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AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS



Club Officers

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

As the 17th anniversary of that tragic day approaches, the horrendous repercussions of 9/11 continues. 184 NYPD officers, including 10 who died this year, 2 NYPD civilian member, 6 NY/NJPAPD officers, 43 officers/agents from other city, state and federal agencies and 179 FDNY firefighters have died of 9/11 related illnesses and hundreds more are suffering and battling illnesses contracted while doing search and recovery operations in the aftermath of 9/11. (See pages 18-23).

To honor these heroes and the memory of the 23 NYPD officers, 37 NY/NJ PAPD officers, 343 NYFD firemen, 2 paramedics and the other 2,612 victims who perished that day, our Club will be holding a 9/11 Memorial Ceremony during our September 11 membership meeting. (See pages 4-11 for the 9/11 program)

REMINDER: Hawthorne Lane between Bay Street and Hawthorne Bridge Court will be closed to all through traffic until the Spring of 2019, so give yourself extra time going to meeting.

ALL motorists should utilize East 7th Street and Central Avenue as the detour.

From August 15-19, I along with Club treasurer Ben Pepitone and trustee Brenda Jordan attended the North Carolina State Lodge Fraternal Order of Police Biennial Conference as delegates for Charlotte Mecklenburg FOP Lodge 9. During the conference 2 of the 3 candidates running for the North Carolina Supreme Court and all 9 candidates running for the Court of Appeals gave a 5 minutes presentation on why the FOP should endorse their candidacy.

The following judges were endorsed by the NC State FOP:

- Supreme Court Seat 1 Judge Barbara Jackson.
- Court of Appeals Seat 1 John S. Arrowood
- Court of Appeals Seat 2 Judge Sandra Ray
- Court of Appeals Seat 3 Allegra Collins

During our September membership meeting we will be taking nominations for three trustee positions. If you will not be at the meeting, but are interested in running for trustee, notify one of our board members.

Our golf tournament is a month away. (See pgs. 16 & 17) If you will be playing in the tournament and have not yet paid, please bring a check to this months membership meeting. Additionally, if you will not be at the tournament, but want to participate in the 50/50 or be entered in our prize drawing, you will be able to purchase raffles at the meeting.

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

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

TIME IS RUNNING OUT

I am still receiving inquiries from our members about the World Trade Center Health Program. If you were there when the buildings came down or participated in the search and recovery effort afterwards, and have not yet submitted a World Trade Center Notice of Participation do so now, even if you have not been diagnosed with an illness.

WTC Notice of Participation Extended Until 2018

The deadline for submissions for the **World Trade Center Notice of Participation** (“NOP”) Form has been extended. The Governor signed the extender bill on September 11, 2016, and now the new deadline runs until **September 11, 2018**.

As you are aware, the Notice of Participation is **not** an application for disability benefits, but merely preserves the right of the member of the service to file for a WTC disability pension if he or she becomes disabled due to a 9/11-related illness. Failure to file the NOP may preclude the member from receiving a WTC disability pension or death benefit in the future.

The deadline to file for the Notice of Participation to be eligible for the Disability bill and the Death bill has been extended many times since the legislation was passed. However, **September 11, 2018 will be the final deadline.**

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

If you believe you already filed, but are not sure, the PPF has listed all the Tax ID numbers of those whose paperwork they’ve already received under “WTC Information” on the left side of the home page. First, click on “WTC Information” and *check the pdf file* to see if your number is listed. If it is, then you do not have to re-file. However, if your number does **not** appear, you must file the form (even if you currently have no symptoms of illness) by **September 11, 2018** to be eligible in the future in case of illness and/or death.

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

The New York Police Pension Fund website can be found at — <http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/home/home.shtml>

WTC information website can be found at: http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/wtc_information/wtc_information.shtml

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, 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, 25th 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 and search for your tax identification number.

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2018 is an even year and therefore NYC retirees are eligible to change their health care plans later this year. Sabrina DeGuzman Simmons, Medicare Account Director, Retiree Markets for Aetna will be at our October 9 Membership Meetings to discuss Aetna’s health plan and answer questions. She gave a very informative presentation at our membership meeting two years ago.

More information about switching health plans can be found at the City of New York Office of Labor Relations website:

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/retiree/health-retiree-responsibilities-assistance.page>

The City of New York OLR will send out information and transfer forms prior to the transfer period!

# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I once again received an invitation that is extended to all 10-13 Club members. On Wednesday, September 19 at 9:15am, Christ Covenant Church and Day School, 800 Fullwood Lane, Matthews, NC, will be honoring law enforcement and other emergency service personnel during their annual **“Community Heroes Celebration and Service.”**

Prior to the service there will be a **“Community Heroes Breakfast”** at 8:30am in the church’s worship center.

This will be my fifteenth year attending and it is something that I look forward to each year. The celebration and the appreciation expressed by the students, faculty and congregants of the School and Church towards emergency service personnel is heartwarming and uplifting.

Please let me know if you will be attending so that I can RSVP with the number of our members who will be there.

Covenant Day School invites you to join us at our *Community Heroes* BREAKFAST & CELEBRATION

For nearly 20 years, we have joined together to celebrate and remember our heroes from the Greater Charlotte Metro area and beyond. This year, we are excited to share with you a new format to our Annual Community Heroes Celebration. We are grateful for your service and look forward to seeing you!

Wednesday, September 19

| Breakfast         | Celebration Service |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 8:30 AM - 9:15 AM | 9:15 AM - 10 AM     |

Covenant Day School  
Community Life Center  
800 Fullwood Lane, Matthews, NC 28105

RSVP [www.covenantday.org/heroes](http://www.covenantday.org/heroes)



Samantha LaRossa, daughter of deceased club member Jimmy LaRossa, holding a check for \$3,856 which is the second of four checks she will receive from a college fund that the Club established for her after her father’s death in 2012.

Samantha is in her second year at Michigan State .

I want to thank everyone who participated in the 1st Annual Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament, the proceeds which were used to establish her college fund and those of you who have contributed to her fund throughout the years.

I know that Jimmy is smiling down at us from heaven, thankful for what we are doing for Samantha.

Stay safe!

Harvey Katowitz





**2018 NYPD 10-13 CLUB OF CHARLOTTE  
9/11 MEMORIAL CEREMONY**



**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2018**



America The Beautiful.....Bagpiper Club Member Jim Brennan

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation.....Trustee Bob Fee

*Dear Lord, we ask for your blessings for our members, their families, all law enforcement officers and all service men and women. Please protect them and be with them during their tours of duty, and when their tours are completed and the day is over, guide them safely home to their loved ones. We are eternally indebted to all of our brothers and sisters who have sacrificed their lives in the performance of their duties. Give to their loved ones the peace and strength to bear the anguish of their loss. Help them to remove all resentment from their hearts, knowing that peace that you offer is a peace that endures forever. This we ask in your name, forever and ever, Amen.*

Opening Remarks.....Pres. Harvey Katowitz

World Trade Center Roll Call of Honor

NYPD.....Club Member Frank DeMasi

NYNJ PAPD.....Club Member John Cannizzo

Bell Tolling.....Trustee Brenda Jordan

NYPD 9/11 Related Illness Roll Call of Honor

Supervisors.....VP Dave Schultheis

Detectives.....Trustee John Sabato

Police Officers.....

Non-NYPD 9/11 Related Illness Roll Call of Honor

.....Club Member Lisa Rosa

Taps.....Stephen Fadero

Benediction.....Trustee Bob Fee

Amazing Grace.....Bagpiper Club Member Jim Brennan

## **9/11/01 WORLD TRADE CENTER NYPD ROLL CALL OF HONOR**

|                     |                       |                      |
|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Sgt. John Coughlin  | P.O. Jerome Dominguez | P.O. John Perry      |
| Sgt. Michael Curtin | P.O. Stephen Driscoll | P.O. Glenn Pettit    |
| Sgt. Rodney Gillis  | P.O. Mark Ellis       | P.O. Moira Smith     |
| Sgt. Timothy Roy    | P.O. Robert Fazio     | P.O. Ramon Suarez    |
| Det Claude Richards | P.O. Ronald Kloepper  | P.O. Paul Talty      |
| Det. Joseph Vigiano | P.O. Thomas Langone   | P.O. Santos Valentin |
| P.O. John Dallara   | P.O. James Leahy      | P.O. Walter Weaver   |
| P.O. Vincent Danz   | P.O. Brian McDonnell  |                      |

## **9/11/01 WORLD TRADE CENTER NYNJ PAPD ROLL CALL OF HONOR**

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|--------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Supt. Fred Morrone       | P.O. Donald McIntyre | P.O. Maurice Barry     |
| Insp. Anthony Infante    | P.O. George Howard   | P.O. Michael Wholey    |
| Chief James Romito       | P.O. Gregg Froehner  | P.O. Nathaniel Webb    |
| Capt. Kathy Mazza        | P.O. James Lynch     | P.O. Paul Jurgens      |
| Lt. Robert Cirri         | P.O. James Nelson    | P.O. Paul Laszczynski  |
| P.O. Alfonse Niedermeyer | P.O. James Parham    | P.O. Richard Rodriguez |
| P.O. Antonio Rodrigues   | P.O. John Lennon     | P.O. Robert Kaufers    |
| P.O. Bruce Reynolds      | P.O. John Levi       | P.O. Steve Huczko      |
| P.O. Christopher Amoroso | P.O. John Skala      | P.O. Thomas Gorman     |
| P.O. Clinton Davis       | P.O. Joseph Navas    | P.O. Uhuru Houston     |
| P.O. David LeMagne       | P.O. Kenneth Tietjen | P.O. Walter McNeil     |
| P.O. Domonick Pezzulo    | P.O. Liam Callahan   | P.O. Walwyn Stuart     |
| P.O. Donald Foreman      |                      |                        |

## **THE FOLLOWING NYPD HEROES HAVE DIED AS A RESULT OF 9/11 ILLNESSES**

|             |                   |         |                       |         |                     |
|-------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------------------|
| Ch. Of Det. | William Alee      | Capt.   | Dennis Morales        | Lt. S/A | Carlos Ocasio       |
| Dep. Ch.    | Steve Bonano      | Capt.   | Ronald G. Pfeifer Sr. | Lt.     | Christopher M. Pupo |
| Dep. Ch.    | James Molloy      | Capt.   | Peter L. Pischera     | Lt.     | Gerald Rex          |
| Asst. Chief | Michael V. Quinn  | Capt.   | Scott V. Stelmok      | Lt.     | John Roland         |
| Insp.       | Donald G. Feser   | Lt.     | Rebecca A. Buck       | Lt.     | Marci Simms         |
| Insp.       | James Guida       | Lt.     | Steven L. Cioffi      | Lt.     | Kenneth W. Rosello  |
| Insp.       | Richard D. Winter | Lt.     | Jeffrey W. Francis    | Lt.     | Robert Rice         |
| Capt.       | Barry Galfano     | Lt.     | Luis A. Lopez         | Sgt.    | Alex W. Baez        |
| Capt.       | Edward C. Gilpin  | Lt. S/A | Jacqueline McCarthy   | Sgt. SD | Gerard Beyrodt      |
| Capt.       | Edward McGreal    | Lt.     | Brian S. Mohamed      | Sgt.    | Patrick Boyle       |

## 9/11/01 WORLD TRADE CENTER NYPD ROLL CALL OF HONOR

|         |                      |        |                       |      |                        |
|---------|----------------------|--------|-----------------------|------|------------------------|
| Sgt.    | Charles Clarke       | Det.   | Christian Lindsay     | P.O. | Otto R. Espinoza       |
| Sgt.    | Patrick Coyne        | Det.   | John Kristoffersen    | P.O. | Edward Ferraro         |
| Sgt.    | Garrett Danza        | Det.   | John J. Marshall      | P.O. | Alexander Figueroa     |
| Sgt.    | Paul Ferrara         | Det. 1 | Tommy L. Merriweather | P.O. | Nicholas G. Finelli    |
| Sgt.    | Michael Galvin       | Det. 1 | James W. Monahan      | P.O. | Michael G Flaherty     |
| Sgt.    | Charles R. Gunzelman | Det.   | Robert a. Montanez    | P.O. | Judt Ghany-Barounis    |
| Sgt.    | Claire T. Hanrahan   | Det. 2 | Michael Morales       | P.O. | Deborah Garbutt-Jeff   |
| Sgt.    | Wayne A. Jackson     | Det.   | Edwin Ortiz           | P.O. | Matthew J. Gay         |
| Sgt. SD | Mark Lawler          | Det. 2 | Ronald A. Richards    | P.O. | James Godbee           |
| Sgt.    | Ray McGowan          | Det. 1 | Roberto L. Rivera     | P.O. | Robert Grossman        |
| Sgt.    | Michael J. McHugh    | Det.   | George Remouns        | P.O. | Diane Halbran          |
| Sgt.    | Patrick J. Murphy    | Det. 1 | John A. Russo         | P.O. | Michael Hance          |
| Sgt.    | Edmund P. Murray     | Det.   | Joseph Seabrook       | P.O. | Murtain Haskin         |
| Sgt.    | Terrence S. O'Hara   | Det.   | Andrew L. Siroka      | P.O. | Robert B. Helmke       |
| Sgt.    | Donald O'Leary       | Det. 2 | Christopher Strucker  | P.O. | Richard Holland        |
| Sgt.    | Louis R. Pioli       | Det.   | Traci Tack-Czajkowski | P.O. | Demetrias Hopkins      |
| Sgt.    | Michael W. Ryan      | Det.   | William B Titus       | P.O. | Richard Jakubowski     |
| Sgt. SD | Stephen P. Scalza    | Det.   | Harry Valentin        | P.O. | Cheryl D. Johnson      |
| Sgt.    | Jacqueline Schaeffer | Det. 2 | Thomas Ward           | P.O. | Paul Johnson           |
| Sgt.    | Harold J Smith       | Det.   | Charles J. Wassil     | P.O. | Louise M. Johnston     |
| Sgt.    | Edward D. Thompson   | Det. 2 | Thomas Weiner         | P.O. | Robert W. Kaminski     |
| Sgt.    | Michael Wagner       | Det.   | Richard H. Wentz      | P.O. | Charles M. Karen       |
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| Det.    | James A. Albanese    | Det.   | James Zadroga         | P.O. | Jeffrey E. Lee         |
| Det.    | Aslyn Beckles        | P.O.   | Christine Ade         | P.O. | Richard Lopez          |
| Det. 1  | Joseph Cavitolo      | P.O.   | Karen E. Barnes       | P.O. | Frank Macri            |
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| Det.    | Leroy Dixon          | P.O.   | James M. Burke        | P.O. | Christopher S. McMurry |
| Det.    | Louis G. Fernandez   | P.O.   | Madeline Carlo        | P.O. | Mark J. Natale         |
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| Det.    | Steven Hom           | P.O.   | Anthony DeJesus       | P.O. | Angelo Peluso          |
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| Det.    | William Kinane       | P.O.   | Renee Dunbar          | P.O. | Christine Reilly       |
| Det.    | Steven Kubinski      | P.O.   | Robert M. Ehmer       | P.O. | Peter O. Rodriguez     |

## 9/11/01 WORLD TRADE CENTER NYPD ROLL CALL OF HONOR

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### THE FOLLOWING NON-NYPD HEROES HAVE DIED AS A RESULT OF 9/11 ILLNESSES

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| FBI Supervisory Special Agent Brian L. Crews        | NYNJ PAPD P.O. John M. Cortazzo       |
| CUNY PD Deputy Chief John P. McKee                  | Nassau Co. P.O. Waldemar Freyre       |
| Suffolk Co. Deputy Chief John Haugh                 | NYNJ PAPD P.O. James Kennelly         |
| NJ State Police Lt. William G. Fearon               | Newton, NJ P.O. Stephen A Ketchum     |
| Yonkers PD Lt. Roy D. McLaughlin                    | Yonkers, NY P.O. Anthony Maggione     |
| NYNJ PAPD Sgt. Lawrence A. Guanieri                 | Nassau Co. P.O. Peter Martino         |
| NYNJ PAPD Sgt. Vincent Joseph Oliva                 | Nassau Co. P.O. Paul J. McCabe        |
| NY State Police Sgt. Charles R. Salaway             | Nassau Co. P.O. Robert Negri          |
| Triboro Bridge & Tunnel Sgt. Gary L. Kamertz        | New Rochelle P.O. Kathleen O'Connor   |
| Montclair, NJ State Univ. Sgt. Christopher A. Vidro | Nassau Co. P.O. Luis Palermo Jr.      |
| NYNJ PAPD Det. Bruce J Viania                       | Nassau Co. P.O. Thomas P. Schubert    |
| NY State Police Senior Inv. Thomas G. Moran, Jr     | NYNJ PAPD P.O. Patrick A Versge       |
| NY Co. DA's Senior Inv. Fred Ghussin                | Deputy US Marshal Kenneth J. Doyle    |
| NY State Police Inv. Paul R. Stuewer                | Deputy US Marshal Zacarias Toro, Jr   |
| ASPCA Special Agent Diane DiGiacomo                 | NYC DOC Officer Larry Adler           |
| FBI Special Agent Gerard D Senatore                 | NYC DOC Officer John Baez             |
| Bureau of ATF Special Agent William C. Sheldon      | NYC DOC Officer Antonio Clark         |
| Conn. Trooper Walter Greene                         | NYC DOC Officer Fernando Gonzalez     |
| NY State Trooper Michael J. Anson                   | NYC DOC Officer Michael Muzio         |
| NY State Trooper Darryl J. Burroughs, Sr.           | NYC DOC Officer Antolino Rexach       |
| NY State Trooper Brian S. Falb                      | NYC DOC Officer Robert Schor          |
| NY State Trooper Covell Chase Pierce                | NYC DOC Officer Michael J Swetokos    |
| NYNJ PAPD P.O. Charles Barzydlo                     | NYC DOC Officer Jeffery Taylor        |
| Nassau Co. P.O. Charles D. Cole                     |                                       |





# OUR NYPD HEROES



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Sgt. Michael Curtin



Sgt. Rodney Gillis



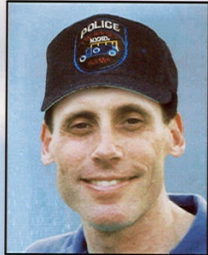
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Det. Claude Richards



Det. Joseph Vigiano



P. O. John D'Allara



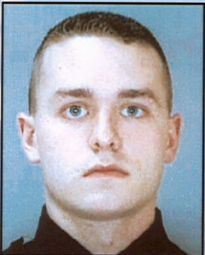
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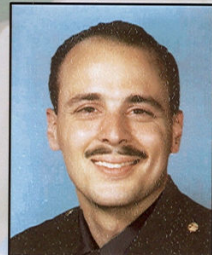
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P. O. Ronald Kloepfer



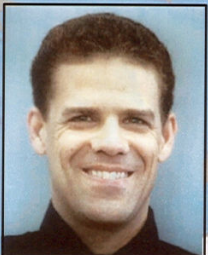
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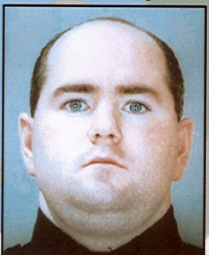
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P. O. Brian McDonnell



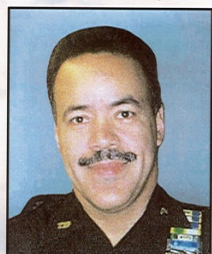
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P. O. Glen Pettit



P. O. Moira Smith



P. O. Ramon Suarez



P. O. Paul Talty



P. O. Santos Valentin



P. O. Walter Weaver

## FIDELIS AD MORTEM



In Memory To Our Fallen Heroes  
September 11, 2001



Always in our minds and hearts  
Gone but never forgotten.....

*NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC*



**Faithful  
unto Death**

*Fidelis Ad Mortem*

*New York's Finest*

**BLUE  
LIVES  
MATTER!**



# They Must Never Be Forgotten



## National Law Enforcement Officers MEMORIAL FUND RESPECT. HONOR. REMEMBER.

Dear Capt. Katowitz,

The National Law Enforcement Museum at the Motorola Solutions Foundation Building in Washington, DC, a project of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, will open its doors to the public on October 13, 2018!

Citizens and law enforcement professionals from diverse perspectives and backgrounds will have a place to learn and share in the vibrant story of American law enforcement. We are very excited about the many programs and exhibits the Museum will feature, but this kind of strong outreach programming requires robust funding for years to come.

Fortunately, many in Congress agree. Earlier this year, legislation was introduced to help raise millions in private dollars for Museum programming. The *National Law Enforcement Museum Commemorative Coin Act* directs the U.S. Treasury to mint a coin to commemorate the opening of the Museum, and proceeds from the sale of the coins will benefit the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund for these programs and exhibits.

