those tours were voluntary and were spent underground crawling through the rubble of the buildings.

Paul has been a member of our Club since its inception 10 years ago, always attended our monthly meetings and participated in all of our social events until he became incapacitated due to a 911related pulmonary/respiratory illness.

Paul was diagnosed with his illness in 2012 and it has progressively worsened to the point where he has been wheelchair bound. During the past 2 years he has been hospitalized more than he has been home.

Paul does not talk about his hardship, but is deeply concerned about the welfare of his family after he passes on to heaven.

If you read our by-laws and the home page of our website you will see that one of the objectives of our Club is "Supporting and aiding its members and other active and retired law enforcement personnel."

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Our Next Membership Meeting Is
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Over the past four years, during our monthly membership meetings, I have asked members of our club to support Paul by visiting, calling or texting him, especially whenever he has been hospitalized. Sadly, only a handful of our members have done so. Paul has recently expressed a disappointment in this.

Since the formation of our Club I have responded to hundreds of requests for information/assistance from Club members and have never asked for anything in return. That is going to change. Now, whenever a Club member contacts me, I am going to ask, "have you spoken or visited Paul Johnson recently." Please don't embarrass yourself and say, "no."

We all have busy lives, but a short visit with Paul or a 5 minute conversation is not asking to much in support of another Club member.



Paul with his daughter Breanna

Below is information from Bob Fee that was discussed at a membership meeting and emailed to members several years ago.

"Paul is doing well and living one day at a time. We spoke about his family and how he spends his time each day. Paul has good days and some not so good days. Paul is a power of example to all he comes in contact with. Paul loves to spend as much time as he can with his children. Paul will not be able to make Tuesday's meeting because he will be at Duke. I offered our assistance in driving Paul if needed. Paul likes to do as much as he can on his own. Each time Paul completes a task it is a great accomplishment for him. Paul also spoke highly of our club and stated Scott and Frank have been in contact with him. Paul likes getting the follow up text from our members. Paul is not the kind of person to complain about how he is feeling and will not be the one to reach out for help. Paul was very happy that you requested I reach out to him. Paul said to thank you very much! I will keep in contact with Paul and I know he would appreciate hearing from other members of our club."

Please take this to heart. Even if you do not know Paul, please reach out to him, let him know you are a Club member and offer him support. It will mean the world to him.

You can reach him on his Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100004171423250&hc_ref=NEWSFEED&fref=nf, email him at: pjeightball9@gmail.com or call or text at 803-984-9759.

During the month of May we also honor our military personnel who sacrifice their lives fighting for our country.

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in service of the United States of America. Over two dozen cities and towns claim to be the birthplace of Memorial Day. While Waterloo N.Y. was officially declared the birthplace of Memorial Day by President Lyndon Johnson in May 1966, it's difficult to prove conclusively the origins of the day.

Regardless of the exact date or location of its origins, one thing is clear – Memorial Day was borne out of the Civil War and a desire to honor our dead. It was officially proclaimed on 5 May 1868 by General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, in his General Order No. 11. "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land," he proclaimed. The date of Decoration Day, as he called it, was chosen because it wasn't the anniversary of any particular battle.

On the first Decoration Day, General James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, and 5,000 participants decorated the graves of the 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers buried there.

The first state to officially recognize the holiday was New York in 1873. By 1890 it was recognized by all of the northern states. The South refused to acknowledge the day, honoring their dead on separate days until after World War I (when the holiday changed from honoring just those who died fighting in the Civil War to honoring Americans who died fighting in any war).

During our April membership meeting we awarded \$1000 scholarships to two of the four applicants eligible for the award.

Matthew Erker, son of club trustee John Erker won the Bob Andretta Memorial Scholarship and will be attending the University of Alabama

Christian Robinson, son of club member Marty Robinson won the 911 Memorial Scholarship and will be attending UNC Charlotte.

The other applicants were Marion Gianna Victoria Holiday, daughter of club member Vic Holiday, who will be attending UNC Charlotte and Rory Hickey, son of club secretary, Scott Hickey, who will be attending Western Carolina University

Each candidate had to write an essay on what it means to be an American. Copies of their essays are on the ensuing pages.

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What it Means to Be a Real American

By Matthew Erker

Americans enjoy life in freedom. Real Americans fully understand and appreciate that our freedom was fought for—paid for—by the lives, limbs and blood of our underappreciated military.

Americans have the right to vote, to choose our nation's representatives through a democratic process. Real Americans exercise that right to vote every Election Day.

Throughout the world – whether in certain nations, terrorists, or even some school kids - Americans realize that bullies exist in many walks of life throughout our nation and around the world. Real Americans stand up against these bullies to protect ourselves and one another to maintain public order and safety.

Americans know that help such as public assistance, Medicaid and affordable medical insurance is available to us if necessary. But a True American should view these as absolute last resorts and only utilize these options when all other means are exhausted.

Americans know that hard work generally pays off. But a true American is one that's willing to work one's butt off to achieve success.

Americans know we are free to practice the religion of our choice. A True American embraces this freedom and follows his or her own heart.

Americans should understand that law enforcement exists in our country for the greater good and to maintain peace in our communities. A True American actively supports the efforts of the law enforcement community when its efforts are properly applied without jumping to improper conclusions based on rumors, the inflammatory words or a few bad apples, or an often biased or ratings seeking media.

The list goes on.

I am thankful to be an American citizen, and since I've been old enough to understand, I take nothing for granted. I am fully appreciative of my opportunities, and fully intend to make the most of my formal education.

Thank you.

Christian Robinson

Dear Members of the Charlotte 10-13 Club. Instead of writing an essay on "What it means to be an American", I have submitted an essay I wrote for my English class entitled "Blue Lives Matter". I hope you find this substitute appropriate and acceptable,

Blue Lives Matter

"What do we want? Dead Cops. When do we want them? Now". Those were the chants at a 2014 police protest in response to the death of a suspect in NYC. "What's better than 12 dead cops? 13 dead cops" Those were the words at an Austin Texas police protest in 2016. "Pigs in a blanket, fry em like bacon" Those were the chants in Minneapolis Minnesota at a 2015 police protest. Are comments like these acceptable against law enforcement? Are comments like these acceptable against any human being? Has the print or television media made these slogans acceptable by not calling out the protesters?

911, that's the number the public calls when they need police assistance. 135, that's the number of Police Officers killed in the line of duty in the United States during 2016. It was the highest number of fatalities in five years. 64 of those were shot and 21 of the 64 were killed in ambush style attacks. Think about it, on average 1 Police Officer was killed every 2.7 days in the United States in the year 2016. 135 families lost a loved one just for doing their job.

"The thin blue line" is a term used to describe between what keeps a society lawful or the demise into anarchy. That "Blue Line" is the many Police Departments and Sheriff's Offices that patrol 100 % of the United States. These officers work 365 days a year, 24 hours a day with minimal interaction with most citizens. We pass by in a car and see a traffic stop or we see flashing lights speeding by wondering to ourselves "what is going on". These officers can be on their way to an accident, a burglary or some other call we know nothing about, but they go willingly in performance of their sworn duty to the citizens. As in the case of 135 officers last year, they never went to another call. Their blood stained uniforms and lifeless bodies were all that was left of a career of service to the public. Even in the face of these deaths the "thin blue line" doesn't waver. Police Officers continue to serve the public, even when some members of that public outwardly call for their demise.

"Hands up don't shoot", we have all become familiar with this phrase that supposedly describes police brutality and mistreatment of minorities by law enforcement. The phrase is repeated at demonstrations, it is on t-shirts. Professional sports athletes have walked into venues holding their hands up in solidarity with those who have turned this phrase into a symbol of resistance. Is this phrase accurate? Did the scenario this phrase recalls actually happen or is it all based on a lie? To those who have investigated in the truth of this phrase the story goes like this. In August of 2014, in the suburbs of St. Louis, Missouri, an unarmed black youth, Michael Brown raised his hands and mouthed the words "don't shoot before being shot execution style by police officer Darren Wilson.

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This symbol of raised hands became the symbolic gesture for a new movement of outrage over police mistreatment of unarmed black youth. After the death of Brown, riots ensued causing millions of dollars in damage and soon after the District Attorney refused to prosecute Wilson for the death more riots ensued. The total estimate of the damages in Ferguson was approximately 26 million dollars. Stores were burned, looted and destroyed. It is estimated 60% of those stores never reopened. Unfortunately for the businesses, citizens and police of Ferguson the riots, outrage and destruction was all based on a lie.

After robbing a store and assaulting its owner Michael Brown exited on foot. Police Officer Darren Wilson heard the radio call giving a description of the assailant and responded to the vicinity. Wilson spotted Brown who fit the description and approached him in his vehicle. It is at this point where some witnesses have agreed with the police version of the events that Michael Brown standing at 6'4" and weighing 290 lbs, assaulted Wilson who was trying to place Brown in his police cruiser. Brown attacked Wilson, viciously assaulting him. It was then that Wilson shot Brown and unfortunately killing him. A full investigation of the events soon followed with investigators from the United States Department of Justice finding no fault with Wilson and learned that Mr. Brown never said the words "don't shoot". It was all a lie. In the aftermath of Ferguson Wilson has left the police force, living in seclusion after leaving the job he loved for carrying out his lawful duty. The whole scenario lasted 45 seconds, and in those 45 seconds a life was lost, a career was shattered and a lie was born that has caused immeasurable harm to the relationship between the police, and the public in the United States.

37 and 23 is the total number of Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and New York City Police Officers, respectively, who died responding to the terrorist attacks of 9/11/2001. Did those officers wake up that morning knowing it would be their last day alive? When the planes hit the towers they rushed in, not knowing their fate but knowing just one thing, they serve the public and respond when called. 5 and 9, that is the number of police officers killed and wounded during the Dallas 2016 shootings when police, who were peacefully working and securing the public during a police protest were ambushed by a gunman triggered by what he perceived as police brutality against the minority community.

Do Blue Lives Matter? That is a question we must ask ourselves. Police Officers are weaved throughout the fabric of this country. Movies, television shows, books and short stories all tell tales of Police Officers, good and bad. Turn on your television tonight and you will be hard pressed at any hour not to find a 'cop' show. We have a fascination with police mainly because we only envision ourselves responding to "that" call and how we would handle it. We never envision ourselves responding to the life changing event, the event that can ruin a police officer's career, the Darren Wilson event. The event that puts obscure officers working in a small town on the front page of papers across the world. The unscripted event that is dissected by millions who weren't even there.

As Teddy Roosevelt once said " it is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the door of deeds could have done them better, The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood. Who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short and again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deed; who knows great enthusiasm. The great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat".

Repelling from bridges, helicopters and buildings. Running into bullets rather than away from them. Jumping into murky waters and pulling people from burning cars, No, these aren't super heroes I am talking about. These are the everyday actions of Police Officers. Many of the stories we will never read or hear about. Just the tales the officers rehash in their minds before they go to sleep at night. They aren't the fantasies of the timid; they are the realities of the lives of Police Officers. Yes, Blue Lives do Matter. They matter much more than we are aware and unfortunately to a greater portion of today's population they matter very little. Imagine a day without the police. Would you be able to comfortably go to sleep that night knowing the guardians of public safety were away for the gates of civility? I hope and pray that day never comes.

Rory Hickey

What it means to be an American to me

Growing up with my father as an NYPD Officer has really influenced how I appreciate living as a free citizen in the United States of America. My father, Scott Hickey, experienced the grave and terrible attacks on the World Trade Center in 2001. Living through times such as these reminds me how strong my father really is. His bravery has inspired me from a young age to be courageous even when the ground below me shakes. I have come to realize that his bravery is not poly possessed by my father but by the American people as a whole.

The citizens of the United States of America are a group of honest, aware and accepting people. We come together to protect ourselves and our country's well-being. This quality of intelligence, From the Boston Tea Party to woman fighting to gain suffrage, and even though significant protests in our current times, Americans have proved that through bravery and persistence comes change and awareness.

The loud voice possessed by the American people is fueled by passion for the greater good. Not only am I inspired by my father, but I am also inspired by those around me in my own generation. We are such an involved group of young people, and we have such eagerness to see those around us succeed. Throughout generations, the coming together of us as citizens has proven itself to be one of the most courageous things about our country. Americans have a vision for greatness. Americans strive to achieve their goals and never settle for anything less. The bravery and charisma of our country's people is undeniable.

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Marion Gianna Victoria Holiday

The first amendment alone outlines the cornerstone of American values and is a set of liberties that few other countries can guarantee. "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise of thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances. "These civil liberties are the basis of what it means to be an American due to the fact that they have held a nation together for generations in the past and more to come.

The Revolutionary War, as a response to the Enlightenment, motivated a young American desire for freedom and equality of all men. Enlightenment thinker John Locke inspired the Declaration's famous words penned by Thomas Jefferson, "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness".

These liberties, which seem like such common sense to us, sounded like a dream to the patriots fighting for freedom. Being an American is about being creative, hard –working, and idealistic; these are traits go back generations when men on the battlefield struggled to achieve a government and country that promotes freedom and equality, something unheard of at the time. Although it seemed like an impossibility, the patriots proved that it could be done. America itself is about pushing the limits; when we as citizens are discouraged, we can take a situation and use it to better the country and it's people. No matter how often Americans are told they cannot achieve their dreams, it is instead taken as a challenge to prove to everyone that we can in fact accomplish them and go beyond even that.

It also did not seem possible that a rag-tag army thrown together at the last minute could defeat the greatest military power in the world, but it was done. It was not because the patriots had a stronger military or more experience; it was because they decided to dedicate their blood, sweat, and tears into fighting for justice. It was an unlikely feat that was not only near-impossible but also, if they failed the patriots would have been tried for treason against the British government. They risked everything for their unborn country.

George Washington himself demonstrated that he wished for the people to choose who would lead the country, exemplified by his refusal to run for more than two terms in office. He said in his farewell address, "I promise myself to realize the sweet enjoyment of partaking in the midst of my fellow citizens, the benign influence of good laws under a free government...the ever-favorite object of my heart. And the happy reward, as I trust of our mutual cares, labors and dangers."

In conclusion, America is about the spirit itself; it is not about something that you can touch or feel, such as wealth or weapons. It is, on the contrary, about the determined spirit that was penned from the very Declaration of Independence that has bled through Americans generation after generation.

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Our National Organization NYCPD 10-13 Organization also offers college scholarships for students entering their first year of college. The scholarship application form can be accessed at <http://www.nationalnycpd1013.org/forms/Form%20-%20Scholarship%20Application%202017-2018.pdf>

On behalf of our entire club, I would like to wish our scholarship applicants much success as they continue their education.

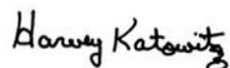
Our National organization held its Board of Officers meeting on April 4. A synopsis of the minutes is on page 14.

This years Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament will take place at Ballantyne Golf Club on Monday, October 2.

Proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Wounded Warriors Battalion. Please help us reach our goal of raising \$15,000.

The form to register to golf and to sponsor a hole is on page 31 and the letter to solicit donations for the tournament is on page 32.

Stay Safe!



