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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGES

Hi All,

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and that the delicious food you ate, and will continue to eat throughout this holiday season, stays off of the thickest parts your body.

Every Thanksgiving I spend time reflecting on what I am thankful for. As in previous years, I am thankful that I was able to collect my pension for another year and to spend the holiday at home with family and friends, unlike our law enforcement heroes who have died in the line of duty. Additionally, I am extremely thankful that I am no longer actively involved in policing.

The "JOB" that I and many of you were part of is a thing of the past. (See pg. 6) Law enforcement officers are constantly being attacked by anti-police organizations, police reformers and socialist politicians who pass laws that favor criminals and make it difficult for officers to properly and successfully perform their duties.

Sadly this war against the Thin Blue Line continues. As of this writing 57 law enforcement officers who have been shot and killed in the line of duty this year.

A recent survey conducted by the NYPD showed that more than half of the NYPD wishes they never joined the force. That is no wonder considering the Black Lives Matter riots, the Defund the Police movement, bail-reform laws that keep violent offenders out of jail, and legislative measures that put the burden of liability on officers while emboldening criminals.

Here are some recent headlines and excerpts of news articles that shows the lack of respect and callous treatment of our brothers and sisters in blue that leads to the demoralization of those who serve in a once proud profession.

**"Black Lives Matter Leader Blames LAPD For Swatting, even After Culprits Are Charged"** Officers responded to the home of Melina Abdullah, a leader of Black Lives Matter Los Angeles after a 911 caller claimed a man was holding hostages inside.

Abdullah streamed live on Instagram as she came out of her house with her hands up to more than 20 LAPD officers, many in SWAT gear, who had her surrounded.

Abdullah said after the incident she doesn't believe that police actually received a 911 call reporting a kidnapping at her home, calling the claim "cockamamie."

"My house was surrounded by LAPD this morning. We had assault rifles drawn on me and my three children and they came up with some cockamamie story about, they got a call that the people in this residence are being held hostage. We know that's not true," Abdullah said at a previously planned news conference at Cal State L.A. "We don't even believe they got that call. We believe it's yet another tactic that's being used to block us from ushering in black freedom."

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Next Membership Meeting  
Tuesday December 14, 2021, 6:00 PM at the  
Charlotte FOP Lodge #9  
1201 Hawthorne Lane  
Charlotte NC 28205  
<http://www.charlotte10-13.com/>

# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

**“Chicago’s Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) on Wednesday Nov. 10 recommended a three-day suspension for Chicago Police Officer Ella French in connection with a 2019 incident.”**

In the ultimate slap in the face to law enforcement (and common decency), hero Officer Ella French who was killed in the line of duty was posthumously suspended for 3 days for an event that occurred when she was on probation.

**“5 Georgia cops indicted for concertgoer’s death in 2019”**

A grand jury indicted five Georgia police officers on murder charges in the death in 2019 of a 24-year-old male who resisted arrest and was tased after being stopped by the police while walking down naked along a road after attending a Concert

**“MSNBC’s Joy Reid Says It’s ‘Traumatizing’ For Police To Give Out Turkeys For Thanksgiving”**

Reid complained about police giving motorists free turkeys in honor of the Thanksgiving holiday, calling the interactions “traumatizing.”

“Please stop doing this, officers, especially to Black people,” the MSNBC commentator demanded in a [Twitter](#) post. “It’s traumatizing, given the history of what happens to us in traffic stops.”

Some of Reid’s supporters responded that handing out turkeys instead of citing people for traffic infractions is nothing more than a “PR stunt.”

“I don’t want no pig giving me a turkey,” one person declared.

Many, including Reid, accused officers of making “fake traffic stops” just so they could traumatize black people.

Reid later commented on her own tweet, saying that “terrifying people with a fake and possibly unlawful traffic stop is not smart public relations.”

**“Ex-con who once tried to kill NYPD cop is freed without bail after another attack on officer”**

He had previously served 2 years of a 5 year prison sentence after pleading guilty to second-degree attempted murder for stabbing a cop.

And closer to home: **“NC Principal Apologizes for Letting Football Player Honor Fallen SRO with “Blue Lives” Flag”** “In no way was the carrying of the flag on Friday night intended to be a political statement or a representation of the greater beliefs of our community, nor the political beliefs of the player carrying it,” the message said. “Instead, the intention was from one police officer family to another honoring Officer Herrera. We are deeply sorry for the unintended consequence of how it made some of our school family feel.”

The football player carrying the blue line flag was Michael Poncia, son of club members Christopher and Christine Poncia.

Here is an email I received after the incident: Harvey, this is our son....he was devastated by Officer Herrera’s death and wanted to honor him at the game that night...he asked permission a week prior to carry the Blue Line flag onto the field at the Homecoming game and Chris & I bought him the flag at Lawman’s.....3 days after the game a complaint was made calling it a racist action.....it’s sad & disappointing the way this event has totally been twisted....on a positive note In the midst of our son being cyber bullied & called a racist there has been a high level of support for his gesture, support of law enforcement and the original intention of his actions for Julio’s memory. It will always be the ‘thin blue line’ flag to our family!! Thank you for your support! Be safe!

At our December board meeting we will be honoring Michael for his noble gesture.

The lawsuit to negate the City’s new Alliance Medicare advantage Health Plan is still ongoing. See page 21 for further information.

If you have filed the Opt-out form on-line or mailed it, but have not received a conformation that it was received, I strongly recommend that you call 1-833-325-1190 and have it filled out over the phone.

I have been given the run-around in my attempt to verify that my Opt-out form has been received.

I initially submitted the form online in mid Sept. I submitted it a second time online in October when a new opt-out form added a cut-off date of Nov. 30.

I called the 833-325-1190 hotline to verify that my opt-out form had been received and was told that if it was submitted it on-line I had to contact the NYC Office of Labor Relations.

I then called the NYC OLR over a dozen times and after going through lengthy announcements I was unable to reach a live person and I got disconnected.

I then submitted an email on Nov. 2 to the NYC OLR asking for verification and 2 weeks later. I received an email telling me, “To confirm receipt of your opt-out form, you must call the **special Alliance call center at 1-833-325-1190.**”

Back to square one, I again called 1-833-325-1190 and was again told they could not verify receipt of my opt-out form because it was submitted on-line. I then had the customer service rep fill out the form over the phone, was given a reference number and 15 minutes later received an email confirming receipt of my request to opt out of the NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan.

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The 2022 Medicare Part B Monthly premiums have been posted as well as the 2022 Medicare Annual Deductible.

Medicare Part B: The **standard monthly premium** for Medicare Part B enrollees for 2022 will be \$170.10; an increase of \$21.60 from \$148.50 in 2021.

The **annual deductible** for all Medicare Part B beneficiaries in 2022 will be \$233; an increase of \$30 from the annual deductible of \$203 in 2020.

Part B **monthly premiums are based on a person's income**. The income-related monthly adjustment amounts (IRMAA's) are listed on the following site: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/part-b-costs>

Fortunately for us the premium increase does not negatively impact us because we are reimbursed for the Medicare premiums as long we remain on a NYC insurance plan.

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>Standard Medicare Part B Premium</b>	<b>\$148.50→</b>	<b>\$170.10</b> <b>+\$21.60 Monthly</b>
<b>Annual Part B Deductible</b>	<b>\$203.00→</b>	<b>\$233.00</b> <b>+\$30.00 Annually</b>

## IRMAA:

The Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA), an extra charge added to Medicare premium, at different income points, has also been increased for 2022 as follows:

If your yearly income in 2020 (for what you pay in 2022) was			You pay each month (in 2021)
File individual tax return	File joint tax return	File married & separate tax return	
\$91,000 or less	\$182,000 or less	\$91,000 or less	\$170.10
\$148.50 above \$91,000 up to \$114,000	above \$182,000 up to \$228,000	Not applicable	\$238.10
above \$114,000 up to \$142,000	above \$228,000 up to \$284,000	Not applicable	\$340.20
above \$142,000 up to \$170,000	above \$284,000 up to \$340,000	Not applicable	\$442.30
above \$170,000 and less than \$500,000	above \$340,000 and less than \$750,000	above \$91,000 and less than \$409,000	\$544.30
\$500,000 or above	\$750,000 and above	\$409,000 and above	\$578.30

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## Financial Information

As a result of the 6.2% rate of inflation Social Security recipients will receive a 5.9% Cost of Living increase in 2022.

## Required Minimum Distributions (RMD's)

In 2020, due to the COVID 19 pandemic the IRS waived the RMDs for certain retirement accounts. The waiver was not extended for 2021. If you are over 72 years of age and have accounts that require you to take the RMD, make sure you do so before the Dec. 31 deadline (April 1, 2022 for those turning 72 in 2021).

## Beneficiaries

A periodic review is recommended to ensure they are correct. This review is especially important following a life event such as a marriage, divorce, birth or death. It is also recommended to choose contingency beneficiaries where possible, in the event your chosen beneficiary pre-deceases you.

## Contribution Limits

The contribution limit for employees who participate in 401(k), 403(b), most 457 plans, and the federal government's Thrift Savings Plan is increased to \$20,500. Limits on contributions to traditional and Roth IRAs remains unchanged at \$6,000. The catch-up contribution limit for employees aged 50 and over who participate in 401(k), 403(b), most 457 plans, and the federal government's Thrift Savings Plan unchanged at \$6,500. Therefore, participants in 401(k), 403(b), most 457 plans, and the federal government's Thrift Savings Plan who are 50 and older can contribute up to \$27,000, starting in 2022.

**Pension Protection Act - New York City Police Pension Fund (nyc.gov)** In 2006, Congress passed the Pension Protection Act ("PPA"), which contains many provisions that affect members of the New York City Police Pension Fund. Among those provisions is the ability to exclude up to \$3,000 from the amount of income distributions reported to the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") for payment of premiums for accident or health insurance or long-term care insurance.

- Distributions used to pay premiums for a spouse and dependent children are also excludable.
- This exclusion can be made if the amount paid for the premium would have otherwise been included in your income and is deducted directly from your pension allowance.
- What this means for retired NYPD officers is that the cost of the City's optional benefit rider may be excluded from the total amount of your pension reported annually.
- The maximum amount allowed by the PPA to be excluded is \$3,000; however, the amount excluded may not exceed the actual amount paid.
- To claim this benefit, you must reduce the taxable benefit on line 16B of the 1040 by the amount of the exclusion and write "PSO" on the line for "public safety officer."
- The exclusion will not be reported on 1099 forms issued by the City, so any retiree who claims the benefit has a responsibility to report it to the IRS.