This bi-partisan bill **will not cost any taxpayer dollars**. All funding will come from the sale of coins to private citizens.

Send an email to your U.S. House Representative and Senators asking them to co-sponsor this important legislation: <http://support.nleomf.org/site/R?i=ZOS3Goc4AWZKTb1zZI-3sQ>

If they've already co-sponsored, you can send them a short email thanking them for their support of the bill and the law enforcement community.

[Email Your Representatives](#)

<http://support.nleomf.org/site/R?i=tmx0eXl2c-O5Q164n0A-mA>

Thank you for your time and longstanding support.

Sincerely,

Craig W. Floyd  
Chief Executive Officer  
National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund

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# They Must Never Be Forgotten



## NYPD officer dies of 9/11-related cancer

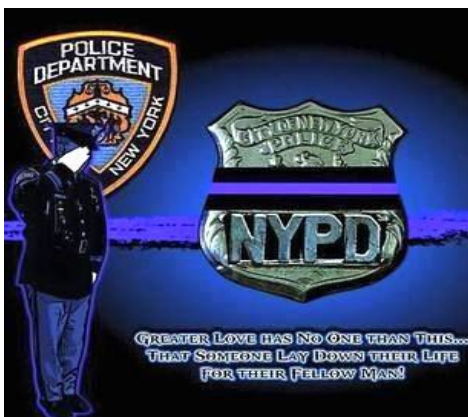
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NEW YORK — A veteran NYPD officer died of the cancer he developed following his involvement in search and recovery efforts at Ground Zero.

Officer Richard Lopez, 52, died of the illness on June 24 and had served with the NYPD for 20 years, [according to Officer Down Memorial Page](#). Lopez leaves behind a wife, daughter and brother.

Lopez was one of many first responders who responded to the terrorist attack at the World Trade Center. Seventy-one LEOs, 343 members of the NYC Fire Department and more than 2,800 civilians were killed in the 9/11 attacks.

Lopez, who was also a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, was presented with the NYPD flag during his funeral in his native Puerto Rico.



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NEW ROCHELLE - Officer Kathleen O'Connor died Thursday August 16, 2018 from a 9/11-related illness, the city's police department announced today. She was 56.

"In the end, her dignity, good spirits and courage were intact and unbreakable," said Detective Christopher Greco, of the city's Police Benevolent Association. He described her as "a beloved member" of the department.

O'Connor was a 20-year veteran of the New Rochelle Police Department. Her career began in January 1998, and she was most recently a warrant officer in the Criminal Investigations Division.

[MORE: Congress keeps 9/11 health programs together, Lowey plays key role](#)

Police said O'Connor took part in rescue and recovery efforts after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City.

Before joining the police force, she worked for city's Board of Education for over a decade, according to the Lloyd Maxcy & Sons Beauchamp Chapel funeral home website.

O'Connor is survived by her husband Anthony Funigiello and step-children Frank Funigiello, Elaine Muller and Ann Marie Nicoletti.



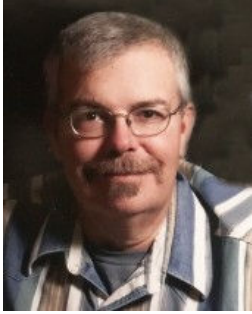
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[Investigator Timothy Dale Cole, Sr.](#)  
Comanche County District Attorney's Office, OK  
EOW: Saturday, August 4, 2018  
Cause: Gunfire

Investigator Tim Cole succumbed to gunshot wounds sustained on June 18th, 2007, while attempting to serve a high-risk search warrant at a condominium in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Investigator Cole was assigned to the Comanche County Drug Task Force and was assisting members of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs in serving the warrant at approximately 6:40 am. The subject had sold methamphetamine to undercover agents on two occasions was known to be armed.

As agents attempted to breach the door the man opened fire from inside, shooting through the door and striking Investigator Cole and an OBN agent. Other agents returned fired and killed the subject.

Investigator Cole suffered a spinal cord injury that rendered him a paraplegic. His health continued to deteriorate and he died from complications of his wounds on August 4th, 2018.

Investigator Cole is survived by his wife, three children, eight grandchildren, parents, and three siblings.



[Officer Kirk A. Griess](#)  
California Highway Patrol, CA  
EOW: Friday, August 10, 2018  
Cause: Struck by vehicle

Officer Kirk Griess was struck and killed by a vehicle while conducting a traffic stop .

Another vehicle entered the area and struck both Officer Griess and the vehicle he had stopped. Officer Griess and the driver of the stopped car were both killed.

The driver of the car that struck them was on the cell phone at the time of the incident and was charged with felony gross vehicular manslaughter and reckless driving causing fatal injuries.

Officer Griess was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran and had served with the California Highway Patrol for 19 years. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, and son.



[Police Officer Fadi Shukur](#)  
Detroit Police Department, MI  
EOW: Tuesday, August 14, 2018  
Cause: Vehicular assault

Police Officer Fadi Shukur succumbed to injuries sustained on August 4th, 2018, when he was struck by a hit-and-run driver .

He was assisting other officers with crowd control outside of a club at approximately 2:30 am when a vehicle struck him at a high rate of speed. The vehicle fled the scene but the driver turned himself in a short time later. The driver was charged with vehicular homicide and alcohol-related felony hit-and-run.

Officer Shukur was a U.S. Navy veteran of the War on Terror and had served with the Detroit Police Department for 18 months. He is survived by his wife of six weeks.



[Deputy Sheriff Ben Zirbel](#)  
Clay County Sheriff's Office, FL  
EOW: Tuesday, August 21, 2018  
Cause: Motorcycle crash

Deputy Sheriff Ben Zirbel succumbed to injuries sustained in a motorcycle crash two days earlier.

He was traveling southbound when a pickup truck towing a trailer turned left in front of him. Deputy Zirbel was unable to avoid the vehicle and collided with the trailer. He was thrown from his department motorcycle and suffered serious injuries. He remained on life support until his organs could be donated.

Deputy Zirbel had served with the Clay County Sheriff's Office for 12 years. He is survived by his wife and son.



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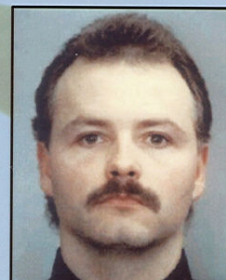
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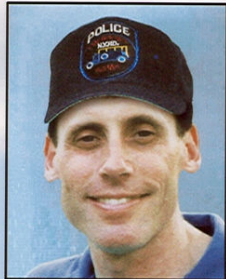
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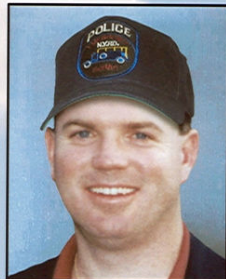
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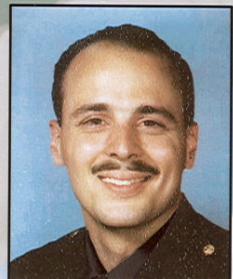
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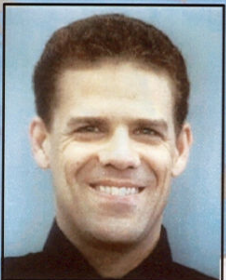
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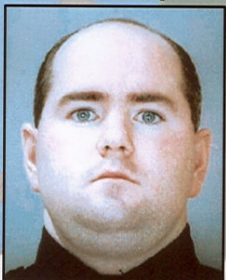
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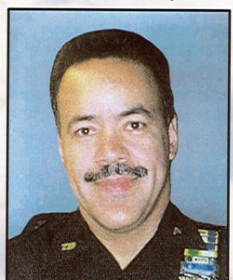
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P. O. Walter Weaver



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## OUR NYNJ PAPD 911 HEROES



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P.O. James Lynch



P.O. Bruce Reynolds



Chief James Romito



P.O. Liam Callahan



P.O. Stephen Huczko, Jr.



P.O. Donald McIntyre



P.O. Antonio Rodrigues



Insp. Anthony Infante



P.O. Clinton Davis



P.O. Paul Jurgens



P.O. Walter McNeil



P.O. Richard Rodriguez



Capt. Kathy Mazza



P.O. Donald Foreman



P.O. Paul Laszczynski



P.O. Joseph Navas



P.O. John Skala



Lt. Robert Cirri



P.O. Gregg Froehner



P.O. David P. LeMagne



P.O. James Nelson



P.O. Walwyn Stuart



Sgt. Robert Kaufers



P.O. Thomas Gorman



P.O. John Lennon



P.O. Alfonse Niedermeyer



P.O. Kenneth Tietjen



P.O. Christopher Amoroso



P.O. Uhuru Gonja  
Houston



P.O. John Levi



P.O. James Parham



P.O. Nathaniel Webb



P.O. Dominick Pezzulo



P.O. Michael Wholey

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## 911 Related Deaths

| Date of Death | Rank                           | Name                  | Sh. # | Command                             |
|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| May 24 2018   | Chief of Detectives            | William Alee          |       | Detetive Division                   |
| Jan 17 2015   | Deputy Chief                   | Steve Bonano          | N/A   | Patrol Boroughugh Bklyn. So.        |
| Jan 30 2017   | Deputy Chief                   | James Molloy          | N/A   | Detective Borough Queens            |
| Jun 5 2016    | Assistant Chief                | Michael V. Quinn      | N/A   | OCCB                                |
| Sep 12 2009   | Inspector                      | Donald G. Feser       | N/A   | Man. Traffic Task Force             |
| Oct. 31 2014  | Inspector                      | James Guida           | N/A   | Narcotics Division                  |
| Oct 25 2008   | Inspector                      | Richard D. Winter     | N/A   | Fleet Services Div.                 |
| Jun 26 2011   | Captain                        | Barry Galfano         | N/A   | ESU                                 |
| Sep 7 2006    | Captain                        | Edward C. Gilpin      | N/A   | Patrol Borough Man. So.             |
| Oct 13 2017   | Captain                        | Edward McGreal        | N/A   | PSA 6                               |
| Jul 27 2012   | Captain                        | Dennis Morales        | N/A   | Emergency Service Unit              |
| Mar 5 2014    | Captain                        | Ronald G. Pfeifer Sr. | N/A   | Patrol Services Bureau              |
| Mar 24 2009   | Captain                        | Peter L. Pischera     | N/A   | Det. Borough Bx.                    |
| Dec 29 2014   | Captain                        | Scott V. Stelmok      | N/A   | 103 Pct.                            |
| Jul 21 2015   | Lieutenant                     | Rebecca A. Buck       | N/A   | Internal Affairs Division           |
| Feb 5 2013    | Lieutenant                     | Steven L. Cioffi      | N/A   | Central Park Pct.                   |
| Jan 13 2018   | Lieutenant                     | Jeffrey W. Francis    | N/A   |                                     |
| Jun 26 2015   | Lieutenant                     | Luis A. Lopez         | N/A   | 30 Pct.                             |
| Jul 5 2010    | Lieutenant S/A                 | Jacqueline McCarthy   | N/A   | Emp. Rel. Counseling Services Unit  |
| Mar 25 2009   | Lieutenant                     | Brian S. Mohamed      | N/A   | 20 Pct.                             |
| Nov 21 2009   | Lieutenant S/A                 | Carlos Ocasio         | N/A   | Office Deputy Commissioner Training |
| Jun 23 2012   | Lieutenant                     | Christopher M. Pupo   | N/A   | 41 Pct.                             |
| Mar 30 2009   | Lieutenant                     | Gerald Rex            | N/A   | Patrol Borough Man. So.             |
| Jan 26 2017   | Lieutenant                     | John Roland           | N/A   | Counterterrorism Division           |
| Nov 5 2015    | Lieutenant                     | Marci Simms           | N/A   | 107 Pct.                            |
| May 2 2016    | Lieutenant                     | Kenneth W. Rosello    | N/A   | Gang Division                       |
| Apr 12 2003   | Lieutenant                     | Robert Rice           | N/A   | Narc. Borough Bklyn. North          |
| Nov 22 2008   | Sergeant                       | Alex W. Baez          |       | 84 Pct..                            |
| Oct 20 2015   | Sergeant Supv. Detective Squad | Gerard Beyrodt        |       | Midtown No. Pct. Det. Sqd.          |
| Sep 15 2016   | Sergeant                       | Patrick Boyle         |       | PBBX                                |
| Nov 7 2009    | Sergeant                       | Charles Clarke        |       | Housing Bureau PSA - 8              |
| Mar 12 2017   | Sergeant                       | Patrick Coyne         |       | PSA 8                               |
| Jul 11 2012   | Sergeant                       | Garrett Danza         |       | Communications Div.                 |
| Aug. 4, 2014  | Sergeant                       | Paul Ferrara          |       | 110 Pct                             |
| Nov 27 2015   | Sergeant                       | Michael Galvin        |       | Intelligence Bureau                 |
| May 31 2015   | Sergeant                       | Charles R. Gunzelman  |       | Transit Bureau District 23          |
| Aug 28 2007   | Sergeant                       | Claire T. Hanrahan    | 1472  | Narc. Borough Man. North            |
| Nov 13 2015   | Sergeant                       | Wayne A. Jackson      |       | Narcotics Borough Bx.               |
| Aug 15 2015   | Sergeant                       | Charles Kuhn          |       |                                     |
| Aug 13 2014   | Sergeant Supv. Detective Squad | SDS Mark Lawler       |       | Ch. Of Det.                         |
| Aug 9 2016    | Sergeant                       | Ray McGowan           |       | Auto Crime Division                 |
| Jul 3 2012    | Sergeant                       | Michael J. McHugh     |       | Patrol Borough Manhattan So.        |
| Aug 21 2014   | Sergeant                       | Patrick J. Murphy     |       | ESU Sqd. 5                          |
| July 28 2015  | Sergeant                       | Edmund P. Murray      |       | Transit bureau District 3           |
| Mar 10 2017   | Sergeant                       | Terrence S. O'Hara    |       | Gang Sqd. Qns.                      |

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| Date of Death | Rank                     | Name                  | Sh. # | Command                                |
|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------|----------------------------------------|
| Mar 26 2014   | Sergeant                 | Donald O'Leary        |       | Transit Bureau District 11             |
| Oct 29 2015   | Sergeant                 | Louis R. Pioli        |       | 61 Pct.                                |
| Sep 5 2007    | Sergeant                 | Michael W. Ryan       | 2477  | Warrant Section                        |
| Oct 1 2014    | Sergeant Supv. Detective | Stephen P. Scalza     |       | Asset Forfeiture Unit                  |
| Dec 12 2011   | Sergeant                 | Jacqueline Schaeffer  |       | Quality Assurance Division             |
| Mar 5 2011    | Sergeant                 | Harold J Smith        |       | Narcotics Borough Staen Island         |
| Mar 20 2008   | Sergeant                 | Edward D. Thompson    | 2844  | Intelligence Div.                      |
| Apr. 27 2007  | Sergeant                 | Michael Wagner        |       | 1 Pct.                                 |
| Jan 11 2006   | Detective 2              | Sandra Y. Adrian      | 6443  | IAB                                    |
| Oct 24 2016   | Detective 1              | Gerard Ahearn         |       | 71 Pct. Det. Sqd,                      |
| Aug 13 2014   | Detective                | James A. Albanese     |       | Narcotics Borough Manhattan So.        |
| Jan 18 2014   | Detective                | Aslyn Beckles         |       | IAB                                    |
| Oct 25 2013   | Detective 1              | Joseph Cavitolo       |       | DCPI                                   |
| May 6 2008    | Detective                | John Coggin           |       | 94 PDS                                 |
| Jan 14 2014   | Detective                | Angel A. Creagh       |       | Narc. Borough. Bklyn. So.              |
| Dec 15 2010   | Detective 1              | Kevin Czartoryski     |       | DCPI                                   |
| Nov 17 2011   | Detective                | Annetta G. Daniels    |       | IAB                                    |
| Jun 1 2015    | Detective                | Michael K. Davis      |       | Counterterrorism Bureau                |
| Oct 7 2009    | Detective 1              | Cory Diaz             |       | OCCB Inv. Support Div.                 |
| Jun 14 2015   | Detective                | Leroy Dixon           |       | 83 Pct. Det. Sqd                       |
| 1-Feb-16      | Detective                | James Fogg            |       | ESU                                    |
| Oct 16 2014   | Detective                | Louis G. Fernandez    |       | Emergency Service Sqd. 6               |
| May 26 2013   | Detective 2              | Carmen M. Figueroa    |       | Missing Person Sqd.                    |
| May 8 2015    | Detective                | Stuart F. Fishkin     |       | Fleet Services Division                |
| Sept. 20 2016 | Detective                | James Giery           |       | Forensic Invest. Division              |
| Nov 28 2014   | Detective                | Charles G. Gittens    |       | Intelligence Division                  |
| May 26 2016   | Detective                | Michael Glazer        |       | Narc. Borough. Bklyn. No.              |
| May 7 2007    | Detective 2              | Kevin Hawkins         | 7875  | Intell. Div. Mayors Detail             |
| Nov 28 2013   | Detective                | Michael R. Henry      |       | Narcotics Borough Manhattan North      |
| Dec 23 2011   | Detective 2              | Alick Hermann         |       | 40PDS                                  |
| Jan 22 2008   | Detective                | William J. Holfester  | 2857  | Narc. Borough Man. North               |
| Oct 19 2013   | Detective                | Steven Hom            |       | Narc. Borough. Bklyn. So.              |
| June 13 2017  | Detective                | William Kinane        |       |                                        |
| Aug 21 2012   | Detective                | John Kristoffersen    |       | Bklyn No. Homicide                     |
| June 6 2017   | Detective                | Steven Kubinski       |       | 13 Pct.                                |
| Feb. 2, 2017  | Detective                | Christian Lindsay     |       | ESS 6                                  |
| Apr 6 2014    | Detective                | John J. Marshall      |       | Narc. Borough. Bklyn. So.              |
| Jan 21 2013   | Detective 1              | Tommy L. Merriweather |       | Firearms Inv. Unit                     |
| Oct 13 2014   | Detective 1              | James W. Monahan      |       | 48 Pct. Det. Sqd.                      |
| Mar 16 2014   | Detective                | Robert a. Montanez    |       | Narcotics Div. Bx Central Initiative   |
| Jun 10 2009   | Detective 2              | Michael Morales       | 2496  | 122 Pct. Det. Sqd.                     |
| Jul 4 2011    | Detective                | Edwin Ortiz           |       | 40 PDS                                 |
| Oct 10 2015   | Detective 2              | Ronald A. Richards    |       | Bomb Sqd.                              |
| Jan 27 2007   | Detective 1              | Roberto L. Rivera     | 3893  | Joint Terrorist Task Force             |
| Apr 29 2017   | Detective                | George Remouns        |       | Narcotics Borough Bx.                  |
| July 22 2014  | Detective 1              | John A. Russo         |       | Technical Assistance and Response Unit |
| May 29 2010   | Detective                | Joseph Seabrook       |       | 20 Pct.                                |