Harvey Katowitz

They Must **Never** Be Forgotten

**BLUE  
LIVES  
MATTER!**



# They Must Never Be Forgotten



The following members of the NYPD, who died of 9/11 related illnesses, will have their names added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington DC during National Police Week

| Officer's Name            | End of Watch |                                                                                     | Officer's Name        | End of Watch |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| ALEX W BAEZ               | 11/22/2008   |    | KEVIN GEORGE HAWKINS  | 05/07/2007   |
| ALICK W HERRMANN          | 12/23/2011   |                                                                                     | LUIS G FERNANDEZ      | 10/16/2014   |
| ANGEL ANTONIO CREAGH      | 01/14/2014   |                                                                                     | MADELINE CARLO        | 07/15/2007   |
| ANGELO PELUSO JR          | 05/24/2006   |                                                                                     | MARTIN TOM            | 06/09/2011   |
| ANTHONY DEJESUS           | 05/24/2013   |   | MICHAEL J MCHUGH      | 07/03/2012   |
| BARRY GALFANO             | 06/26/2011   |                                                                                     | MICHAEL P MORALES     | 06/10/2009   |
| BRIAN S MOHAMED           | 03/25/2009   |                                                                                     | MICHAEL R HENRY       | 11/28/2013   |
| CARLOS J OCASIO           | 11/21/2009   |                                                                                     | MICHAEL W RYAN        | 11/5/2007    |
| CHRISTOPHER STRUCKER      | 01/03/2014   |  | PATRICE M OTT         | 09/08/2006   |
| CLAIRE T HANRAHAN         | 08/28/2007   |                                                                                     | PAUL J TUOZZOLO       | 11/4/2016    |
| COREY J DIAZ              | 10/07/2009   |                                                                                     | PAUL MICHAEL FERRARA  | 8/28/2014    |
| DAVID MAHMOUD             | 11/11/2010   |                                                                                     | PERRY T VILLANI       | 1/21/2014    |
| DONALD G FESER            | 09/12/2009   |  | REBECCA A BUCK        | 7/21/2015    |
| EDWARD C GILPIN           | 09/07/2006   |                                                                                     | RENEE DUNBAR          | 8/25/2009    |
| EDWARD M FERRARO          | 06/06/2004   |                                                                                     | RICHARD JAKUBOWSKY    | 06/07/2009   |
| EDWIN ORTIZ               | 07/04/2011   |                                                                                     | RICHARD DANIEL WINTER | 10/25/2008   |
| FRANCIS THOMAS PITONE     | 08/11/2013   |  | RICHARD G HOLLAND     | 03/23/2012   |
| FRANK G MACRI             | 09/03/2007   |                                                                                     | ROBERT NICOSIA        | 01/10/2008   |
| FRANK M BOLUSI            | 01/12/2010   |                                                                                     | ROBERT A ZANE JR      | 05/12/2009   |
| GARRETT S DANZA           | 07/11/2012   |                                                                                     | ROBERT B HELMKE       | 07/28/2007   |
| GARY G MAUSBERG           | 10/08/2008   |  | ROBERT M EHMER        | 11/21/2010   |
| GEORGE MON CHENG WONG     | 03/24/2011   |                                                                                     | ROBERT V OSWAIN JR    | 05/15/2020   |
| GERALD REX                | 03/30/2009   |                                                                                     | ROBERT W WILLIAMSON   | 05/13/2007   |
| GERARD THOMAS BEYRODT     | 10/20/2015   |                                                                                     | ROBERTO L RIVERA      | 01/27/2007   |
| JACQUELINE MCCARTHY       | 07/05/2010   |                                                                                     | RONALD G BECKER JR    | 08/19/2012   |
| JAMES GUIDA               | 10/31/2014   |                                                                                     | SANDRA Y ADRIAN       | 01/11/2006   |
| JAMES JOHN ALBANESE       | 08/13/2014   |                                                                                     | STEPHEN P SCALZA      | 10/01/2014   |
| JOHN E GOGGIN             | 05/06/2008   |                                                                                     | STEVEN HOM            | 10/19/2013   |
| JOHN F KRISTOFFERSEN      | 08/25/2012   |                                                                                     | STUART F FISHKIN      | 05/08/2015   |
| JOHN J MARSHALL           | 04/06/2014   |                                                                                     | VITO S MAURO          | 12/02/2008   |
| JOSEPH EDWARD SEABROOK    | 05/29/2010   |                                                                                     | WILLIAM J HOLFESTER   | 01/22/2008   |
| KEVIN ANTHONY CZARTORYSKI | 12/05/2010   |                                                                                     |                       |              |

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HONORING 394 AMERICAN LAW ENFORCEMENT HEROES



The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC, bears the names of more than 21,000 fallen officers.

Today the [National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund](#) released the [roll call of names](#) of 394 U.S. law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty. These names will be engraved this month and formally dedicated at the 29th annual Candlelight Vigil held on the National Mall, between 4th and 7th streets on Saturday, May 13, at 8 pm.

Included in this list are the names of 143 officers who were killed in the line of duty in 2016 and 251 officers who were killed in prior years but had been forgotten by time until the Memorial Fund's research staff and a team of dedicated volunteers found record of their law enforcement service. This year's Vigil will also be dedicated to 75 officers who have died from illnesses related to the search and recovery efforts after the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

When the addition of these 394 names is completed in late April, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial will bear the names of 21,183 officers representing all 50 states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, federal law enforcement, and military police agencies—all who have made the ultimate sacrifice in our nation's history.

The [engraving process](#) begins with a lengthy stencil and proofing procedure conducted before the line of names is cut into the stone on each panel. Next, the first application of Silin stain is applied to the freshly-cut stone to give each letter the necessary color uniformity. Next, the panel is covered and will cure for 24-36 hours, weather dependent. The concluding step includes application of a final coat of Silin stain that is applied to the names. The panel is again covered and cured for 24-36 hours before final inspection by engravers. Once the inspection is finished, the covers are removed, and the panel is completed. Names will be engraved on 74 of the Memorial's 128 panels encompassing the east and west walls.

Each May 13, an estimated 25,000 people assemble for the annual Candlelight Vigil, a signature event of National Police Week when the names of these fallen officers are formally dedicated. Thanks to a partnership with Officer.com, the Vigil is streamed live online so that people across the country can witness this annual tribute to America's law enforcement officers. Individuals interested in the free webcast can register online at [www.UnitedByLight.org](http://www.UnitedByLight.org).

For a complete schedule of National Police Week events in Washington, DC, visit [www.LawMemorial.org/PoliceWeek](http://www.LawMemorial.org/PoliceWeek).



# They Must **Never** Be Forgotten

Since September of 1849, the NYPD has lost 789 officers in the line of duty. This figure includes officers from agencies that were absorbed or became a part of the modern NYPD. Of the 789 Officers killed in the line of duty, sixteen (16) were Lieutenants. We must continue to remember the ultimate sacrifice they made, as well as the ultimate sacrifice made by all fellow officers killed in the line of duty.

You can click here: <http://nypd-lba.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/fidelis-ad-mortem.pdf?id=A9f6yfD> to view and print the four-page excerpt from the 2011 LBA News profiling some of our fallen heroes resulting from the World Trade Center attack.



Lieutenant  
Giuseppe (*Joseph*)  
Petrosino  
DOS: 1883-1909



Lieutenant  
Floyd Horton  
DOS: 1895-1920



Lieutenant  
Albert L. Duffy  
DOS: 1889-1922



Lieutenant  
Charles Kemmer  
DOS: 1901-1927



Lieutenant  
Ralph Martin  
DOS: 1907-1943



Lieutenant  
Charles Michie  
DOS: 1917-1946



Lieutenant  
Henry Schmiemann  
DOS: 1953-1974



Lieutenant  
Jan Brinkers  
DOS: 1966-1981



Lieutenant  
Federico "Freddy"  
Narvaez  
DOS: 1979-1996



Lieutenant  
Carlos J. Ocasio  
DOS: 1985-2009



Lieutenant  
Gerald D. Rex  
DOS: 1968-2009



Lieutenant  
Brian Mohamed  
DOS: 1992-2009



Lieutenant  
Jacqueline "Jackie"  
McCarthy  
DOS: 1980-2010



Lieutenant  
Christopher Pupo  
DOS: 1998-2012



Lieutenant  
Steven L. Cioffi  
DOS: 1994-2013



Lieutenant  
Luis Lopez  
DOS: 1988-2015

# APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



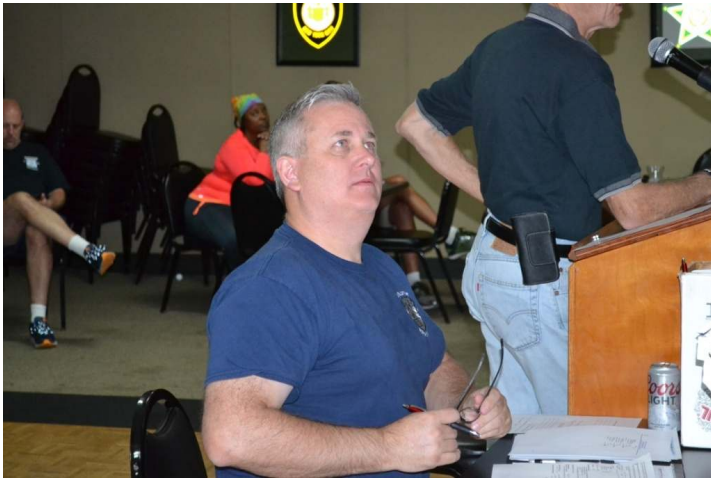
Guest Al Ostoits, a member of The Villages, FL 10-13 Club picks our scholarship winners



Notice the hams in the photo looking at the camera



# APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



# MEMBRSHIP



## 2017 Monthly Meeting Dates

|         |              |             |
|---------|--------------|-------------|
| May 9   | August 8     | November 14 |
| June 13 | September 12 | December 12 |
| July 11 | October 10   |             |



April 10, 2017 Former Club Member Richard J. Clark Sr.



## SICK DESK UPDATE

Paul Johnson has been released from the hospital after a 3 month stay and is currently in rehabilitation at Magnolia Manor, 127 Murrah Drive, Rock Hill, SC 29732



The following members joined our Club in April  
Ret. NYPD Det. Joseph Racicot, Bklyn. So. Apprehension Team  
Ret. NYCDOC Officer Carl Perry



The NYPD Finest football team will be traveling to Charlotte to play the Charlotte Cobras on Saturday May 20th at North Mecklenburg H.S., 1pm.

Knight's Baseball Game Friday May 26, 7pm.

Monday Oct. 2 - The 5th Annual Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at the Ballantyne Golf Club.



Mother's Day is May 14.

Happy Mother's Day to all our Club mothers

Enjoy your day!



May 15, is Peace Officers Memorial Day. Please remember to honor our heroes and fly your flag at half mast from sunrise to sunset.



We presently have 399 members, 274 from the NYPD and the remainder from 62 other law enforcement agencies.

## BIRTHDAYS



## MAY

|                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| Martin Richardson | 5/1  |
| Bill Freeman      | 5/4  |
| Janice Glover     | 5/4  |
| Gerald Alicea     | 5/5  |
| Frank Irizarry    | 5/7  |
| Al Smith          | 5/7  |
| William Glasser   | 5/9  |
| Scott Heher       | 5/9  |
| Richard Humiecki  | 5/9  |
| Donald Sanchez    | 5/10 |
| Ron Perry         | 5/15 |
| Craig McKenzie    | 5/18 |
| Jim Hurd          | 5/20 |
| Thomas Bowden     | 5/21 |
| David Moses       | 5/23 |
| Paul Pearo        | 5/24 |
| Paul Stryjewske   | 5/24 |
| Don Schappert     | 5/26 |
| Rodney Ferris     | 5/28 |
| Vic Holiday, Sr.  | 5/28 |
| Ed Gilmurray      | 5/29 |
| William Kennelly  | 5/29 |



Monday May 25 is Memorial Day

We must never forget our servicemen and woman who sacrificed their lives protecting our country

<http://worriersanonymous.org/Share/Mansions.htm>

# TRUSTEE'S PAGE



When our Club was initially formed with 35 members it was easy for the President to respond to emails from our mebers. 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.

| Geographical Area  | Trustee       | Tel. ( H)    | Tel. (C)     | Email Address                                                      |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Catawba County     | Brenda Jordan | 704-588-0652 | 516-852-3885 | <a href="mailto:brenjordan5@aol.com">brenjordan5@aol.com</a>       |
| Cabarrus County    | Brenda Jordan | 704-588-0652 | 516-852-3885 | <a href="mailto:brenjordan5@aol.com">brenjordan5@aol.com</a>       |
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| Iredell County     | Bob Fee       | 704-919-1311 | 704-220-8400 | <a href="mailto:rtfvs@yahoo.com">rtfvs@yahoo.com</a>               |
| Lincoln County     | Brenda Jordan | 704-588-0652 | 516-852-3885 | <a href="mailto:brenjordan5@aol.com">brenjordan5@aol.com</a>       |
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| Rowan County       | Brenda Jordan | 704-588-0652 | 516-852-3885 | <a href="mailto:brenjordan5@aol.com">brenjordan5@aol.com</a>       |
| Union County       | John Sabato   | 704-243-4807 | 516-314-5326 | <a href="mailto:woodboy@windstream.net">woodboy@windstream.net</a> |
| All other areas    | John Erker    | 516-445-3494 | 516-445-3494 | <a href="mailto:erk8449@yahoo.com">erk8449@yahoo.com</a>           |



Brenda Jordan



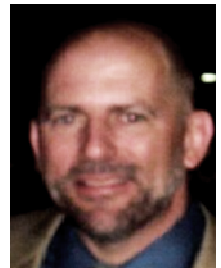
Bob Fee



Bernard Roe



John Sabato



John Erker



## NYPD CEA April 2017 Meeting Schedule

| Day, Date              | Time    | Location                                               |
|------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Wednesday, May 3, 2017 | 10:00AM | El Caribe<br>5945 Strickland Ave<br>Brooklyn, NY 11234 |

### Cardiovascular Health Evaluations

After a review and evaluation by the CEA Medical Committee we have identified Vascular Diagnostic as the preferred provider for Cardiovascular health evaluations. Vascular Diagnostic is a professional medical facility with licensed medical doctors on staff. They are the leaders in Cardiology and Stroke evaluation. All major medical insurance plans are accepted. For more information, visit their website at: [www.vascularidiagnostic.com](http://www.vascularidiagnostic.com)

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A new chapter from Texas has applied for membership in our national organization.

On April 3 National President Frank Martarella, 1st Vice President Rich Molloy and 2nd Vice President Tony Perrone went to Albany and met with Senator Lanza to discuss the below listed bills that our National is supporting:

| <u>NY State Legislation</u>                                                                                                         | <u>Senate #</u> | <u>Sponsor</u> | <u>Assembly #</u> | <u>Sponsor</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. Health Insurance Protection Bill (Retirees):                                                                                     | Pending         | Lanza          | A5455             | Weprin         |
| (Note: Senator Lanza office has assured us that they will have his bill # within 2 to 3 weeks from our April 3rd meeting with him). |                 |                |                   |                |
| 2. Veterans Supplementation Bill (Retirees);<br>1/4 % per month, up to 36 months (total 3%)                                         | Pending         | Larkin         | Pending           | DenDekker      |

(Note: Senator Larkin and Assemblymen DenDekker who have sponsored this bill in the past have advised us that they will sponsor the Veterans bill again for 2017/18. They sponsored the Veterans bill for active employees in the 2015/16 session which was signed by Gov. Cuomo. Our retiree part of the bill was pulled back from the active employees bill).

|                                                                                                           |         |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| 3. Repeal part of the NY Safe Act, that excludes NYC residents.                                           | SW0879  | Ortt   | A6140   | Butler  |
| 4. Variable Supplement fund (VSF); establish a temporary task force to make findings and recommendations. | S1424   | Avella | A00480  | Gunther |
| 5. COLA Enhancement Bills                                                                                 | pending | Golden | Pending | Abbate  |
| a) Reduces eligibility age from 62 to 55 with 5 years of service.                                         |         |        |         |         |
| b) Five year additional look-back For older retirees.                                                     |         |        |         |         |
| c) Increases C OLA from 50% to 100% of the CPI (not to exceed 3%)                                         |         |        |         |         |
| d) Raises the maximum CPI from 3% to 5%                                                                   |         |        |         |         |
| e) Raises the surviving spouse COLA from 50% to 100%                                                      |         |        |         |         |
| f) Increases the CAP from \$18,000 to \$25,000                                                            |         |        |         |         |

The National supports a no vote on the NYS Constitutional Convention.