Accordingly, pensioners who retired on ADR (accidental disability retirement) are not eligible for this exclusion because at this time their pension is not taxed.

This information is provided as a courtesy to Police Pension Fund members and is based on the Fund's current understanding of the law, but does not constitute tax advice and should not replace the advice of a qualified tax professional.

Note: Retirees should save their Quarterly Statement (for those with electronic deposit) or their monthly pension check stub, in order to document their premium deductions for any health insurance or long term care insurance, as required proof for the IRS, if asked. No other documentation will be provided by the Pension Fund. Please contact Marie Elena Brusco @ (212) 693-6058 for questions regarding this matter.

During the holiday season many people light candles in their homes. Please remember, never pour water on a burning candle. Water and wax do not mix. Watch this video to see the results of doing so: <https://video.search.yahoo.com/search/video?fr=yymy-t&ei=UTF-8&p=water+and+wax+do+not+mix+video#id=1&vid=28df388242279fb3d812633c24f5a89f&action=click>

We will be distributing 2022-2023 membership cards and have club lapel pins for sale at our December meeting. See page 6.

Membership cards will be mailed to club members who live in states other than NC & SC. Members who live in NC & SC who want cards mailed to them will have to send a SASE to our club address.

## NYSP - Pistol Permit Recertification:

As per New York State Law, pistol permit holders need to recertify every five (5) years via the New York State Police website. January 2022 will be the fifth anniversary of the enactment of this requirement. Below is the website to check your status and to recertify. Remember, it is your responsibility to recertify your permit whether you receive a notification letter or not.

You should have your Pistol Permit and your New York State Driver License or Non-Driver ID handy when using the website.

[https://firearms.troopers.ny.gov/pprecert/welcome.xhtml?OWASP\\_CSRFTOKEN=C18V-OYWS-JBPJ-GPE6-Q564-X816-PTQS-RGXT](https://firearms.troopers.ny.gov/pprecert/welcome.xhtml?OWASP_CSRFTOKEN=C18V-OYWS-JBPJ-GPE6-Q564-X816-PTQS-RGXT)

**HR218** – Lt. Kent Lukach, Lincoln Co. Sheriff's Office, 700 John Howel Memorial Dr, Lincolnton, NC 28092 will be conducting HR-218 qualifications. The cost is \$50.

Lt. Lukach can be reached at 980-241-4835.

**After Holiday Dinner Party** - Due to COVID-19 it has been 2 years since our last party. Come join us for good food, good company and a good time on Saturday, January 15, 2022. See page 17 for the menu and further details.

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# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

## Was I a Good Cop? \*\*

"Thoughts from an anonymous cop who retired in '87" (When the "JOB" was still something to be revered).

Just before retiring, some young puppy was busting my chops about how law enforcement has changed, and the system is improving for the best. I just smiled and gave him a little laugh. He asked what was so funny. I told him that I felt sorry for him. When asked why, I told him, "Because in about 15 years, THIS is going to be your good old days."

We all saw the change in our jobs. I came on in 1965. I used to tell the rookies that our academy classes lasted 3 months. They gave us a stick, a gun, a dime, and kicked us out into the street. They told us: If you need help, use the dime. If you can't get to a phone, use the stick. If using the stick pisses him off, use the gun. And the first order we received when we were assigned to a precinct was from our sergeant. His order was "Don't you EVER bother me, kid."

Law enforcement then, was much different than the current mission. We delivered babies, got rough in the alley when we needed to, made "Solomon-like" decisions at least once a tour, and often wound up being big brother to the kid we roughed up in that alley a year or so ago. And, for some reason, none of that managed to get on a report. And the department didn't really want to know. All they wanted was numbers, and no ripples in the pond.

Because of the changing times, and the evolution of law enforcement, the modern young officers will never see that form of policing, and of course this is best. The current way is the right way... Now. But it was different then (ergo, the Dinosaur Syndrome).

When it's time to go, we wonder if we're going to miss the job. After all, other than our kids and a few marriages, it was the most important thing in our lives. Actually, it was the other way around. The job was first, but only another cop could understand what I mean by that.

But have faith, brother! After a short time of feeling completely impotent (after all, you're just John Q. now), reality hits like a lead weight. It's not the job we miss after all. It's what we, as individuals, had accomplished while in this profession that we miss. The challenge of life and death, good and bad, right and wrong, or even simply easing the pain of some poor bastard for a while, someone we will never see again. We know the reality of what's happening out there. We are the ones who have spent our entire adult life picking up the pieces of people's broken lives. And the bitch of it all is that no one except us knows what we did out there.

I was once told that being a good street cop is like coming to work in a wet suit and peeing in your pants. It's a nice warm feeling, but you're the only one who knows anything has happened.

What I missed mostly, though, were the people I worked with. Most of us came on the job together at the age of 21 or 22, as I did. We grew up together. We were family. We went to each other's weddings, shared the joy of our children's births, and we mourned the deaths of family members and marriages. We celebrated the good times, and huddled close in the bad.

We went from rookies who couldn't take our eyes off of the tin number of the old timer we worked with, to dinosaurs.

After all, what they gave us was just a job. What we made of it was a profession. We fulfilled our mission, and did the impossible each and every day, despite the department and its regulations.

I think the thing that nags you the most when you first retire is: After you leave the job and remove your armor, the part of you that you tucked away on that shelf for all those years, comes out. It looks at all the things you've hidden away. All the terrible and all the wonderful things that happened out there. And it asks you the questions that no one will ever answer. "Do you think I did OK? Did I make a difference? Was I a good cop?" You know what? Yeah, you were a good cop! And you know it!


That's all I wanted to hear from those who know, my brothers & sisters.

During the month of November the names of 68 NYPD heroes were added to the NYPD Wall of Heroes at NYPD Headquarters. See pgs. 10-12.

It doesn't matter whether you celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, or another religious holiday, it's that time of the year when our thoughts turn to the joys of gathering with family and friends in the spirit of thankfulness and giving.

During this holiday season I ask that you continue to pray for the safety of all law enforcement officers and first responders. On behalf of our entire board I wish you and yours a very joyous, healthy and safe holiday season.