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| Date of Death | Rank           | Name                  | Sh. # | Command                             |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| Jan 25 2016   | Detective      | Andrew L. Siroka      |       | Dept. of Investigation Sqd.         |
| Jan 3 2013    | Detective 2    | Christopher Strucker  |       | Intelligence Division               |
| Jan 15 2013   | Detective      | Traci Tack-Czajkowski |       | DEATF                               |
| Aug 24 2003   | Detective      | William B Titus       |       | Narcotics Bureau Bklyn No.          |
| May 18 2017   | Detective      | Harry Valentin        |       |                                     |
| July 8 2016   | Detective 2    | Thomas Ward           |       | Joint Terrorist Task Force          |
| May 1 2013    | Detective      | Charles J. Wassil     |       | Peekskill PD, Formerly NYPD 44 Pct. |
| May 3 2003    | Detective 2    | Thomas Weiner         |       | Transit Division                    |
| May 14 2013   | Detective      | Richard H. Wentz      |       | Gang Division                       |
| May 13 2007   | Detective      | Robert W. Williamson  | 6381  | Man. So. Anti-Crime Unit            |
| Feb 19 2007   | Detective      | John T. Young         | 4086  | 50 Pct. Det. Sqd.                   |
| Jan 6 2006    | Detective      | James Zadroga         | 6663  | Manhattan South Homicide Task Force |
| Feb 1 2011    | Police Officer | Christine Ade         |       | 105 Pct.                            |
| Aug 4 2011    | Police Officer | Karen E. Barnes       |       | Housing Bureau PSA #5               |
| Aug 19 2012   | Police Officer | Ronald G. Becker, Jr. |       | 42 Pct.                             |
| Jun 17 2015   | Police Officer | James A. Besto        |       | 23 Pct.                             |
| May 22 2017   | Police Officer | Scott Blackshaw       |       |                                     |
| Jan 12 2010   | Police Officer | Frank M. Bolusi       |       | 120 Pct.                            |
| Jan 23 2007   | Police Officer | Cesar A. Borja        | 5934  | Property Clerk                      |
| Apr 21 2005   | Police Officer | Thomas G. Brophy      | 6957  | 109 Pct.                            |
| Nov 6 2013    | Police Officer | James M. Burke        |       | Fleet Services Division             |
| Jul 15 2007   | Police Officer | Madeline Carlo        | 4295  | Housing Bureau                      |
| Oct 8 2015    | Police Officer | John Cedo             |       |                                     |
| June 11 2013  | Police Officer | Dennis Chrostowski    |       | ESU                                 |
| Feb 12 2015   | Police Officer | Peter D. Ciaccio      |       | Medical Division                    |
| Dec 3 2006    | Police Officer | Daniel C. Conroy      | 3400  | Property Clerk Division             |
| May 24 2013   | Police Officer | Anthony DeJesus       |       | 42 Pct.                             |
| Sept 4 2015   | Police Officer | Terrence J Devlin     |       |                                     |
| Aug 25 2009   | Police Officer | Renee Dunbar          | 16889 | 103 Pct.                            |
| Nov 22 2010   | Police Officer | Robert M. Ehmer       |       | 110 Pct.                            |
| Jan 3 2015    | Police Officer | Otto R. Espinoza      |       | 106 Pct.                            |
| Jun 6 2004    | Police Officer | Edward Ferraro        |       | MISD                                |
| Jul 7 2015    | Police Officer | Alexander Figueroa    |       | Transit Bureau Dist. 3              |
| Jun 8 2013    | Police Officer | Nicholas G. Finelli   |       | 43 Pct.                             |
| Dec 4 2005    | Police Officer | Michael G Flaherty    |       |                                     |
| Sept. 13 216  | Police Officer | Judt Ghany-Barounis   |       | 47 Pct.                             |
| Apr. 3 2016   | Police Officer | Deborah Garbutt-Jeff  |       | SRG 1                               |
| Jun 25 2015   | Police Officer | Matthew J. Gay        |       | Midtown No. Pct.                    |
| Dec 30 2004   | Police Officer | James Godbee          | 12752 | 28 Pct.                             |
| Oct 9 2009    | Police Officer | Robert Grossman       | 13102 | 28 Pct.                             |
| Sept 5 2017   | Police Officer | Diane Halbran         |       | 70 Pct./BSTF/PBBS                   |
| Mar 12 2017   | Police Officer | Michael Hance         |       |                                     |
| May 19 2017   | Police Officer | Murtain Haskin        |       | Medical Division                    |
| Jul 28 2007   | Police Officer | Robert B. Helmke      | 11352 | 104 Pct.                            |
| Mar 23 2012   | Police Officer | Richard Holland       |       | Transit District 20                 |

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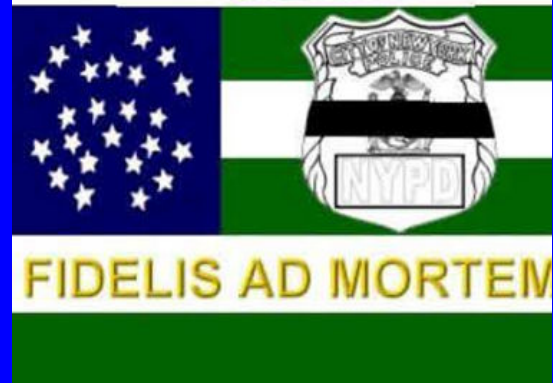
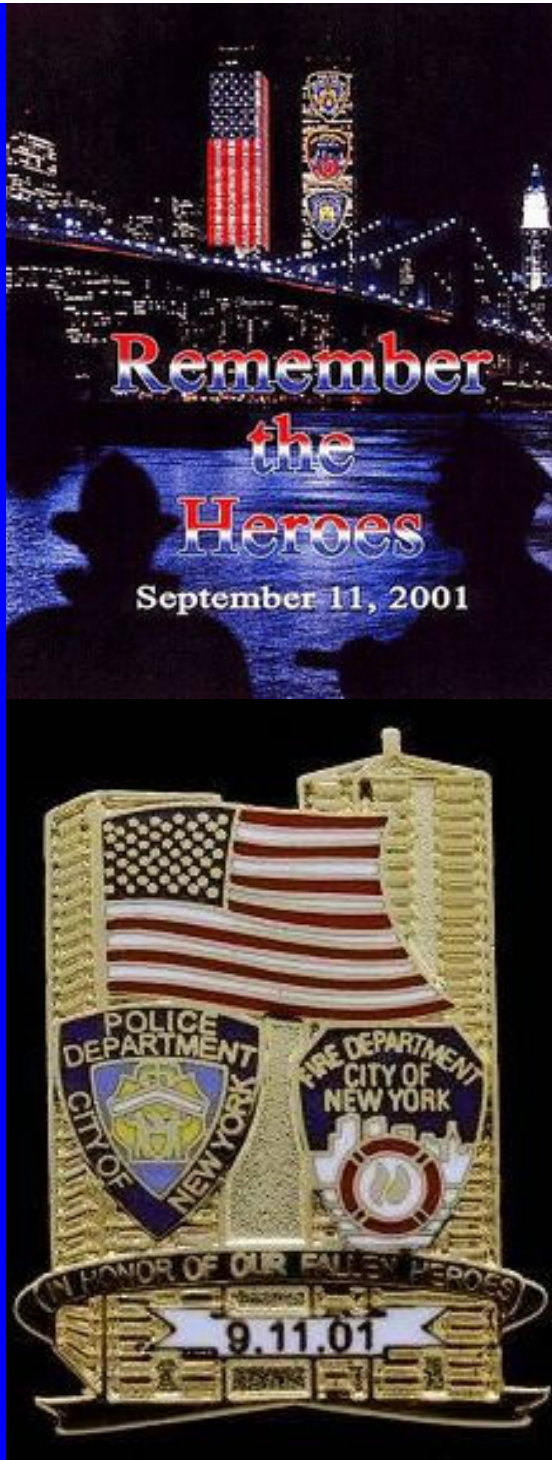
| Date of Death | Rank                    | Name                   | Sh. # | Command                                |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------|
| May 11 2015   | Police Officer          | Demetrius Hopkins      |       | Bklyn. Court Section                   |
| Jun 7 2009    | Police Officer          | Richard Jakubowsky     |       | Transit Bureau Bx. Task Force          |
| Dec 22 2013   | Police Officer          | Cheryl D. Johnson      |       | 115 Pct.                               |
| July 22 2018  | Police Officer          | Paul Johnson           |       | ESU 7                                  |
| Mar 6 2007    | Police Officer          | Louise M. Johnston     | 1335  | Patrol Borough Bklyn. So. Task Force   |
| Dec 4 2014    | Police Officer          | Robert W. Kaminski     |       | Fleet Services Division                |
| Nov 4 2015    | Police Officer          | Charles M. Karen       |       | 73 Pct.                                |
| Oct. 25 2016  | Police Officer          | William King           |       | SRG 1                                  |
| Jun 10 2017   | Police Officer          | Kelly Korchak          |       | 113 Pct.                               |
| July 18 2017  | Police Officer          | Jeffrey E. Lee         |       |                                        |
| June 24 2018  | Police Officer          | Richard Lopez          |       |                                        |
| Sep 3 2007    | Police Officer          | Frank Macri            | 26026 | Housing Bureau Patrol Serv. Area 2     |
| Nov 11 2010   | Police Officer          | David Mahmoud          |       | 75th Pct.                              |
| Dec 10 2014   | Police Officer          | Shaun M. Mahoney       |       | 109 Pct.                               |
| Sept 12 2012  | Police Officer          | Anthony Mangiaracina   |       | ESU                                    |
| Oct 8 2008    | Police Officer          | Gary Mausberg          | 19659 | 73 Pct.                                |
| Dec 2 2008    | Police Officer          | Vito Mauro             | 25823 | 67 Pct.                                |
| Mar 1 2012    | Police Officer          | Denis R. McLarney      |       | Bklyn. Court Section                   |
| Aug 1 2008    | Police Officer          | Christopher S. McMurry | 11651 | 77 Pct.                                |
| May 4 2017    | Police Officer          | Mark J. Natale         |       |                                        |
| Oct 10 2008   | Police Officer          | Robert Nicosia         | 9180  | Technical Assistance and Response Unit |
| Sep 8 2006    | Police Officer          | Patricia Ott           | 17609 | Support Services Bureau                |
| May 15 2010   | Police Officer          | Robert V. Oswain       |       | 47 Pct.                                |
| Jul 28 2008   | Police Officer          | Allison M. Palmer      |       | Patrol Services Bureau                 |
| May 24 2006   | Police Officer          | Angelo Peluso          | 19566 | License Div,                           |
| Aug 11 2013   | Police Officer          | Francis T. Pitone      | 3065  | Housing Bureau PSA #8                  |
| Jan 3 2017    | Police Officer          | Christine Reilly       |       | TB Bx/Qns                              |
| Feb 12 2012   | Police Officer          | Peter O. Rodriguez     |       | Auto Crime Division                    |
| June 22 2016  | Police Officer          | Wayne Sblano           |       | Taxi Unit                              |
| Jul 31 2016   | Police Officer          | Peter Sheridan, Jr     |       | 50th Pct.                              |
| Dec 4 2013    | Police Officer          | Edward Stewart         |       | Hwy Unit                               |
| Jul 19 2017   | Police Officer          | Robert Summers         |       | Traffic Division                       |
| Jun 9 2011    | Police Officer          | Martin Tom             |       | License Div.                           |
| Sept 13 2013  | Police Officer          | Steve Tursellino       |       |                                        |
| Sept. 19 2005 | Police Officer          | Reginald Umphery       |       | Midtown No. Pct.                       |
| Feb, 22 2016  | Police Officer          | John Vierling, Jr,     |       | 111 Pct.                               |
| Jan 21 2014   | Police Officer          | Perry T. Villani       |       | Property Clerk Division                |
| Nov 16 2005   | Police Officer          | Ronald E. Weintraub    | 9605  | Midtown So. Pct.                       |
| Apr 18 2016   | Police Officer          | Kenneth W. Wolf        |       | Citywide Traffic Task Force            |
| May 24 2011   | Police Officer          | George Wong            |       | Hdqtrs. Security Unit                  |
| May 12 2009   | Police Officer          | Robert A. Zane         |       | Transit Bureau Dist. 34                |
| May 26 2018   | Spec. Agent in Charge   | David J. LaValley      |       | FBI                                    |
| June 10 2018  | Supervisory Spec. Agent | Brian L. Crews         |       | FBI                                    |
| Sep 12 2015   | Deputy Chief            | John P. McKee          |       | CUNY PD                                |

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| Date of Death | Rank                | Name                        | Sh. # | Command                           |
|---------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
|               | Deputy Chief        | John Haugh                  |       | Suffolk Co. PD                    |
| Dec 28 2016   | Lieutenant          | William G. Fearon           |       | NJ State Police                   |
| Sep 10 2015   | Lieutenant          | Roy D. McLaughlin           |       | Yonkers PD                        |
| Nov 4 2014    | Sergeant            | Lawrence A. Guanieri        |       | NYNJ PAPD                         |
| Jun 7 2015    | Sergeant            | Gary L. Kamertz             |       | Triboro Bridge & Tunnel Authority |
| 2014          | Sergeant            | Vincent Joseph Oliva        |       | NYNJ PAPD                         |
| June 9 2018   | Sergeant            | Charles R. Salaway          |       | NY State Police                   |
| July 25 2007  | Sergeant            | Christopher A. Vidro        |       | Montclair, NJ State University PD |
| Dec 18 2005   | Detective           | Bruce J Viania              |       | NYNJ PAPD                         |
| Jul 22 2012   | Senior Investigator | Thomas G. Moran, Jr         |       | NY State Police                   |
| Jun 22 2007   | Senior Investigator | Fred Ghussin                |       | NY Co. DA's Office                |
| Oct 5 2016    | Investigator        | Paul R. Stuewer             |       | NY State Police                   |
| Nov 20 2015   | Special Agent       | Diane DiGiacomo             |       | ASPCA                             |
| Jan 19 2011   | Special Agent       | Gerard D Senatore           |       | FBI                               |
| Mar 2 2015    | Special Agent       | William C. Sheldon          |       | Bureau of ATFE                    |
| May 31 2018   | Trooper 1st Class   | Walter Greene               |       | Conn. State Police                |
| Jan 2 2018    | Trooper             | Michael J. Anson            |       | NY State Police                   |
| May 25 2016   | Trooper             | Darryl J. Burroughs, Sr.    |       | NY State Police                   |
| Mar 13 2017   | Trooper             | Brian S. Falb               |       | NY State Police                   |
| Mar 10 2011   | Trooper             | Covel Chase Pierce          |       | NY State Police                   |
| Jul 17 2016   | Police Officer      | Charles Barzydlo            |       | NYNJ PAPD                         |
| Aug 14 2011   | Police Officer      | Charles D. Cole             |       | Nassau Co. PD                     |
|               | Patrolman           | James Colon                 |       | Englewoods Cliffs, NJ PD          |
| Mar 4 2009    | Police Officer      | John M. Cortazzo            |       | NYNJ PAPD                         |
|               | Police Officer      | Waldemar Freyre             |       | Nassau Co. PD                     |
| Jun 10 2017   | Police Officer      | James Kennelly              | 1690  | NYNJ PAPD                         |
|               | Police Officer      | Stephen A Ketchum           |       | Newton, NJ PD                     |
| Nov 22 2014   | Police Officer      | Anthony Maggiore            |       | Yonkers PD                        |
| Feb 5 2014    | Police Officer      | Peter Martino               |       | Nassau Co. PD                     |
| Sep 25 2015   | Police Officer      | Paul J. McCabe              |       | Nassau Co. PD                     |
|               | Police Officer      | Robert Negri                |       | Nassau Co. PD                     |
| Aug 16 2018   | Police Officer      | Kathleen O'Connor-Funigiolo |       | New Rochelle PD                   |
| Sept 6 2017   | Police Officer      | Luis Palermo Jr.            |       | Nassau Co. PD                     |
|               | Police Officer      | Thomas P. Schubert          |       | Nassau Co. PD                     |
|               | Police Officer      | Patrick A Versge            |       | NYNJ PAPD                         |
| July 26 2017  | Deputy US Marshal   | Kenneth J. Doyle            |       | USDOJ US Marshals Service         |
| Jun 14 2015   | Deputy US Marshal   | Zacarias Toro, Jr           |       | USDOJ US Marshals Service         |
|               | Corrections Officer | Larry Adler                 |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | John Baez                   |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | Antonio Clark               |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | Fernando Gonzalez           |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | Michael Muzio               |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | Antolino Rexach             |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | Robert Schor                |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | Michael J Swetokos          |       | NYC DOC                           |
|               | Corrections Officer | Jeffery Taylor              |       | NYC DOC                           |

# They Must Never Be Forgotten

| Date of Death | Rank         | Name                 | Sh. # | Command                           |
|---------------|--------------|----------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
|               | Deputy Chief | John Haugh           |       | Suffolk Co. PD                    |
| Dec 28 2016   | Lieutenant   | William G. Fearon    |       | NJ State Police                   |
| Sep 10 2015   | Lieutenant   | Roy D. McLaughlin    |       | Yonkers PD                        |
|               | Sergeant     | Jawrence A. Guanieri |       | NYNJ PAPP                         |
| Jun 7 2015    | Sergeant     | Gary L. Kamertz      |       | Triboro Bridge & Tunnel Authority |
|               | Sergeant     | Vincent Joseph Oliva |       | NYNJ PAPP                         |
| June 9 2018   | Sergeant     | Charles R. Salaway   |       | NY State Police                   |
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# AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING

*NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC*



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L- R Former Trustee Bernard Roe ( July 2008—May 2018) receives a plaque from club President Harvey Katowitz



# MEMBERSHIP

## 2018 Monthly Meeting Dates

Sept 11, 2018      Nov 13, 2018  
 Oct 9, 2018      Dec 11, 2018

### IN MEMORIAM

Fortunately, nothing to report.



- Ret. NYPD P.O. Evan Forman
- Ret. CMPD Sgt. Benjamin Thomas
- Ret. NYPD Det. Bill Brower
- Ret. NYPD Sgt. Jason Wexler
- Ret. Freehold TWP NJ Lt. William Edward
- Ret. NYPD Det. Craig Pomroy

We presently have 402 members, 282 from the NYPD and the remainder from 66 other law enforcement agencies.

## SICK DESK UPDATE

**GET WELL!** John Hennessy was diagnosed with lung cancer and it may have spread to his bladder. He has developed blood clots that has to be treated before they can tackle the bladder issue. He has been hospitalized for over a month in NY. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Tuesday Sept. 11, 9/11 Memorial Ceremony

Monday Oct. 1 - The 6th Annual Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at the Ballantyne Golf Club. (See pages 26 and 27)

Saturday January 19 - After Holiday Dinner Party

## BIRTHDAYS



## SEPTEMBER

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Daniel Divers       | 9/1  |
| Steven Luisa        | 9/2  |
| Kevin Stoeckert     | 9/6  |
| Vinnie Orsini       | 9/7  |
| Stanley Pimble      | 9/8  |
| Vernon Lewis        | 9/9  |
| Ben Pepitone        | 9/9  |
| Bruce Conway        | 9/11 |
| Thomas O'Rourke     | 9/11 |
| Rocky Flowers       | 9/12 |
| Scott Goldstein     | 9/12 |
| Brian Kentler       | 9/12 |
| Joe McAllister      | 9/13 |
| Lucius McMillon     | 9/14 |
| John Hamberger      | 9/14 |
| Kevin Smith         | 9/14 |
| Darrin Owens        | 9/16 |
| Vic Mele            | 9/17 |
| Ken McAnuff         | 9/19 |
| Vinnie Recher       | 9/19 |
| Joe Trippodo        | 9/19 |
| Scott Johnson       | 9/20 |
| LaBecky Roe         | 9/20 |
| Neil Sullivan       | 9/20 |
| Kevin Conn          | 9/22 |
| Fred Layne          | 9/23 |
| Tom Luisa           | 9/23 |
| Gregory Maxwell     | 9/25 |
| Dale Carnegie       | 9/26 |
| Ray Lechner         | 9/26 |
| Jack Hawthorne      | 9/27 |
| Joe DiMarco         | 9/29 |
| Jimmy LaRossa (RIP) | 9/29 |
| John Lotti          | 9/30 |



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

**2018**  
**JIMMY LAROSSA MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Fundraiser for Fisher House at Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Base  
and Veterans Path Up <http://www.veteranspathup.org>**

**WHERE: GOLF CLUB AT BALLANTYNE**

10000 Ballantyne Commons Parkway Charlotte, NC 28277

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

**WHEN: Monday, October 1, 2018 @ 8:30am (shot gun start)**

7:30am Registration

\$125/Player - \$500/Team

Captain's Choice

Continental Breakfast

Catered luncheon & awards ceremony

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

PLAYER 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

PLAYER 4: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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ANYONE INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A HOLE AT THE GOLF TOURNAMENT,  
PLEASE DETACH THIS FORM AND REMIT \$100.00 TO  
**NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC**  
**531 Brentwood Road Suite 150**  
**Denver, NC 28037-5009**

SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate what you want on your sponsor sign: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information contact John Sabato  
[jsabbyz28@gmail.com](mailto:jsabbyz28@gmail.com)  
516-314-5326



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

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

531 Brentwood Road  
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Denver, NC 28037-5009



**HARVEY KATOWITZ**  
PRESIDENT  
hkatowitz@windstream.net

**DAVE SCHULTHEIS**  
VICE PRESIDENT  
th142@aol.com

June 28, 2018

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 394 members from fifty-one different law enforcement agencies

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

On Monday, October 1, 2018 the Club is sponsoring the Sixth Annual Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament. Jimmy LaRossa, who was a member of our Club was murdered on April 10, 2012.

The \$15,000 we raised from last years tournament was donated to the Fisher House at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune.

The funds we raise from this years tournament will be donated equally among Camp Lejeune Fisher house <http://lejeunefisherhouse.org/> and Veterans Path Up, <http://veteranspathup.org>. Both organizations are non-profits that aid our Wounded Warriors and their families.

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.

All 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 at the hole they sponsor.

We appreciate any help you can provide us.