The National is in the process of getting approval from the NYPD allowing it's members whose ID cards expired after 2002 to renew the card by mail. Members whose cards expired prior to 2002 will have to renew in person because their photos were destroyed.

Unity discussion came up again with the 10-13 Club of America. The President of the NE FL 10-13 Club invited Frank Martarella to FL to speak at their meeting along with a member of the 10-13 Club of America, Ron Schule, President of SOAR (Superior Officers Assoc. Ret.). Frank spoke of the importance of our National's commitment to lobby for our benefits and that this is done in Albany. (It can not be done in FL).

Albany Lobby Day is April 25. Frank is in the process of setting up meetings with legislative members.

A decision will be made regarding PAC fund distribution after meeting with Senators/Assemblymen who will support our bills.

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**NOTICE OF CREDIBLE COVERAGE**  
**Important Notice from the**  
**Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund**  
**About Your Prescription Drug Coverage and Medicare**  
**For Medicare-Eligible Retirees and Dependents**

Please read this notice carefully and keep it where you can find it. This notice has information about your current prescription drug coverage with the *Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund* and about your options under Medicare's prescription drug coverage. This information can help you decide whether or not you want to join a Medicare drug plan. If you are considering joining, you should compare your current coverage, including which drugs are covered at what cost, with the coverage and costs of the plans offering Medicare prescription drug coverage in your area. Information about where you can get help to make decisions about your prescription drug coverage is at the end of this notice.

**There are two important things you need to know about your current coverage and Medicare's prescription drug coverage:**

1. Medicare prescription drug coverage became available in 2006 to everyone with Medicare. You can get this coverage if you join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or join a Medicare Advantage Plan (like an HMO or PPO) that offers prescription drug coverage. All Medicare drug plans provide at least a standard level of coverage set by Medicare. Some plans may also offer more coverage for a higher monthly premium.
2. The *Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund* has determined the prescription drug coverage offered by the Fund is, on average for all plan participants, expected to pay out as much as standard Medicare prescription drug coverage pays and is therefore considered Creditable Coverage. Because your existing coverage is Creditable Coverage, you can keep this coverage and not pay a higher premium (a penalty) if you later decide to join a Medicare drug plan.

#### **When Can You Join A Medicare Drug Plan?**

You can join a Medicare drug plan when you first become eligible for Medicare and each year from October 15th through December 31st. However, if you lose your current creditable prescription drug coverage, through no fault of your own, you will also be eligible for a two (2) month Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to join a Medicare drug plan.

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#### **What Happens To Your Current Coverage If You Decide to Join A Medicare Drug Plan?**

If you decide to join a Medicare drug plan, your current *Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund* coverage will be affected. If you are Medicare-eligible, you can choose one of the following options:

1. **You can keep your current prescription drug coverage with the *Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund* and you do not have to enroll in a Medicare prescription drug plan.**
  - If you choose to enroll in a Medicare prescription drug plan, Medicare's annual enrollment period is (October 15th - December 31st of each year). You will also be eligible for a two (2) month Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to join a Medicare Drug Plan.
2. **You can enroll in a Medicare prescription drug plan, but you will lose the prescription drug coverage provided by the fund.**
  - If you lose your Medicare prescription drug plan, you may only re-enroll in the Fund's prescription coverage in accordance with the Plan's enrollment rules.
  - Be aware, if you drop your prescription drug coverage with the Fund, you will lose prescription drug coverage for yourself, spouse, and other dependents.
  - If you lose your prescription drug benefits with the Fund, you will keep the other benefits offered by the Fund.

#### **When Will You Pay A Higher Premium (Penalty) To Join A Medicare Drug Plan?**

You should also know that if you drop or lose your current coverage with *Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund* and don't join a Medicare drug plan within 6 continuous days after your current coverage ends, you may pay a higher premium (a penalty) to join a Medicare drug plan later.

If you go 63 continuous days or longer without creditable prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium may go up by at least 1% of the Medicare base beneficiary premium per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go nineteen months without creditable coverage, your premium may consistently be at least 19% higher than the Medicare base beneficiary premium. You may have to pay this higher premium (a penalty) as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the following November to join.

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## For More Information About This Notice Or Your Current Prescription Drug Coverage....

Contact our office at (212) 964-7500. **NOTE:** You'll get this notice each year. You will also get it before the next period you can join a Medicare drug plan, and if the coverage through the *Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund* changes. You may also request a copy of this notice at anytime.

## For More Information About Your Options Under Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage...

More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is in the "Medicare & You" handbook. You'll get a copy of the handbook in the mail every year from Medicare. You may also be contacted directly by Medicare drug plans.

For more information about Medicare prescription drug coverage: Visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov)

- Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (inside back cover of your copy of the "Medicare & You" handbook) for personalized help.
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users (1-877-486-2048).

If you have limited income and resources, extra help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage is available. For information, visit Social Security on the web at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov), or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

**Remember: Keep this Creditable Coverage notice. If you decide to join one of the Medicare drug plans, you may be required to provide a copy of this notice when you join to show whether or not you have maintained creditable coverage and, therefore,**

## Updated 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.

## [Verizon Wireless Discount for Retirees](#)

### Retired members can receive a 8% discount off of their Verizon Wireless monthly bill

Retired members should contact Verizon Wireless Customer Service at (800) 922-0204 / press option 4 for "Other Options" / hold to speak with an Account Representative and inform them that you are looking to enroll in the retiree discount for law enforcement. You will need to provide them with a Profile ID number; the Profile ID number is 2766591. You will also need to provide them with your account number (this is your 10 digit cell phone number) and your account password. The account representative will give you a couple of options on how you can register on-line for the discount. There are other possible discounts you can sign up for; such as an additional 3% discount by receiving a paperless e-mailed monthly bill.

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**LBA SCHOLARSHIP:** The LBA will once again offer scholarships to children of active and retired members. Awards will be based upon the student's SAT scores from any single day's testing; merging scores from different days will not be counted. Due to the inability to narrowly and reliably compare/convert ACT scores with SAT scores we will only consider SAT scores in awarding the scholarships.

To be eligible, students must be high school seniors, and send a copy of their SAT score to the LBA office (Attn: Gene Loewy) by **Thursday, June 30th, 2016**. You **MUST** call the LBA Office soon after forwarding the SAT scores to confirm that we did in fact receive them. SAT Scores may be E-mailed to [LBA@NYPD-LBA.org](mailto:LBA@NYPD-LBA.org), Faxed to 212-964-4240, or mailed to Lieutenants Benevolent Association / Attn: Gene Loewy / 40 Peck Slip / New York, NY 10038.



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The following scholarships will be awarded:

- Two \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded. One each to the female and male student with the highest SAT scores
- Two \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded. One each to the second place female and the second place male student

Winners will be notified prior to the August LBA Meeting, and awards will be presented at the August LBA Delegate and General Membership Meeting (date and location are yet to be determined). In case of ties, awards will be split among the highest scores achieved on any single day.

## Next Delegate and General Membership Meeting & Retirement Seminar

Tuesday, April 25, 2017  
1600 HRS (4 PM)  
Antuns  
96-43 Springfield Blvd  
Queens Village, NY 11234



March 31, 2017

Dear Lieutenant:

The NYPD Arms Wide Open organization has begun a scholarship award for students within the NYPD community living with special needs, those who are the family members of an individual with special needs, or those who have dedicated their service to those with special needs.

**Applicant must have a family member within the NYPD** and be a graduating high school senior, with good academic and disciplinary standing who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- 1.) Is a student with special needs\*
  - 2.) Is the sibling or close relative of an individual with special needs\*
  - 3.) Is a student who has dedicated their time and service hours to the special needs Community
- *Special needs must be a documented physical, developmental or learning disability.*

Attached to this e-mail is the [scholarship application form](#) that includes additional information about the organization, the qualifications to apply for the scholarship and instructions regarding what is required to be submitted to be considered for the scholarship.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO WITH ARMS WIDE OPEN NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2017.**

Fraternally,

John Beattie  
LBA 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

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### American Airlines Special Discount for LBA

This site offers a discount price for purchase of any vacation package (land plus air-fare), which American Airlines Vacations offers.

For more information visit our Website at [www.aavacations.com/NYPDLBA](http://www.aavacations.com/NYPDLBA).

### [BJ'S Corporate Discount](#)



For more information contact  
Peter Laddomada  
Corporate Sales  
Office: (718) 942-2983  
Cell: (718) 637-7487  
E:mail: [pladdomada@bjs.com](mailto:pladdomada@bjs.com)

### [BJ's corporate Discount for LBA \(Updated 2016\)](#)

The Offer/Application – Each employee who joins or renews will receive \$10 off our \$50 annual membership fee,

2 FREE additional months of membership and a free household card! That's 12 months plus additional 2 months equals 14 months in total.

Print and fill out the application [BJ'S Application](#)



Dear Fellow Sergeant,

Please take the time to read our statement below in response to the DOJ's letters to sanctuary jurisdictions.

### STATEMENT OF PRESIDENT ED MULLINS, SERGEANTS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION NYPD, ON DOJ'S LETTERS TO SANCTUARY JURISDICTIONS

"For a long time, Mayor De Blasio and the NYPD's leadership have failed to heed the warning that refusing to cooperate with federal immigration officials when it comes to criminals and suspected terrorists would have consequences beyond making our City less safe. They have placed officers in an impossible Catch-22: between obeying the directives and orders of their superiors and elected officials on one hand, and the obligation they feel to follow the direction of the law and to cooperate with federal immigration officials on the other. Now the City's intransigence has placed in jeopardy millions in U.S. Department of Justice grant funds that we count on to help protect our communities. Despite what some politicians may think, law enforcement does not get to choose the laws we uphold, and it is our sworn duty to enforce all laws equally and without bias or preference. Attorney General Sessions is absolutely correct to hold New York and other jurisdictions accountable for their so-called 'sanctuary policies.' I just hope the Mayor will finally come to his senses and stop ignoring and harboring violent criminals before it's too late."

Fraternally,

Ed Mullins  
President  
Sergeants Benevolent Association

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## SBA Retiree Forms



Prescription Mail Order Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/prescriptionMailOrderForm.pdf>



Dental Retiree Plan B Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/dentalRetireePlanBClaimForm.pdf>



Prescription Reimbursement Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/prescriptionReimbursementForm.pdf>



Dependent Student Certification Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/dependentStudentCertificationForm.pdf>



Annuity Fund Beneficiary Designation Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/annuity/annuityFundBeneficiaryDesignationForm.pdf>



Life SBA Mortuary Benefit Beneficiary Designation Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/beneficiaryDesignationForm.pdf>



Change Of Address Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/changeOfAddressForm.pdf>



## Other Health Forms

Statement of Dependency Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/statementOfDependency.pdf>



Davis Vision Direct Reimbursement Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/davisVisionDirectReimbursementClaimForm.pdf>



Hearing Aid Reimbursement Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/hearingAidReimbursementClaimForm.pdf>



Dental Retiree Plan A Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/dentalRetireePlanAClaimForm.pdf>



SBA Medicare Informational Datasheet: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/health&Welfare/prescriptions/sbaMedicareInformationalDatasheet.pdf>

**NOTE:** If the Benefit form you are seeking is not listed above, please contact the SBA Health & Welfare office at (212) 431-6555.

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## ***The Detectives' Endowment Association, Inc.*** ***Police Department, City of New York***

The DEA proudly announces its year 2017 College Scholarship for the sons and daughters of active and retired NYPD Detectives in good standing. The DEA's Scholarships are given in the name of the union's former Vice President, the late Jack Healy.

The DEA will award at least 10 scholarships of \$5,000 each. Checks will be sent directly to the schools to be credited to each winning student's account. Applications must be at the DEA no later than Friday, **September 25, 2017**. Winners will be selected in a random drawing conducted at a DEA Fall venue (to be determined) in 2017.

To qualify for a Scholarship, applicants must be —

The daughter or son of an active or retired member of the DEA;

Enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program at a college or university for the Fall 2017 (September) or Winter 2018 (January) semester;

The Student Verification for children ages 19 – 23 for the Fall 2017 or Winter 2018 **must** be attached to this application; **NO** bills or school schedules will be accepted;

Acceptance letter from school for children ages 17 – 18 **must** be on school letterhead;

DEA retiree dues must be up-to-date;

Children of DA Investigators are not eligible (unless the member is also a retired NYPD Detective).

### **DEA Scholarship Application**

*Please type or print clearly and mail to the*

*DEA at 26 Thomas Street, New York, NY 10007 • Attention – Elizabeth Murtagh*

**Proof of acceptance to the school must be attached to the application form.**

Applicant's (Student's) Name *(First name, last, and middle initial)*

Applicant's (Student's) School ID #

Applicant's (Student's) Mailing Address

Name of College or University

Registrar / Bursar's Office Mailing Address

Registrar / Bursar's Office (include contact name and telephone number)

DEA Member's Name

DEA Member's Tax # or DEA #

Member's Telephone Number

Member's Email Address

Member's Mailing Address

Member's Current / Last Command

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## ***The Detectives' Endowment Association, Inc.*** ***Police Department, City of New York***

### The New York State Constitutional Convention

*from Michael J. Palladino, DEA President*

There is a push by some political factions in New York State to hold a new Constitutional Convention. The position of the Detectives' Endowment Association is "vote **NO**" on this referendum.

Not only would a Constitutional Convention needlessly cost the New York State taxpayers an estimated \$100-million, but it could jeopardize the current level of pension benefits already received by retirees and promised to active members. Public sector pensions are guaranteed against diminution thanks to powerful language present in the New York State Constitution. In the event of a Constitutional Convention, the language could be tampered with, thus eliminating that guarantee and paving the way for a reduced pension benefit.

A Convention may open up New York's Constitution to hastily thought out changes and reversal of laws and protections that in some cases took more than 200 years to put into effect; and for police, benefits that took *decades* to achieve.

A referendum whether or not to engage in a Constitutional Convention will be on the ballot for voters in the next election, November 7, 2017. The DEA urges you to vote **NO**.

#### The Purpose of the Referendum

The unique democratic purpose of New York's periodic Constitutional Convention referendum is to implement New Yorkers' inalienable right to alter their Constitution in cases where the interests of the Legislature and The People conflict. New York's Constitution allows the people to exercise this right once every 20 years. To realize this democratic purpose, a Convention must be substantially independent of the Legislature's control. For example, New York's Constitution prohibits the Legislature from directly limiting a Convention's agenda. The agenda is placed in the hands of the people independently of the Legislature. Democratic accountability is primarily sought by granting the people three votes over the process:

To call Convention;

To elect Delegates to a Convention; and

To ratify any Amendments a Convention might propose for their consideration.

The people cannot ratify any constitutional change in conflict with federal law, including the U.S. Constitution.

#### Constitutional Convention Milestones

On November 7, 2017 ... a popular vote on the Constitutional Convention referendum takes place.

On November 6, 2018 ... there will be a popular vote for Constitutional Convention Delegates. Three (3) Delegates will be elected to each of the 63 Senate Districts, plus 15 additional Delegates statewide.