Faternally,



Harvey Katowitz

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**President**

**2022—2023**  
**MEMBER**

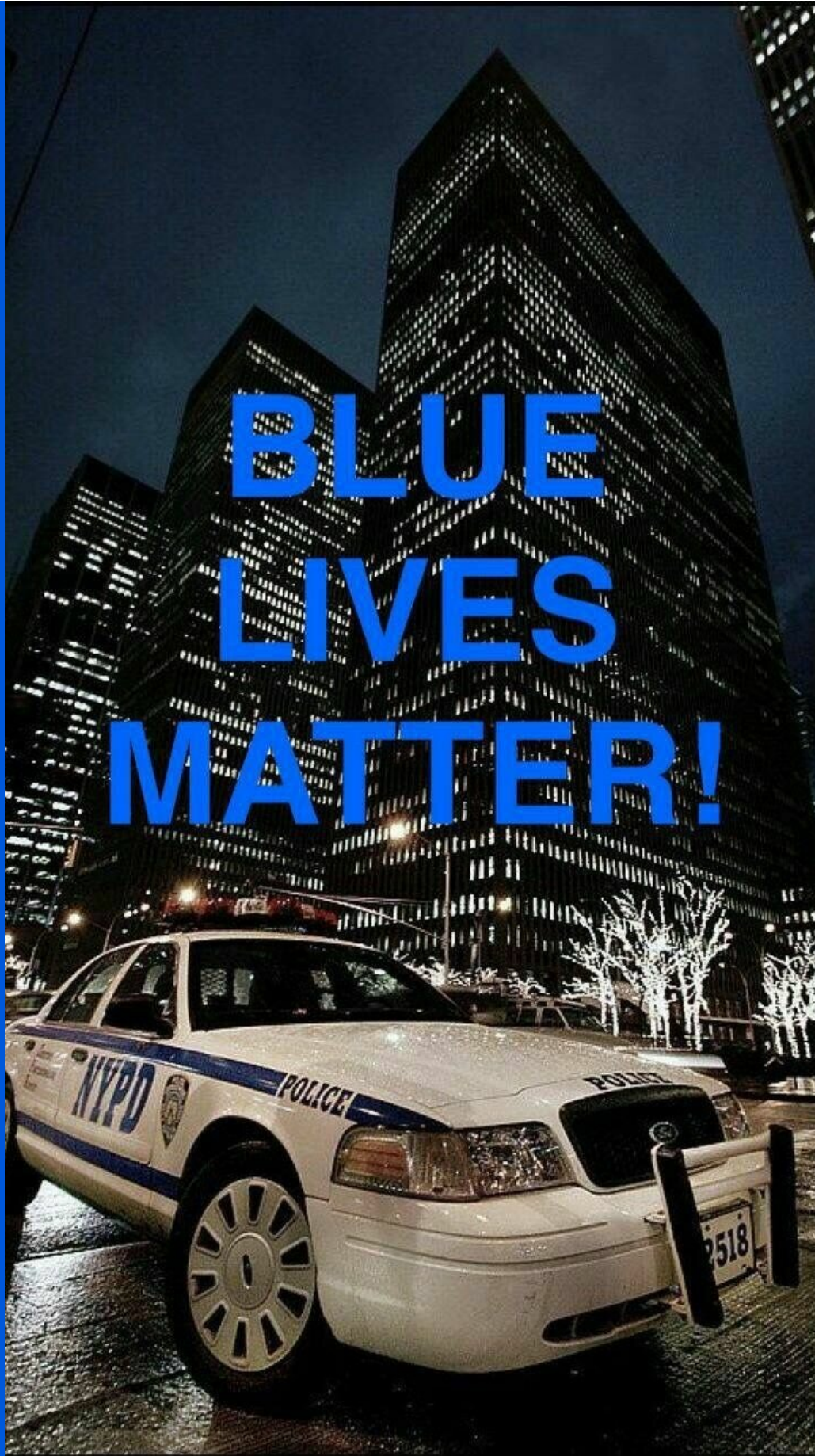
**BERNARD ROE**  
**Vice President**





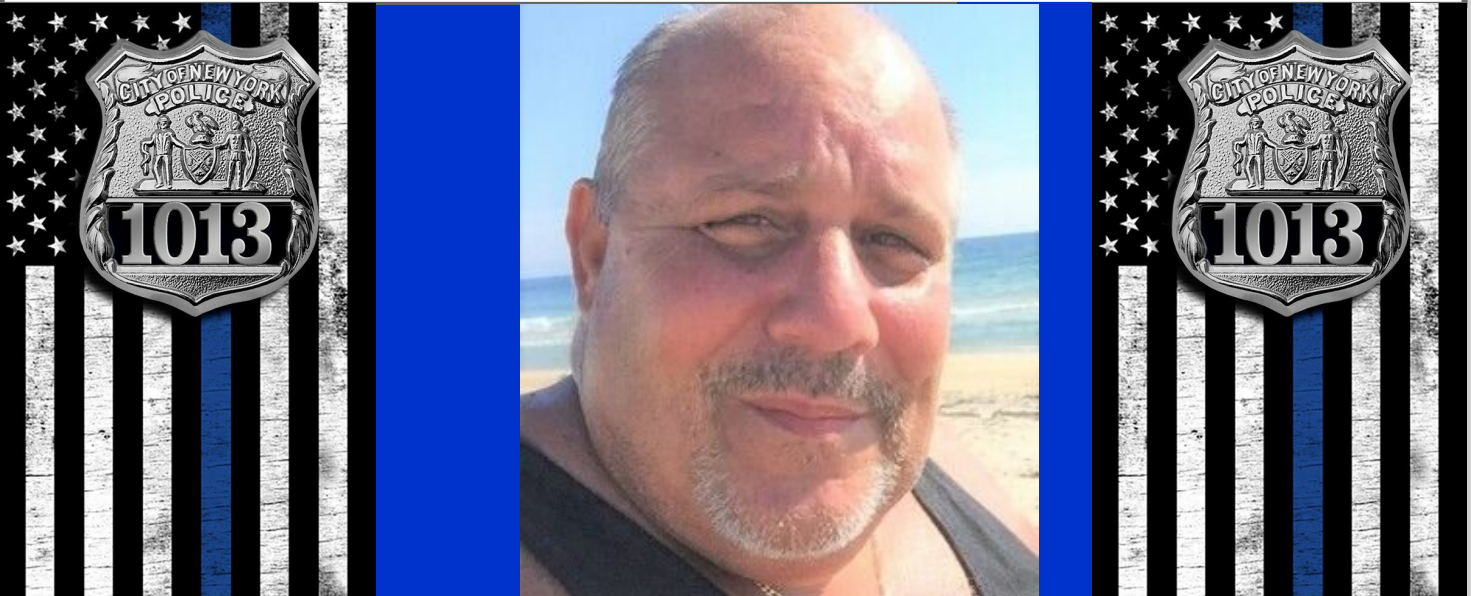
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**BLUE  
LIVES  
MATTER!**





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**Detective Douglas B. Boyer (ret.), Tax# 903469**

Command: Criminal Enterprise Inv Section

\*\*\*WTC related illness – Status pending\*\*\*

Douglas B. Boyer of the Bronx New York, passed away on November 8, 2021, at the age of 61.

Douglas served his country in the United States Navy and the National Guard. He worked for the NYPD in various units during his 20 years of service. He assisted in the recovery efforts after the events of 9/11. He retired at the rank of Detective 2nd grade.

Douglas is survived by Lisa and their three children, Joseph, and wife Megan, Angela, Jennifer, and his two grandchildren Devin and Grace, along with his best friend and companion, Diesel his dog.

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





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Police Officer Lawrence Prehn (Retired) Tax # 902223 7<sup>th</sup> Precinct

\*\*\*WTC related illness – Status pending\*\*\*

Lawrence J. Prehn, 55, of Staten Island, NY, very sadly passed away in his home on November 10th, 2021. He survived by his beloved wife, April Prehn and loving daughter, Katie Prehn.

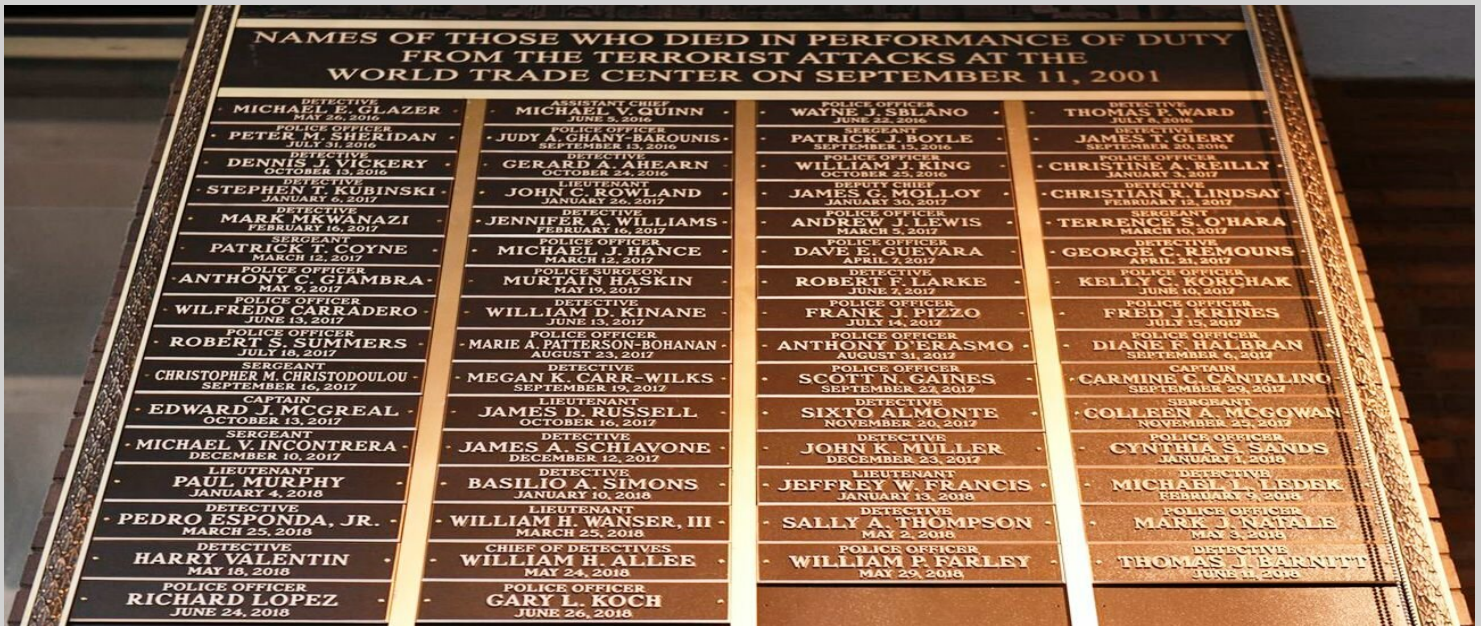
Mr. Prehn was born in Brooklyn, NY, and raised in Staten Island, NY. He was a graduate of Susan E. Wagner High School and then served as a proud and patriotic member of the navy and a wonderfully dedicated police officer. He was a first responder at 911 and was employed for 25 years with the New York Police Department, retiring in 2017.

Lawrence J. Prehn was a warrior and a very strong, tough, and dedicated man; gone too soon but never forgotten.





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The following 42 NYPD Officers were added to the NYPD Wall of Heroes at NYPD Headquarters on Tuesday November 9, 2021



Detective First Grade  
Luis G. Alvarez  
Counterterrorism Bomb Squad  
6/29/2019



Police Officer  
Scott R. Blackshaw  
Patrol Borough Manhattan South  
5/20/2018



Police Officer  
James B. Boyle  
5 Precinct  
5/31/2019



Police Officer  
Audrey P. Capra  
Firearms & Tactics Section  
12/24/2018



Police Officer  
Yolanda Cawley  
44 Precinct  
10/22/2016



Detective  
Christopher E. Cranston  
60 Precinct Detective Squad  
7/20/2019



Police Officer  
Michael O. Diamond  
Fleet Services Division  
10/9/2018



Police Officer  
Kenneth X. Domenech  
Patrol Borough Manhattan North TF  
1/19/2019



Police Officer  
Keith A. Ferrara  
Brooklyn Court Section  
5/29/2019



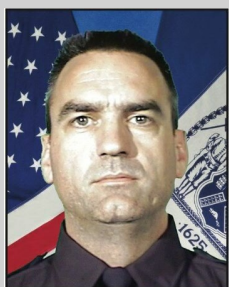
Police Officer  
John P. Ferrari  
Highway Unit 3  
6/18/2018



Police Officer S/A  
Edward J. Fitzgerald  
Traffic Operations  
9/19/2008



Sergeant  
Gary M. Franklin  
52 Precinct  
4/15/2018



Detective  
Sean P. Franklin  
Manhattan Special Victims  
5/22/2017



Police Officer  
Thomas J. Gallagher  
Patrol Borough Bronx  
3/12/2018



Police Officer  
Anthony R. Hanlon  
ESU Canine Team  
10/21/2018



Police Officer  
Joseph F. Heid  
Transit District 11  
7/20/2016



Detective Second Grade  
Nathaniel Holland Jr.  
Internal Affairs Bureau  
4/5/2013



Detective  
Charles J. Humphry  
Brooklyn North Robbery Squad  
4/10/2019



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**Police Officer  
Paul J. Johnson**  
Emergency Service Squad 7  
7/22/2018



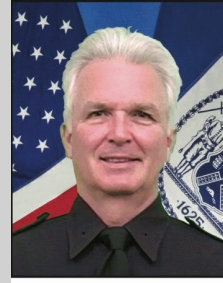
**Sergeant  
Mark Lawler**  
Detective Borough Brooklyn North  
8/11/2014



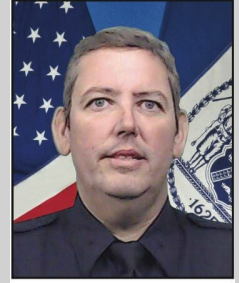
**Detective Second Grade  
Jeffrey A. Lee**  
112 Precinct Detective Squad  
7/16/2018