Sincerely,

Harvey Katowitz  
President  
NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC  
<http://www.charlotte10-13.com>

*NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC*



# TRUSTEE'S PAGE



When our Club was initially formed with 35 members it was easy for the President to respond to emails from our members. Now that we have over 400 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>       |
| Gaston County      | Brenda Jordan | 704-588-0652 | 516-852-3885   | <a href="mailto:brenjordan5@aol.com">brenjordan5@aol.com</a>       |
| 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>       |
| Mecklenburg County | Kevin Gribbon | 803-548-4752 | 803 493-3024   | <a href="mailto:kgribbo@outlook.com">kgribbo@outlook.com</a>       |
| Rowan County       | Brenda Jordan | 704-588-0652 | 516-852-3885   | <a href="mailto:brenjordan5@aol.com">brenjordan5@aol.com</a>       |
| Union County       | Chris Russo   | 704-256-7137 | 1-347-886-2449 | <a href="mailto:maddogcr@msn.com">maddogcr@msn.com</a>             |
| All other areas    | John Sabato   | 704-243-4807 | 516-314-5326   | <a href="mailto:woodboy@windstream.net">woodboy@windstream.net</a> |



Brenda Jordan



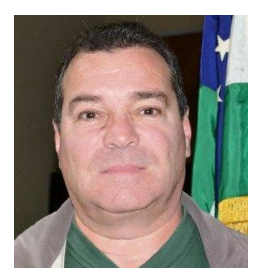
Bob Fee



Kevin Gribbon



John Sabato



Chris Russo



## NYPD CEA March Meeting

| Day / Date  | Time     | Location                                                       |
|-------------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| September 5 | 1000hrs. | Villa Barone<br>737 Throggs Neck Expressway<br>Bronx, NY 10465 |

### Orlando Vacation Discount

Save Up To **35%** On Your Orlando Vacation! Orlando Employee Discounts offers Exclusive Pricing on Hotels and Vacation Homes in or nearby Disney World and Universal Studios Orlando. We are also the Largest Wholesaler of Tickets for Disney World, Universal Studios Orlando, Sea World, and ALL of the Orlando Area Theme Parks and Attractions!



Just click below in order to access your discounts!

[http://www.orlandoemployeediscounts.com/index\\_new.php](http://www.orlandoemployeediscounts.com/index_new.php)

In response to many questions from our active and retired members, the NY State Police has released a field guide reference on the New York Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act of 2013 (SAFE ACT) [Click for the Safe Act Guide: http://www.nypdcea.org/pdfs/NYSP\\_Safe\\_Act\\_Field\\_Guide.pdf](http://www.nypdcea.org/pdfs/NYSP_Safe_Act_Field_Guide.pdf)

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



Dear CEA Member,  
I wanted to update you on a number of important recent events.

**Health Care Deal:** Yesterday, the Municipal Labor Committee agreed to terms with the City of New York on a three-year Health Care deal that covers the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021. The agreement accomplishes substantial savings for the City over the three year period by reducing anticipated increases in health insurance premiums for the HIP plan, but involve no changes to the GHI/Empire Blue Cross hospitalization plan that the majority of our members utilize. While this negotiation with the City has been marked by a number of demands for concessions from the City, the final agreement includes NO “tiering” of hospitals, NO co-payment increases on doctor visits and NO contribution to premium by our members.

Healthcare savings identified in press reports mainly involve limiting annual insurance premium increases for the HIP health insurance plan to 3.5% and 3% over the next two fiscal years. These increases are less than the amount previously budgeted by the City. To accomplish these rates new employee hires in the City of New York will be required to enroll in the HIP health insurance plan for their first year of employment. After their one year anniversary, the new hire employee will be allowed to transfer their health insurance to GHI/Empire Blue Cross or other health plan of their choice. This will not apply to persons promoted to a new rank or any of our members.

**United States Supreme Court – “Janus” Decision:** As expected, the United States Supreme Court announced a decision today that challenges public sector unions ability to collect union dues. The ruling deals with “agency shop” members who seek to avoid paying union dues and the inability of those members to “opt-out.” The CEA does not have any “agency shop” members. I do not anticipate this ruling having a substantial impact upon our organization. However, it will require us to re-write the CEA By-Laws to prevent “agency shop” members from receiving union provided life insurance, legal representation, and other benefits or services the organization provides. Our legal counsel is currently reviewing the detail of the decision and its impact. A further update will be provided to you in the near future.

**DC37 – Civilian Contract:** Yesterday afternoon a tentative contract agreement was announced between the City and DC37. DC37 represents almost 100,000 civilian municipal employees and their organization historically establishes the “civilian” pattern – one also binding upon the City’s managerial workforce. The tentative agreement is retroactive, beginning on September 26, 2017, and expiring on May 25, 2021 (3 years and 8 months). DC 37 employees will receive the following compounded wage increases:

- September 26, 2017 2.00 percent
- September 26, 2018 2.25 percent
- October 26, 2019 3.00 percent

The agreement is not, of course, binding upon the CEA or other uniformed organizations, but provides a baseline of conversation when bargaining with the City. The CEA is not currently bargaining with the City as our contract expires April 30, 2019 and we have a 3% increase scheduled for October 1, 2018. The PBA is currently at contract “impasse” and proceeding toward a PERB arbitration hearing sometime over the next six months. The United Federation of Teachers (UFT) is anticipated to be the next NYC labor organization to come to contract terms with the City and I will provide more detail at our next general membership meeting.

**SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT/BBQ AT MCU PARK:** Mark your calendars, the CEA BBQ and Scholarship night at MCU Park in Brooklyn will be held on Monday, July 30, 2018. This year’s game will feature the Brooklyn Cyclones vs. Tri-City Valley Cats. The tickets are \$5.00 per person for members in good standing. Purchase of the ticket includes the BBQ and the game and are available at the CEA Office. To order call the CEA office or contact Ada Resnick at [aresnick@nypdcea.com](mailto:aresnick@nypdcea.com).

Fraternally,  
Roy

Roy T Richter  
President  
NYPD Captains Endowment Association  
(212) 791-8292

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



## NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.

### NYPD ID CARD RENEWAL

Proxy renewal is available **ONLY** to members living outside the five (5) boroughs of New York City and the 6 counties in which active members are permitted to live.

**ONLY** cards issued after November 1, 2002, can be renewed this way. In all other circumstances, members will have to personally visit 1 P.P.

ID Cards must be previously expired or expiring within 3-6 months of expiration date.

A completed PD form **MUST** accompany the card. The form is on the accompanying page of this newsletter, and can be downloaded from our website.

Additionally, expiration date will be increased from 5 to 8 years.

THE NATIONAL IS AUTHORIZED TO DELIVER MEMBERS CARDS TO 1 P.P. AND RETURN SAME TO THE MEMBER. To insure security in the transfer of cards to and from our members the following procedure **MUST** be adhered to:

Items **MUST** be sent to the National in a USPS Flat Rate Priority Mail envelope. You will receive a tracking number from post office. DO NOT REQUEST SIGNATURE OF RECIPIENT. The postage is \$6.65.

\*\*\*\*\* Place in the envelope: your PD ID card, the completed PD Form, and a check in the amount of \$6.65 made out to National NYCPD 10-13 Org. (to cover the cost of priority mail return of your new card).

Address package to:

Frank Martarella  
272 Durant Avenue  
Staten Island N.Y. 10306

Please allow for up to a 30 day turnaround time.

Please, do not deviate from the above instructions.

This National service is available only to dues paid National NYCPD 10-13 chapter members.

### F.A.Q.

My ID Card was issued before November 2002. Why can't I have it renewed via proxy?

Prior to November 1, 2002 cards were not digital. Consequently the photo cannot be reproduced.

My card has no expiration date. Do I need to have a new card issued?

Definitely not. If you have no expiration date your card is perpetually current. Keep it.

I am Transit/Housing Sergeant who retired before the merger. Can I proxy renew.

Yes, If you meet all the above conditions.

\*\*\*\*\* **Please note: To make things easier for Frank Martarella, our Club will be collecting ID cards quarterly in January, April, July & October and mailing them to him. The club will also pay for the postage.**

# NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.

## NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORGANIZATIONS, INC.

CASE #: \_\_\_\_\_

FIREARMS CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

### RETIREE ID CARD RENEWAL APPLICATION

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_

SEX:  MALE  FEMALE RACE: \_\_\_\_\_

TAX # \_\_\_\_\_ RETIREMENT DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY #: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

RANK: \_\_\_\_\_ SHIELD #: \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

10-13 CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT SINCE RETIRING ON  
*PRINT NAME*

\_\_\_\_\_, I HAVE NOT BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME.  
*RETIREMENT DATE*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*SIGNATURE*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*DATE*

NEW ID # ISSUED: \_\_\_\_\_ ID RECEIVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



**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 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.

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# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



Due to some confusion in relation to a letter recently sent to our members pertaining to whom is eligible to receive \$0 co-pay for low dose statin prescriptions please read the following:

**COVERAGE OF LOW-DOSAGE STATINS (CHOLESTEROL LOWERING MEDICATIONS) CHANGED FOR NON-MEDICARE GHI CBP MEMBERS TO COMPLY WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT:**

The Superior Officers Council has been notified that effective July 1, 2018 **Low-Dose Generic Statins** will be provided for a **\$0 copay** by Non-Medicare GHI CBP members' health-care plans instead of the Superior Officers Council prescription drug benefit administered by OptumRx. This change meets a requirement of the Affordable Health Care Act. Under the ACA, the low-dose statins listed below are free. Beginning July 1, 2018, **Non-Medicare GHI CBP SOC** members between the ages of **40 up to and including 64 years** of age need to present their **Emblem Health/GHI health insurance card** when filling Statin prescriptions at their pharmacy. (For example, on the front of the Emblem Health/GHI card, Members will find a BIN#, PCN# and Group# that the pharmacist must utilize to fill the Statins.)

Members receiving their Statin medications through the OptumRx Mail Order Pharmacy can call an OptumRx Advocate at 1-800-788-4863 to have their prescription on file transferred to a local pharmacy.

Members **enrolled in Medicare** or outside of the ages of **40 up to and including 64 years** of age group will continue to be covered by the Superior Officers Council prescription drug benefit administered by OptumRx.

This is the listing of **low-dose statins** covered under the Affordable Care Act:

|                              |                                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ATORVASTATIN 20 MG TABLET    | PRAVASTATIN SODIUM 10 MG TAB   |
| ATORVASTATIN 10 MG TABLET    | PRAVASTATIN SODIUM 40 MG TAB   |
| FLUVASTATIN ER 80 MG TABLET  | PRAVASTATIN SODIUM 80 MG TAB   |
| FLUVASTATIN SODIUM 20 MG CAP | ROSUVASTATIN CALCIUM 10 MG TAB |
| FLUVASTATIN SODIUM 40 MG CAP | ROSUVASTATIN CALCIUM 5 MG TAB  |
| LOVASTATIN 40 MG TABLET      | SIMVASTATIN 10 MG TABLET       |
| LOVASTATIN 20 MG TABLET      | SIMVASTATIN 40 MG TABLET       |
| LOVASTATIN 10 MG TABLET      | SIMVASTATIN 5 MG TABLET        |
| PRAVASTATIN SODIUM 20 MG TAB | SIMVASTATIN 20 MG TABLET       |

Any questions on this prescription drug plan can be directed to the Superior Officers Council at (212) 964-7500, or by E-Mail to [maryann@nypdsoc.com](mailto:maryann@nypdsoc.com).

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## [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.

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



## RETIRED MEMBER OPTICAL BENEFIT

The current optical benefit for retirees offers **both** a voucher system and an enhanced option with Davis Vision (details regarding the Davis Vision coverage are provided below). Optical exams and glasses are provided through a network of various vendors.

### BENEFIT OVERVIEW

Your optical voucher may be used at any of the participating providers listed. Co-payments and available products vary with participating providers.

### ELIGIBILITY

Retired members and spouses are entitled to an optical benefit every two years by calendar year (benefit is available each change of the second year; a full two years is **not** required to pass between benefit distributions) and **eligible dependents are entitled to an annual optical benefit** by calendar year.

### HOW TO CLAIM BENEFIT

To claim the optical benefit, call the SOC Health and Welfare Fund Office at 212.964.7500 to request an optical voucher. A separate voucher is issued for each family member for whom a voucher is requested. The voucher(s) will be mailed to the member along with a listing of participating providers.

If there are no participating providers in your area you may have services provided by an optometrist of your choice and submit the optical voucher along with the paid itemized bill for reimbursement. Reimbursement for the retiree optical benefit is a combined benefit for an examination and glasses. The total cash value of the optical voucher is \$40.

Vouchers are valid for six (6) weeks. If a voucher **expires unused**, the member may mail back the original and indicate that he/she wishes the voucher to be reissued. If the **voucher is lost**, a request for a new voucher must be received **in writing** either by mail or by fax: 212-406-3105.

### NEW "DAVIS VISION" OPTICAL COVERAGE FOR RETIREES

The Superior Officers Council Retiree Health Benefits Fund is pleased to announce an enhancement to our vision care benefits effective January 1, 2011. In an effort to provide our retirees with the greatest possible value while significantly enhancing our vision care benefit, the trustees have elected to add Davis Vision as one of our vision care providers.

Vision benefits provided by Davis Vision will be provided as an in-network only benefit whereby an eye examination, frames/lenses or contacts lenses can be obtained at any of the available participating providers. If you choose to use Davis Vision for your optical benefit, you will not be required to obtain a vision voucher from the SOC Benefits office and can access your benefit directly from your provider of choice. You simply present the enclosed ID card and your electronic eligibility will appear on your provider's screen. It's that simple.

As part of the SOC Retiree Health Benefit Fund's commitment toward protecting confidentiality of your information, Davis Vision will no longer be using your social security number for identification. Instead they will be utilizing your Tax ID number for identification to access their optical benefit for you and your dependents. So, when scheduling appointments with a Davis Vision provider, please use your Tax ID number for enrollment verification to obtain vision care benefits.

Described below is a summary of Davis Vision's vendor benefits effective January 1, 2011 and enclosed are descriptive brochures as well as provider listings.

### DAVIS VISION

**The Davis Vision program being introduced to retirees effective January 1st closely mirrors the current active member program (basic copayments are applicable)**, and will feature an in-network benefit that offers the opportunity to obtain services for an eye examination with dilation, as professionally indicated, as well as obtain eyeglasses or contact lenses at fixed co-payments.

You now have the opportunity to select any frame from Davis Vision's exclusive "Collection". Independent providers have the exclusive "Collection" on display with over 200 frames to choose from in multiple sizes and colors. The "Collection" features three levels of frames: Fashion, Designer and Premier, with retail values of up to \$225. Approximately eight out of ten members take advantage of the tremendous savings by selecting a Davis Vision "Collection" frame.

In addition, spectacle lenses are offered in glass or plastic, and in any range of prescription (single vision, bifocal, and trifocal) at a basic co-payment. All of the most popular lens options (Progressive Lenses, Scratch Protection, Anti-Reflective Coating, High-Index Ultra- Thin Lenses and many others) that typically result in large out-of-pocket expenses have been included in the program at fixed significantly discounted prices. You can find a provider who carries the exclusive collection by visiting [www.davisvision.com](http://www.davisvision.com) or by telephoning 1-888-234-5248.

**Lastly, the SOC's new retiree vision benefit with Davis Vision was enhanced in comparison to the current \$40 eye examination/eye glass benefit, effective January 1st.** The comprehensive nature of the new vision benefit, as well as provider locations in all 50 states, no longer requires reimbursement under the Davis Vision Plan. As always, you may contact the SOC Health Benefits Office if you have any questions at 212-964-7500. We are proud to offer you this significant enhancement and provide our retirees with the benefits they deserve.

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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.

### **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 (TTY1-800-325-0778).

**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, whether or not you are required to pay a higher premium (a penalty).**

### **SOC DEATH BENEFIT**

In December 2009, the Trustees of the Superior Officers Council (SOC) discontinued the \$5,000 Death Benefit for all new retirees effective January 1, 2010. The SOC Health and Welfare Fund now provides the Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefit (COBRA) to retirees. This benefit is provided to the deceased retired member's qualified dependents (defined below) and includes prescription (prescription coverage is not offered to Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) of members who were enrolled in HIP), optical and dental coverage. This coverage does not pertain to Major Medical Coverage, i.e. GHI, HIP, etc. The coverage is provided for three years at no cost to the surviving spouse/dependent(s); the surviving spouse will need to annually purchase the "Optional Prescription Drug Rider" for dependent children, if applicable. At the conclusion of the three years no-cost coverage, you should contact the SOC Health and Welfare Fund if you wish to continue benefits indefinitely for a premium. If you retired between January 1, 1971 and December 31, 2009, you were offered the choice to convert the \$5,000 Death Benefit during a One-Time Enrollment Period to a new benefit, the Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefit. If you opted to retain the \$5,000 SOC Death Benefit, your named beneficiary(s) is entitled to this amount.

### **SURVIVOR'S HEALTH BENEFITS**

The survivor's and eligible dependent's health benefits, both major medical and benefits provided by the Superior Officers Council, cease with the passing of the member. However, the survivor (spouse/domestic partner) may apply for "COBRA for Life" Coverage through the City of New York. If you are the spouse/ domestic partner of a member who has passed away, you have the right to continue coverage under any of the available NYC health benefits plans. Furthermore, effective November 13, 2001, New York State law provides that surviving spouses of retired uniformed members of the New York City Police and Fire departments can continue their health benefits coverage for life. Such coverage will be at a premium of 102% of the group rate and must be elected within one year of the date of the death of the member. Contact the NYC Retiree Health Benefits Section, in writing, to obtain an application; NYC Retiree Health Benefits Section, Attn: COBRA for Life, 40 Rector Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10006. You must notify the NYC Retiree Health Benefits Section if you are planning to move in the near future or if you are in fact moving so that they send the application to your proper address. **NOTE:** The surviving spouse/domestic partner of retirees who had received an Accident Disability Pension should be cognizant of the fact that if the cause of the retiree's death is directly attributable to the condition for which they received the Accident Disability (i.e. retired on the Heart Bill and died from a heart attack), their surviving spouse/domestic partner may be eligible to continue receiving the deceased member's Major Medical and SOC benefits at no cost.

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August 17, 2018

Dear Lieutenant:

On Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, a video of a person verbally harassing members of the service inside a station house surfaced on the internet.

My greatest concern connected with this incident is the safety of our members and the officers they supervise. This incident may embolden others to mimic the idiotic and antagonistic actions of the person who made the initial video. Our Lieutenants must ensure that a Station House Security officer is assigned on every tour to prevent and/or interdict persons from illegally entering and or remaining in a Department facility. Our Lieutenant must also ensure that officers assigned to Station House Security, the Telephone Switchboard, and various in house positions, are alert and reinstructed as to the contents of Patrol Guide procedure 203-29: "*WHEN A MEMBER OF THE SERVICE ENCOUNTERS AN INDIVIDUAL OBSERVING, PHOTOGRAPHING, AND/OR RECORDING POLICE ACTIVITY*".

As per Patrol Guide procedure 203-29, "*WHEN A MEMBER OF THE SERVICE ENCOUNTERS AN INDIVIDUAL OBSERVING, PHOTOGRAPHING, AND/OR RECORDING POLICE ACTIVITY*", Step 7: *Members of the public are not allowed to photograph and/or record police activity within Department facilities. Members of the service may order any member of the public who is photographing or recording within Department facilities to stop such activity. If such person refuses to stop, they then should be ordered to leave the premises. If such person refuses to leave the premises, members of the service may take proper enforcement action under the trespass statutes (i.e., Penal law Sections 140.05 and 140.10). S140.05: Trespass; Violation / S140.10: Criminal Trespass 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree; Class B Misdemeanor.*

Our members must ensure that they maintain the safety of the Department facility that they, the people they work with and supervise, and the civilians (witnesses to crimes, victims of crime, and those simply requesting routine assistance) inhabit. A lack of action involving the removal of persons entering and remaining unlawfully in a Department facility could jeopardize the safety of all.

Fraternally,

Lou Turco  
President

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## DELEGATE AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

### Health Care Seminar

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

1000 Hours

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96-43 Springfield Blvd

Queens Village, NY

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## Retired Lieutenants Association

New York City Police Department <http://www.nypdretlts.org/index.html>

Since we sent out the Medicare Part "B" Reimbursement information, we have discovered that some retirees never enrolled in the reimbursement program. Applications to enroll in Medicare Part "B" reimbursement and for IRMAA reimbursement can be accessed at the following site: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/retiree/health-retiree-forms-and-downloads.page>

### Health Benefits Forms & Downloads

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

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

Health Plan Rate Chart for Retirees: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/summaryofplans/health-ratechart.page>

Retiree Change of Address Form: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/retiree-change-of-address-form.pdf>

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

Young Adult Option Through Age 29: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/young-adult-package.pdf>

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

### Medicare Part B Reimbursement

Medicare Part B Reimbursement Q&A: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/faq-medicare-part-b.pdf>

Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application : <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/med-b-application.pdf>

2016 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/med-b-differential-form-2016.pdf>

2017 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/med-b-differential-form.pdf>

### IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement

2016 IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement (Instructions & Form) - Reimbursement was issued in October 2017: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/irmaa-2016.pdf>

2017 IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement Application - Reimbursement will be issued in October 2018: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/irmaa-form-2015-2017.pdf>

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

## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Chairperson Ed Thomas

**Eligibility:** Sons, Daughters, Grandchildren of members in good standing. Attending college as a freshman. Proof of college enrollment. No test scoring competition random drawing.