April 2, 2019 ... a Constitutional Convention convenes.

November 5, 2019 ... a popular vote on the Constitutional Convention recommendations.

Again, it is the position of the Detectives' Endowment Association, Inc. that a New York State Constitutional Convention is both unnecessary and dangerous to our collective bargaining rights, our pensions, our Defined Benefit plan (VSF), and to the level of our health benefits and other labor rights that we have achieved in New York State.

The People of the State of New York already have a 365-days-per-year process to amend and rectify our State Constitution with the daily, weekly, monthly, and annual legislative process. The People elect their own representatives locally, and to the New York State Senate and the New York State Assembly, and in turn these representatives make and amend State law as needed by The People. This is an ongoing process which allows for thoughtful and productive examination of the existing laws enumerated in the Constitution at all times; and it is a completely unnecessary risk and expense to engage in any additional process which may undo the hard won benefits, laws, rules, and regulations of the State of New York, which, in some cases, took us personally decades to achieve.

The last Constitutional Convention took place in 1967. Clearly, there has not been a real need in 50 years for another. But today there are loud and powerful voices looking to scapegoat public sector workers and their benefit gains, and consequently, we are facing serious risk of having our labor rights and benefits significantly diminished.

Therefore, we urge our members to vote **NO** when and if the Constitutional Convention is placed on the ballot in November of 2017. There are much better ways in which \$100-million or so of our tax dollars may be spent.

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## **The Detectives' Endowment Association, Inc.** *Police Department, City of New York*

### Important Information Regarding Ford Explorer Vehicles

The DEA received this important information from the Austin, Texas Police Department via the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) regarding a significant risk to Officer safety and health when operating Ford Explorer vehicles because of Carbon Monoxide fumes entering the vehicle.

During the weekend of March 18-19, 2017, one of Austin P.D.'s Sergeants was overcome by exhaust fumes entering the passenger compartment of the patrol vehicle, causing significant injury to the Sergeant. Ford and NHTSA are apparently aware of the problem.

The DEA wants to make our members aware of this situation, too. Please read the following report:

#### **Risk Management Safety Bulletin Possible Risk of Carbon Monoxide Gas By the Austin Police Department**

There have been a few recent media reports about incidents where drivers have potentially been affected by Carbon Monoxide (CO) fumes while operating late model Ford Explorers. This includes Police Officers driving the newer Patrol version. There have been two reported incidents within the Austin Police Department: one was for lightheadedness while driving a patrol SUV; the other was for a suspicious odor that a Sergeant was concerned about while he was operating a patrol SUV.

The Ford Motor company, along with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is investigating the issue. Their testing and research has not resulted in any direct conclusions about CO poisoning from these particular models, or the need to conduct a recall on any of the Ford Explorer SUV recent year models. The COA Fleet Services is aware of the issue and is actively monitoring this situation. APD Risk Management is working with COA Fleet Services and other partners to stay current with the latest information.

At this time, APD Risk Management is not aware of any information to indicate that APD should discontinue use of late model Ford Explorers. Instead, Officers should be aware of the inherent, but remote risks posed by CO that are always present when operating a motor vehicle, and should take some basic steps to reduce those risks.

Carbon Monoxide is an odorless and colorless gas that is emitted by ALL motor vehicles that burn fossil fuels.

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), symptoms of CO poisoning are as follows:

Headache, dizziness, weakness, upset stomach, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion. CO symptoms are often described as "flu-like." If you breathe in enough CO gas it can cause unconsciousness which can lead to death.

There are some reports stating that the risk of CO gas exposure is increased while the vehicle's ventilation system (A/C, Heat, and fan) is set on "recirculate." The recirculate button is located on the dash console. This button determines whether or not your car is cooling or heating fresh air from outside the car, or using the air within the car (re-circulated air). Using the vehicle's air conditioning system with the control set to recirculation "on" will generally cool the vehicle faster and help the vehicle stay cooler, because you're constantly using the cool air from within the car for air conditioning. In non-recirculation mode, when you're using fresh air from outside the vehicle (which is much warmer in the summer), the air conditioning must work continuously to cool the hot air while pulling it into the vehicle. This creates additional work for the A/C system. Another benefit to using recirculate is when you need to avoid unpleasant odors and fumes from outside the vehicle, such as during heavy traffic congestion.

Using recirculate is generally the better option for fuel efficiency and climate control when operating the A/C, however, there is a POSSIBLE increase in the risk of contaminating the cabin air with CO from the vehicle exhaust system when recirculating air. Officers should be cognizant of the potential danger and introduce fresh air from the outside as regularly as possible. There has been no evidence in NHTSA's recent investigation that would indicate the need to stop using the recirculate button entirely.

Officers can take several steps to recognize and protect themselves from possible danger. These steps should **always** be taken, regardless of any current media reports, because CO inhalation is ALWAYS a danger when operating a motor vehicle:

1. When you are using a vehicle that will be idling for long periods of time (traffic control, street closures, etc.), be sure to allow fresh air to enter the cabin on a regular basis.
2. Maintain awareness of your condition and mental state. If you begin feeling any of the above listed symptoms, introduce fresh air into your unit's cabin.
3. Exit the vehicle on a regular basis to obtain fresh air. This will also help in your blood circulation.
4. If you are becoming lethargic or excessively tired, open the vehicle windows or exit the vehicle and get fresh air.
5. Pay attention to where you park. Most CO inhalation deaths that occur in motor vehicles occur when the driver is in an enclosed space (garage), when snow or mud obstructs the exhaust pipe, or when the terrain restricts the free flow of exhaust fumes away from the vehicle.

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



## PBA IN THE NEWS

- April 18 The Chief Leader, in two articles: **Late But Timely, Pension Credit on Leave**, reports that with the passage of the state budget Tier 3 disability (3/4 pay for line of duty injury) will be equalized for those who "opt-in" to the benefit, Tier 3 members will have the right to buy back pension time while out on maternity leave and that union dues will be deductible from state taxes: [http://thechiefleader.com/news/news\\_of\\_the\\_week/late-but-timely-state-budget-makes-union-dues-tax-deductible/article\\_2548057e-0e6d-11e7-8008-2b7712479c06.html](http://thechiefleader.com/news/news_of_the_week/late-but-timely-state-budget-makes-union-dues-tax-deductible/article_2548057e-0e6d-11e7-8008-2b7712479c06.html)
- April 9 The Daily News reports the PBA's court victory that will allow certain members who had taken maternity leave to buy back their pension time: <http://www.nycpba.org/news/nydn/nydn-170409-pregnancy.html>
- April 8 Statement of PBA President Patrick J. Lynch on state budget agreement providing NYC Police Officers an adequate disability benefit: <http://www.nycpba.org/releases/pr170408-budget.html>

## Retiree Fund Plan Description

- Eligibility <http://www.nycpba.org/benefits/retiree-eligibility.html>
- Dental plan <http://www.nycpba.org/benefits/retiree-dental.html>
- Vision plan <http://www.nycpba.org/benefits/vision.html>
- Prescription drug plan <http://www.nycpba.org/benefits/retiree-drug.html>
- Supplemental benefits <http://www.nycpba.org/benefits/retiree-supplement.html>
- Notice of Privacy Practices <http://www.nycpba.org/benefits/privacy.pdf>
- Medicare "D" Information <http://www.nycpba.org/benefits/retiree-part-d.pdf>

## Links to Police Line and Fraternal Organization websites



<http://www.nycdetectives.org/>



<http://members.sbanyc.org/>



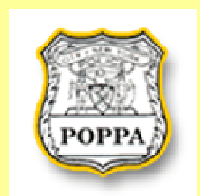
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# 9/11

## September 11th Victim Compensation Fund

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



## 911 HEALTH WATCH

Below are summaries with url's to 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/> :

**April 17, 2017** -- *CBS NY* -- Dying Wish For A 9/11 First Responder <http://newyork.cbslocal.com/video/3651197-dying-wish-for-a-911-first-responder/#.WPGwz3NQxj8.facebook>

**April 15, 2017** -- *Newsday* -- Jon Stewart attends FDNY fundraiser in Wantagh . <http://www.newsday.com/long-island/nassau/jon-stewart-attends-fdny-fundraiser-in-wantagh-1.13473730>

**April 11, 2017** -- *NY Daily News* -- EXCLUSIVE: FDNY firefighters become gardeners to help fellow Bravest dealing with 9/11-related cancer A cadre of kindhearted firefighters traded their hoses and axes for shovels and gardening gloves on Monday to help out a fellow Bravest battling 9/11-related cancer. <http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/firefighters-aid-colleague-battling-9-11-related-cancer-home-article-1.3041804>

**April 11, 2017** -- *FiOS1* -- 9/11 hero battling cancer raising money to help sick firefighters Retired firefighter Ray Pfeifer hopes to 'pay it forward' to sick members of the FDNY by funding a new transportation van for those in need. <http://www.fios1news.com/longisland/Sept11-hero-raising-money-sick-firefighters#.WO49lqpCUm>

**April 11, 2017** -- *Newsday* -- Stony Brook's WTC wellness program gets \$60M federal grantThe federal government is giving more than \$60 million over five years to Stony Brook University's WTC Wellness Program, which treats people with health problems stemming from the 9/11 terrorist attacks. <http://www.newsday.com/long-island/suffolk/stony-brook-s-wtc-wellness-program-gets-60m-federal-grant-1.13429754>

**April 9, 2017** -- *NY Daily News* -- Brooklyn cop died from 9/11-related cancer, his wife says An NYPD cop in Brooklyn died Friday from what his family members suspect was 9/11-related cancer. <http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/brooklyn-died-9-11-related-cancer-wife-article-1.3037700>

**April 8, 2017** -- *NY Daily News* -- James Lanza, firefighter who helped save 16 World Trade Center attack victims, dies at 71 from 9/11-related illnessThe city has lost another hero. [http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/james-lanza-hero-firefighter-dies-71-9-11-related-illness-article-1.3034313?utm\\_source=Mailthru&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Daily%20Newsletter%202017-04-09&utm\\_term=DailyNewsletter](http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/james-lanza-hero-firefighter-dies-71-9-11-related-illness-article-1.3034313?utm_source=Mailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Daily%20Newsletter%202017-04-09&utm_term=DailyNewsletter)

**April 6, 2017** -- *NY Daily News* -- Disbanded NYC law firm must honor \$5M pledge to 9/11 museum A now-dissolved law firm that earned over \$150 million through representation of victims of the 9/11 attacks must follow through on its pledge to donate \$5 million to the National Sept. 11 Memorial and Museum, a court-appointed referee has found. <http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/manhattan/disbanded-nyc-law-firm-honor-5m-pledge-9-11-museum-article-1.3026898>

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**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)** <http://www.911healthwatch.org/q-a/>

Questions? Need Help? Call **1-888-982-4748**.

### Zadroga Act by the Numbers

WTC Health Program - Annual Status: [https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/pdfs/wtchp\\_stats20161231.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/pdfs/wtchp_stats20161231.pdf)

September 11th Victim Compensation Fund - Program Statistics: <https://www.vcf.gov/pdf/VCFStatusReportMar2017.pdf>

Missed videos covering other major findings? Watch them here: <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/911health/updates/news-videos.page>

### Resources

The federal World Trade Center Health Program provides monitoring and treatment, including medication, for both physical and mental health conditions related to the 2001 terrorist attacks. There will be no out-of-pocket costs and services are available no matter where you live now. <https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/index.html>

Apply [online](https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/apply.html) or call 888-982-4748 to have an application mailed to you. <https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/apply.html>



# Health and Welfare



I still receive 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>

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## SBA—Eligibility

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.

# Health and Welfare

Good Fats and Bad Fats for Heart Health BY [HealthAfter50](#)

Americans should get about a quarter of their daily calories from fat, according to guidelines from the American Heart Association (AHA) and the American College of Cardiology (ACA). But be careful about the fats you choose, because some are much better options than others.

Some types, like monounsaturated and omega-3 fats, have a beneficial effect on blood lipid levels and may lower the risk of developing or dying of **coronary heart disease**. Here's what else to be aware of as you decide what to eat every day.

## **Saturated fat**

The most prevalent type of fat in the American diet is saturated fat, which raises total and LDL cholesterol levels in the blood. Saturated fat is present in most animal and dairy foods and in some oils.

To lower your intake of saturated fat, limit your consumption of fatty meats (beef, veal, ham, lamb, and pork), full-fat dairy products (whole milk, cream, cheese and ice cream), and certain vegetable oils and products (coconut oil, palm oil, palm kernel oil, and vegetable shortening).

The AHA/ACC lifestyle management guideline recommends limiting your saturated fat intake to about 5 percent of your total calories. This dietary measure will help reduce your blood cholesterol levels—specifically, LDL cholesterol—and may also help you maintain an ideal weight. (Fat contains more than twice as many calories per gram as protein or carbohydrates.)

As for lowering your intake of dietary cholesterol, found in foods like egg yolks and meat, the guideline says there isn't enough evidence to show that doing so will reduce your LDL cholesterol levels—a position reinforced in the 2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

## **Monounsaturated fat**

When choosing the fats in your diet, select monounsaturated rather than saturated fats whenever possible. Good sources of monounsaturated fat include olive and canola oils, most nuts (for example, almonds, peanuts, and cashews) and **avocados**.

When substituted for saturated fat in the diet, monounsaturated fats not only lower LDL cholesterol levels but also help maintain—and even raise—HDL cholesterol levels.

## **Polyunsaturated fat**

This type of fat is found primarily in corn, safflower, and sunflower oils. It lowers LDL cholesterol levels but, when consumed in excess, also can reduce HDL cholesterol.

## **Omega-3 fat**

A type of polyunsaturated fat called omega-3 fat lowers triglyceride levels. It may also reduce the risk of dying of coronary heart disease by preventing life-threatening **arrhythmias**.

Two specific types of omega-3 fats—eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)—have these heart-healthy benefits. EPA and DHA are found in fatty fish (such as herring, sardines, **salmon**, trout, and mackerel), **fish oil supplements**, and prescription medications like Lovaza, which is used to lower very high triglyceride levels.

An omega-3 fat called alpha-linolenic acid (ALA) is present in certain plants such as soybeans, walnuts, **flaxseeds**, and canola. Researchers are still investigating whether ALA is beneficial to the heart.

The AHA recommends eating fish at least one to two times per week to receive the heart-protective benefits of omega-3 fat. Individuals with coronary heart disease should get 1,000 mg of EPA and DHA, preferably from fatty fish.

You might also consider taking fish oil supplements to reach this goal, but only under your doctor's guidance.

## **Omega-6 fat**

While omega-3 fats often get the spotlight, another type of polyunsaturated fat called omega-6 is heart healthy as well.

Studies show that people with higher blood levels of omega-6 are less likely to develop coronary heart disease than those with lower levels. In addition, these fats are particularly beneficial to the heart when consumed in place of saturated and trans fats.

The AHA recommends that adults get 5 to 10 percent of their daily calories from omega-6 fat. You can easily achieve this goal by using small amounts of vegetable oil in your cooking and eating a handful of nuts a few days a week.

## **Trans fat**

This type of fat has gained considerable attention in recent years—all of it negative.

Trans fats are found in margarines and other prepared foods made with hydrogenated or partially hydrogenated oils. These hydrogenated oils are produced by the food industry when converting liquid oils into fats that are solid at room temperature and are more shelf-stable.

Studies show that trans fats may be more harmful than saturated fat because they not only raise LDL cholesterol but also lower HDL cholesterol. The AHA recommends limiting your intake of trans fat to less than 1 percent of total calories. Any product with partially hydrogenated oil, hydrogenated oil, or shortening as an ingredient contains trans fat. Also, be aware that products labeled "trans fat free" can contain a small amount of trans fat—up to 0.5 g per serving.