**Detective  
Thomas J. Lyons**  
Narcotics Borough Bronx  
12/31/2018



**Sergeant SDS  
Robert P. Masci**  
Drug Enforcement Task Force  
6/9/2018



**Police Officer  
Patrick T. McGovern**  
49 Precinct  
5/2/2019



**Lieutenant  
Jennifer Meehan**  
Housing Borough Bronx/Queens  
12/17/2018



**Police Officer  
Gregory V. Melita**  
Headquarters Security  
3/9/2019



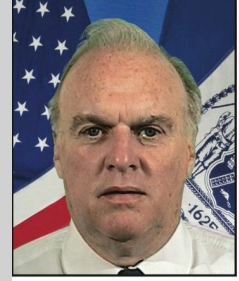
**Detective First Grade  
Brian Mulken**  
PBBX Anti-Crime Unit  
9/29/19



**Police Officer  
Jason H. Offner**  
License Division  
7/25/2017



**Police Officer  
Robert Ortiz**  
Bronx Court Section  
7/10/2018



**Lieutenant CDS  
Phillip E. Panzarella Sr.**  
Cold Case Squad  
4/25/2019



**Police Officer  
William Parker**  
Police Service Area 6  
9/27/2012



**Detective  
Philip T. Perry**  
Detective Bureau  
3/14/2019



**Detective Second Grade  
Joseph L. Pidoto**  
Queens Robbery  
10/26/2018



**Police Officer  
Lawrence J. Rivera**  
23 Precinct  
7/5/2018



**Detective Second Grade  
Joseph M. Roman**  
Manhattan District Attorney's Squad  
1/29/2019



**Lieutenant  
James E. Ryan**  
Chief of Department Investigations  
4/29/2018



**Detective  
Thomas Santoro**  
Counterterrorism Division  
7/21/2019



**Sergeant  
Barbara J. Sullivan**  
90 Precinct  
6/7/2018



**Police Officer  
Manuel Vargas Jr.**  
49 Precinct  
11/1/2018



**Police Officer S/A  
William T. Walsh**  
Drug Abuse Resistance Education  
1/11/2016



**Detective Second Grade  
Joseph L. Pidoto**  
Queens Robbery  
10/26/2018



**DETECTIVE FIRST GRADE  
Brian Simonsen**  
102 Detective Squad  
2/13/2019





# THEY MUST NEVER BE FORGOTTEN

*We honor those  
Who have laid down their  
life for their country.  
Whether weary or embold-  
ened, quiet or defiant,  
Vulnerable or ready when  
You called them home,  
Their sacrifice are too  
humbling for words except  
to these uttered in prayer.*

*Let these great warriors  
find rest at last;  
Ever reminded that we who  
are left behind cherish their  
spirit, honor their commit-  
ment, send them our love,  
and we will never forget  
the service that they gave.*

**LAW  
ENFORCEMENT  
ONLY**

**THIS ENTRANCE  
RESERVED  
FOR THOSE  
WHO SERVED**

On November 15, 2021 the following 26 names were added to the NYPD Hall of Heroes to honor those who succumbed to the illnesses that they contracted during the search and recovery effort following September 11



1. SERGEANT MENDEL MARTIN , AUGUST 6, 2003
2. SERGEANT VINCENT K. GOUGH , MAY 12, 2019
3. POLICE OFFICER THOMAS W. WATERMAN , JUNE 3, 2019
4. POLICE OFFICER ANDREW WARING , JUNE 17, 2019
5. DETECTIVE ANDREA RAINER , JUNE 25, 2019
6. SERGEANT THOMAS J. FENNESSY , JULY 19, 2019
7. POLICE OFFICER RAYMOND G. HARRIS , AUGUST 4, 2019
8. SERGEANT JEREMIAH HUNT , AUGUST 7, 2019
9. DETECTIVE ANTHONY N. BROGNANO , AUGUST 8, 2019
10. DETECTIVE JOSEPH M. PAOLILLO , SEPTEMBER 9, 2019
11. DETECTIVE SCOTT G. LOVENDAHL , SEPTEMBER 14, 2019
12. POLICE OFFICER DERRICK A. BISHOP , SEPTEMBER 19, 2019
13. LIEUTENANT MICHAEL F. RAIMO , OCTOBER 10, 2019
14. DETECTIVE DENNIS P. MURPHY , OCTOBER 25, 2019
15. POLICE OFFICER JOHN MINCHILLI , NOVEMBER 5, 2019
16. DETECTIVE ANTHONY L. LOMBARDO , NOVEMBER 17, 2019
17. POLICE OFFICER ROBERT J. REIDY , NOVEMBER 30, 2019
18. DEPUTY CHIEF VINCENT A. DeMARINO , DECEMBER 6, 2019
19. POLICE OFFICER JOSEPH C. WAGNER , DECEMBER 12, 2019
20. POLICE OFFICER ROBERT P. YOUNG , FEBRUARY 4, 2020
21. POLICE OFFICER NANCY PUCA , MARCH 2, 2020
22. POLICE OFFICER MICHAEL H. GRANNIS , MARCH 10, 2020
23. ASSISTANT CHIEF JOHN McMANUS , APRIL 14, 2020
24. POLICE OFFICER FRANK L. GAGLIANO , MAY 13, 2020
25. INSPECTOR JUSTIN LENZ , JUNE 18, 2020
26. AUTO BODY WORKER PATRICK J. McGREEVY , FEB.13, 2020





# THEY MUST NEVER BE FORGOTTEN



Sgt. Timothy Werner  
Pittsburgh, PA Bureau of Police,  
EOW: Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2021  
Cause: COVID19



Det. Sgt. Gary R. Taccone  
Erie, PA P.D.,  
EOW: Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2021  
Cause: COVID19



Dep. Sheriff John Edward Moon  
Waller Co., TX Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2021  
Cause: COVID19



Senior Patrolman Sherman Otto Benys, Jr.  
Kingsville, TX P.D.  
EOW: Thursday, Nov. 4, 2021  
Cause: Gunfire



Border Patrol Agent Anibal A. Perez  
U.S. Border Patrol,  
EOW: Friday, Nov. 5, 2021  
Cause: COVID19



Sgt. Scott M. Patton  
Robinson Township, PA P.D.  
EOW: Saturday, Nov. 6, 2021  
Cause: COVID19



Dep. Sheriff Lena Nicole Marshall  
Jackson Co. Sheriff's Office, GA  
EOW: Monday, Nov. 8, 2021  
Cause: Gunfire



P.O. Paramhans Desai  
Henry Co. P.D., GA  
EOW: Monday, Nov. 8, 2021  
Cause: Gunfire



Lt. Chad Brackman  
Maricopa Co., AZ Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021  
Cause: Struck by vehicle



Det. Michael J. Dion  
Chicopee, MA P.D.,  
EOW: Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021  
Cause: Heart attack



Corrections Officer V Kevin Dupree  
Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice  
EOW: Thursday, Nov. 11, 2021  
Cause: COVID19



P.O. Michael D. Chandler  
Big Stone Gap, VA P.D.  
EOW: Saturday, Nov. 13, 2021  
Cause: Gunfire



Master Trooper Daniel A. Stainbrook  
Wisconsin State Patrol  
EOW: Monday, Nov. 15, 2021  
Cause: COVID19



Corrections Officer Rhonda Jean Russell  
Blair Co., PA Prison,  
EOW: Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021  
Cause: Gunfire



Dep. Sheriff Frank Ramirez, Jr.  
Independence Co., AR  
Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021  
Cause: Automobile crash



Code Enf. Officer Adam Ray Arbogast  
Parsons, WV P.D.  
EOW: Thursday, Nov. 25, 2021  
Cause: COVID19

Dear God,

I'm grateful for those that You have called into the selfless service of law enforcement.

*I acknowledge the mess that society would be without them. Our fallen world is prone to lawlessness, chaos and disaster.*

Thank You for providing faithful men and women to stand against these evils.

Lord, You know the internal and external battles they face on a daily basis. Even as our police officers risk their lives to protect us, dear God, protect them also.

Be a shield for them according to Psalm3:3. Lift up their countenances and be their comfort in the face of disheartening circumstances.





# NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING







### Membership Meeting Minutes November, 9 2021

The formal part of the meeting was called to order at 7 pm with 52 members, 4 new members, 2 guests and 5 members participating via Zoom. This was followed by the pledge of allegiance, invocation, reading of the names and causes of the death of the 26 officers who died in the line of duty since last month's membership meeting and a moment of silence for these officers.

#### Roll Call of Officers

President: Harvey Katowitz  
Vice President: Bernard Roe  
Rec. Secretary: Scott Hickey  
Corres. Sec: Bob Fee  
Treasurer: Chris Russo  
Trustee: Dennis Cirillo  
Trustee: Kevin Gribbon  
Trustee: Brenda Jordan  
Trustee: Ian McGrouther  
Trustee: John Randazzo  
Sgt. at Arms: Harry Dobson - Excused  
Historian: Jim Rochford - Excused  
Chaplain: Donald Sanchez  
Chaplain: Deacon Rich McCarron

Reading of October Minutes: Available in our November newsletter. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made and seconded. The motion passed.

Introduction of guest speaker: None

#### Sickness & Distress:

- Camille Delores Parrino, mother of club member Joe Sprowls passed away on Oct. 29.
- Ret. Transit PD Officer Mike Modica, father in-law of club member Eric Storch passed away in VA on Nov. 5.

#### Communications & Bills

- After a Charlotte high school football player carried a Blue Lives Matter flag onto the field to honor a school resource officer who recently died of COVID-19, the principal of the school apologized to those who were offended.

The player carried the flag for Officer Julio Herrera who died in early October of COVID 19.

"In no way was the carrying of the flag on Friday night intended to be a political statement or a representation of the greater beliefs of our community, nor the political beliefs of the player carrying it," the message said. "Instead, the intention was from one police officer family to another honoring Officer Herrera. We are deeply sorry for the unintended consequence of how it made some of our school family feel."

The following was received from club members Christine & Christopher Poncia. Their son Michael was the football player who carried the flag. "Harvey- this is our son....he was devastated by Officer Herrera's death and wanted to honor him at the game that night...he asked permission a week prior to carry the Blue Line flag onto the field at the Homecoming game and Chris & I bought him the flag at Lawman's.....3 days after the game a complaint was made calling it a racist action.....it's sad & disappointing the way this event has totally been twisted....on a positive note In the midst of our son being cyber bullied & called a racist there has been a high level of support for his gesture, support of law enforcement and the original intention of his actions for Julio's memory. It will always be the 'thin blue line' flag to our family!! Thank you for your support! Be safe!"

- Pension Protection Act - New York City Police Pension Fund (nyc.gov)

In 2006, Congress passed the Pension Protection Act ("PPA"), which contains many provisions that affect members of the New York City Police Pension Fund. Among those provisions is the ability to exclude up to \$3,000 from the amount of income distributions reported to the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") for payment of premiums for accident or health insurance or long-term care insurance.