**Method of Selection:** Printed form cut out of quarterly newsletters and submitted to our office. Staff to verify eligibility before placing it in a drum. Drawing from the drum at the Xmas luncheon.

**Definition of Good Standing:** Paid-up with current dues.

**Awards:** We will pull 6 names from the drum granting them each a check for \$1000.00. Three male, three female.

**Note:** Since we are including grandchildren who in many cases will have a different last name than the sponsor member, we will have to confirm the relationship. Check should be made out to the student.

### We are now accepting applications for 2018

RLA Scholarship Application for children or grandchildren of Members.

Student must be enrolled in College as a Freshman.

Six \$1,000.00 awards will be given out

**Please Print**

Check one:  Male  Female

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

College attending \_\_\_\_\_

RLA sponsoring member in good standing (paid up):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student \_\_\_\_\_

Application must be made on this form and only one entry for each student. Entry must be received prior to our December 11th Christmas luncheon meeting where drawings will be held. Note: A bursars receipt must be produced by the winners prior to distribution of the \$1,000 check to confirm enrollment as a Freshman college student. Mail to our office: RLA, 248-24 Jericho Turnpike, Floral Park, NY 11001 Attn: Scholarship Ed Thomas

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August 15, 2018

Dear Fellow Sergeant,

The SBA board is deeply troubled by the state of policing in the City of New York. It seems as if we have lost our way. We are expected to be nothing more than cheerleaders for the political appeasement of elected officials who fear reprisal from incidents that appear ugly on camera?

We are being "led" by the wrong people whose policies are enacted for political expedience and police officers are regarded as collateral damage in their quest to enact progressive agendas.

Each of us who wear a uniform know we are being sold out and used as scapegoats and props by elected officials, amateur commissioners, and the appointments of inept police chiefs based on incestuous professional relationships.

The end result of this failed leadership to the men and women of the NYPD is the **Ferguson Effect**.

The New York Post recently published two articles that can only be described as the beginning of **No Go Zones** in New York. On August 8, police officers in the 40 Precinct were dispatched to a Westchester Avenue address by a female caller, who provided no call-back number and no apartment where the problem was occurring.

The officers proceeded to conduct a vertical patrol in the building and encountered a woman, who they determined to be the caller. She was the mother of 16-year-old twin sons, and stated she did not want either of them – her own sons – in the apartment when she was not home.

Why?

Because they bring their friends inside who smoke marijuana - and she cannot trust them. However, on this date she said she made an exception so her sons could take showers. The woman then demanded that the police leave her apartment even though it was her who called them.

As the officers proceeded to leave, several males followed them with cell phone cameras in hand, and began a tirade of verbal obscenities related to sexual acts and male and female genitalia.

Despite the fact that this was a clear case of disorderly conduct, the officers all exited the building without further engagement. No arrests were made, and no summonses were issued.

Whatever your opinion is on this matter, I pass no judgement on the officers involved. In fact, I completely understand their actions and am glad that none were attacked or injured.

The subsequent New York Post headline was – or should have been - an embarrassment to the entire NYPD hierarchy.

*'Get the bleep out my building': Cops harassed after responding to apartment fight*

<https://nypost.com/2018/08/12/get-the-f-k-out-my-building-cops-harassed-after-responding-to-apartment-fight/>

Across the river, in upper Manhattan, it was reported that a police officer in the 34 Precinct used a banned "chokehold" on a suspect. A video accompanied a newspaper article, which completely focused on the alleged chokehold.

The reality is that fact far outweighs fiction in this case. Does anyone care about officer safety anymore? Are we not yet tired of cops being assaulted, shot, or killed.

What transpired in the video stemmed from one male failing to comply with a lawful order. The officer involved asked him for identification because he was going to be charged with disorderly conduct. The man refused to comply with the officer's direction, and continued to refuse to the point that this incident was captured on video for nearly 9 minutes.

**That's right - 9 minutes of one person resisting arrest by numerous uniformed police officers.**

Moreover, two officers were injured by the man, who was eventually charged with disorderly conduct. Interestingly, this individual had three prior arrest for marijuana possession, bail jumping, and resisting arrest, all of which the purported leaders at City Hall and One Police Plaza perceive to be minor crimes. The misleading headline in the August 13 edition of the New York Daily News sanctimoniously blared:

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PRESIDENT

VINCENT VALLELONG  
VICE PRESIDENT



## SERGEANTS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

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*Wrong Arm of The Law” – (Cop Allegedly uses banned chokehold to make arrest, 18-year vet has cost city \$260G in previous lawsuits).*

On that same day, August 13, a New York Post article was entitled *Growing trend of police inaction lets potential perps get off easy.*

<https://nypost.com/2018/08/12/growing-trend-of-police-inaction-lets-potential-perps-off-easy/>

It reported how a self-described “schizophrenic” threw a brick at his Washington Heights neighbor. He then proceeded to lunge at her with a knife, yet was back on the street less than 24 hours after being taken by police for psychiatric evaluation.

“I was in shock. I didn’t expect him to be released so quickly, so I hadn’t prepared myself to see him again,” the frightened victim, who anonymously blamed the police for their ‘inaction,’ told the Post.

“This person threatened to kill me and lives in my building. I want to get him out of the building because I don’t feel safe or comfortable with him living here.”

The NYPD declined comment, but mayoral spokesman Eric Phillips said, “New York City is the safest big city in America, in large part because we have the best police officers in the world. While anonymous sources seek to undermine the police, the mayor will continue to stand with our officers shoulder to shoulder.”

This comment is completely disingenuous. *No Comment followed by Standing Shoulder to Shoulder* is the best the NYPD can do? What good does standing shoulder to shoulder do for the unfortunate victim who has to live under such dangerous conditions?

Things are inherently wrong when society’s miscreants are emboldened enough to verbally abuse and incite uniformed police officers, and believe it is okay to taunt them while “armed” with cell phone cameras.

I personally interviewed members of the NYPD in the 34 and 40 Precincts – all of whom unequivocally stated that they don’t feel supported by the NYPD. They say the Ferguson Effect has had a devastatingly negative impact on their willingness to take police action. We all know this to be true, and it is the feeling amongst rank and file members of the NYPD.

Many members of the NYPD cannot believe that Sgt. Hugh Barry was charged with murder for shooting an emotionally disturbed woman who was about to attack him with a baseball bat; or that Sgt. Kizzy Adonis was hung for political cover after responding to the Eric Garner incident even though she was never the supervisor in charge; or that Officers Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos were assassinated after days of protests in which lawlessness was tacitly approved by city officials and the NYPD’s very own Commissioner was struck in the face.

The mayor and the police commissioner’s actions – as well as their inactions – continually display a failure to supervise and lead – with dangerous – and sometimes deadly consequences.

The cheerleading and back-slapping related to the department’s In Partnership with the Community program is a sham. I would suggest that Commissioner O’Neill get in a car, go to the precincts, and lead by example.

The SBA will not stand idly by as our members find themselves in greater jeopardy with each passing day. You have a responsibility to go home safely and to ensure that each of the people you are responsible for do the same. I encourage each of you to arrest anyone who harasses, causes harm, disrupts your effort to conduct lawful operations, or creates a disorderly atmosphere in accordance with the NY State Penal Law. Be assured the SBA will support You and take on each and every cowardly Chief, Commissioner, and Elected Official who attempts to use you as a political pawn.

Rumors abound that Commissioner O’Neill might soon be taking a job with the National Football League. If NFL President Roger Goodell is listening, I urge him to take him now, before any more officers are scapegoated, railroaded, vilified, hurt or killed.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Mullins". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ed Mullins  
President  
Sergeants Benevolent Association



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## SERGEANTS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

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Dear Fellow Sergeant,

The following letter was sent today from SBA President Ed Mullins to Police Commissioner James O'Neill, as well as all deputy commissioners, chiefs, civilian executives, and borough commanders.

August 16, 2018  
Commissioner James P. O'Neill  
New York City Police Department  
1 Police Plaza, Room 1400  
New York, NY 10038  
Dear Commissioner O'Neill:

I am writing to express the frustration, disenchantment, and anger that I, as well as all NYPD members, feel about your lack of leadership and guidance, especially during these times of great social unrest and tumult. Under your stewardship, rank and file police officers are conflicted as to exactly what their duties are, and they overwhelmingly feel as if they are not supported by the NYPD and the mayoral administration.

It is no secret that there is a tremendous homeless and mental health crisis in this city. While police officers have been diligent in taking many dangerous people off the streets for psychiatric evaluation, they are often lambasted by the public when they are released from the hospital less than 24 hours later. I can assure you that no patrol officers feel as if you – or the mayor – are standing “shoulder to shoulder” with them while performing their public service duties.

There is an abundance of ambiguity when it comes to the enforcement of quality of life offenses. The Eric Garner incident occurred because of orders from One Police Plaza to perform enforcement duties related to people selling unlicensed cigarettes on Staten Island. The officers who are immersed in that case are still existing in a living hell as they face departmental charges for taking appropriate police action.

The lawlessness and complete lack of respect for police officers that has been so blatant under your tenure is no longer restricted to the streets. You need not look further than two recent events, one in which officers in the 40 Precinct were verbally harangued by young people “armed” with cell phone cameras. More disturbing was a man who basically took “siege” of the 28 Precinct, using his cell phone camera to verbally assault a sergeant and police officer who were on duty.

I am requesting that you publicly post a total clarification of your policies on enforcement of such quality of life offenses as marijuana possession or use and disorderly conduct. What is your position on the irate man who stormed into the 28 Precinct yelling obscenities while filming with his cell phone? Is his speech protected by the First Amendment? What about the fact that he “assembled” in a public place – a police precinct? Is that constitutionally protected? What is the policy for filming inside a precinct? Will you post signs in every command prohibiting anyone from filming inside precincts? As you know, we have victims of sex crimes, TAC teams, undercovers, and community members working with the department who would then be vulnerable to being identified. This has to stop.

Police officers need to know these answers. Simply put, Commissioner, things are out of control and seem destined to just get worse.

Distain for authority continues to increase, as does physical and verbal assaults on police officers in all five boroughs. The cheerleading related to the In Partnership with the Community program is ludicrous. Please make your position clear on what police officers can and cannot do in furtherance of their duties because they are conflicted, confused, disappointed, and disillusioned and they do not know where you stand.

The assassinations of Detectives Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos in December 2014, occurred during an era not much different from now. Protestors took to the streets – and the bridges – unencumbered by legal restraints. Even your predecessor, Commissioner Bratton, was hit in the head with an object during the demonstrations.

These are very dangerous and daunting times, and we cannot allow another police officer to get seriously injured or killed. I urge you provide effective leadership to the police officers who serve this city and need your support more than ever. For the sake of the men and women in the NYPD, it is time we put our differences aside. As always, the SBA is deeply committed to meet for further discussions and to provide input on the guidance and leadership required to win back the much-needed respect of the rank and file members.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Ed Mullins'.

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>



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

## Other Health Forms



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/>

**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*

## *Newsletter*

### BENEFITS DEA HEALTH BENEFITS FUND RETIRED MEMBERS

#### DENTAL DENTAL PANEL PROGRAM

- No annual or lifetime maximum
- No out-of-pocket costs; with exception of a \$50.00 co-pay for prosthetics

#### FEE SCHEDULE (REIMBURSEMENT) PROGRAM

- No annual maximum
- \$2,000 lifetime maximum for periodontal surgery

#### ORTHODONTIC BENEFIT

- Provided via fee schedule program
- \$1,450 lifetime maximum per eligible benefit

#### PRESCRIPTION DRUG

- \$11,000 annual maximum per family
- No lifetime maximum
- Co-payments
  1. Generic – \$10 or less (not to exceed cost of medication)
  2. Brand – 30% plus cost of difference between brand & generic (if available)
  3. Psychotropic & Asthma drugs 45% co-pay
- Mandatory generic program
- Retail & Mail order option - Mail order offers a 90 day supply with applicable co-pays. \$50.00 per individual /\$150 per family, annual deductible for brand name prescription

#### OPTICAL PANEL PROGRAM DAVIS VISION & VISION SCREENING

- Member & covered dependents entitled to an eye exam & eye glasses or contact lenses annually co-pays may apply to exams/frames
- Co-Payments required for optional services i.e. scratch resisting, antireflective coatings, etc

#### LASER VISION SERVICES

- Discount program provided through Davis Vision network

#### HEARING AID

- \$500 maximum per ear every 4 years for member & covered dependents

#### CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE

- For members who participate in City's GHI-CBP plan
- Self-insured by the Fund
- \$250,000 lifetime maximum per family
- Pays 100% of eligible expenses (medical considered reasonable & customary by GHI) after
- \$4,000 deductible per family unit
- Refund \$3,000 of deductible per calendar year, once \$4,000 is satisfied

#### DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT & PRIVATE DUTY NURSING

- Provides a rider to members & covered dependents enrolled in City's HIP plan
- Provides durable medical equipment & private duty nursing
- After the first 72 hours of private duty care, pays for usual & customary charges
- No annual deductible for covered appliance

#### FULL BODY SCAN DISCOUNT BENEFIT

- Provides full body scan screening through Inner Imaging, P.C., for a discounted fee of \$375
- Dependents have a discounted rate of \$375

#### DEATH BENEFIT TERM LIFE PROVIDED BY THE DEA

- \$2,000 for members who retired (between 1/1/79 to 8/31/83 from the NYPD)

#### GHI & HIP/VIP CO-PAY REFUND

- \$5.00 Refund on co-pays for physician office visits, for members of GHI-CBP and HIP/VIP. Up to 15 office visits per year per family. Certain exclusions apply.

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



De Blasio & co. have turned the streets against the NYPD  
BY PATRICK J. LYNCH

Mayor de Blasio and the rest of our city's political establishment say they're shocked and disgusted by the [recent videos of abuse directed](#) at police officers.

That leaves most police officers wondering: What, exactly, were they expecting?

What did they think would happen when they campaigned on the promise of "reining in" the police, when they legitimized and then ceded the streets to the most extreme voices, the ones who proclaim "all cops are bad"?

What did they think would happen when they enacted policies that all but erased prohibitions on disorderly and anti-social behavior, reducing the quality-of-life standards in our neighborhoods to the lowest common denominator?

What did they think would happen when they saddled police officers with layer after layer of scrutiny and second-guessing, removed critical enforcement tools from police officers, invited and entertained baseless allegations of misconduct with the potential to derail police officers' careers and sacrificed individual cops at the altar of political expediency?

Did they think that any of this would foster respect for the law — or the women and men who enforce it?

We have warned again and again that the environment police officers face on the street has been growing increasingly hostile, that the most basic interactions don't even escalate into confrontations — they begin that way, before the first cops on the scene have even uttered a single word.

Worse, the videos of vulgar abuse, and the threats of violence or sexual assaults that have recently made headlines, are just the tip of the iceberg. Every police officer on patrol can attest that there is much more — and much worse — happening on the streets on a daily basis that isn't being videotaped by those seemingly proud of their actions.

And the mayor's response is to [admonish the criminals and disruptive attention-seekers](#), warning them that their behavior is not "cute or cool," that they should "knock it off" — or else.

Or else ... what?

If the mayor, the City Council and the rest of our city leaders actually want to put a stop to this behavior, they need to immediately begin unwinding the public-safety policies that have normalized criminal behavior.

They need to send an unambiguous message that proactive policing is the No. 1 priority, that police officers should exercise their professional judgment to address disorder in all its forms, before it turns into more serious crime.

And when police officers exercise that judgment and discharge our duties in good faith, our city's leaders need to have the courage to face down the anti-police agitators and actually back us up.

They need to do this now, not merely because police officers feel marginalized and disrespected, but because that marginalization and disrespect prevents us from protecting communities from the same abhorrent behavior.

When appropriate, police officers will continue to simply walk away from this vulgarity and abuse. When appropriate, we will issue a summons or make an arrest. But once we leave the scene or the harassers have been released with a slap on the wrist, they will remain in the community, emboldened to turn their abuse on their law-abiding neighbors.

And no matter what obscenities are hurled at us as we go about our day, that is the part that bothers us the most.

*Patrick J. Lynch is president of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association*

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



## KEEP COP-KILLERS IN JAIL

### A Message from Patrick J. Lynch, PBA President

Thanks to a great deal of hard work and lobbying by this union, today's cop-killers can be sentenced to life in prison without parole. Sadly, that wasn't always the case and there are literally dozens of dangerous cop-killers who are regularly given a shot at freedom through parole. It has long been the PBA's position that anyone who kills a police officer would not think twice about killing a civilian and that they should remain incarcerated for the rest of their lives. The system, however, allows them to argue for parole every two years once they've served their minimum sentence.

This union has been and will continue to be very vocal in our opposition to the parole requests of any cop-killer. But we can't do it alone and you can help.

By clicking here <http://www.nycpba.org/paroleletter.aspx> you will have an opportunity to tell state officials that you oppose the release of a specific, or all, cop-killers. Simply click on the name of the deceased officer, type in your last name and zip code in the appropriate box and press send and a copy of your objection will be included in the inmate's parole folder. If you wish to send an individual letter of objection for every cop-killer on the list, simply check the "Send a letter for all cop-killers" box. This is a simple way for you to register your disapproval of parole for cop-killers. Every objection counts against the release of the cop-killer, so be sure to have your family and friends do it too.

### 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/>



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



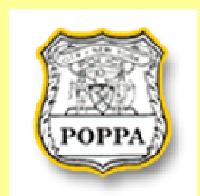
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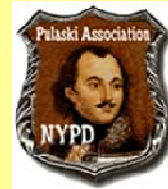
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[911 Health Watch Inc.](#)

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

You can read the entire articles from links at the following site: <http://www.911healthwatch.org/news/>

**August 25, 2018** -- *Newsday* -- Huntington street renamed for NYPD officer who died of 9/11 illness Scott Blackshaw, who spent six weeks working at the smoking ruins of the World Trade Center after the 2001 terror attacks, died of cancer in May at age 52.

<https://www.newsday.com/long-island/suffolk/scott-blackshaw-street-nypd-1.20666193>

**August 25, 2018** -- *NY Daily News* -- [Retired FDNY firefighter, who donated van to help sick colleagues, dies from 9/11-related cancer](#)

Retired FDNY firefighter Jimmy Martinez, who survived two World Trade Center attacks and weathered Hurricane Sandy, died Thursday.

<http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/ny-metro-jimmy-martinez-fdny-cancer-20180825-story.html>

**August 24, 2018** -- *News 12 LI* -- New York getting commemorative 9/11 license plate NY is getting its own commemorative license plate

honoring the Sept. 11 terror attacks. <http://longisland.news12.com/story/38959192/new-york-getting-commemorative-9-11-license-plate>

**August 22, 2018** -- *NCBI* -- **The Forgotten Responders: The Ongoing Impact of 9/11 on the Ground Zero Recovery Workers** In the years

following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks (9/11; New York USA), emergency first responders began experiencing a range of physical health and psychosocial impacts. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/30129910>

**August 17, 2018** -- *lohud* -- **New Rochelle officer dies of 9/11-related illness: police.** Officer Kathleen O'Connor died Thursday from a 9/11-related illness, the city's police department announced today.

<https://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/2018/08/17/new-rochelle-officer-dies-9-11-related-illness-police/1018128002/>

**August 17, 2018** -- *WECT* -- **9/11 first responder in NC worries about toxic exposures: 'You're a ticking time bomb'**

Chuck McLiverty, a retired detective with the New York Police Department, lives with skin allergies, a crushed hand, and painful memories... <http://www.wect.com/story/38908791/9-11-first-responder-in-nc-worries-about-toxic-exposures-youre-a-ticking-time-bomb>

**August 17, 2018** -- *Federal Register* -- **World Trade Center Health Program; Petition 019-Irritable Bowel Syndrome; Finding of Insufficient Evidence** On May 17, 2018, the Administrator of the World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program received a petition (Petition 019) to add...