As of 2018, however, food manufacturers will be banned from using artificial trans fats. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration ordered a phase-out of trans fats in June 2015, giving manufacturers three years to reformulate their products.

Get more tips for eating a [heart healthy diet](https://www.healthafter50.com/food-and-fitness/article/6-diet-tips-for-better-heart-health). <https://www.healthafter50.com/food-and-fitness/article/6-diet-tips-for-better-heart-health>

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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 re-processed 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/health-benefits-active-members/health-benefits-retired-members1/item/20-catastrophic-medical-expenses-retired>

# Health and Welfare



Office of Labor Relations

[Learn more about the GHI-CBP/EBCBS Services Requiring Pre-Certification](#)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### GHI-CBP/EBCBS Services Requiring Pre-Certification

If you are an employee or non-Medicare eligible retiree participating in GHI-CBP/Empire BlueCross BlueShield

As 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.

[View the Announcement Letter: http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/care-management-member-announcement-letter.pdf](http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/care-management-member-announcement-letter.pdf)

[View the List of Services Requiring Pre-Certification: http://www.emblemhealth.com/~media/files/pdf/cny\\_precertification\\_list.pdf](http://www.emblemhealth.com/~media/files/pdf/cny_precertification_list.pdf)

### Maximum Out-of-Pocket (MOOP)

MOOP refers to the maximum amount of in-network cost-sharing expenses that you will pay in each plan year for covered services/essential health benefits received from Participating Providers under the GHI/Empire BlueCross BlueShield plans combined. MOOP includes deductibles, coinsurance and copay charge amounts that you must pay for covered in-network services and any applicable riders in a calendar year.

Cost-sharing amounts attributable to services received from Non-Participating Providers generally do not count toward MOOP.

Amounts incurred for non-covered services and other non-covered expenses, such as amounts in excess of plan allowances as well as any financial penalties do not count toward MOOP. Premiums and/or premium contributions also do not count toward MOOP. The MOOP amount may change from calendar year to calendar year\*\*.

### For July 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

|                  | Individual | Family  |
|------------------|------------|---------|
| GHI Medical Moop | \$2,175    | \$4,350 |
| EBCBS            | \$1,250    | \$2,500 |

### For calendar years beginning January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017\*\* (Subject to indexing by the federal government)

|                  | Individual | Family  |
|------------------|------------|---------|
| GHI Medical Moop | \$4,550    | \$9,100 |
| EBCBS            | \$2,600    | \$5,200 |

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. If you have a hearing or speech impairment and use a TTY/TDD, please call 711. Or, visit [emblemhealth.com/city](http://emblemhealth.com/city).

If you have any questions about changes to your Empire BlueCross BlueShield hospital benefits, call 1-800-433-9592. Or visit [empireblue.com/nyc](http://empireblue.com/nyc).

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**NATIONAL CONSUMERS LEAGUE**

Looking for ways to save on Rx Meds? Co-pay cards and other resources

Posted by NCL staff -

The bad news is that the cost of health care continues to rise, and many consumers find it tough to pay for medications. The good news is there are a number of consumer options for saving money on the medications your doctor prescribes. Read on to learn more about how co-pay and discount cards might be a good option for you.

First things first. Find out whether a generic, or non-brand, drug is available and appropriate for you. Generic drugs are a good way to save money, but for some patients, and for certain conditions, a brand-name drug may be needed.

Check out co-pay and discount cards to see if they will save you money on your prescription drugs. With many different kinds of co-pay and discount cards, it may be difficult to sort out which ones are right for you.

What are they?

**Co-pay cards** can be used to lower or eliminate your insurance co-payment, or out-of-pocket costs, for a prescription medication. A co-pay is the fixed amount that insurance companies ask consumers to pay toward their medication or other health services. The cards are typically offered by companies that manufacture brand-name medicines, although some generic companies offer co-pay card programs as well. **Drug discount cards** can help lower the price on medications. Most cards are available for free, while others charge a fee up-front to receive the card.

How do they work?

**Co-pay cards** may be available from your physician or can be found through the Internet, and are generally used to offset the cost of the co-pay for brand-name prescription drugs. Each program is different, but many require that a patient register prior to presenting his or her card to the pharmacist. As a patient, you give the card to your pharmacist when you get a prescription filled. The amount of the co-pay may be reduced or covered entirely. The pharmaceutical company that makes the drug covers the cost of reducing your co-pay when you use the card.

### **Things to know about co-pay cards:**

Co-pay cards can help consumers reduce out-of-pocket costs for their brand name medication, especially for specialty drugs, such as those that treat multiple sclerosis (MS) and rheumatoid arthritis. Having access to cheaper medications means patients don't have to look for cheaper, possibly less effective, versions.

- Studies show that higher patient co-pay amounts are linked with fewer people taking their medication as directed, or reducing medication adherence. With a lower co-pay, consumers will be less likely to skip taking their medication.
- Some say co-pay cards encourage the use of more expensive brand-name drugs over lower cost generics. Some patients, however, must take a brand-name drug for medical reasons and there may not be a generic drug available that contains the exact same active ingredient.

Co-pay cards **CANNOT** be used by people with [Medicare](#), [Medicaid](#), or other federal or state healthcare programs. The federal government is cracking down on the use of co-pay cards for Medicare part D drugs. There was a recent Special Advisory put out by the Office of Inspector General that "underscored that manufacturers are responsible to ensure that co-pay card coupons are not used by Medicare D beneficiaries."

- Many mail order medication programs do not accept co-pay cards.

**Drug discount cards** are often available online. The cards may be offered and paid for by state governments, pharmaceutical companies, non-profit organizations, or large retail store chains. Discount cards work through participating pharmacies that agree to offer lower prices on a variety of medicines (both brand names and generics), similar to the prices provided to insurance companies or large employers.

### **Things to know about discount cards:**

- Be careful about any cards that charge a fee up front to get access to the card. The fees could add up to more than the discount itself!
- When using a free card, it is still important to consider the cost of your medication. The generic version may be cheaper than the discounted brand medication covered by the card.
- The card can be used if your insurance does not cover your medication, or if your deductible has not been met.

A few discount cards can be used with Medicare (especially if you fall within the [Part D donut hole](#)), but you should check the individual card since this is very program specific.

### **Who pays for these cost savings for you?**

Pharmaceutical companies that make the drug often pay for the cost of co-pay card programs, because their brand-name drugs become more affordable for consumers. Participating pharmacies agree to offer consumers discount prices for the medications covered by a drug discount card. In return, participating pharmacies receive more customers when people can afford to fill their prescriptions and get more traffic through other areas of their stores.

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# Health and Welfare

## Be on the lookout

Once again, watch for cards with fees. Generally, you should not have to pay for a co-pay or discount card. Most are available without any fee.

Guard your personal information. Be careful about giving out any personal information to get a card. Never list your Social Security Number. Most companies ask if you would like to receive any additional information, offers, and advertisements, so be sure to decline if you aren't interested.

## Learn more

These Web sites provide links to hundreds of assistance programs, including co-pay cards, drug discount cards, and coupons. Through these links to other Web sites, you can access co-pay and discount cards directly. Pharmaceutical companies also have sites for cost-saving programs or cards for their specific medicines. For many of these programs, there are no fees or registration costs for using the cards, but check carefully before you sign up.

## Freecopay.com <http://freecopay.com/>

Offers links to co-pay cards, coupons, and other financial assistance for brand name prescriptions. Search the alphabetized database for your brand name medication and click to take you to the drug manufacturer's Web site to sign up for the assistance. These discounts are not available to those whose prescriptions are paid for by any state or federal program, including Medicare and Medicaid, and there are some state specific limitations.

## Co-pay Cards from Pharmaceutical Manufacturers

Drug manufacturers offer specific co-pay assistance for a variety of medications, here are a few examples:

Lipitor \$4 co-pay/prescription

- Crestor- \$18 co-pay/prescription
- Nexium- \$18 co-pay/prescription for up to 12 fills

## NeedyMeds <http://www.needy meds.org/>

The site offers a free, downloadable prescription discount card to print and use at participating pharmacies as well as links to other discount programs and co-pay cards for both brand and generic medications. Search the alphabetized database for prescription assistance programs, links to co-pay cards, and disease specific assistance programs. NeedyMeds includes other services, such as locating free/low cost clinics, MRI/CAT scan discounts, scholarships, and links to Medicaid sites.

## Familywise: Prescription Discount Card <https://familywise.org/>

Patients can access a discount card that can be used in over 60,000 pharmacies to lower the cost of prescription drugs. This card is free of charge and can be downloaded and printed. The card is also available electronically on a mobile phone. This site offers a user-friendly drug lookup table so you can begin to estimate your drug costs using the card.

Mobile Apps

## Other prescription assistance programs

Here are more resources to assist with the cost of prescription drugs. Many pharmaceutical companies have patient assistance programs for those who cannot afford their medications and have no health insurance. Information is available at their websites by putting "patient assistance programs" or "patient support" into the search field at the site.

## Partnership for Prescription Assistance <https://www.pparx.org/>

Programs around the country that help patients, caregivers, and prescribers access free or low-cost prescription drugs. This site links to a variety of services to help lower your co-payment for both prescriptions and other medical services.

## Patient Access Network <https://www.panfoundation.org/index.php/en/>

Helps underinsured patients with co-payments for cancer or chronic disease medications.

## Benefits CheckUp: Prescription Drug Assistance <https://www.benefitscheckup.org/>

National Council of Aging Web site that helps seniors with limited income and resources make the best decisions about the public and private programs that are available to help them save money on prescription drugs and other healthcare costs.

## Consumer Reports Best Buy Drugs <http://www.consumerreports.org/cro/health/prescription-drugs/best-buy-drugs/index.htm>

Consumers Union, the group that publishes Consumer Reports, evaluates the best drugs to treat certain conditions based on how well the drugs work, their safety, their side effects, and their cost. This information is also available in Spanish.

## Medicare Extra Help <https://www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10525.pdf>

Some people with limited resources and income also are eligible for Extra Help to pay for the costs related to a Medicare prescription drug plan -- monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription co-payments.

## HelpRx.info [https://www.helprx.info/discounts utm\\_campaign=newmedia&utm\\_medium=search&utm\\_source=MS&utm\\_term=online% 20pharmacy&adid=956698319&matchtype=e&Network=%7bifContent:Content%7d%7bifSearch:Search%7d&SiteTarget=% 7bplacement%7d](https://www.helprx.info/discounts&utm_campaign=newmedia&utm_medium=search&utm_source=MS&utm_term=online%20pharmacy&adid=956698319&matchtype=e&Network=%7bifContent:Content%7d%7bifSearch:Search%7d&SiteTarget=%7bplacement%7d)

Provides pharmacy discounts based on negotiated prices at participating pharmacies. HelpRx.info is partnered with a pharmacy benefit provider to help make the information accessible by simply picking a pharmacy or searching for a drug. The search results will come up with the nearest pharmacies or the pharmacies with the best discounts. Patients may claim the discounts by either printing the coupon or sending it electronically to a mobile phone.

# What's Happening



**In Loving Memory of Jimmy LaRossa**  
09/29/60 - 04/10/12



**2017**

**JIMMY LAROSSA**

**MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

(Fundraiser for Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Wounded Warrior Battalion)

**WHERE: GOLF CLUB AT BALLANTYNE**

10000 Ballantyne Commons Parkway Charlotte, NC 28277

Phone: 866-248-4824 | 704-248-4383

**WHEN:** Monday, October 2, 2017 @ 9:00am (shot gun start)

7:30am Registration

\$125/Player - \$500/Team

Captain's Choice

Continental Breakfast

Catered luncheon & awards ceremony

CAPTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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PLAYER 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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ANYONE INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A HOLE AT THE GOLF TOURNAMENT,  
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For more information contact John Sabato  
jsabbyz28@gmail.com  
516-314-5326

# What's Happening



## NYPD 10-13 CLUB OF CHARLOTTE NC, INC

An affiliate of the National NYCPD 10-13 Organizations Inc.

137 CROSS CENTER RD  
SUITE 150  
DENVER, NC 28037



**HARVEY KATOWITZ**  
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**DAVE SCHULTHEIS**  
VICE PRESIDENT  
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April 5, 2017

To whom it may concern,

The NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC is an IRS not for profit 501 (c) (7) organization. Tax ID# 45-0557805, comprised of retired and active law enforcement officers, predominately from the NYPD.

Presently we have 399 members from fifty-one law enforcement agencies

One of the objectives of the Club is to encourage charitable activities among the membership.

On Monday, October 2, 2017 the Club is sponsoring the Fifth Annual Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament. Jimmy LaRossa, a member of our Club, was murdered on April 10, 2012.

The proceeds from last years tournament were used to purchase a Track Chair All Terrain Vehicle and trailer that was donated to a disabled veteran. This years proceeds will be donated to the Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Wounded Warriors Battalion.

In an effort to make this tournament a success we are soliciting businesses/organizations/individuals to sponsor a hole at the tournament, provide food/drink or to donate prizes that will be used for a raffle.

Any donations will be recognized in our monthly newsletter that is distributed to over 10,000 people nationwide, including over 1,000 people in the Charlotte metropolitan area. Hole sponsors will also have a sign identifying them, prominently displayed on the golf course.

We appreciate any help you can provide us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Harvey Katowitz".

Harvey Katowitz  
President  
NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC, Inc.  
704-849-9234  
<http://www.charotte10-13.com>





# What's Happening



May 30, 2008 NYPD 10-13 Club Members and their families braved unseasonably cold and blustery weather to cheer for the NYPD football team in their victory in a National Public Safety Football League game against the Charlotte Cobras.

On Saturday, May 20, 1PM the NYPD Finest Football Team will be playing the Charlotte Cobras at North Mecklenburg H.S. 1pm. The Charlotte Cobras are comprised of members of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, Charlotte Fire Department, Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office, Concord Police Department, Monroe Fire Department, York County SC Sheriff's Office and MEDIC.

Please come and support your NYPD brothers. Team apparel can be purchased from a link on their website:  
[www.nypdfinestfootball.org](http://www.nypdfinestfootball.org).

Excerpt from the Cobra's website: For the Cobras' first home game of the season, the team will host the perennial powerhouse NYPD Finest on May 20th. The Finest have won nine league championships making them the most prolific team in the NPSFL. The Cobras have played The Finest five times, resulting in only one victory. The most memorable game was the 2013 National Championship Game where the Cobras fell to The Finest 10-7.

**ATTENTION!!**

**9/11**

**Filing has re-opened!!**

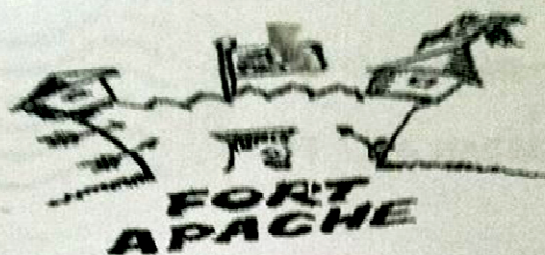
**NOTICE TO ALL UMOS**

If you participated in the WTC Rescue, Recovery and Clean-up Operations between September 11, 2001 and September 12, 2002 and **DID NOT** submit a Notice of Participation,

**DO IT TODAY!!**

Applications are located at the security desk.

\*\* Applications must be submitted to the Police Pension Fund  
By **September 11, 2018\*\*** For questions call 212-693-5960.