Distributions used to pay premiums for a spouse and dependent children are also excludable.

This exclusion can be made if the amount paid for the premium would have otherwise been included in your income and is deducted directly from your pension allowance.

What this means for retired NYPD officers is that the cost of the City's optional benefit rider may be excluded from the total amount of your pension reported annually.

The maximum amount allowed by the PPA to be excluded is \$3,000; however, the amount excluded may not exceed the actual amount paid.

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To claim this benefit, you must reduce the taxable benefit on line 16B of the 1040 by the amount of the exclusion and write "PSO" on the line for "public safety officer."

The exclusion will not be reported on 1099 forms issued by the City, so any retiree who claims the benefit has a responsibility to report it to the IRS.

Accordingly, pensioners who retired on ADR (accidental disability retirement) are not eligible for this exclusion because at this time their pension is not taxed.

This information is provided as a courtesy to PPF members and is based on the Fund's current understanding of the law, but does not constitute tax advice and should not replace the advice of a qualified tax professional.

Note: Retirees should save their Quarterly Statement (for those with electronic deposit) or their monthly pension check stub, in order to document their premium deductions for any health insurance or long term care insurance, as required proof for the IRS, if asked. No other documentation will be provided by the Pension Fund. Please contact Marie Elena Brusco @ (212) 693-6058 questions regarding this matter.

## **Report of officers**

President:

- Rich Doyle will replace Harry Dobson as club historian eff. 1/1/22.
- Chris Russo has agreed to stay on as treasurer for another year. A volunteer is needed to replace him.
- Derek Partee was elected to the Huntersville Board of Commissioners.
- Brenda Byrd-McMillon, wife of Lucius McMillon was elected a Waxhaw Commissioner.
- Duke hospital will now participate in WTC Health Monitoring Program. An attempt will be made to have Atrium & Novant Health become participants.

Vice President: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: The treasurer's report was presented and a motion to accept the report was made and seconded. The motion passed.

Recording secretary: Nothing to report

Corresponding secretary: Nothing to report

Trustees:

- Dennis Cirillo: Nothing to report
- Kevin Gribbon: Nothing to report
- Brenda Jordan: Requested that female members donate their dress blouse for the Honor Guard.
- Ian McGrouther: Nothing to report
- John Randazzo: Nothing to report

Sgt. at Arms: Excused

Historian: Nothing to report

## **Committee Reports**

- Membership: 439 members
- Socials: After holiday dinner party will be on January 15, 2022 at the FOP Lodge.

**Old Business:** Members were reminded that 2 volunteers will be asked to stay at the end of each meeting to help clean the lodge.

**New Business:** Lisa Rosa who volunteers at the Union Co. Humane Society will be collecting donated items for dogs at the next meeting. (blankets, towels, beds, toys, etc).

## **Good of the Club**

- New Members
  1. Ret. NYPD Lt. Shindon Holmes
  2. Ret. NYPD Sgt. Ron Hearle
  3. Ret. NYPD Officer Richard Albert
  4. Ret. NYPD Det 2 Veronica Hall
  5. Returning member, ret. NYPD Lt. Liz Hatcher
  6. Returning member, ret. NYPD Lt. Carl Hatcher
  7. Returning member, ret. NYPD Officer Ralph Ehresman
  8. Returning member, ret. NYPD Officer Mark Skpowski
  9. Returning member, ret. NYPD P.O. Lorraine Monsanto
  10. Ret NYCDOC C.O. Donna Christian

A motion to accept the new members was made and seconded. The motion passed.

- Members will be able to get the COVID vaccine at next month's membership meeting.
- 50/50 of \$115 was won by new member Veronica Hall.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and approved.

**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday, December 14, 2021**  
**6PM**





*NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte  
After Holiday Dinner Party  
Saturday January 15, 2020, 7PM  
Fop Lodge #9*

*\$50 Per Person Includes Hors d'oeuvres, Dinner, Dessert, Three Alcoholic Drinks  
Music & Dancing*

**MENU**

**Appetizers**

Crab & Crawfish Cakes w/ Cajun Aolie  
Vegetable and Chicken Potstickers w/ Ponzu sauce  
Charcuterie Board  
Fruit Platter

**Caesar Salad**

**Rolls**

**Honey Orange Butter**

**Entrée**

Prime Rib w/ Ajus  
Pan Seared Grouper w/ Beurre Blanc

**Vegetables**

Mushroom Manchego Risotto  
Golden Duchesse Potatoes  
Green bean Almondine  
Roasted Eggplant & Zucchini w/ Onions & Peppers

**Dessert**

Tiramisu Parfait  
Apple Roses w/ Caramel Icecream  
Black Forrest Cheesecake w/ Chocolate Cherry Sauce

**Beverages**

Coffee, Tea, Water, Soda, 3 House Alcoholic Beverages

Please bring a check to the December 14 membership meeting, pay via Zelle at

[hkatowitz@charlotte10-13.com](mailto:hkatowitz@charlotte10-13.com)

or send a check to

NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC  
5922-5 Weddington Rd., Suite 11  
Wesley Chapel, NC 28104



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

**2022**  
**JIMMY LAROSSA MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**Fundraiser for Charlotte Salute to Heroes and**  
**Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee**  
**WHERE: OLDE SYCAMORE GOLF PLANTATION**  
7500 Olde Sycamore Drive, Charlotte, NC 28227  
Phone: 704-573-1000

**WHEN:** Monday, May 16, 2022 @ 9:00am (shot gun start)

8:00am Registration  
\$125/Player - \$500/Team  
Captain's Choice  
Hot Breakfast  
Catered luncheon & awards ceremony

CAPTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
PLAYER 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
PLAYER 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
PLAYER 4: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to NYPD 10-13 Club of Charlotte, NC

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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  
4701 Wyndfield Lane  
Charlotte, NC 28270

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

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

For more information contact Bob Fee  
rtfvs@yahoo.com  
704-220-8400



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

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

**5922 WEDDINGTON RD. STE 5  
SUITE 11  
WESLEY CHAPEL NC 28104**



**HARVEY KATOWITZ**  
PRESIDENT

**BERNARD ROE**  
VICE PRESIDENT

October 19, 2021

To whom it may concern,

The NYPD 1013 Club of Charlotte, NC is an IRS not for profit 501 (c) (7) organization, Tax ID #45 0557805, comprised of 434 retired and active law enforcement officers, predominately from the NYPD and 57 other law enforcement agencies.

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

On Monday, May 16, 2022 the Club is sponsoring the eighth annual Jimmy LaRossa Memorial Golf Tournament. Jimmy LaRossa, who was a member of our Club was murdered on April 10, 2012.

The monies we raised from our last tournament were donated to the Fisher House at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejune & Veterans Path Up. Both organizations are non-profits that aid our wounded warriors and their families.

Monies raised at the 2022 tournament will be donated to the Charlotte Salute to Heroes Foundation, a 501-C (3) non-profit organization that supports sworn ill/injured public safety members and their families in North and South Carolina and other accredited 501-C(3) Foundations that assist public safety and military families in need and the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee, a 501-C (3) non-profit organization that presents a medal of honor to the families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty

In an effort to make this tournament a success we are soliciting businesses/organizations/individuals to sponsor a hole at the tournament to 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 on the golf course.

We appreciate any help you can provide us.

Sincerely,

*Harvey Katowitz*

Harvey Katowitz  
President  
[hkatowitz@charlotte10-13.com](mailto:hkatowitz@charlotte10-13.com)





# MEMBERSHIP



## 2021 Monthly Meeting Dates

December 14



Nov. 5, 2021 Ret. Transit Officer Mike Modica  
father in-law/father of Eric & Marie Storch

### SICK DESK UPDATE

Nothing to report

If you know of a member who is ill or is recovering from surgery, please inform a board member.

## Welcome Back

1. Ret. NYPD Lt. Liz Hatcher
2. Ret. NYPD Lt. Carl Hatcher
3. Ret. NYPD Officer Ralph Ehresman
4. Ret. NYPD Officer Mark Skpowski
5. Ret. NYPD Officer Lorraine Monsanto

The following members joined our club in November



1. Ret. NYPD Lt. Holmes Shindon
2. Ret. NYPD Sgt. Ron Hearle
3. Ret. NYPD Det. Veronica Hall
4. Ret. NYPD Officer Richard Albert
5. Ret. NYCDC Officer Donna Christian

We currently have 445 members, 313 from the NYPD and the remainder from 58 other law enforcement agencies.

# Remember

Our meetings now begin at 6pm

2022 membership dues are due now

You can pay via Zelle at:

hkatowitz@charlotte10-13.com



## Seasons Greetings

Join us for our after holiday party  
on Saturday, January 15, 2022

## Happy Birthday!

## DECEMBER

Hansen, Bob	RIP 10/16/17	1
Morey, Pedro		1
Erker, John,		2
Jackson, Brian		2
Sheppard, Al	RIP 5/13/19	2
Kenary, Michael		4
Holloman, Norris		5
Brody, Victor		6
Cole, Peter		6
Walker, Gerard		7
Katowitz, Harvey		8
Randazzo, John		8
Jordan, Brenda		9
Goodman, Eric		9
Davis, Joseph		10
Galanos, Glenn		10
Francis, Cynthia		13
Busby, Waverly		14
Christian, Donna		14
Nakelski, Stephen		14
Dorn, Steve		15
Marchello, Milan		15
Peterson, George	RIP 11/19/19	15
Nau, Ed		16
Matthews, Michael		18
Hickey, Scott		19
Gennis, Brian		20
Gworek, Joe		21
O'Connor, John		21
Albert, Richard		23
Heitman, Jack		24
Harrigan, Ed		25
Jones, Michael		25
Poncia, Christopher		26
Shekian, Jason		26
Aquilone, Frank		27
Krohn, John		27
Mazzie, Ronald		27
Wexler, Jason		27
Earls, Paul	RIP 5/29/19	28
Torres, Hector		28
Rochford, James		30
Sammut, Joseph		31



# TRUSTEE'S



10-13 Club of Charlotte

When our Club was initially formed with 35 members it was easy for our club 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.