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/08/17/2018-17711/world-trade-center-health-program-petition-019-irritable-bowel-syndrome-finding-of-insufficient>

**August 17, 2018** -- *NY Daily News* -- **Reaching epidemic proportions: Another retired firefighter dies of a 9/11-related illness** Another fire-

fighter has died from his time spent inhaling toxic fumes at Ground Zero... <http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/ny-metro-firefighter-dies-cancer-20180817-story.html>

**August 16, 2018** -- *Queens Chronicle* -- [Honoring a fallen 9/11 hero](#) Aug. 15 would have been Lt. Mario Bastidas and his wife Penelope's

28th wedding anniversary... [http://www.qchron.com/editions/central/honoring-a-fallen-hero/article\\_7ee6269b-bc85-52f8-b7b6-7d9d30946f74.html](http://www.qchron.com/editions/central/honoring-a-fallen-hero/article_7ee6269b-bc85-52f8-b7b6-7d9d30946f74.html)

**August 14, 2018** -- *WABC* -- **Push to find organ donors for those sickened at ground zero after 9/11 attacks** Many types of cancer have been reported among the life-threatening illnesses that have attacked hundreds of thousands of people...

<https://abc7ny.com/health/push-to-find-organ-donors-for-those-with-9-11-related-illnesses/3957251/>

**August 13, 2018** -- *Daily Mail* -- **REVEALED: Nearly 10,000 people have suffered cancers linked to toxic dust from asbestos, jet fuel, cement and glass shards caused by 9/11....** As many as 9,795 people were diagnosed with cancer linked to 9/11, the federal World Trade Center Health Program recently confirmed...

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-6053323/Nearly-10-000-people-gotten-9-11-related-cancer-report.html>

**August 9, 2018** -- *Star Tribune* -- **Optum running new clinic for 9/11 survivors** The agreement is one of two government contracts that together are worth about \$58.7 million.

<http://www.startribune.com/optum-running-new-clinic-for-9-11-survivors/490499001/>

**August 2, 2018** -- *PoliceOne* -- **NYPD officer dies of 9/11-related cancer** Officer Richard Lopez had served with the NYPD for 20 years...

<https://www.policeone.com/health-fitness/articles/478526006-NYPD-officer-dies-of-9-11-related-cancer/>

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# WTC Notice of Participation

***Deadline Extended:  
Sept. 11, 2018***

*The deadline for WTC responders to file a Notice of Participation to protect their presumptive eligibility for accident disability pension benefits has been extended to **September 11, 2018.***

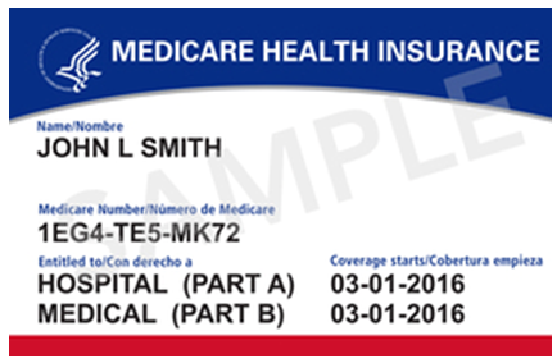
To file or check your status, visit the **Police Pension Fund** website: [www.nyc.gov/nycppf](http://www.nyc.gov/nycppf)

## Medicare.gov

### Your new Medicare card is coming soon

Keep an eye on your mailbox — we're starting to mail new Medicare cards in your state! Now that card mailings have started in your state, it'll take at least a month to finish. **So you might get your new Medicare card at a different time than friends or neighbors in your area.**

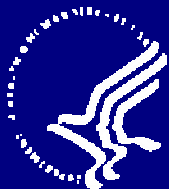
One tip: if you have a [MyMedicare.gov](http://MyMedicare.gov) account, you can sign in and see when your new card has been mailed. Don't have a [MyMedicare.gov](http://MyMedicare.gov) account yet? It's easy to sign up — just visit [MyMedicare.gov](http://MyMedicare.gov). It's a free, secure way for you to access your personal Medicare-related information.



Wondering what's new? The new cards are still paper, but they look a little different. The biggest change is that **your new card will have a new Medicare Number that's unique to you, instead of a Social Security Number.** This will help protect your identity. Though you'll have a new card, rest assured your Medicare coverage and benefits will stay the same.

Sincerely,

*The Medicare Team*



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# Health and Welfare

## Protection from Surprise Bills and Emergency Services

### Health Insurance Resource Center

A new law went into effect March 31, 2015 that protects consumers from surprise bills when services are performed by a non-participating (out-of-network) doctor at a participating hospital or ambulatory surgical center in your HMO or insurer's network or when a participating doctor refers an insured to a non-participating provider. The new law also protects all consumers from bills for emergency services. The following information explains what you need to know about these important new protections if: (1) you have coverage with an HMO or insurer subject to New York law; (2) you are uninsured or your employer or union provides self-insured coverage that is not subject to New York law; or (3) you are a health care provider.

### Emergency Services

#### (Insurance Law Section 3241(c) and Financial Services Law Article 6)

✦ **Hold Harmless Protections for Insured Patients.** Your health plan must protect you from bills for out-of-network emergency services in a hospital if you have coverage through an HMO or insurer subject to NY law (coverage that is not self-insured). You do not have to pay non-participating provider charges for emergency services (typically for services in a hospital emergency room) that are more than your in-network copayment, coinsurance or deductible (this protection may only apply when your health insurance coverage renews after March 31, 2015). Let your health plan know if you receive a bill from a non-participating provider for emergency services.

✦ **Uninsured Patients or Patients With Employer or Union Self-insured Coverage.** You may be able to file a dispute through the independent dispute resolution process if you do not have HMO or insurance coverage that is subject to New York Law (for example, if you are uninsured or your employer or union self-insures) and you receive a bill from a doctor for emergency services provided on and after March 31, 2015 in New York that you believe is excessive.

✦ **Doctors.** You may dispute the amount that the health plan pays you for emergency services through the independent dispute resolution process if you do not participate with a patient's health plan. However, the following emergency services are **exempt from the IDR process: CPT codes 99281 - 99285, 99288, 99291 - 99292, 99217 - 99220, 99224 - 99226, and 99234 - 99236 if the bill does not exceed 120% of the usual and customary cost and the fee disputed is \$654.89 (adjusted annually for inflation rates) or less** after any applicable co-insurance, co-payment and deductible.

### The Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR) Process

#### (Financial Services Law Article 6)

#### Submit a Dispute Through the Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR) Process for Surprise Bills or Emergency Services

✦ **Health Care Providers for Disputes with a Health Plan Involving an Insured Patient.** To submit a dispute, health care providers must:

1. To start the IDR process, Log onto the **IDR portal application** to obtain a tracking number.
2. Complete **the IDR Provider and Insurer Application**; and
3. Send the application to the assigned independent dispute resolution entity.

✦ **Uninsured Patients or Patients With Employer or Union Self-Insured Coverage, or Insureds Who Do Not Assign Benefits for Surprise Bills.** To submit a dispute, you must complete **the IDR Patient Application** and send it to NYS Department of Financial Services, Consumer Assistance Unit/IDR Process, One Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12257.

**Questions.** For help call (800) 342-3736 or email [IDRquestions@dfs.ny.gov](mailto:IDRquestions@dfs.ny.gov).

✦ **Disputes Between a Provider and a Health Plan, Involving an Insured Patient.**

1. The provider pays the cost of the dispute resolution when the IDRE determines that the health plan's payment is reasonable.
2. The health plan pays the cost of the dispute resolution when the IDRE determines that the provider's fee is reasonable.
3. The provider and the health plan share the prorated cost when there is a settlement.
4. There may be a minimal fee to the provider or health plan submitting the dispute if the dispute is found ineligible or incomplete.

### Questions About IDR

If you have questions or need help completing an application, call (800) 342-3736 or e-mail [IDRquestions@dfs.ny.gov](mailto:IDRquestions@dfs.ny.gov).

Further info: <https://www.healthlawpolicymatters.com/2015/04/02/new-yorks-surprise-medical-bill-law-goes-into-effect/>

The below information is contained in the following PDF booklet

City of New York Employees and Retirees

HEALTH INSURANCE FOR YOU AND YOUR DEPENDENTS

GHI Comprehensive Benefits Plan (CBP)

<https://www.emblemhealth.com/~media/Files/PDF/NYC%20Certificate%20of%20Insurance.pdf>

There are circumstances when you may unknowingly be treated by out-of-network doctors. Typically this occurs during a hospital admission (inpatient or outpatient, emergency or non-emergency) when services are provided by out-of-network doctors – even if the hospital is an in-network hospital and/or some of the doctors are in GHI's provider network. For example, during an emergency room hospital admission, you may be treated by a plastic surgeon who works at an in-network hospital, but is not in GHI's provider network, or, during a scheduled outpatient procedure, even when the hospital is an in-network hospital and the doctor performing the procedure is an in-network doctor, you may also receive services from an out-of-network doctor who works at the hospital, such as an anesthesiologist, radiologist, or pathologist, but is not part of GHI's provider network. Even though that doctor works at an in-network hospital, if the doctor is an out-of-network doctor,

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you will be responsible for your out-of-network cost sharing and the balance of that doctor's bill after GHI reimburses at the rate from its Schedule. However, for services rendered on or after April 1, 2015, you will be protected from out-of-pocket costs, other than applicable in-network cost-sharing, for services that qualify as "surprise bills" or emergency services as described below. In the event that the protections set forth below do not apply, your out-of-pocket expenses may be substantial, since the out-of-network doctors will be covered under your benefits the same as any other out-of-network doctor, in many instances.

## Protection from Surprise Bills For Services Rendered On Or After April 1, 2015.

A surprise bill is a bill you receive for covered services provided in New York State on and after April 1, 2015 in the following circumstances:

- For services performed by a non-participating physician at a participating hospital or ambulatory surgical center, when:
  - A participating physician is unavailable at the time the health care services are performed;
  - A non-participating physician performs services without your knowledge; or
  - Unforeseen medical issues or services arise at the time the health care services are performed.

A surprise bill does not include a bill for health care services when a participating physician is available and you elected to receive services from a non-participating physician.

- You were referred by a participating physician to a non-participating provider without your explicit written consent acknowledging that the referral is to a non-participating provider and it may result in costs not covered by us. For a surprise bill, a referral to a non-participating provider means:
  - Covered services are performed by a non-participating provider in the participating physician's office or practice during the same visit;
  - The participating physician sends a specimen taken from you in the participating physician's office to a non-participating laboratory or pathologist; or
  - For any other covered services performed by a non-participating provider at the participating physician's request, when referrals are required under your plan.

You will be held harmless for any non-participating provider charges for the surprise bill that exceeds your in-network copayment, deductible or coinsurance if you assign benefits to the non-participating provider in writing. In such cases, the non-participating provider may only bill you for your in-network copayment, deductible or coinsurance.

The assignment of benefits form for surprise bills is available at [www.dfs.ny.gov](http://www.dfs.ny.gov) or you can visit GHI's website at [www.emblemhealth.com](http://www.emblemhealth.com) for a copy of the form. You need to complete and mail a copy of the assignment of benefits form to GHI at the address on GHI's website and to your provider.

**Payments Relating to Emergency Services Rendered.** The amount we pay a non-participating provider for covered services you receive in a hospital to treat an emergency condition on or after April 1, 2015 that are not payable under your hospital plan will be an amount we have negotiated with the Non-Participating Provider for the service or an amount we have determined is reasonable for the service. An emergency condition means: A medical or behavioral condition that manifests itself by Acute symptoms of sufficient severity, including severe pain, such that a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, could reasonably expect the absence of immediate medical attention to result in:

- Placing the health of the person afflicted with such condition or, with respect to a pregnant woman, the health of the woman or her unborn child in serious jeopardy, or in the case of a behavioral condition, placing the health of such person or others in serious jeopardy;
- Serious impairment to such person's bodily functions;
- Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part of such person; or Serious disfigurement of such person.

## Catastrophic Coverage

**Benefits.** In the event that you receive any of the covered services described below rendered by a Non-Participating Provider and incur out-of-pocket expenses in a calendar year of more than the catastrophic deductibles, GHI will then pay the catastrophic benefit.

(a) **Covered Services.** Covered services under Catastrophic Coverage include:

- (i) Surgery.
- (ii) Administration of Anesthesia.
- (iii) Chemotherapy and Radiation Therapy.
- (iv) Covered In-hospital Services.
- (v) Maternity.

(b) **Catastrophic Deductible.** Benefits under this coverage do not begin until you incur, during a calendar year, more than \$3,000 in out-of-pocket expenses. Out-of-pocket expenses are calculated based only upon the Allowed Charge for covered services.

(c) **Catastrophic Benefit.** After the \$3,000 catastrophic deductible has been met, the benefits for the Covered Services set forth above are payable at 100% of the Allowed Charge. A \$200,000 annual maximum applies for all services covered under this Certificate.

(d) **Formula.** The catastrophic coverage benefit may best be understood by the formula set forth below.

**Allowed Charge for Covered Catastrophic Services**

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**All payments for Covered Catastrophic Services**

MINUS

**\$3,000 Catastrophic Deductible**

EQUALS

**Catastrophic Benefit Payment**

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I still continuously 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.

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

# Health and Welfare



Those who serve during conflict are eligible for up to \$19,000 a year. By Paula Burkes Published: February 8, 2009 <http://newsok.com/article/3344150>

A little-known veterans' benefit for long-term care expenses is available to wartime veterans and their spouses. But the benefit is being overlooked by thousands of families, industry observers say. The Special Pension for Veterans' Aid and Attendance pays up to \$1,644 a month, \$19,736 annually, toward assisted living, nursing homes or in-home care for veterans 65 and older who served at least 90 days and one day during wartime — stateside or overseas. Veterans and their spouses can receive up to \$23,396 annually and spouses of deceased veterans, \$12,681. Yet, an estimated \$22 billion a year goes unclaimed. In 2007, only 134,000 seniors nationwide received the benefit, which was established in 1952.

## INTRODUCTION TO THE VETERANS' AID AND ATTENDANCE "SPECIAL PENSION"

The Veterans' Administration offers a Special Pension with Aid and Attendance (A&A) benefit that is largely unknown. This Special Pension (part of the VA Improved Pension program) allows for Veterans and surviving spouses who require the regular attendance of another person to assist in eating, bathing, dressing, undressing or taking care of the needs of nature to receive additional monetary benefits. It also includes individuals who are blind or a patient in a nursing home because of mental or physical incapacity. Assisted care in an assisted living facility also qualifies.

This is a "pension benefit" and is not dependent upon service-related injuries for compensation. Most Veterans who are in need of assistance qualify for this pension. Aid and Attendance can help pay for care in the home, nursing home or assisted living facility. The Aid and Attendance Benefit is considered to be the third tier of a VA program called Improved Pension. The other two tiers are Basic and Housebound. Each tier has its own level of benefits and qualifications. If you or your loved one does not qualify for Aid and Attendance, you may want to check to see if you qualify for another level of the Pension.

## THE AID & ATTENDANCE PROGRAM

Eligibility must be proven by filing the proper Veterans Application for Pension or Compensation. This application will require a copy of DD-214 (see below for more information) or separation papers, Medical Evaluation from a physician, current medical issues, net worth limitations, and net income, along with out-of-pocket Medical Expenses. For more general information about the Aid & Attendance Special Pension, please see <http://www.vetassist.org/faq.htm>

Q. How do I know that I qualify for Aid & Attendance?

A. The VA will require that your physician fill out a form establishing that the claimant requires daily assistance from others in order to dress, bathe, cook, eat, leave home, etc. The claimant does NOT have to require help in ALL these areas. There simply must be adequate medical evidence that the claimant cannot function alone. <http://www.vetassist.org/eligibility.htm> The veteran served at least one day during the following periods and had 90 days of continuous military service.

- World War II: December 7, 1941 through December 31, 1946
- Korean War: June 27, 1950 through January 31, 1955
- Vietnam War: August 5, 1964 (February 28, 1961, for veterans who served "in country" before August 5, 1964), through May 7, 1975
- Gulf War: August 2, 1990, through a date to be set by law of Presidential Proclamation.

As a rule of thumb, assets should not exceed \$80,000. That amount drops depending on the age of claimant. Also included is spousal income.

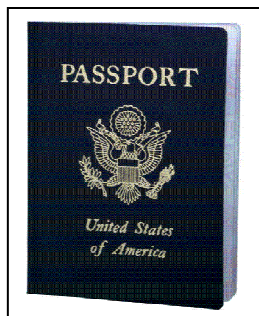
SUMMARY: If the claimant meets the income criteria, the service criteria, and the net worth criteria, he or she is likely eligible for one of the Improved Pensions (A&A, Housebound or Basic Pension). It is not necessary to request the "Basic Pension" or "Housebound." Simply fill out the form as though you are requesting the full Aid & Attendance benefit. The VA will determine which level of the Improved Pension is appropriate to your situation. VA Form 21-526 (claim for a living veteran) or VA Form 21-534 (claim for death Pension from a surviving spouse). You can ask VA to help you fill out the form by calling or visiting a regional office.



# What's Happening

## U.S. Passport Changes Are Coming: Here's What You Need to Know

By Shannon McMahon



Passport changes are coming, and if you plan on traveling in the near future—especially if you're among the [49 million Americans](#) whose passports will expire in the next few years—you need to know what passport changes are in store.

While it may seem easy enough to acquire or renew a passport if and when you plan a trip, the State Department says there's about to be a massive backlog of passport applications. (More on that in a minute.) Plus, passports themselves are going to change. Here's what you should know about both the expected passport application delays and the passport changes coming in the years ahead.

### U.S. Passport Changes

#### You Should Renew Your Passport Now

A decade ago, an important piece of travel legislation made American passports much more in-demand. The State Department saw an “[unprecedented surge](#)” in applications when a 2007 law enacted by the 9/11 Commission established passports as necessary for all travel to and from Canada, Mexico, and the Caribbean. Millions of travelers acquired 10-year passports that year as a result, and now they're *all* about to expire. It's safe to assume many of those passport holders will need to renew, which means that passport applications will jump significantly once again.

Concerned about wait times yet? Passport renewal already takes about six weeks, and many destinations require foreign passports to be valid for months after your trip. Factor in unknown delays, and you might have a lot less time to renew than you thought.

#### REAL ID Changes Aren't Helping

A newer federal law, the REAL ID Act, will soon enforce updates to all state-level identification in the form of security features like machine-readable data. Now people in some states that are lagging behind in the technology are realizing that their licenses might soon be invalid for air travel—even on domestic trips. That could mean a rise in passport applications as well.

Travelers using IDs issued by certain states—for example, Maine and Missouri—could be turned away at the gate starting in 2018 if their state doesn't adjust to the new standards in time. Some states are under review and have been given a deadline extension, but all licenses must comply with the standards by 2020. Frequent travelers worried that their state won't comply in time may go ahead and renew or acquire a passport instead. Find out if your state has complied or been given an extension [here](#).

#### Expect New Security Features

Like state IDs, passports will now include added technology to ensure security and decrease fraud. Catching up with many other countries, U.S. passport changes mean that new passports will include a data chip that can provide all your personal info upon scanning it onto a computer. You can also expect your new passport to be lighter—rather than the 52-page passports of the past, only 28 pages will be included unless you opt to get more.

#### Double Check Children's Passports

If you've lost track of when your own passport needs renewing and you travel with children, double-check your child's passport as well. Child passports are only valid for five years, and they're subject to more paperwork, like parental consent forms and proof of a parent-child relationship.

#### How to Renew Your Passport

You can apply for or renew a passport online through the State Department, <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports.html> or in person, <https://iafdb.travel.state.gov/> at an eligible local agency like the post office. Make sure you follow instructions carefully and meet all the requirements, <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports/forms.html> like the new rule against wearing glasses in your passport photo. Doing so could further delay the process.

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TPF Reunion: Saturday October 6, 2018 at Plattduetsche Park in Franklin Square, LI. Cost is \$75 prepaid. Please make check out to Mike Stapleton and mail it to: TPF Reunion 119 Marsh Ct. East Stroudsburg, PA 18302. Mike can be contacted at phone # 570-209-5255.



Denver Defense  
HR-218 Classes  
<https://www.denverdefense.net/>  
Next class is Sunday Sept. 9



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

## Pistol Permit Recertification

Changes to New York State firearms law (NYSafe Act of 2013) require pistol permit holders to recertify their permit every five years.

**If you have a pistol permit in NYS**, you are required to confirm certain information such as your name, the current address of your residence, your date of birth, and a list of all pistols and revolvers you currently possess.

This does **NOT** apply to permit holders in New York City, Nassau County, Suffolk County, and Westchester County. If you currently have a New York City, Nassau County, Suffolk County or Westchester County permit, you must follow the requirements that are in place in your county, rather than use the New York State recertification system.

If your license was issued before January 15, 2013, you must recertify now. **The deadline for recertification is January 31, 2018.**

If your license was issued on or after January 15, 2013, the deadline to recertify is five years after the date the license was issued.