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# WHAT'S HAPPENING

With Arms Wide Open (WAWO) was established three years ago, and has given over **\$65k** in assistance to MOS families in 3 years!!

**#DontBeShyAskMeWhy**



**I know that we are all more alike than different**

**(Click for details)**

With Arms Wide Open is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization that is available to all cops, active and retired, regardless of rank that have a child with special needs.

## NYPD With Arms Wide Open First Annual Dinner Dance

I just wanted to send you a quick note to let you know about an upcoming event **for NYPD With Arms Wide Open - a support group that Brian and I are privileged to be a part of**. With Arms Wide Open will be hosting their **first annual Dinner Dance on Thursday, May 4th** at Antun's of Queens. It promises to be a fun evening with some pretty fantastic entertainment.

The official Dinner Dance invitation is attached. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://nypdwawo.org/dinner-dance-tickets/> or by the contacting any of us listed on the invite.

We are reaching out to as many fraternal organizations as possible for their support and publicity of the event, and would truly appreciate if you spread the word on behalf of the 10-13.

Also, along with **Patti and Conor McDonald**, we will be presenting the **Detective Steven McDonald Memorial Scholarship** to a graduating high school senior.

The award is available to any family member of an active **or retired member of the NYPD that has special needs or has dedicated their service hours to the special needs community**. I will send the scholarship application and information to you under a separate email. Kind regards, **Jennifer McCarthy**, [jennifer\\_oreilly@live.com](mailto:jennifer_oreilly@live.com) [www.nypdwawo.org](http://www.nypdwawo.org)

Honoring Detective Kevin Schroeder and Stevie Van Zandt  
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Presented by Patti and Conor McDonald

Thursday, **May 4, 2017**  
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Hosted for the evening by  
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Tickets are \$100 per person and can be **PURCHASED ONLINE**, by contacting Merritt Riley at (917) 453-0103 or [mriley@nycpba.com](mailto:mriley@nycpba.com), Danny Sprague at (516) 551-4806 or [dsprague@nypdwawo.org](mailto:dsprague@nypdwawo.org) or email Tara/Jennifer at [events@nypdwawo.org](mailto:events@nypdwawo.org)

**DOWNLOAD** Journal Ad Info or contact Janine Rao at (516) 330-6181 or [janinerao@hotmail.com](mailto:janinerao@hotmail.com)

**DOWNLOAD** The Steven McDonald Memorial Scholarship Form

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

**VILLA ROMA RESORT HOTEL  
356 VILLA ROMA ROAD  
CLICOON, NEW YORK 12723  
1-800-727-8455  
WELCOMES  
THE NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORGS., INC  
28TH ANNUAL CONVENTION  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 - TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2017**

## **Your Rates Include**

Fine Italian/American Cuisine, served in a private, 10-13 Dining Room - 3 meals daily  
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See Villa Roma Information summary for all activities.

## **RATES & ACCOMODATIONS**

**WEEKEND PACKAGE RATES ARE PER PERSON, PER NIGHT**

**Double Occupancy - standard rooms, \$164.00, Single, 195.00**

**Double Occupancy - 1 Bedroom suite, \$181.00, Single, 261.00**

**\*Children: under 3 yrs., NO CHARGE, 4-10, \$85.07 per night, per child**

**Children: 11-17yrs., \$112.60, per night, per child**

**\*Children's Rates only VALID with 1 full priced adult in room**

**\*The above rates include 15% Resort Fee, Local NYS Tax & Tips**

A \$150.00 deposit, room is required

Make check payable to: Villa Roma Resort Hotel

### **Mail To:**

**VILLA ROMA RESORT HOTEL  
356 VILLA ROMA ROAD  
CLICOON, NEW YORK 12723 OR  
Call 1-800-727-8455 for Reservations**

For further information contact: Convention Chair Frank Martarella: 1-718-667-7241  
Friends & Relatives Welcome

Please fill-out and detach form below and send with your deposit(s)

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NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 Organizations., Inc., September 17 - September 19, 2017  
Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ # of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Email \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card Name & # \_\_\_\_\_

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## INFORMATION SUMMARY



### ROOMS:

- 150 Hotel Guest Rooms, complete with private bath and cable TV.
- 200 On-site, one- or two-bedroom suites, complete with a kitchen and living room area.

### DINING:

- Main Dining Room
- Roman Garden Cafe
- Eleanor's Italian Kitchen

### SEASONAL DINING:

- The Beechwoods Restaurant
- Beechwood Grill
- Pool Grill

## SUMMARY OF ON-SITE AMENITIES & FACILITIES:

- 18-Hole PGA Championship Golf Course
- Outdoor Driving Range
- Practice Green
- Horseback Riding
- Outdoor Tennis
- Indoor & Outdoor Bocce & Shuffleboard
- Indoor & Outdoor Heated Swimming Pools
- Baseball Field
- Basketball Court
- Horseshoes
- Gamer's World

- Sand Volleyball
- Bumper Boats
- Bounce Fun Park
- Playground
- Fishing Pond
- Go Cart Speedway
- Soft Play Area
- Indoor Racquetball & Wallyball Courts
- Billiards & Ping-Pong
- Boardwalk Games Arcade
- Eight Regulation Bowling Lanes
- Card & Board Game Room

- Morning/Afternoon Movies
- Paintball
- Fitness Center with Free Weights & Cardio Machines
- Teen Dance Club
- Nightly Entertainment
- Tivoli & Marty's Lounge
- Off Track Betting
- Skiing & Snowboarding
- Snow Tubing
- Ice Skating
- Activites Director Doc Holiday

## SUMMARY OF NEARBY ATTRACTIONS:

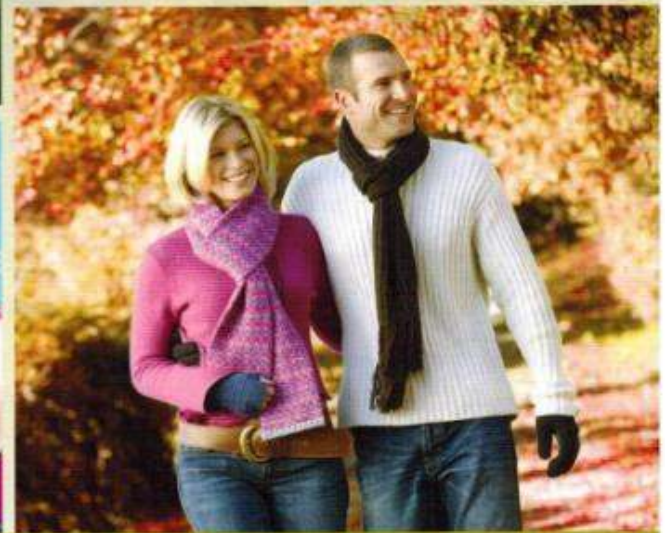
- Ski Area – Holiday Mountain, Elk Mountain
- Historical Sites, Parks & Museums
- Rafting & Canoeing on the Upper Delaware
- Scenic Catskill Mountains
- Beaverkill & Willowemoc Rivers

- Hiking Trails
- Skeet & Trap Shooting
- Monticello Gaming, Raceway
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- Antique Shops
- Bethel Woods Performing Arts Center & The Museum at Bethel Woods

- Covered Bridges
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# WHAT'S HAPPENING

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# THIS AND THAT



## NYC Police Pension Fund Information

### **PENSION ALERT**

#### **Notice to ADR retirees residing in Florida and South Carolina**

The Police Pension Fund has been made aware of recent changes to property tax laws for members retired for Accident Disability living in Florida and South Carolina. You can find a link to a pension certification request form below. Please indicate in writing (on the form or attached to it) that this request is for property tax purposes. Once completed and notarized, you may forward the form to the Police Pension Fund's office, 233 Broadway 25<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, New York 10279 to the attention of Pension Payroll OR you may fax it to the contact number provided on the form. All requests sent to the Police Pension Fund MUST be notarized.

Please be advised that the Police Pension Fund is prohibited from providing legal, financial, or tax advice. For a copy of a pension certification request form please click here: [http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/form\\_award\\_letter.pdf](http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/form_award_letter.pdf)

#### **Notice to retired members of Emergency Services Unit**

The NYPD Office of the Supervising Chief Surgeon is endeavoring to locate retired members of the Emergency Services Unit that participated in both the 2002 and 2007 pulmonary function studies. Each and every participant is important! The greater the number of participants the stronger the results. Even if you are followed elsewhere it is important to participate. Participating members that are available for taking part in a further pulmonary function study are asked to contact the Office of the Supervising Chief Surgeon at 718 760-7626/27 Monday-Friday from 0900-1600 hrs.

#### **World Trade Center Notice of Participation**

Governor Cuomo signed into law Chapter 326 of the Laws of 2016 on September 11, 2016. **This law extends the Notice of Participation filing deadline to September 11, 2018 for all members** to file a sworn statement indicating participation in the Rescue, Recovery, and Clean-up Operations.

Members who are in possession of verifying information are also encouraged to submit copies of such documentation to the Fund to be imaged into the member's file.

To file a Notice of Participation, please download the form here: [http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/wtc\\_notice\\_of\\_participation\\_201609.pdf](http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/wtc_notice_of_participation_201609.pdf), complete the form and have your signature notarized. Notices must be received by the Fund by September 11, 2018. Please mail your completed Notice of Participation to the Police Pension Fund, to the attention of Calendar Prep, at 233 Broadway, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10279.

To check if the Fund has a Notice of Participation on file, please click here: [http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/wtc\\_information/wtc\\_information.shtml](http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/wtc_information/wtc_information.shtml) and search for your tax identification number.

#### **Notice to Members with pre-membership military service**

Please be advised that on May 31, 2016 Governor Cuomo signed into law **Chapter 41 of the Laws of 2016 which amends New York State Retirement and Social Security Law ("RSSL")**

**York State Retirement and Social Security Law ("RSSL") §1000.** Chapter 41 removes the specified periods of time, medal requirements, and theaters of operation in which military service would have to have been rendered for a service purchase. Prospectively, members need only have been honorably discharged from the military to be eligible to purchase pre-membership service credit pursuant to RSSL §1000. **This law is not retroactive and does not permit retired members to purchase service credit.**

For further information, click here: [http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/legal\\_information/notice-to-members.shtml](http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/legal_information/notice-to-members.shtml)

#### **NYPD Cancer Study**

Recently, the eagerly awaited NYPD Medical Division's 20-year review of cancer within the Department, was published comparing the periods before and after the 9/11/01 WTC disaster. Our team of co-authors include highly regarded cancer and radiation epidemiologists and bio-statisticians from the Weill-Cornell Medical College and Columbia University/NY-Presbyterian Medical Center and its Mailman School of Public Health. To read the document click here: [http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/cancer\\_study\\_for\\_ppf.PDF](http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/cancer_study_for_ppf.PDF)

#### **Tier 3 Shortages**

Tier 3 members may have noticed a shortage on their annual statement. While there are several ways to incur a shortage, a majority of members will see a shortage because the Fund is usually unable to capture contributions from the first paycheck. In April, the Fund will be auto-enrolling all Tier 3 members with a shortage of \$20 or more in bi-weekly payroll deductions to remedy the shortage. Any member with a shortage may elect to make a lump sum payment by check or money order in lieu of salary deductions. Questions may be directed to Membership Services at (212) 693-5850.

# THIS AND THAT

## Guide for Surviving Beneficiaries

There are few situations in life more stressful than the loss of a loved one; there are no words of comfort at such a difficult time. This section is designed to aid the survivors of the Fund members by providing a checklist of who to contact upon the death of a Fund member or retiree, and the information that is required. There are four calls to make:

### 1. NYPD Operations Unit

Survivors should call NYPD Operations at 646-610-5580, located at NYPD Headquarters, 1 Police Plaza, New York, New York 10038. Pall bearers may be requested at that time and are available for all five City boroughs, Long Island, Westchester, Rockland, Orange and Putnam counties.

### 2. NYC Police Pension Fund

Please notify the Fund in writing at 233 Broadway, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10279, attention: Death Benefits Unit or by telephone at 212-693-5619/5919. Please have the following information available at the time of the phone call: the first, middle and last name of the deceased; the date of death; Social Security Number of the deceased; name of the next of kin; and name, address and phone number of the executor or executrix of the estate, if applicable.

The Fund will need: a certified copy of the death certificate; a copy of the paid funeral bill; a copy of the marriage certificate, if applicable; and a copy of the beneficiary's Social Security card. Prompt receipt of these items will expedite the Fund's ability to make payments to any beneficiaries.

### 3. Member's line organization

Contact the appropriate line organization below, and ask about a possible life insurance policy and whether any continuing optional benefits are available:

|     |               |                        |              |
|-----|---------------|------------------------|--------------|
| PBA | 125 Broad St. | 11th Floor             | 212-349-7560 |
| DEA | 26 Thomas St. |                        | 212-587-1000 |
| SBA | 35 Worth St.  | First and second floor | 212-431-6555 |
| LBA | 233 Broadway  | Suite 1801             | 212-964-7500 |
| CEA | 233 Broadway  | Suite 1801             | 212-791-8292 |

### 4. Health Benefits Program

Contact the NYC Health Benefits Program to request the appropriate health benefits forms. This Program is located at 40 Rector Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10006 and can be reached at 212-513-0470.

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## **Scam warning: Just answering your telephone may leave you a victim**

The Better Business Bureau is warning that a new scam can make you a victim just by answering the phone.

According to the BBB, the "Can You Hear Me?" scam uses a recording to prompt a "Yes" response from you.

They say that simple response can be recorded, and may, in turn, be used to sign you up for a product or service.

The scammers can then demand payment.

If the payment's refused, the scammers reportedly may use your "Yes" to confirm the agreement.

The BBB offers the following advice to people who receive a similar call:

If you receive an unsolicited robocall from an organization or business, just hang up. If you are on the Do Not Call List and a company calls out of the blue to ask questions, it's likely a scam. Avoid responding with "yes, sure or ok."

If you are asked a similar question in a phone call or are asked to press a button to be placed on the Do Not Call Registry, just hang up the phone. Saying anything or pressing buttons when prompted may help the scam artists identify that you have an active phone number. Remember that no government agency will ever solicit for the Do Not Call Registry.

Write down the phone number of those callers violating the Do Not Call Registry and file a scam report with [BBB Scam Tracker](#) and the [FTC's Do Not Call List](#). Remember that Pennsylvania's wiretapping law is a "two-party consent" law, making it a crime to intercept or record a telephone call or conversation unless all parties to the conversation consent.

Additional information can be found at [BBB.org](#).

# THIS AND THAT

The following information was received from Ret. CMPD Sgt. Bud Cessena, General Manager, Denver Defense Range.

I had a request from one of the 10-13 members about the HR218 class that we provide here at Denver Defense.

I received an email from Ed Zapolsky confirming that a retired Officer with a North Carolina Retired Law Enforcement Officers Firearms Qualification Certification can take the card as proof of training to the Sheriff of the county in which he or she lives and apply for a North Carolina Concealed Handgun Permit. No other training is required.

The cost at the Sheriff's Department will be \$90. That is a standard fee throughout North Carolina.

Some will ask "Why would I want this"? If you have the NC CCH you can carry any handgun that you choose in 39 states and you can purchase handguns in NC. For me that is an advantage.

Please advise the members that if they have questions or concerns about this class or other firearms related issues please call me or email me. Ill do my best to get an answer quickly.

There are ranges out there that advertise a combined class for \$100. That is not necessary. The only class that is needed is the HR 218 class.

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The next HR 218-LEOSA class at Denver Defense will be Sunday May 21, 2017, 11 am -3pm.

Cost of the class is \$50. Retirees will need 100 rounds of ammunition and a directional draw holster.