Brenda Jordan



John Randazzo



Kevin Gribbon



Ian McGrouther



Dennis Cirillo

Geographical Area	Trustee	Tel. ( H)	Tel. (C)	Email Address
Catawba County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	<a href="mailto:dennisjcirillo@gmail.com">dennisjcirillo@gmail.com</a>
Cabarrus County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	<a href="mailto:dennisjcirillo@gmail.com">dennisjcirillo@gmail.com</a>
Gaston County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	<a href="mailto:dennisjcirillo@gmail.com">dennisjcirillo@gmail.com</a>
Iredell County	John Randazzo	704-243-7523	704-770-1461	<a href="mailto:eightpointid@carolina.rr.com">eightpointid@carolina.rr.com</a>
Lincoln County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	<a href="mailto:dennisjcirillo@gmail.com">dennisjcirillo@gmail.com</a>
Mecklenburg County	Brenda Jordan	704-588-0652	516-852-3885	<a href="mailto:brenjordan5@aol.com">brenjordan5@aol.com</a>
Rowan County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	<a href="mailto:dennisjcirillo@gmail.com">dennisjcirillo@gmail.com</a>
Union County	Ian McGrouther	917-952-7427	917-952-7427	<a href="mailto:ianLizMc@hotmail.com">ianLizMc@hotmail.com</a>
All other areas	Kevin Gribbon	803-548-4752	803 493-3024	<a href="mailto:kgribbo@outlook.com">kgribbo@outlook.com</a>



# HEALTH AND WELFARE



## WELCOME! To the NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees Newsletter!

Hello Retirees!

We have been working to improve our website and build our YouTube channel. Please subscribe there so you know when we upload a video. <https://youtube.com/channel/UCSwwJQTZpjUq4UluwhLY0yQ>

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### Updates

Today, Monday, November 29th.

Here is the link to the YouTube chat of the Board after today's email from the Honorable Lyle Frank to all the attorneys. <https://youtu.be/-dZmiA0EBqM>

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Thank you for all of your correspondence. After reviewing the correspondence received in the last few days, I do not plan on amending my prior order at this time. My hope was that the parties could meet this week and then we could talk again in order to potentially resolve this matter on December 8. Also by that point, my hope was for there to perhaps be a final plan or at least a final response by the respondents with regard to the petitioners' submissions. Apparently, the respondents do not wish to go that route. I can certainly adjourn the December 8 date, though I do ask what NYSCEF document is there in support of the cross motion. Perhaps I am missing something, but I don't see any affirmations in support of that. It seems unlikely with a preliminary injunction in effect that I would grant the cross-motion to dismiss, though it is not impossible. Please advise if you still wish for me to adjourn for response to the cross-motion and I will do so.

Hon. Lyle E. Frank

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The short of it is, DO NOT OPT OUT of the ADVANTAGE PLAN YET, unless you want to be in AETNA or another plan that will not be open to you next year. The City is closing enrollment in these other plans as of November 30th. So in your case, you should opt out as we are not sure if they will be available after November 30. **USE THIS FORM**, [https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/3777002%20511301MUSENMUB\\_001\\_CTYONY\\_Rev1%20CoNY%20All%20Carriers%20\\_Opt%20Out%20Update\\_508-opt-out-form.pdf](https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/3777002%20511301MUSENMUB_001_CTYONY_Rev1%20CoNY%20All%20Carriers%20_Opt%20Out%20Update_508-opt-out-form.pdf)

DO NOT MAIL IT! You can use this form to email or fax, or call the 833 hotline at the bottom of the form to verbally opt out. Please document who you spoke with, date, time, and get a reference number. Some plans require an enrollment form, so be sure to do both.

If you are on GHI Senior Care, the attorney advises you to wait, do not opt out yet. We know many of you expressed you were opting out under duress due to the misinformation by the City and Alliance plan. But wait. And it was advised if you opted out to remain in Senior Care, you should rescind it, and again get a reference number with your contact info.

The Judge ordered the parties to meet this week. We may update you again by the weekend.

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### TO DONATE TO THE LEGAL FUND

Donation Instructions to Support Our Class Action Suit Against the City To Protect Our Retiree Healthcare:

We worked decades for our benefits! Let's make sure DeBlasio and the MLC don't take them away!

A suggested \$25 Donation\* will help start the fight to keep our current benefits. Give more if you can, and/or often! If you cannot meet the minimum suggested donation, we appreciate whatever you can give towards this fight for our benefits. We also added the option to make your donation recurring (monthly) as was requested.

The fundraiser group is incorporated as a Non-Profit. ALL proceeds go to fund the legal challenge and not to anyone in the Organization. Volunteer retirees are running this effort.

TO DONATE, HERE ARE 3 SIMPLE WAYS!

1. Zelle using email [NYCOrgofpublicserviceretirees@gmail.com](mailto:NYCOrgofpublicserviceretirees@gmail.com)
2. Make your check out to:  
NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees PO Box 941  
Venice, FL 34284 (our treasurer lives in FL)
3. Or click on this Paypal link: [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=Q4VWJEYVJ9HTW&Z3&fbclid=IwAR0pEOc51x9xhc-CBb8vqAlkX97Bgg1Z02f1r9gQh9S3dOsVmAdob5jBbw8](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=Q4VWJEYVJ9HTW&Z3&fbclid=IwAR0pEOc51x9xhc-CBb8vqAlkX97Bgg1Z02f1r9gQh9S3dOsVmAdob5jBbw8)

If you are on this list, it is because you subscribed to hear what we are doing as an organization that represents all NYC Municipal workers in protecting their Health benefits in retirement. Currently, we have a FACEBOOK page located here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/888622578669131>

If you are not on FACEBOOK, we will be updating you here. And Check our website for FAQ [www.nycretirees.org](http://www.nycretirees.org)

Thank you for signing up for our [newsletter](#) and pass this to a friend to sign up too!



# HEALTH AND WELFARE

Medicare retirees remember to save your Social Security 1099 form for 2021 that you will receive in January 2022 to compare to your 2021 Medicare reimbursement that you will receive in April 2022.

## NYC Health Benefits Program

### Questions about your IRMAA or Medicare Part B Reimbursements?

**Medicare Part B 2020 reimbursements were issued in April 2021. Please check your bank account/statement (or the mail, if you are receiving a physical check) for your payment. If you already submitted your Medicare Part A & B card to the Health Benefits Program, this payment is automatic and you will receive it annually.**

**Medicare Part B 2019 differential reimbursements were issued in March 2021. Please check your bank account/statement (or the mail, if you are receiving a physical check) for your payment.** For those retirees/eligible dependents who are not eligible for IRMAA, Medicare Part B 2019 differential payments up to \$318 will be issued once the Medicare Part B and IRMAA payments are processed in calendar year 2020.

Those retirees/eligible dependents who are eligible for 2019 Medicare Part B differential reimbursements must submit the Medicare Part B 2019 Reimbursement Differential Request Form, along with required documentation.

Please submit this form, along with all required documents, electronically to: <https://nycemployeebenefits.leapfile.net>

**IRMAA 2020 reimbursements will be issued in October 2021.**

If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account. This is separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you should receive a check in the mail.

Please submit the IRMAA 2020 Reimbursement Application, along with all required documents, electronically to: <https://nycemployeebenefits.leapfile.net>

**IRMAA 2019 reimbursements were issued during October and November 2020. Please check your bank account/statement (or the mail, if you are receiving a physical check) for your payment.**

If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your reimbursement was deposited directly into your bank account. This is separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you should have received a check in the mail.

If you did not receive your IRMAA reimbursement by December 1, 2020 or if you did receive the reimbursement and you believe the amount is incorrect, you must resubmit the IRMAA 2019 Reimbursement Application.

Please submit this application, along with all required documents, electronically to: <https://nycemployeebenefits.leapfile.net>

**IRMAA 2019 Differential payments were issued at the end of November 2020.**

For those retirees/eligible dependents of a retiree with a Medicare Part B effective date prior to 2016, they received an additional amount up to \$318.

### Medicare Part B Reimbursement

The City will reimburse retirees and their eligible dependents for Medicare Part B premiums paid, excluding any penalties. You must be receiving a City pension check and be enrolled as the contract holder for City health benefits in order to receive reimbursement for Part B premiums.

For most retirees, the refund is issued automatically by the Health Benefits Program. If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account. This will be separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you will receive a check in the mail in June.

The reimbursement amount is based on the standard Medicare Part B premiums. If your Medicare Part B reimbursement amount was less than what you paid in Medicare Part B premiums, excluding penalties, you may be eligible for a Medicare Part B Differential reimbursement. To receive the differential reimbursement, please complete the Medicare Part B Differential Request form (below).

If you were eligible for Medicare Part B Reimbursement for prior years but did not enroll by providing a copy of your Medicare card, reimbursement is limited to the previous three (3) calendar years. To enroll, please complete the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application.

**Learn More about Medicare Part B Reimbursement:** <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>

### IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement

If you paid more than the standard monthly reimbursement rate for Medicare Part B, as an Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA), you may be eligible for additional reimbursement. **If you submit the required documentation for Medicare Part B IRMAA reimbursement, your reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account.**

**Learn More about IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement:** <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/faq-irmaa.pdf>

# HEALTH AND WELFARE

## TELL CONGRESS:

### **“REMEMBER 9/11” SHOULD BE MORE THAN A BUMPERSTICKER**

#### **CITIZENS FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE JAMES ZADROGA ACT**

##### **Statement from Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Act on the Inclusion in the “Build Back Better” Bill of Funding for the World Trade Center Health Program**

##### **Maloney, Nadler, Pallone, Schumer, Gillibrand ensure health care for thousands of injured and 9/11 responders and survivors**

WASHINGTON, DC – Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Act applauded the inclusion of the funding needed to ensure health care for thousands of 9/11 responders and survivors in the Build Back Better Bill ([HR 5376](#)) and the successful efforts of Members of Congress Carolyn Maloney, Jerrold Nadler, Frank Pallone and Senators Schumer and Gillibrand.

The funding language tracks the [“9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act,”](#) HR.4965/S. 2683, which addresses the impending shortfall facing the World Trade Center Health Program (WTCHP) and provides full funding for the program for the next ten years.

In addition, the Build Back Better bill contains authorization for the World Trade Center Health Program to create a research cohort to better study the impact of the toxins at Ground Zero on those residents and students who were children and young adults at the time of the attack. Currently there is insufficient data on the potential health impacts because of the lack of sufficient research capabilities.