NC Firearms Laws - <http://www.ncdoj.gov/getdoc/32344299-a2a7-4ae5-99fd-9018262f64ac/NC-Firearms-gun-Laws.aspx>

NC Gun Laws To Know - <https://www.gunstocarry.com/gun-laws-state/north-carolina-gun-laws/>

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## NYC Police Pension Fund Information

The Police Pension Fund allows retirees to receive pension payments by way of an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). EFT transfers are governed by The Electronic Fund Transfers Act (15 United States Code §§ 1693 et seq.), and the rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association (NACHA). The Automated Clearing House (ACH) is the primary system used by most agencies to make EFT payments. The payment date of all pension payments from the Fund is the last day of the month. In accordance with EFT laws and rules, the Fund initiates the transfer of pension payments two business days prior to the last day of the month, for the deposit to take effect on the last day of the month. EFT funds will only clear on a business day, i.e., not a legal banking holiday or a Sunday. ACH regulations provide that where an EFT does not occur on a business day, the transfer will post on the following business day. Therefore, if the last day of the month falls on a Sunday, your retirement allowance will post to your account the next day, Monday the 1st of the month. If the funds are not released in your account beyond the next business day, please consult your individual bank for information on its hold policies.



### 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.

### 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 biostatisticians 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)

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



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## **IF A MEMBER DIES - INFORMATION TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OR FAMILY**

(Hopefully Not Needed For A Long Time)

Too often spouses and families are left in a quandary upon the death of a loved one. Few situations in life are more stressful than when a spouse passes. All too often we have a difficult time focusing on the issues at hand and need guidance to get the deceased affairs in order. The following is a general guide for the widow(er) or the deceased's family regarding important notifications that must be made by the surviving spouse and information you should have on hand when a retiree dies.

### **I. PREPARATIONS BEFOREHAND**

- **GATHER ASSETS** - This doesn't mean piling them all together. It means getting a list of all the assets at the time of the decedent's death, along with copies of statements, deeds, etc. This information is needed for probate. It's also essential for filing federal and state estate tax returns, if required.
- **REVIEW IRAs** - If the surviving spouse is the beneficiary, decide whether to roll an IRA over to the surviving spouse.
- **GET GOOD ADVICE** - and get it now. The money you pay to attorneys and other advisers to resolve issues NOW can be much lower than if you deal with problems AFTER a person's death.
- In case of couples, usually most of the property is held in joint names and the survivor obtains same "by operation of law". However, there may be some items which were held in the name of the deceased only, and in that case it would be necessary to go to Probate Court to transfer ownership of that property, unless listed in a trust.
- **GET ORGANIZED NOW** - When someone dies, one of the big problems for beneficiaries is locating the things necessary to settle the estate. Make sure you know before the death occurs where to find the following documents and information. (This is just a partial list)
  1. Will
  2. Living Will
  3. Trust
  4. Deeds (if any).
  5. Safe-deposit boxes (location of boxes, contents and keys).
  6. Life insurance policies.
  7. Funeral and burial instructions.
  8. Names and addresses of creditors and debtors.
  9. List of assets and where they are located.
  10. List of all advisers (attorney, accountant, insurance agent, stockbroker, etc.).

### **II. STEPS TO BE TAKEN AFTER DEATH - Notifications to be made:**

1. NYC Police Pension Fund (either in writing or by telephone)  
233 Broadway, 25th Floor  
New York, New York 10279  
Attention: Retiree Death Benefits Unit  
Telephone  [\(212\) 693-5607](tel:(212)693-5607)/5919

Contact the appropriate Union for a possible existing life insurance policy and also for continuation of optional benefits, if qualified.

- Police Officers - Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (PBA) at  [\(212\) 233-5531](tel:(212)233-5531)
- Detectives - Detectives' Endowment Association (DEA) at  [\(212\) 587-9120](tel:(212)587-9120)
- Sergeants - Sergeant's Benevolent Association (SBA) at  [\(212\) 431-6555](tel:(212)431-6555)
- Lieutenants and above - Superior Officers Council (SOC) at  [\(212\) 964-7500](tel:(212)964-7500)

2. Contact the NYC Health Benefits Program for Special Continuation of Coverage application (coverage for life) located at 40 Rector Street, 3rd Floor, New York 10006  [\(212\) 513-0470](tel:(212)513-0470).

3. Contact the NYPD Operations Unit located at One Police Plaza at  [\(646\) 610-5580](tel:(646)610-5580), for pall bearers (Funeral Director will usually do this for you) for all five boroughs, all of Long Island and Upstate New York, but not beyond Dutchess County.

4. Contact Social Security:  [\(800\) 772-1213](tel:(800)772-1213) (Funeral Director will usually do this for you).

5. Contact Fraternal Organizations to arrange for visitors, Color Guard and possible insurance benefits

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6. If a veteran, notify the Veterans Administration at [\(800\) 827-1000](tel:800-827-1000) for: Grave marker, Funeral Allowance and Flag (Funeral Director will usually do this for you).  
If can't find discharge papers or DD 214, you will need date of Enlistment, date of Discharge, Branch & Serial Number. If deceased had 100% disability for 10 years, spouse is entitled to an additional benefit.
7. Notify your Church or Temple for announcements.  
(Funeral Director will usually do this for you).
8. **Health Insurance: COBRA** (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985) COBRA has a safety net. If spouse or dependent was covered under deceased's health plan they may continue coverage under COBRA for up to 36 months. New York State in 2001 amended the Administrative Code to continue Health Care Coverage for Surviving Spouses for Life (Download Information Regarding this Amendment). This enables the deceased's spouse and/or dependents to receive coverage at the group rate. The City and the Line Organization health benefits stop at the death of the members. The rate, though high, is cheaper than the non group rate.  
Call: NYC Employee Benefits [\(212\) 513-0470](tel:212-513-0470)

## THIS INFORMATION PERTAINS TO COBRA

### Police Officers & Firefighter surviving spouses are to follow this procedure

Attach a machine copy of the death certificate to a request for an application for COBRA FOR LIFE and send it to:

Retired Employees Benefits Section  
Att: Linda Harris (**Cobra for Life**)  
40 – Rector Street – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10006

They will send the surviving spouse a pre-numbered application allowing the spouse to continue the health coverage the member had at a cost equal to 102% of what the City pays, which includes administrative fees. This is fairly reasonable. Applying for this must be done within 30 days. Benefits are retroactive if the surviving spouse requires medical attention during this interim period.

At this time if a member and spouse are of Medicare age, and reside in an area covered by Aetna, I would strongly recommend they choose that plan over GHI/EBC/CBP.

Also, they would need to consider the respective union plans as those plans would only be available for 36 months, and whether the health plan rider would be a better choice.

## THINGS YOU WILL NEED

**DEATH CERTIFICATES** - Death Certificates are necessary in every step to the successful administration of a decedent's estate. (Usually Funeral will obtain certificates as part of his service at current cost). They are usually needed for:

Pension Bureau  
Veterans Administration (if a veteran)  
Motor Vehicle Bureau if auto was in deceased's name. 1 for each insurance policy.  
Court (If probate is needed).  
Your State Department of Revenue to obtain non-tax certificate if real property is involved.  
Bank accounts held in Trust for another 1 for each account if property held in a Trust.  
Personal Records.

Note: If estate is probated, some of the above will take a Letter Testamentary instead of a Death Certificate.

## **MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE (With Official Raised Seal):**

Social Security, (not necessary if surviving spouse already receiving benefits)  
Veterans Administration, if a veteran.

## **LETTERS TESTAMENTARY or LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION:**

Motor Vehicle Bureau, if auto is in the deceased's name.  
One for each bank account  
Brokerage house account (share of stock or bonds, etc. that were in the deceased's name alone)

## **DISCHARGE PAPERS: DD 214 - (Original needed)**

Social Security, if spouse was not already receiving benefits. Remember that service time counts toward qualification. They will Photostat.  
Veterans Administration, if a veteran

## **PAID FUNERAL BILLS:**

1 copy for Pension Bureau  
1 copy for Probate Court  
1 copy for IRS, if taxable estate.

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## **OTHER THINGS THAT MAY APPLY (usually after burial)**

Cancel any leases. (If your parent or loved one rented a home, cancel the lease after clearing out the furnishings)  
Inform insurance companies.

File life insurance claims for any policies on the person's life, and request that the insurers send you Form 712, Life Insurance Statement (this is a statement about the life insurance that must be filed with the estate tax return).

Make sure the car insurance company continues to cover the person's car until it's sold or transferred to a beneficiary.

Make sure the homeowners policy continues to provide adequate coverage for the person's things until removed from the home.

Notify companies the person did business with.

Cancel credit cards, and close charge accounts.

Have airlines to transfer frequent-flier miles to the primary beneficiary. (Each airline has different policy concerning this issue. Check with carrier about rules)

Consideration should also be given to making pre-death funeral arrangements. This provision, no matter how painful, should be discussed by couples and by parents with their families. Too often, spouse and children spend much too much money on a funeral and do so without really knowing what were the deceased's wishes in this regard (Place of burial, Cremation, etc.)

Consideration should also be given to having a "Family Durable Power of Attorney" (Someone to take over your finances if you become incapacitated or incompetent)

There are no words of comfort at such a difficult time, however, if you have all the necessary information at the ready it will expedite any claim that is pending, make the process run smoothly, and your stress level can be minimized.

Attached is a List of Phone Numbers that you can print out and put with your important papers.

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|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Operations Desk         | <a href="tel:646-610-5580">646-610-5580</a> |
| NYCPD General Info      | <a href="tel:646-610-5000">646-610-5000</a> |
| Pension Section         | <a href="tel:866-692-7733">866-692-7733</a> |
| I D Card Section        | <a href="tel:646-610-5150">646-610-5150</a> |
| Employee Benefits       | <a href="tel:212-513-0470">212-513-0470</a> |
| PBA Health & Welfare    | <a href="tel:212-349-7560">212-349-7560</a> |
| PBA Caremark Drug Plan  | <a href="tel:877-722-7911">877-722-7911</a> |
| PBA Satellite           | <a href="tel:954-977-3880">954-977-3880</a> |
| DEA                     | <a href="tel:212-587-9120">212-587-9120</a> |
| SBA                     | <a href="tel:212-226-2180">212-226-2180</a> |
| SBA Health & Welfare    | <a href="tel:212-431-6555">212-431-6555</a> |
| RSA                     | <a href="tel:516-564-1861">516-564-1861</a> |
| LBA-SOC                 | <a href="tel:212-964-7500">212-964-7500</a> |
| GHI                     | <a href="tel:800-358-5500">800-358-5500</a> |
| Empire Blue Cross       | <a href="tel:800-433-9592">800-433-9592</a> |
| Medicare Re-Imbursement | <a href="tel:212-513-0470">212-513-0470</a> |
| Medicare                | <a href="tel:800-633-4227">800-633-4227</a> |
| Social Security         | <a href="tel:800-772-1213">800-772-1213</a> |
| Social Security-TTY #   | <a href="tel:800-325-0778">800-325-0778</a> |

## **COBRA INFO FOR SURVIVING SPOUSE**

<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/retiree/health-retiree-cobra.page>

### **COBRA health benefits for surviving spouses.**

- 1 Google - Health Benefits NYC
- 2 Click on Health Benefits
- 3 You will be on NYC Office of Labor Relations site
- 4 Click on RETIREE at top
- 5 Then on left side click on FORMS AND DOWNLOADS
- 6 Then click on COBRA FORM NOTICE OF RIGHTS AND COBRA
- 7 This form has all the info needed and also where to mail form to.
- 8 This is Cobra for life for the surviving spouse.

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Members should be aware that the Social Security Administration stopped sending earnings and future benefits statements several years ago. This and other information is available online at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)

After answering some security questions and setting up a secure account most participants will be able to access their information like earnings and what is their retirement age for full social security. For persons born 1943 to 1954 the full social security retirement age is 66. For those born after that your full social security age is available on page 2 of the statement available on line. More info in the attached newsletter. More info and other useful websites are also in the newsletter.



## Thinking of retiring?

[www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)

### Some things to consider

Retirement can have more than one meaning these days. It can mean that you have applied for Social Security retirement benefits or that you are no longer working. Or it can mean that you have chosen to receive Social Security while still working, either full or part-time. All of these choices are available to you. Your retirement decisions can have very real effects on your ability to maintain a comfortable retirement.

If you retire early, you may not have enough income to enjoy the years ahead of you. Likewise, if you retire late, you'll have a larger income, but fewer years to enjoy it. Everyone needs to try to find the right balance, based on his or her own circumstances.

We hope the following information will help you as you plan for your future retirement and consider your retirement options.

### Avoid a Medicare Penalty Sign Up at Age 65

Even if you don't plan to receive monthly benefits, be sure to sign up for Medicare *three months before* turning age 65. If you don't sign up for Medicare Part B (medical insurance) when you're first eligible, your coverage may not start right away and you may have to pay a late enrollment penalty for as long as you have it. You can apply online. Visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/medicareonly](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/medicareonly) for information and to apply.

### What is the best option for you?

Everyone's situation is different. That is why Social Security has created several retirement planners to help you decide what would be best for you and your family. Social Security has an online calculator that can provide immediate and accurate retirement benefit estimates to help you plan for your retirement.

The online Retirement Estimator is a convenient, secure, and quick financial planning tool. It uses your own earnings record information, thereby eliminating any need to manually key in years of earnings information. The estimator also will let you create "what if" scenarios. You can, for example, change your "stop work" date or expected future earnings to create and compare different retirement options. To use the Retirement Estimator, go to our website at [www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator).

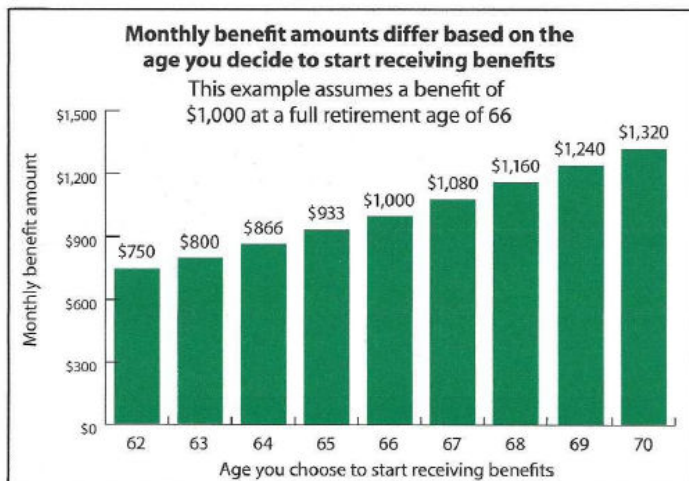
There is one more thing you should remember as you crunch the numbers for your retirement. You may need your income to be sufficient for a long time, because people are living longer than ever before, and generally, women tend to live longer than men. For example:

- The typical 65-year-old today will live to age 83;
- One in four 65-year-olds will live to age 90; and
- One in ten 65-year-olds will live to age 95.

Once you decide on the best age for you to actually retire, remember to complete your application *three months before* the month in which you want retirement benefits to begin.

### It's so easy to apply online for benefits

The easiest way to apply for Social Security retirement benefits is to go online at [www.socialsecurity.gov/applyforbenefits](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/applyforbenefits). If you do not have access to the Internet, you can call 1-800-772-1213 (TTY number, 1-800-325-0778) between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, to apply by phone. You also can apply at any Social Security office. To avoid having to wait, call first to make an appointment.



## Receiving benefits while you work

When you reach your full retirement age, you can work and earn as much as you want and still receive your full Social Security benefit payment. If you are younger than full retirement age and if your earnings exceed certain dollar amounts, some of your benefit payments during the year will be withheld.

This does not mean you must try to limit your earnings. If we withhold some of your benefits because you continue to work, we will pay you a higher monthly benefit amount when you reach your full retirement age. In other words, if you would like to work and earn more than the exempt amount, you should know that it will not, on average, reduce the total value of lifetime benefits you receive from Social Security—and may actually increase them.

Here is how this works: after you reach full retirement age, we will recalculate your benefit amount to give you credit for any months in which you did not receive some benefit because of your earnings. In addition, as long as you continue to work, we will check your record every year to see whether the additional earnings will increase your monthly benefit.

Many people can continue to work and still receive retirement benefits. If you want more information on how earnings affect your retirement benefits, ask for *How Work Affects Your Benefits* (Publication No. 05-10069), which has current annual and monthly earnings limits, and is available on our website.

## Retirement age considerations

### Full retirement age

For persons born during the years 1943-1954, the full retirement age is 66. If you were not born in this period, you can find your full retirement age on page 2 of your *Social Security Statement*.

### Retiring early

If you've earned 40 credits (credits are explained on page 2 of your *Statement*), you can start receiving Social Security benefits at 62 or at any month between 62 and full retirement age. However, your benefits will be reduced based on the number of months you receive benefits before you reach full retirement age.

If your full retirement age is 66, benefits will be reduced:  
 25 percent at age 62;  
 20 percent at age 63;  
 13½ percent at age 64; or  
 6⅔ percent at age 65.

### Delaying retirement

You may decide to wait beyond your full retirement age before choosing to receive benefits. If

so, your benefit will be increased by a certain percentage for each month you don't receive benefits between your full retirement age and age 70. This table shows the rate your benefits increase if you delay retiring.

| Year of birth | Yearly increase rate |
|---------------|----------------------|
| 1941 - 1942   | 7.5%                 |
| 1943 or later | 8.0%                 |

### Rules that may affect your survivor

If you are married and die before your spouse, he or she may be eligible for a benefit based on your work record. If you start benefits before your full retirement age, we cannot pay your surviving spouse a full benefit from your record. Also, if you wait until after your full retirement age to begin benefits, the surviving spouse benefits based on your record will be higher.

## Need more information?

You can find answers to frequently asked questions about Social Security, learn about factors that could affect your benefits, and much more by visiting Social Security online at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

If you do not have access to the Internet, you can get information about Social Security by calling **1-800-772-1213 (1-800-325-0778** for the deaf or hard of hearing) or by visiting a local Social Security office.

## Other useful websites

[www.mymoney.gov](http://www.mymoney.gov)

This website contains calculators for financial planning and information on money-related matters, such as retirement planning and starting a small business.

[www.dol.gov/ebsa/pdf/nearretirement.pdf](http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/pdf/nearretirement.pdf)

Have you determined how much money you will need in retirement? There are many tools available to help you, such as the *Taking the Mystery Out of Retirement Planning Workbook* available at this link.

[www.sec.gov/investor/seniors.shtml](http://www.sec.gov/investor/seniors.shtml)

Are you looking for information about the investment options available to you as you enter retirement? The Securities and Exchange Commission has a wealth of information on different investment products and topics available at this website.

[www.usa.gov/topics/seniors.shtml](http://www.usa.gov/topics/seniors.shtml)

This website has a variety of resources for seniors on topics including retirement planning, housing, and health.



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# NOSTALGIA

## POLICEMEN NEWS

### Transfers-Appointments News pertaining to those in blue

6 September 1928

Returns from Police Camp

Warrant Officer John MARTIN, attached to Bridge Plaze police court, has returned from two weeks vacation spent at the Police Camp at Tannersville, N. Y.

Patrolman on Vacation

Patrolman John TAUKUS, of Clymer street station, is spending his vacation at the Police Camp at Tannersville, N. Y.

Patrolman KYLE in Canada

Nelson Hamilton KYLE, Jr., of 53 Willoughby street, one of the most popular young patrolmen of the Coney Island station, has left for an extended tour through the principal (sic) cities of Canada.

8 September 1928

INDICT POLICEMAN

Accused of Assault on Freeport Men

Daniel Van NOSTRAND, Nassau County policeman, stands indicted in Mineola to-day by the county Grand Jury on charges of second degree assault and oppression. Bernard KOENKE, of 263 Pennsylvania avenue, Freeport was indicted with him on the assault charge.

The complainants were William SPRAGUE, of 26 Wallace street, and Henry JAFFE of North Main street, both of Freeport. Last Sunday, in South Bayview avenue, Freeport, these two were in a fight with the policeman, who was in uniform but off duty, and with, KOENKE. They allege that both KOENKE and VAN NOSTRAND attacked them with the butt end of VAN NOSTRAND's pistol.

VAN NOSTRAND was appointed county patrolman February, 1926, and has been attached to the Merrick precinct. Police Chief Abram W. SKIDMORE suspended him, pending outcome of the charges.

Policeman Hurt

Patrolman Benjamin WILDER, 49, of 536 Logan street, attached to Hamilton avenue station was enjoying an automobile ride night when his automobile was in a collision with another at King and Conover streets. WILDER suffered a fracture of the left leg and was taken to his home.

POLICE HONOR VETERAN DIES

Sergeant Charles MAAS Expires in Jamaica Drug Store

Won Hero Medals - Stopped Two Runaways and Made Fire Rescues

Sergeant Charles MAAS, who spent twenty-six years in the New York Police Department, and for ten years conducted a detective agency at 158-28 Jamaica avenue, Jamaica, suddenly became ill yesterday afternoon in a drug store on Hillside avenue, near 163d street, Jamaica. He died before the arrival of a doctor, who said death was probably due to a stomach ailment.