Class size will be limited to 18.

Denver Defense will provide all needed forms for the state.

The range is an indoor facility located at 1417 Highway 16 in Denver NC, approx., 25 miles from uptown Charlotte.

On-line information and registration for HR-218 classes can be accessed at <https://denverdefenseusa.com/class-registration/>



On-line manual for every gun on earth. Fantastic resource to have. <http://stevespages.com/page7b.htm>

The following appeared in an article about the Cyber Threat In Charging Your Cell Phone

If you use a public charging station to charge your phone, you are exposing it to being hacked.

Once a port is compromised, a hacker can view and steal your emails, text messages, photos, and contacts. This kind of hacking is called [juice jacking](#), by which malware might be installed on to, or data surreptitiously copied from a device using a charging port that doubles as a data connection, typically over a USB connection.

Despite the obvious risks of using public charging stations, people use them all the time, even at world-class security conferences. Recently at the RSA security conference in San Francisco, Authentic8 set up a charging station at its booth, offering cords for people to charge devices. Authentic8 makes Silo, a secure browser that anonymizes web activity.

The company ran an informal experiment to see how many people would use the public charging stations. An overwhelming number of attendees — about 80% — connected their phones without asking about the security, according to a story on [CNNMoney](#).

Authentic8's experiment derived its inspiration from [the Wall of Sheep](#), an event at DefCon designed to inform people about the dangers of using public charging stations. Started in 2011.

## 5 Ways to Protect Your Phone and its Data

Never use a public charging station. If you feel you have to, don't unlock your phone's password or other security features such as two-factor authentication.

- The safest approach is to plug your phone into a charging station or computer you trust, using your own USB cable. Invest in a portable USB battery pack.
- To communicate, only use encrypted apps such as WhatsApp and iMessage.
- Use antivirus software such as [VIPRE](#) which will enable your phone and other devices to detect and prevent malware.
- Keep your mobile operating system up-to-date so you will always have the latest bug fixes.
- If you believe your phone has been hacked, immediately call 911 to report the incident.



# THIS AND THAT



REP. RICHARD HUDSON'S (NC-08)  
CONCEALED CARRY RECIPROCITY ACT OF 2017

## Problem

Your driver's license works in every state, so why doesn't your concealed carry permit? Just like your privilege to drive, your Second Amendment right does not disappear when you cross state lines. However, conflicting state codes have created a confusing patchwork of reciprocity agreements for concealed carry permit holders.

Without nationwide reciprocity, a North Carolina resident cannot travel to Delaware without having to reroute their trip to avoid driving through Maryland. In addition, a Pennsylvania resident who is a concealed carry permit holder consistently worries about making a wrong turn, ending up in New York, and breaking the law. Even the most careful and knowledgeable concealed carry permit holders find it difficult to navigate the current maze of state and local concealed carry laws.

Many Americans utilize concealed carry as their Constitutional right to self-defense, and we must guarantee that right is not infringed upon.

## Solution

To ensure that our Second Amendment right does not disappear when we cross state lines, Rep. Richard Hudson (NC-08) introduced the *Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017* with strong support by major pro-Second Amendment groups. This legislation will:

- Ensure that valid concealed carry permits issued in one state are valid for carrying concealed handguns in other states that recognize their own resident's right to concealed carry;
- Allow those from constitutional carry states the ability to carry in other states that recognize their own resident's right to concealed carry;
- Put the burden of proof clearly on the state to show that an individual carrying concealed did not comply with the law, thus protecting law-abiding gun owners from onerous civil suits;
- Provide legal protections against states that violate the intent of this bill, making attorney's fees and damages available to victorious plaintiffs in civil suits, as well as to defendants who prevail in criminal cases; and
- Allow individuals who are carrying concealed to do so in the National Park System, National Wildlife Refuge System, and on lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management, Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation.

Each state retains the authority to determine regulations for carrying within their borders, as well as for the carry permits or licenses that are issued under their law.

This legislation prioritizes the rights of law-abiding citizens to concealed carry and the ability to travel freely between states without worrying about conflicting state codes. <https://hudson.house.gov/uploads/Concealed%20Carry%20Reciprocity%20Act%20of%202017%201-pager.pdf>

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New Proposed Mandatory Gun Insurance Law for NY

STATE OF NEW YORK

2260 2017-2018 Regular Sessions IN ASSEMBLY

January 17, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. ORTIZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to requiring owners of firearms to obtain liability insurance

The People Of The State Of New York, Represented In Senate And Assembly, Do Enact As Follows:

Section 1. The insurance law is amended by adding a new section 2353 to read as follows:

1. S 2353. Firearm owners insurance policies. 1. Any person in this state who shall own a firearm shall, prior to such ownership, obtain and continuously maintain a policy of liability insurance in an amount not less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars specifically covering any damages resulting from any negligent acts involving the use of such firearm while it is owned by such person. Failure to maintain such insurance shall result in the immediate revocation of such owner's registration, license and any other privilege to own such firearm.
2. For purposes of this section, a person shall be deemed to be the owner of a firearm if such firearm is lost or stolen until such loss or theft is reported to the police department or sheriff which has jurisdiction in the county, town, city or village in which such owner resides.
3. Any person who owns a firearm on the effective date of this section shall obtain the insurance required by this section within thirty days of such effective date.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to any peace officer who is authorized to carry a firearm.

The department is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Section 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law, provided, however, that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is authorized to be made and completed on or before such date.

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North Carolina Concealed Handgun Chart – Prohibited Carry Areas				
Carry Area	Individuals Authorized Pursuant to **GS 14-269(b)	Out-of-State Officer HR 218	Concealed Carry Handgun Permittee GS 14-415.10	Out-of-State Reciprocal Concealed Carry Handgun
Educational Property	YES	YES--If Secured in Vehicle Unless Private Educational Property is Posted.	YES -- If Secured in Vehicle Unless Private Educational Property is Posted.	YES -- If Secured in Vehicle Unless Private Educational Property is Posted.
Where Alcoholic Beverages are sold and consumed	YES	YES--Unless Posted	YES -- Unless Posted	YES -- Unless Posted
Certain State Property & Courthouses (This does not address Legislative office properties.)	YES	YES-- If Secured in Vehicle	YES -- If Secured in Vehicle	YES -- If Secured in Vehicle
Parades or Funeral Processions	YES	YES -- Unless Posted	YES -- Unless Posted	YES -- Unless Posted
Picket lines, Private Health Care Facilities	YES	NO	NO	NO
Posted Property	see note below	NO	NO	NO
Law Enforcement or Correctional Facility	YES	NO	NO	NO
Federal Property	NO	NO	NO	NO
While consuming alcohol or while alcohol or controlled substance is in the blood	NO	NO	NO	NO
Assembly where admission is charged	YES	YES--Unless Posted	YES -- Unless Posted	YES -- Unless Posted
State owned rest area	YES	YES	YES	YES
Posted local government recreational facilities	YES	NO	NO	NO
**http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter_14/GS_14-269.html				
A "yes" in the block indicates the person in that category can carry in the establishment listed.				
A "no" in the block indicates the person in that category cannot carry in the establishment listed.				
NOTE: While carrying in this area may not be in violation of our concealed carry statutes, it may constitute a trespass violation in certain circumstances.				
Effective Date: August 18, 2014				

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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 anti-pension 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.html

Medicare Website: <http://www.medicare.gov>

Social Security Website: WWW.SSA.GOV

Veterans Admin. Website: www.va.gov



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BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATIONS

Patrolmen's Benevolent Association - <http://www.nycpba.org/index-flash.html>
Detectives Endowment Association - <http://www.nycdetectives.org/>
Sergeants Benevolent Association - <http://www.nypd-lba.org/>
Lieutenants Benevolent Association - <http://www.nypd-lba.org/>
Captains Endowment Association - <http://www.nypdcea.org/>



NEW YORK POLICE RELATED SITES

NYCPD - <http://www.nyc.gov/html/nypd/html/home/home.shtml>
NYPD Retirees Home Page- <http://www.nypd2.org/retirement/home.html>
National Police Support Network - <http://www.policessupport.com/>
Police Pension Fund - <http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/home/home.shtml>
NYPD Widows & Children's Fund - <http://www.nycpba.org/fund/index.html>
Guide for Widower of a Retired MOS - http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/retirement_services/death.shtml
Medicare Reimbursement - <http://www.nyc.gov/html/olr/downloads/pdf/healthb/irmaa.pdf>
NY Cop on Line Magazine - <http://www.nycop.com/>
The NYC Police Memorial - <http://nypd.police-memorial.com>
NYPD Angels - <http://www.nypdangels.com/index.php>
NYPD Memorial - <http://www.nyc.gov/html/nypd/html/home/memorial.shtml>

OTHER POLICE RELATED SITES

National NYPD 10-13 Organizations, Inc.- <http://www.nationalnypd1013.org/>
The Fraternal Order of Police - <http://www.grandlodgefop.org/>
Coastal Carolina Shields - <http://www.coastalcarolinashields.com/>
PoliceOne - <http://www.policeone.com/>
International Police Association - <http://www.coastalcarolinashields.com/>
Law Enforcement Alliance of America (LEAA) - <http://www.leaa.org/>
National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) - <http://www.napo.org/>
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
U S Department of Justice - <http://www.justice.gov/>

GOVERNMENT

NYC Employee Benefits - http://www.nyc.gov/html/olr/html/health/health_benefits_prog.shtml
New York City Gov http://www.nyc.gov/portal/site/nycgov/?front_door=true
New York City Council - <http://council.nyc.gov/html/home/home.shtml>
New York State Assembly - <http://assembly.state.ny.us/>
New York State Senate - <http://www.nysenate.gov/>
U S Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs - <http://www.veterans.senate.gov/>
House Committee on Veterans Affairs—<http://veterans.house.gov/about>
The U.S. Senate - <http://www.senate.gov/>
U.S. House Of Representatives - <http://www.house.gov/>
Library of Congress - <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas.php>
FIRST GOV - <http://www.usa.gov/>
Social Security Admin. - <http://www.ssa.gov/>
Medicare - <http://www.medicare.gov/>
Dept. of Veterans Affairs - <http://www.va.gov/>
Emergency- ALERTS - <http://www.emergencyemail.org/>
White House Latest News - <http://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/>

VETERANS SITES

Resources for Veterans in the USA - <http://articles.usa-people-search.com/content-resources-for-veterans-in-the-usa.aspx>
American Legion - <http://www.legion.org/>
Veterans of Foreign War - <http://vfw.org/>
National Association for Uniformed Services - <http://www.naus.org/dev/>
U.S. Veterans Legacy Project - <http://www.veteranslegacy.net/>
Patriot Files - <http://patriotfiles.org/>

MILITARY SITES

Fisher House - <http://www.fisherhouse.org/>
Freedom Alliance - <http://freedomalliance.org/>
Agent Orange - <http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange/registry.asp>
Gulf War Illnesses - <http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/gulfwar/>
Health of Veterans Institute of Medicine - <http://www.iom.edu/>
Medal of Honor Citations - <http://www.history.army.mil/html/moh/index.html>

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POLICE-MEN NEWS Transfers-Appointments News pertaining to those in blue

3 May 1906

POLICEMAN VINING MAKES ANOTHER BREAK

They are telling another story on Policeman Clarence VINING in the Fourth avenue station. On Wednesday his brother policemen saw him bring in his own child as lost. Yesterday they declared he was so thoroughly impressed by the eloquence of Mrs. VINING that he held up every unprotected child he saw in the street, for fear it might be one of his own.

A two-year-old girl, so the other policemen declared, came toddling up to VINING at Thirty-eighth street and Fourth avenue, crying: "Dada, take baby home."

The good man stopped and pondered and then sent a boy hot foot to find Mrs. VINING. She ran the whole mile from her home to find her husband squandered candy on a little stranger.

The police declare that VINING muttered something about having been married three times before, and find it hard to keep track of his youngsters.

5 May 1906

POLICEMAN DEAD IN BED; BULLET HOLE IN TEMPLE

Patrolman John J. PATTERSON, of the West 152d street station, Manhattan, Was found dead in bed in his home, 2089 Amsterdam avenue, this morning with a bullet hole in his right temple. He is supposed to have committed suicide, but neither his wife nor brother officers know of any reason why he should have done so. He was 24 years old and had been married but a short time.

13 May 1906

SIXTY-FOUR POLICEMEN SENT TO THE ISLAND

Not in Disgrace, But to Keep Coney's Lid Down This Summer

The Coney Island police force was increased last night by the arrival of one roundsman and sixty-three patrolmen from the various precincts of Brooklyn and Manhattan. The new men are part of the force that will be on duty at the Island throughout the summer, under command of Capt. Patrick HARKINS.

The men sent to the Coney Island station from Brooklyn are:

Roundsman John HOGAN and Patrolman Thomas C. ADAMS, from the Fourth avenue station;
Patrolmen Walter O'DONNELL Daniel O'ROURKE, Fifth avenue;

Patrick O'HARA, Charles W. TRAIN, James GALLAGHER, Hamilton avenue;

Lawrence KEYS, Bergen street;

Cal McCARTHY, Amity street;

Eugene CONLAN, Fred COOTS, Patrick CUDMAN, Caspar JONES, Joseph F. FREEL, Adams street;

James HUMPHRIES, Joseph HANNELBERG, Fulton street;

Joseph F. GREEN, Patrick DONNELLY, Liberty avenue;

George W. JOHNSON, Fred EHLER, Gates avenue;

Paul BRADLEY, Ralph avenue; M. B. ROYCE, Classon avenue;

Martin W. WOOLF, Edward WHALEN, Flushing avenue;

James J. COLLINS, Lee avenue;

Paul CURRAN, Joseph J. HOFFMAN, Garfield A. WALES, George SKIVENS, Daniel THALL, Jefferson KEARNEY, Peter CONLIN, Jeremiah REGAN, Greenpoint avenue;

Joseph R. LEONARD Daniel WATERS, Herbert street;

John A. GADBORN, Edward L. DU BOIS, John SCHAWAED, William JONES, Bushwick avenue;

George H. SCHULTZ, Charles E. CARLTON, Hamburg avenue;

George W. HACKETT, Fulton street.

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POLICE-MEN NEWScontinued

From Manhattan these men are detailed:

John F. McGANN,	Charles A. PETERSON,	John CULHANE,	Charles ROBINSON,
Clarence J. MEEHAN,	Martin CAHILL,	John FALVEY,	John T. CARBERRY,
Patrick SHEA,	Richard OWENS,	James E. BROWN,	Joseph MURTAUGH,
Julius SCHEFFLER,	Michael O"BRIEN,	Henry MUGERRY	Charles A. SAYER,
Emil GRESLER,	Patrick CUTTER,	Abraham HARRISON,	Edward J. GLEASON
			Joseph ALEER.

Police Capt. Ernest LINDEMAN, of the Sheepshead Bay station, also received twelve more patrolmen for the Sheepshead Bay section for the summer.

Those transferred to Sheepshead Bay are:

Thomas P. DINNEAN, Fletcher FAIRCHILD, John McCORMACK, from Manhattan;
John J. QUINN and Peter McCLELLAN, from Liberty avenue station;
George P. FOLSEY, Bergen street;
George GARCIA and Lewis J. VALENTINE, Adams street;
Martin J. HANLEY, Gates avenue;
Charles BERINGER, Lee avenue;
Herbert J. GREENE, Hamburg avenue;
Joseph HAINES, Flatbush.

Thomas J. CALLAHAN, who has been doing detective duty at Coney Island, was remanded from plain clothes and transferred to the Bath Beach station.