Benjamin Chevat, Executive Director of Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Act said, “Reps. Maloney, Nadler and Pallone, and Senators Schumer and Gillibrand have kept faith with the pledge to “Never Forget” by making sure the funding for 9/11 responders and survivors was included in the Build Back Better Bill. Their work is a testament to their continuing determination to ensure that those injured and dealing with the impact of the toxins at Ground Zero, the Pentagon, and Shanksville will continue to be cared for.”

While Congress authorized the health program to remain open until 2090, the funding needs of the WTCHP are projected to exceed the current funding formula that was created in 2015. With the inclusion of this funding in the Build Back Better legislation which Congress is considering this week, the WTCHP will have the sufficient funds it needs to provide care for all those still suffering the physical and mental impacts of 9/11 over the next ten years. This includes responders and survivors who will be newly diagnosed with 9/11-associated cancers caused by their toxic exposures.

##### **NYPD unions to pull out of pension fund group, Comptroller Stringer urges them to reconsider**

New York City police unions that hold partial control over how their members' pension money is invested are planning to pull out of a consortium of other city pension funds that Comptroller Scott Stringer has credited with considerably augmenting their return on investment.

In 2015, Stringer launched what's come to be known as the Common Investment Meeting, where the trustees of the city's five largest union pension funds meet to hash out how their money is managed.

Before that, each of the funds' trustees would meet separately in five different monthly meetings, which, from Stringer's perspective, was far less efficient.

According to Stringer, the CIM has boosted the pension funds' growth overall, with their rate of return hitting 11.58% over the five years since the CIM was created, compared to a 7.02% rate of return for the five years prior to its creation.

The police pension funds' trustees are made up of several police unions. The most powerful among them is the PBA.

The PBA's head, Patrick Lynch, pointed out that the CIM began as a pilot program and disputed the idea that, over the past five years, it's made life easier for the funds' trustees.

“We were invited to participate in the common-investment meeting on a trial basis. Based on that trial, we have determined that the current format is not the most efficient or effective way to address our members' needs,” he said. “We look forward to continuing to work with both the current comptroller and the next one to provide the best possible stewardship of our members' funds.”

With Stringer set to end his term as comptroller in December, it is not entirely clear who his successor will be, but odds are on the Democratic candidate, City Councilman Brad Lander (D-Brooklyn), who's been an outspoken critic of the NYPD for years.

When asked through a PBA spokesman to comment on whether the prospect of Lander becoming comptroller played into the police union's decision, Lynch said the actions are based on the CIM itself. Lander declined to comment. Stringer suggested that Lynch should reconsider.

“The men and women of the NYPD and their families deserve a secure retirement. It defies all logic and reason that certain police trustees want to pull out of a system that has made money for their members,” Stringer said in a statement.

“There is no disputing the facts — the reforms we've made have dramatically raised the transparency, professionalism and most importantly the performance of our pension system. I believe once Mr. Lynch and others do the math they will realize this is not a decision that is in the best interest of their members.”



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#### **Statement from Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Act on House Passage of the “Build Back Better” Bill Which Includes Funding for the World Trade Center Health Program Maloney, Nadler, Pallone, Schumer, Gillibrand fight to ensure health care for thousands of injured and 9/11 responders and survivors**

WASHINGTON, DC – Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Act applauded the inclusion of funding needed to ensure health care for thousands of 9/11 responders and survivors in President Biden’s “Build Back Better” Bill that passed the House of Representatives today, and praised the efforts of Members of Congress Carolyn Maloney, Jerrold Nadler, and Frank Pallone, as well as Senators Schumer and Gillibrand.

The funding that was included tracks the “9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act,” HR.4965/S. 2683, which addresses the impending shortfall facing the World Trade Center Health Program (WTCHP) and will provide full funding for the program to provide services for the next ten years.

In addition to the increased funding, the Build Back Better bill contains authorization for the World Trade Center Health Program to create a research cohort to better study the impact of the toxins at Ground Zero on those residents and students who were children and young adults at the time of the attack. Currently there is insufficient data on the potential health impacts to this population because of the lack of sufficient research capabilities.

Benjamin Chevat, Executive Director of Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Act said, “Reps. Maloney, Nadler, and Pallone and Senators Schumer and Gillibrand, along with their colleagues, worked to make sure the funding for 9/11 responders and survivors was included in the Build Back Better Bill that the House of Representatives passed today and sent to the Senate for consideration. Their work is a testament to their continuing determination to ensure that those injured and dealing with the impact of the toxins at Ground Zero, the Pentagon, and Shanksville will continue to be cared for.”

While Congress authorized the health program to remain open until 2090, the funding needs of the World Trade Center Health Program are projected to exceed the current statutory funding formula that was created in 2015. The legislation that passed in the House today, would provide the additional funding needed to prevent cuts in services to injured and ill 9/11 responders and survivors.

With the inclusion of this funding in the Build Back Better legislation, which was sent to the Senate for consideration, the Health Program will have the sufficient funds it needs to provide care for all those still suffering the physical and mental impacts of 9/11 over the next ten years. This includes responders and survivors who will be newly diagnosed with 9/11-associated cancers caused by their toxic exposures.

Below are summaries with URLs to news articles on the effort to ensure that the World Trade Center Health Program is fully funded. [An archive of past articles year by year can be found on the Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Inc. website here.](#)

#### **Nov. 18, 2021 — *Neurology* — [Cognitive impairment and World Trade Centre-related exposures](#)**

We review the existing evidence concerning neurological outcomes in WTC-affected individuals, with the aim of educating WTC-affected individuals and their friends and families.

#### **Nov. 15, 2021 — *amNY* — [End of watch: NYPD salutes heroes fallen from 9/11-related illnesses at somber Police Plaza ceremony](#)**

Families of officers lost during 2020 began to weep as a battalion of intricate bouquets were amassed on behalf of various sections of the department in the Hall of Heroes.

#### **Oct. 29, 2021 — *WINK News* — [9/11 retirees struggling to get health care in Southwest Florida](#)**

There are about 700 NYPD retirees in Southwest Florida who need medical care, but some health care providers, including Lee Health, don’t take their health insurance.

#### **Oct. 29, 2021 — *News 12 Connecticut* — [NYPD heroes awarded medals for heroism, dedication to NYC](#)**

NYPD officers who have put their lives on the line were rewarded for their heroism in a ceremony Friday.

# HEALTH AND WELFARE

This is from an email from Emblem Health outlining instructions to nominate a provider for participation in the Emblem Health network.

Gentlemen,

I have the following information regarding adding providers to the Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina Emblem Health in network medical panels.

We are pleased to announce, the process for GHI non-Medicare retirees nominating doctors with the intention of being added as CBP participating providers, has been restored as of today.

EmblemHealth's Customer Service, Provider Network and Grievance & Appeals advocates (representatives) have been informed that the network is in fact, open for provider nominations; letters will no longer state the network is closed.

Members who wish to nominate their provider may contact EmblemHealth via telephone or email. If an Emblem advocate receives a call from a CNY PPO (GHI) Retiree member requesting information on how to nominate their provider for participation, advocates will:

- Confirm the member is an active CNY PPO Retiree plan member
- Obtain the following information:
  - o Provider's full name
  - o Practice name
  - o Contact person
  - o Address
  - o Telephone #
  - o Specialty
  - o Email the information to [cityofnyretireesprovidernomination@emblemhealth.com](mailto:cityofnyretireesprovidernomination@emblemhealth.com)
- If a member sends the request via a secure email from the portal, the correspondence advocate will:
  - o Review the request to ensure all the necessary information has been provided, see above
  - o If so, will forward the request to [cityofnyretireesprovidernomination@emblemhealth.com](mailto:cityofnyretireesprovidernomination@emblemhealth.com)
  - o If the request has incomplete provider information, a reply will be emailed to the member requesting the additional information
    - Advocates will not send a letter to a CNY Retiree member indicating that their network is closed
- If an Out of Network Provider calls requesting to join the CBP network, they will be directed to the EmblemHealth website, Provider Resources > Join Our Network page to access the Provider Credentialing Form: <https://www.emblemhealth.com/.../resources/join-our-network>

Below are the updates implemented on our City of NY micro-site page [www.emblemhealth.com/city](http://www.emblemhealth.com/city):

On the member CBP page we posted,

Nominate Your Providers!

Did you know that the EmblemHealth CBP Network is open to new providers? If you are a City of New York retiree who does not have Medicare, you can ask us to invite your doctor into our network. The process is simple—just send us an email to [cityofnyretireesprovider-nomination@emblemhealth.com](mailto:cityofnyretireesprovider-nomination@emblemhealth.com) and include the following information so we can reach out:

- Full name of the provider you're nominating
- Practice name
- Contact person
- Address
- Telephone #
- Specialty

We can't guarantee that they will join the network, but we will reach out to them on your behalf and offer them an invitation.

On the provider Join Our Networks page, we edited the copy to reflect this specific situation

Joining EmblemHealth HIP and GHI

To join the GHI PPO or EmblemHealth EPO/PPO National Network, please make sure you have reviewed the "Credentialing EmblemHealth Applicants" section above.

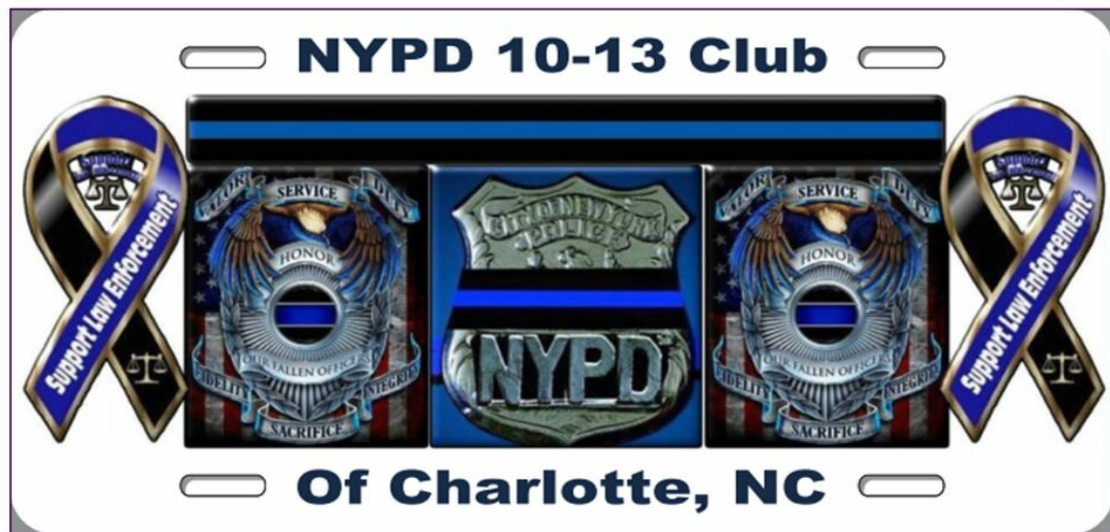
Our network in Florida is closed except for our CBP network\* (non-Medicare City of New York retirees), primary care physicians, cardiologists, orthopedic surgeons and any provider that is joining a group that is already participating with EmblemHealth. The network outside of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Florida is currently closed unless the provider is joining a participating group. To join the GHI PPO or EmblemHealth EPO/PPO National Network, please make sure you have reviewed the "Credentialing EmblemHealth Applicants" section above.