MAAS was well known as an advocate of a bread and water diet to keep men out of prison. He first attracted attention about twenty-eight years ago while on duty when, at great risk of his life, as a citation shows, he stopped a runaway team of horses attached to a victoria in which were two women. Before stopping the team MAAS was dragged from his mount.

Three years later he was again cited when he halted a runaway horse drawing a carriage in which were a governess and an eight year old boy. In 1907 MAAS was again in the spotlight as the hero of a tenement fire, which he discovered in Clinton street, Manhattan.

The lives of forty persons were endangered by this blaze, which gutted the structure. MAAS aroused the tenants and then found three children in one of the rooms. After assisting them to the street, he returned and saved a young woman. He was delirious and partly blind for a time as the result of this fire, and it was believed that his hands would have to be amputated, but they soon healed.

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# NOSTALGIA

## POLICEMEN NEWS

Continued.....MAAS was one of the founders of the Honor Legion in the police department. He also was active in the Queensboro Lodge of Elks, Danton Lodge 1017, F.A. & M., and the Abraham Lincoln Chapter, Steuben Society.

His body was taken from Robins Morgue, Jamaica, to his home at 77 150th street, Jamaica. Although funeral arrangements have not been made, it is believed that MAAS will be buried with honors of the police department.

Surviving him are his son Charles W. MAAS, a fireman attached to Engine Co. 305; and three daughters, Magdalene MAAS, of Jamaica; Mrs. Harriet ROBB and Mrs. Edna SPRENGEL, both of Rockville Centre.

James W. BARRETT, city editor of the New York World, was a brother-in-law of the deceased.

### 11 September 1928

Officer Who Checked Bridge, Retires After 44 Years

George LAUTERBORN, who joined the Brooklyn Police force May 24, 1883, to-day put in his papers for retirement on Sept 15, after forty-five years of continuous service. He says here after his time will be devoted to cheering the Yanks to victory in the American League and then in the World Series.

When LAUTERBORN joined the force Brooklynites were riding to work in horse cars and on bicycles with big front wheels, and a trip to Manhattan had, until shortly before, been considered quite a journey. Then the Brooklyn Bridge was completed and opened to traffic. Then the new and young policeman—he is now seventy-four years old—was assigned to patrol the great span. For years he continued on duty at the bridge, being taken into the consolidated New York force when the two cities combined their government in 1899.

When he retires, the veteran Brooklyn patrolman will receive \$1,200 a year. He is now serving in the office of the Chief Clerk of the department in Manhattan.

A son, Frank, is assigned to the Bureau of Information in the same headquarters. He served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, was gassed, and won high commendation for his faithful performances of duty as a soldier. A second son, Matthew, who was also a member of the police force, died two years ago. LAUTERBORN'S home is at 283-12 Newgall street, Rosedale, Long Island.

WILDER Funeral Halts, Inquiry Into Murder

Investigation into the murder last Friday night of State Trooper, Carl T. WILDER, 27, on a country road between Tuxedo Park and Greenwood Lake, halted temporarily to-day while the funeral was held at Monroe, where he lived.

For the past few days, it was learned the inquiry centered in Long Island, where the State Troopers, aided by Detectives BRIERTON and POWERS and others of the Astoria Station, questioned for several hours the young wife of a prominent Long Island City Physician, whose name they refused to reveal.

This woman, it was said, was a personal friend of the man sought in connection with the killing the owner according to the troopers, of a resort near Greenwood Lake, and said also to be a bootlegger.

### 12 September 1928

POLICEMAN SAVES FLAMING WOMAN

Patrolman Henry BODE of the Clymer street station, this afternoon rescued Mrs. Dora MENDELMAN 40, of 41 Tompkins avenue, from probable death in flames. The woman came rushing out of her home in a blaze after her clothing ignited about 1:30 o'clock.

BODE snatched up a hall rug and wrapped it around the woman, quickly extinguishing the fire.

Mrs. MENDELMAN had been cleaning a bed with gasoline when the fluid suddenly exploded.

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## POLICEMEN NEWS

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14 September 1928

GIRL GIVES TIP IN COP SLAYING

While Patrolman Jerry BROSMAN, killed in Fordham Hospital early Thursday, was accorded an inspector's funeral in the Bronx today, detectives worked on a tip given them by a gunman's sweetheart that may put them on the track of the trio who murdered the patrolman.

The girl is supposed to have telephoned to District Attorney MCGEEHAN saying; 'He didn't play fair with me and now I won't with him. I hope you catch him and the two rat with him'.

An attorney who had been to the hospital too see a client informed the District attorney that he had seen an automobile parked near the Southern Boulevard entrance. Requiem mass was sung for the patrolman who was fifty-three years old and a father of seven children, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 2414 Marion avenue, the Bronx, followed by interment in Calvary Cemetery.

HORSE DRAGS COP

Policeman Guarding School Children, Badly Hurt by Horse

Patrolman Charles JOHNSON, 34, of 12 Clifford place, Greenpoint late to-day suffered a possible fracture of the right leg when a runaway horse dragged him an entire block from Wythe to Ken avenue on South Sixth street, Williamsburgh, before Joseph PONDERMAN, 26 of 1004 East Forty-third street, an employee of the Brooklyn Edison Company, came to the rescue. JOHNSON was watching the school crossing at P.S. 166, South Eighth street and Bedford avenue, when he saw the horse tearing toward him pulling a wagon, said by the police to be owned by Samuel NORCUS, of 67 Heyward street. The policeman rushed six children to the sidewalk out of the animal's path and leaped for the bridle as it passed. The horse turned into South Sixth street and at this point the Brooklyn Edison Company employee, who was working some distance away saw the patrolman's plight. PONDERMAN seized the other side of the horse's harness and brought the animal to a halt. Dr. WALLACE of St. Catherine's Hospital attended both men and then ordered JOHNSON home. PONDERMAN remained at work after attending for cuts and bruises.

15 September 1928

BROOKLYN COP BANDIT KILLER

Climbs Clothes pole to Shoot Man in Payroll Holdup

Patrolman James O'DONNELL of Brooklyn to-day is in line for a promotion as a result of his activities in Manhattan yesterday, when, clinging to a clothes line pole with one arm he shot and killed, at a distance of 125 feet, Carmella SPINELLI, 21, paroled convict.

Another result of O'DONNELL's shot was the recovery of \$537 in cash, payroll of the White System Clothing Company which had been snatched from the hands of Miss Ruth FELDSTEIN, 18.

Three men approached Miss FEJDSTEIN at Lafayette and Bleecker streets when she had the payroll money. One struck her a stunning blow and another, SPINELLI, snatched the pay-envelope. Patrolman O'DONNELL saw it and gave chase, through crowded streets and into a tenement house, the chase led. When SPINELLI disappeared O'DONNELL went into a back yard, climbed fifteen feet up the pole and fired when he saw SPINELLI on a roof. The money was in his pockets.

17 September 1928

WIFE, ACCUSED AS MURDERESS, ASKS FOR SON

Flushing Woman Denied Plea to Attend Funeral of Husband

Patrolman Michael C. LEONARD, 42, of 33-73 190th street, Auburndale, Flushing, Queens, who was slain by his young wife in a drinking brawl, will be buried in Pennsylvania tomorrow, the seventh anniversary of their wedding, after funeral services are conducted by his pastor-brother.

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## POLICEMEN NEWS

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When this was decided today, former Judge Edgar HAZLETON dropped plans to petition Queens County Court to permit Mrs. Dorothy C. LEONARD, 26, to leave her cell to attend the funeral. He planned, however, to urge her second plea, that she be permitted to have her sick son, Robert, fifteen months old, in her cell, to nurse him back to health.

Mr. HAZLETON proposed to carry this request to Commissioner PATTERSON of the Department of Correction in Manhattan this afternoon.

Queens records today disclosed one apparent precedent.

On May 25, 1921, County Judge HUMPHREY now Supreme Court Justice, granted application to Mrs. Sarah BUKOWSKA to have two children, two months and three years old, in prison with her while she was held on a charge of grand larceny. Three days later she was discharged.

Another child, Doris, four, was expected to provide corroborating testimony to the self-defense plea indicated as Mrs. LEONARD's defense.

Doris already has substantiated her mother's story, police disclosed by telling them: "Father hit mamma, and mamma cut him."

LEONARD's body was removed today from the funeral establishment of Thomas G. FOGARTY, 22 Madison Avenue, Flushing, to be taken to Rock Lake, Blossberg, Pa. Then tomorrow the Rev. Benedict LEONARD, pastor of St. Juliana's church, will offer a solemn requiem mass at 10 am and interment will follow in St. Juliana's cemetery.

Except for the imprisoned widow and children, Father LEONARD said in claiming the body, he is the closest relative of the slain patrolman.

### Third Recent Tragedy

It is the third tragedy in recent weeks in which a wife killed her husband at home with a knife. One of the others also was in Queens, the second in Brooklyn. Jealousy figured in the other cases, in which the killing is claimed by the women to have been accidental during struggles.

Mrs. LEONARD, like the other knifing wives, asserts the killing was unintentional and grieves over the mate she sent to death.

Frantic with remorse, according to police, Mrs. LEONARD tried to commit suicide after ascertaining her husband was dead.

She yanked out his service revolver and aimed it at her heart but as she started to pull the trigger thoughts of her children flashed through her mind and turned the gun aside, the bullet imbedding in the sideboard.

Patrolman JACOBS of Flushing station, hearing the shot as he approached the LEONARD home, raced in and wrested the weapon from Mrs. LEONARD's grasp.

"I always said I could not live without Mickey," was her explanation of the shooting.

### Illness Caused Drink

Police say she also revealed the tragedy had its starting point in worry over the sick baby, causing her to drink.

LEONARD, coming home Saturday with his pay-check, after their return from a vacation trip, was partly under the influence of liquor police say, but after he and his wife each took a drink from the bottle he had brought home, he chided her for drinking. That started the quarrel.

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## POLICEMEN NEWS

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Twelve hours of interrogation were required before Mrs. LEONARD bared her version of the tragedy.

Then she was arraigned yesterday before Magistrate DOYLE in Flushing court. He held her without bail for hearing Thursday.

Her mother, Mrs. Daniel O'KEEFE of 81 Payson avenue, sat tearfully through the arraignment and tried to console her daughter.

She described their happy married life and LEONARD's kindness to his wife, her parents and his children.

"I cannot understand this terrible thing," she said.

Former Municipal Justice Edgar HAZLETON, who represented Mrs. Ruth BROWN SNYDER of Queens, executed for the murder of her husband, entered a plea of not guilty on behalf of Mrs. LEONARD.

The knife with which the policeman, who was attached to tenth precinct, Manhattan, was killed, is a meat knife. The two other recent husband killings were with bread knives. All three tragedies occurred in kitchens, and all three wives have made confessions.

Mrs. LEONARD said she snatched at the knife and struck with it after her husband had twice knocked her to the floor. She had become angry at his scolding, and challenged him with his own drinking.

Their marriage culminated a romance that started when each admired the other as he patrolled his beat and she walked to an office where she was employed as stenographer. A mutual friend later introduced them.

Had Fine Record

She is described as attractive, he as tall and handsome. His police record of seventeen years is characterized as excellent.

Their children are being cared for by John J. LEONARD, of 33-5(?) One Hundred and Ninetieth street, Flushing.

A brother of LEONARD is the Rev. Benedict LEONARD, stationed at Blossberg, Pa. A brother of Mrs. LEONARD, Charles O'KEEFE, is a detective in Manhattan.

He also was in court to console Mrs. LEONARD.

An autopsy disclosed the wound was in LEONARD's heart, yet he staggered from the kitchen to a sun porch before collapsing.

24 September 1928

Police Lieutenant Hurt

Police Lieut. Edward FREESE, of the Miller Avenue station was alighting from a Jamaica Avenue trolley car at Miller Avenue when he was struck by an automobile owned and driven by Robert SKINNIDER, of 352 Fifty-ninth Street. FREESE suffered a fracture of the right arm. He was attended by Dr. RUSSELL, of Bradford Street Hospital. The lieutenant reported sick and went to his home at 9433 Eighty-fifth Road, Woodhaven.

Motorcycle Policeman Hurt

Motorcycle Policeman Charles DECHON, of Motorcycle Squad No. 2, was operating a police Department machine in Prospect, near Eleventh Avenue, when he was in a collision with an automobile owned and driven by Ermano DEMATTIO, of 149 Harrison Avenue. The policeman was attended for (rest of notice cut off)



## Membership Meeting Minutes August 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order by the President at 7pm with the pledge of allegiance. This was followed by the invocation and the reading of the names and circumstance of death of the sixteen officers who died in the line of duty since last month's membership meeting.

A moment of silence was had for these officers and our armed service members who died overseas.

### Roll Call of Officers

President: Harvey Katowitz  
Vice President: Dave Schultheis  
Treasurer: Ben Pepitone  
Secretary: Scott Hickey  
Sgt. at Arms: Harry Dobson  
Trustee: Bob Fee - Excused  
Trustee: Brenda Jordan  
Trustee: Kevin Gribbon  
Trustee: Chris Russo  
Trustee: John Sabato  
Historian: Jim Rochford  
Chaplain: Donald Sanchez - Excused

**Review of July's Minutes:** Available in August newsletter. A motion to waive the review of the minutes was made by Chris Russo and was seconded by Jim Rochford. The motion was Passed.

**Introduction of Guests:** N/A

### Communications & Bills:

- WSOC TV covered Paul Johnson's funeral and is looking to do a follow-up story on members suffering from 9/11 illnesses. Any one with a 9/11 related illness who is willing to be interviewed can contact Harvey.
- **The deadline for submissions for the World Trade Center Notice of Participation is September 11, 2018.** The Notice of Participation is not an application for disability benefits, but merely preserves the right to file for a WTC disability pension if you become disabled due to a 9/11-related illness, whether active or retired. Failure to file the NOP may preclude you from receiving a WTC disability pension or death benefit in the future.

The deadline to file for the Notice of Participation to be eligible for the WTC Disability bill or Death bill has been extended many times since the legislation was passed. However, **September 11, 2018 will be the final deadline.** The NOP Form can be found on the **NYPD Police Pension Fund website**. If you believe you already filed, but are not sure, the PPF has listed all the Tax ID numbers of those whose paperwork they've already received under "WTC Information" on the left side of the home page. First, click on "WTC Information" and *check the pdf file* to see if your number is listed. If it is, then you do not have to re-file. However, if your number does not appear, you must file the form (even if you currently have no symptoms of illness) by **September 11, 2018** to be eligible in the future in case of illness and/or death.

### Report of Officers

President.

- Harvey thanked all of the members who served as honor guards for Paul Johnson's wake and funeral. Harvey also praised the cooperation from the Ft. Mill PD, York Co. Sheriff and NC State Police who provided honor guards for a 21 gun salute at the cemetery. \$6,675 was collected for Paul's family.
- Harvey requested that members respond ASAP to the e-vite for our 9/11 Memorial ceremony so that we have enough food for everyone.
- FOP Lodge 9 donated \$600 for our golf tournament for a foursome and a hole sponsorship.
- The following trustee positions are up for election.
  1. Chris Russo
  2. Bob Fee
  3. Kevin Gribbon

Nominations will take place during our September membership meeting, elections will take place during our October membership meeting and those elected will take office on January 1st, and serve in that post for a term of two (2) years.

Vice President: no report

Treasurer: Ben Pepitone reported the following as of July 31, 218

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance:      | \$36,670.74  |
| Payments:               | - 10,382.24  |
| Deposits:               | + 7,012.00   |
| Ending Cleared Balance: | \$ 34,510.40 |

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Kevin Gribbon and was seconded by Dave Schultheis. The motion was passed.

Secretary: There were 62 members; 02 new members and 04 guests present at this meeting.

Trustees:

- Bob Fee: Excused
- Brenda Jordan: no report
- Kevin Gribbon: no report
- Chris Russo: Chris related that he was stopped in Weddington by the State Police on the way home from the last meeting and was made to take a Breathalyzer test. Please be careful and if you drink at the meeting use a designated driver.
- John Sabato : John reported progress on the golf outing.

Sgt. at Arms: Harry reported the next HR218 class will be held on Sept. 9th

Historian: No report

#### **Committee Reports:**

- Social:
  1. Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament Oct. 1.
  2. After holiday dinner party Sat. Jan. 19, 2019. And will be held at the Charlotte FOP Lodge.
- Membership: 394 members.
- Honor Guard: No report
- Sunshine: No report

**Old Business:** Nothing to report

#### **New Business:**

Proposition for Membership:

- Ret. NYPD Det. Bill Brower
- Ret. NYPD P.O. Evan Forman
- Ret. CMPD Sgt. Benjamin Thomas
- Ret. NYPD Sgt. Jason Wexler
- Ret. Freehold TWP NJ Lt. William Edward
- Ret. NYPD Det. Craig Pomroy

A motion to accept the new members was made by Frank DeMasi and was seconded by Jim Rochford. The motion was passed.

#### **Good of the Club:**

- Jim Kennedy will be participating in the Charlotte 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb on 9/8/18 at the Duke Energy Building in his UCSO uniform in remembrance of Paul Johnson.
- Harvey presented a plaque to Bernard Roe and thanked him for his many years of service to the club.
- 2018-2019 membership cards will be ordered in October. if you have a design idea for the cards contact Harvey.
- 50/50 of \$170 was won by Lisa Rosa. Lisa donated \$100 to the golf outing.

**Motion to adjourn the meeting:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bart Mangiapanella and was seconded by John Randazzo. The motion was passed.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Scott Hickey

**Next Meeting  
Tuesday September 11, 2018**



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BUSINESS PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_ LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

TAX # \_\_\_\_\_ APPOINTMENT DATE \_\_\_\_\_ RETIREMENT DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MODE OF RETIREMENT: SERVICE ( ) ORDINARY DISABILITY ( ) ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY ( )

VESTED ( )

LAST COMMAND \_\_\_\_\_ LAST RANK HELD \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUS COMMANDS \_\_\_\_\_

I declare my desire for membership in the 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC, Inc. I will submit my membership fee and regularly subscribe my renewal fee by the 1<sup>st</sup> of January each year to remain a member in good standing. I attest that I am a bona fide honorably retired Law Enforcement Officer.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATED \_\_\_\_\_

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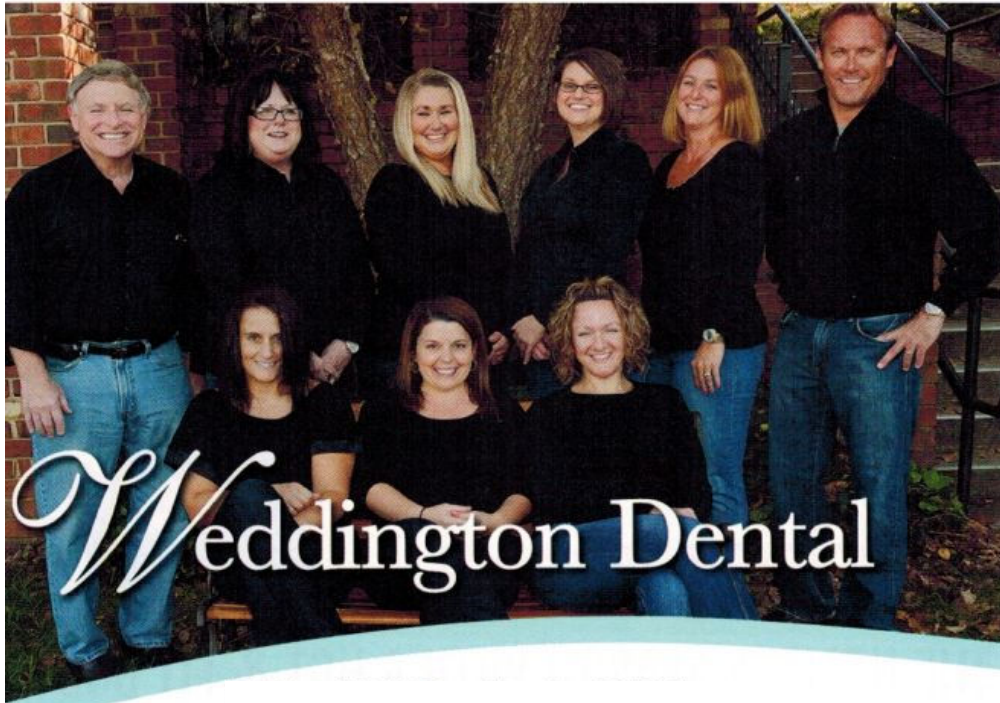
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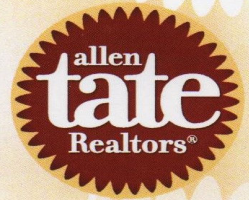
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