15 May 1906

HEIRS WILL SUE POLICE CAPTAIN

Alleging that Police Captain David EVANS of the Prospect Park station, has betrayed the trust of a dying woman and is unlawfully withholding a police endowment policy made out shortly before her death by Sophie L. MATTERN, matron of the Fourth avenue station, heirs of the woman intend bringing suit in the civil courts to recover the endowment, which amounts to \$558.50. Mrs. MATTERN died in the Norwegian Hospital a year ago, of paralysis. Two days before her death she changed the name of the beneficiary in the endowment policy from that of her niece, Sophie MALONE, of Pittsburg, to Capt. EVANS.

Mrs. MALONE and friends of Mrs. MATTERN, who was somewhat of a mystery in the department, as it was considered her education and bearing fitted her for higher things than the position she held, declare that the change in the policy was made to expedite a settlement of the estate when Mrs. MATTERN realized that the end was near. Capt. EVANS thinks differently. When seen by a reporter he said that when Mrs. MATTERN was taken sick he had her removed to the hospital, saw that she received the best of treatment and at her request agreed to settle her affairs.

"I will willingly place the money in the hands of the Greenwood Cemetery authorities to keep Mrs. MATTERN's grave green forever, " he said, but I will not give up any of it to the grasping interest claiming to represent her heirs."

Capt. EVANS further stated that Mrs. MATTERN said when she made the change in the policy that she had neither seen nor heard of Mrs. MALONE for many years, and that she wanted the captain to keep the balance of the policy after the bills for the funeral had been paid."So far as the beneficiary money is concerned," said Capt. EVANS, "after paying the funeral and incidental expenses, there is little more than \$200 left. Two police commissioners have decided that I have a right to use the money as I see fit, but if I felt that I was doing wrong in keeping it, their opinion would make no difference, and I would give it to Mrs. MALONE. "As things are, however, I feel that I have a perfect claim to it. This endowment was made over to me by Mrs. MATTERN, when she knew quite well what she was doing and never until now has one word been said about my being 'a dummy beneficiary,' whose duty it was to turn over to Mrs. MALONE the remainder left after paying out the funeral expenses." Besides bringing suit for the recovery of the endowment, counsel for Mrs. MALONE will lay the matter before Commissioner BINGHAM and demand an investigation.

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POLICE-MEN NEWScontinued

17 May 1906

INSPECTORS ASSIGNED AND CAPTAINS SHIFTED

Police Commissioner BINGHAM transferred eight captains yesterday afternoon and assigned to duty two inspectors who had been retired by Commissioner MCADOO during his term of office, on the grounds of physical disability, and were reinstated by the courts.

The assignments were:

Inspector Thomas L. DRUHAN: Eleventh Inspection District, Brooklyn

Inspector Elbert O. SMITH: Fifth Inspection District, Manhattan

The transfers were:

Capt. John BUCHANAN: Rockaway Beach Station to Sub-station Harbor Squad, East 122d street, Manhattan.

Capt. John W. CONNOR: acting inspector Eleventh Inspection District, Brooklyn to Elizabeth street station, Manhattan, as captain.

Capt. Edward GALLAGHER: acting inspector Fifth Inspection district, Brooklyn, to East 104th street station, as captain.

Capt. Herman SHLOTTMAN: Elizabeth street station to command of Harbor Squad

Capt. Robert A. TIGHE: from Harbor Squad to Rockaway Beach station.

Capt. James MCGLYNN: Kingsbridge station to West 125th street station.

Capt. James THOMPSON: West 125th street station to Kingsbridge

Capt. John TAPPAN: East 104th street station to Glendale, Queens

After making public the assignments and transfers, Commissioner BINGHAM said that they were made "for the good of the service," and that he had no comments to make.

To make room for the reinstated inspectors, Commissioner BINGHAM was forced to send Acting Inspectors CONNOR and GALLAGHER, whom he was trying out, back to the commands of precincts. He kept both men in Manhattan. The four moves made the other transfers necessary, except in the case of Capt. THOMPSON and MCGLYNN. The latter goes back to a precinct which he formerly commanded for some time.

22 May 1906

WALDO PINS MEDALS ON EIGHT BRAVE POLICEMEN

For exceptional bravery in rescuing persons from drowning in the waters about this city, and imperiling their own lives in doing so, Deputy Police Commissioner WALDO pinned medals on the breasts of eight officers in Police Headquarters, Manhattan, to-day. Two of the policemen so honored are attached to Brooklyn precincts.

Roundsman Michael J. O'LOUGHLIN, of the Ralph avenue station, who received one of the gold medals, has been rewarded probably more than any other member of the police force. He has been presented with thirty medals for risking his life to save others, and one of these which was presented to him with the highest praises by Congress, he prizes highly. O'LOUGHLIN jumped overboard at the foot of Kent avenue in June last, near the B.R.T. power house, to rescue an old man who had fallen overboard. He had a hard time getting the man ashore, and in doing so swallowed a large amount of water which had been contaminated. This made him ill, and he was in the hospital for eight weeks in a serious condition.

Matthew McGRATH, of the 152d street station, also was highly commended by Deputy Commissioner WALDO for jumping into the Harlem River after a drowning man. If help had not arrived McGRATH and the man he was saving would have both gone to the bottom.

The following patrolmen received gold medals and \$30:

Daniel SHAW, Church street station;

Matthew McGRATH, 152d street station;

Aruthur(sic) T. ENNIS, Headquarters, Brooklyn;

Michael J. O'LOUGHLIN, Ralph avenue station.

Patrolmen Patrick F. MURPHY, -Charles M. COUGHLIN -Joseph WEEKESSER, of the Harbor Squad, Michael W. CONNELLY, of the Jefferson Market Court Squad, received bronze medals and \$20.

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POLICE-MEN NEWScontinued

Police Commissioner BINGHAM returned to the city to-day after an absence of nine days, spent in studying police conditions in Western cities, but took no part in the presentation of the medals.

LADDER POLICEMAN WILL HOLD HIS JOB

The marital affairs of Bicycle Policeman Adam WIESSHEIER and his wife, Clara, were aired again to-day when WIESSHEIER was before Deputy Commissioner O'KEEFE, charged by Capt. FOODY with entering a private residence without a warrant and arresting his wife and a man.

This act, the captain maintained, was a violation of the rules, which prohibits a policeman from entering a residence and making an arrest without a warrant. The case was dismissed by the Commissioner.

WIESSHEIER's wife left him early in April. Suspecting that she was living with one Benjamin MAY at a boarding house kept by Mrs. WHITE at 122 Lefferts place, he went there early on the morning of May 7 and with the aid of a ladder got into a second story window and arrested his wife and MAY. They were discharged the next morning in court.

Mrs. WHITE told the Commissioner to-day that when the couple hired a room from her they represented themselves as man and wife. WIESSHEIER has instituted divorce proceedings.

ROUNDSMAN BADLY CRUSHED BY HORSE

Roundsman TOMING, of the Prospect Park station, was badly hurt to-day in a drill on the Prospect Park Parade Grounds. His horse became unmanageable and finally dropped to the ground suddenly, badly crushing the officer. The horse fell on top of him.

Police Surgeon Albert FORD attended the injured man, who sustained serious internal injuries and concussion of the brain, besides many contusions. He was unconscious for three hours, but was revived by surgeons at Seny Hospital, to which he was removed.

30 May 1906

TRIES PATROLMAN ON CHARGE SIX YEARS OLD

An old case that has been hanging fire for six years came up this morning in the trial room of Police Headquarters before Deputy Commissioner O'KEEFE, when Patrolman Michael J. LYNAN was charged with extorting \$50 in 1900 from Frederick HEINMAN for not placing him under arrest for operating a slot machine in his saloon at Lockman street and East New York avenue.

The complaint was made six years ago before Commissioner YORK, who adjourned the case until the criminal courts, to which the matter had been taken, disposed of it. The jury disagreed and the indictment against LYNAN was quashed.

LYNAN contended this morning that Commissioner YORK had dismissed the case, but the police records had no account of it. He had none of his witnesses present to-day and the case was adjourned until Tuesday next.



Membership Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2017

President Harvey Katowitz called the meeting to order at 6:45pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 44 members, 02 new members and 02 guests present.

This was followed by the invocation by VP Dave Schultheis, and the reading of the names and circumstances of death of the 9 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty since last month's membership meeting.

In addition to the above, Harvey announced that former Club member Richard Clark, Bridgeport MA State College officer was killed in a motorcycle accident yesterday.

This was followed by a moment of silence for these officers and our service men and woman who have 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: Bob Fee
 Trustee: Brenda Jordan
 Trustee: Bernard Roe
 Trustee: John Sabato
 Historian: Kevin Gribbon
 Chaplain: Donald Sanchez - Excused

Introduction of Guest(s):

- Ret. NYPD Officer Al Ostoits, member of The Villages, Fla. 10-13 Club.

Review of March's Minutes A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Dave Schultheis and was seconded by Bernard Roe. The motion passed.

Sickness & Distress:

- Lucius McMillon is recovering from rotator cuff surgery.
- Paul Johnson is still in the hospital 2-1/2 months.
- On March 18 - Lam Yeung Kwong, 97 year old grandmother of club member Alex Ng passed away.
- Jon Vigilante is recovering from Shingles.

Communications & Bills:

- Club member Charlie Bianco just took Over the Rock Hill Branch of Orkin Pest Control and is hiring for the following positions:
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- Harvey advised that one of our members was caught in a speed trap on Rte. 501 in Aynor, SC while traveling to Myrtle Beach with his family.
- New York State Out-of-Network Surprise Medical Bill Assignment of Benefits Form: https://www.metroplus.org/getattachment/Provider-Services/ Surprise-Bill-OON-info/NYS_OON_AOB_form.pdf Use this form if you receive a surprise bill for health care services and want the services to be treated as in network.

To use this form, you must: (1) fill it out and sign it; (2) send a copy to your health care provider (include a copy of the bill or bills); and (3) send a copy to your insurer (include a copy of the bill or bills). If you don't know if it is a surprise bill, contact the Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736.

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- The NYPD Office of the Supervising Chief Surgeon is endeavoring to locate retired members of the Emergency Services Unit that participated in both the 2002 and 2007 pulmonary function studies.
- The NYPD Payroll Section has moved from 1 Police Plaza. Retirees who need to update their address with the Department should send a notarized letter to NYPD Payroll Section, 90 Church Street, 12th Fl., NY, NY 10007.
- Medicare reimbursement checks will be sent in June.

Report of Officers

President:

- National Mega Drawing- Winners are picked at convention in Sept. In the last 5yrs Club members have won the \$10,000 grand prize twice and the \$5,000 second prize once.
- NYPD Finest are playing the Charlotte Cobras on Saturday May 20th at North Mecklenburg H.S. 1pm. We will be hosting a dinner for them at the FOP on Thursday May 18. Volunteers are needed.
- 55 members have not paid their 2017 dues and will be removed from the Club.
- Tickets for the May 26 Knights game have to be reserved/purchased by April 28.
- FOP Lodge 9 Ladies Auxiliary Police Memorial Service will be conducted at Sharon Memorial Gardens on Thurs. May 11, 8pm. The ladies are looking for volunteers to help set up prior to the event. If you want to volunteer contact Harvey.

Vice President: Dave reported that we received 4 applications for the Club scholarships.

Treasurer: (See pg. 3) A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Rob Hart and was seconded by Joe Kozlowski. The motion was passed.

Secretary: There were 51 members; 01 honorary member; 01 new member and 04 guests present at this meeting.

Trustees:

- John Erker: no report
- Bob Fee: no report
- Brenda Jordan: no report
- Bernard Roe: no report
- John Sabato: no report

Sgt. at Arms: no report

Historian: no report

Committee Reports:

- Social: Night at the Knights Baseball Game, Fri. May 26.
- Membership: 398 members
- Honor Guard: Nothing to report.
- Sunshine: Nothing to report
- Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament: Oct. 2. at the Ballantyne Golf Club will benefit the Camp Lejeune Wounded Warrior Battalion. (Not associated with the Wounded Warrior Project). Harvey asked members to assist in getting donations and hole sponsors for the tournament.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Proposition for Membership.

- Ret. NYPD Det. Joseph Racicot, Bklyn. So. Apprehension Team
- Ret. NYCDOC C.O. Carl Perry.

A motion to accept the new members was made by John Erker and was seconded by John Sabato. The motion passed.

Good of the Club:

- 50/50 of \$135 was won by Fred Layne.
- The names of the recipients of the NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte Scholarships were chosen as follows:
 1. Bob Andretta Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded to Mathew Erker, John Erker's son.
 2. 9/11 Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded to Christian Robinson, Martin Robinson's son
 3. Jim Houston Memorial Scholarship of \$500 - no applicant.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dan McKenna and was seconded by Rob Hart. The motion passed.

Next Meeting
Tuesday, May 9, 2017

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Scott Hickey.



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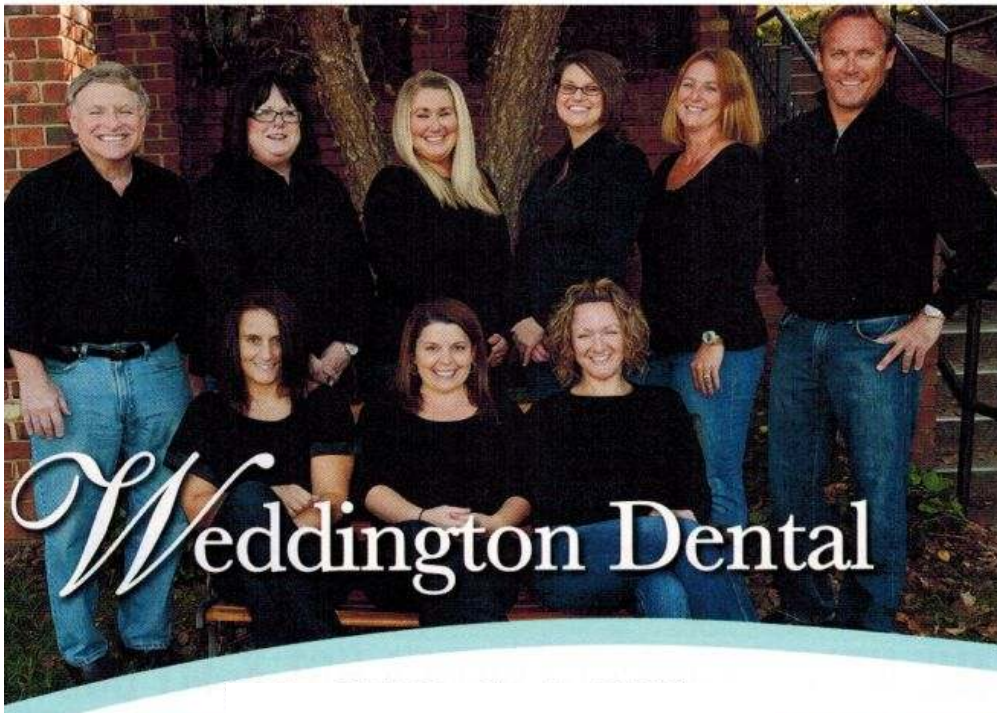
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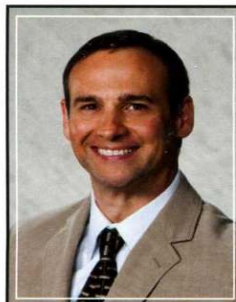
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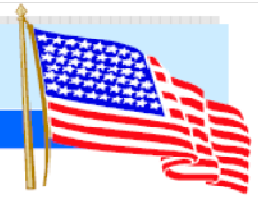
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