# CLUB MERCHANDISE

These license plates will be available for purchase at our monthly membership meetings.

\$10 per plate or \$20 for the 3 plate set.



## Member Self Service - webCOPS

We're excited to announce a new service for our members: webCOPS. This is a secure website to view your pension account and connect with us online.

Once you register on webCOPS, you'll be able to:

- Verify contact information
- Download and submit certain request forms
- Check your current account balance and beneficiary information (active MOS only)
- Send and receive secure messages

You can register on webCOPS right now by visiting <https://www.webcops.org/ppfmss>. See the Registration Instructions found here: (How to **Create a webCOPS account**)pdf

This is just the first version of webCOPS. In the future, we'll add more features so that you'll be able to do things like change beneficiary information and get pension estimates using an automated benefit estimate calculator. The Police Pension Fund will post new functionality (on the website and Facebook) as it becomes available. For now, please enjoy this early version.

If you need help or have questions, please contact our Call Center at (646) 905-5596

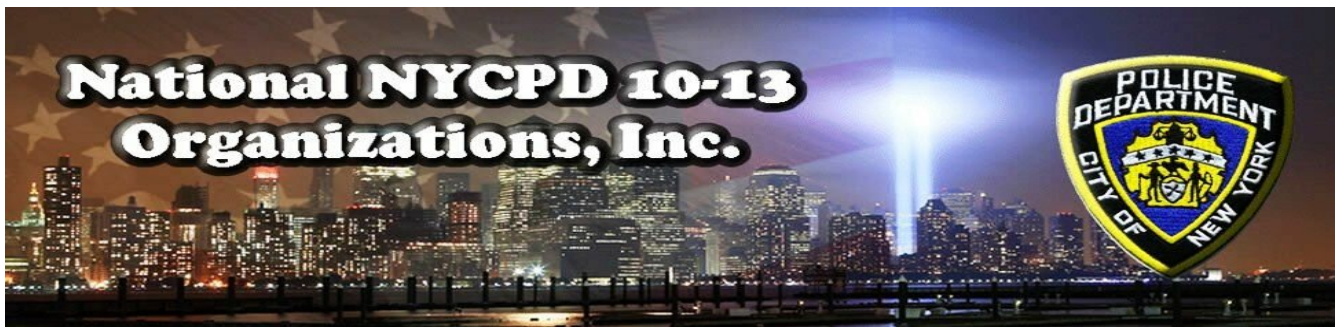
### Police Pension Fund - Documents & Requests Center

The Documents and Requests center allows you to view documents and submit requests to the Fund. Available requests are available for download. Once downloaded and completed, you may upload and submit the request. Once the request has been uploaded, it will appear on the right-hand side of the screen. Once a request has been completed and processed, you will receive an email notification. Please allow 48 hours for changes to appear in the system.

You may download and upload or mail any request available below.

Department	Name of Request
Safeguards	Financial Disclosure Questionnaire and Instructions (2018)
Membership Services	Chapter 431 Tier 3 Cadet Buyback
Safeguards	Financial Disclosure Questionnaire and Instructions (2019)
Pension Payroll	Federal Income Tax Withholding Form (W4-P)
Safeguards	Employment Certification (RSSL 212)
Membership Services	Beneficiary Designation
Membership Services	Chapter 646 Service Credit Purchase - Prior NYC or NYS Service
Membership Services	Chapter 594 Child Care Buyback
Pension Payroll	Change of Contact Information
Loan Services	Change of Loan Repayment Amount (Tier 2)
Legal	Change of Social Condition
Membership Services	Chapter 552 Service Credit Purchase - Prior NYC or NYS Service
Pension Payroll	MCU Deduction Request
Membership Services	Member Contributions while on Military Leave
Membership Services	Minor Beneficiary Custodian Designation
Legal	Member Records / File Request
Pension Payroll	Pension Award Letter Request
Loan Services	Pension Loan Application (Tier 2)
Membership Services	Pension Statement OnDemand Request
Legal	Pension Valuation in Matrimonial Action Request
Membership Services	RSSL 1000 - Military Service Credit Purchase
Membership Services	Shortage Status Request (Tier 2)
Pension Payroll	Start or Change Direct Deposit (EFT) Request
Membership Services	Start or Stop 50% Additional Contributions (Tier 2)
Membership Services	Start or Stop ITHP Waiver (Tier 2)
Pension Payroll	Stop Direct Deposit (EFT) Request
Membership Services	Supplemental Beneficiary Designation
Legal	Third Party Authorization
Calendar Preparation	WTC Notice of Participation





## **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

September 15, 2021

To All Presidents and Chapter Members:

As I am writing this letter, summer is coming to an end; fall and winter will soon be with us and many of our snowbird members will soon be heading south. I hope that everyone had a safe and fun summer. Let us not forget that the COVID Virus is still with us and we must continue to be vigilant and not let our guard down for the sake of all.

This week the National NYCPD 10-13 Orgs. Inc., celebrated its 32nd Annual Convention at the beautiful Villa Roma Resort; a great time was had by all. See the photos on our National NYCPD 10-13.org website (coming soon).

I would like to thank all Chapter Presidents and members for their support, dedication and undying support of the National. A special thank you goes out to my Executive Board. I am very proud to have an Executive Board who I can rely and depend on for support and guidance.

As we all know times are changing and the attacks on NYPD active and retirees are becoming more frequent and blatant. We are being criticized and not supported by some of our elected officials; starting with Mayor de Blasio, and let's not forget our X-Governor who signed some outrageous Anti Police bills into law.

The New York 2022 legislation session will start January, 2022. However, we are already visiting with key state senators and assembly members. The National is aggressively active in communicating through letters, visits in educating legislators, and requesting legislation which protects or enhances our benefits. COLA and Veterans' Supplementation are given out of the Pension Fund. This is not a cost factor to the tax payers. These funds are well funded and protected by law, which is not so protected in other states. There is no cost for the Health Protection Bills.

As we all know retirees, via our unions when they were active, negotiated for and earned benefits for their future, and sometimes gave up pay increases and other benefits as retirees. Not having the ability to vote or negotiate regarding their benefits, as per the Taylor Law, leaves us to look to our elected officials to protect the benefits that we fought for and earned.

The National is the most active group in legislation than any other NYC Police retiree group to date on these important issues. We work very closely with President Bryant Kolner of the Alliance of Public Retirees Organization which actively supports all NYCPD legislation. We communicate closely regarding these issues.

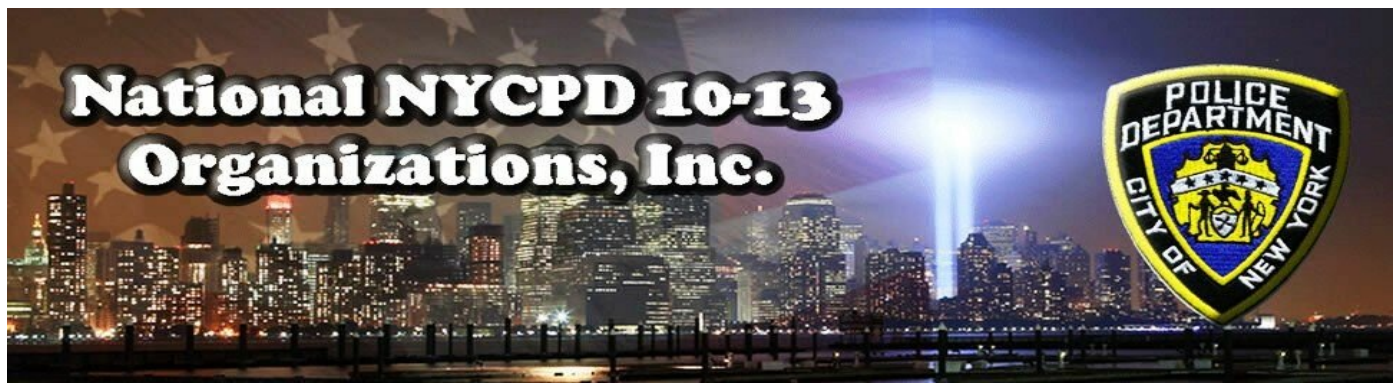
With the support of chapter Presidents and members, through dues and raffles, it makes it possible to be actively involved in legislative issues, as well as to join the Alliance, which involves many other retiree groups. The monies also help us maintain a PAC fund, supply buses for the Lobby Day to attend other meetings, and speak with other retiree groups who share their concerns of these issues. I can assure you that your National Executive Board will continue to be very active in the Albany legislative arena.

This is not an organization of titles and perks. Each member of the Executive Board works very hard, and dedicates their time and efforts for you. The past achievements and goals are because of the support of the chapters and their members. This is what gives us the will to take the initiative to continue to work hard towards accomplishing our common goals.

Hope to see you on Lobby Day, Albany bus trip and at the 2022 National Convention.

Faternally,

Frank Martarella



**2021-2022 Legislative Agenda  
July 28, 2021**

<u>New York State Legislation</u>	<u>Senate #</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Assembly #</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
1- Health Ins. Protection (Retirees) -Protects Benefits We earned upon Retirement	S5030-21	Lanza	A4203	Weprin
2- Veteran's Supplementation (Retirees) ¼% per month up to 36 months (total 3%)	S5110-21	Brooks	A6468-21	Barrett
3-COLA Enhancement Bills		Gounardes	A-Pending	Abbate
**a) Reduces Eligibility age From 62 to 55 with 5 years' service	S-Pending	"	A-Pending	Abbate
**b) Five year additional (look- back) for older retirees	S6060-21	"	A-Pending	Abbate
**c) Increases the COLA from 50% to 100% of CPI (not to exceed 3%)	S60451-18	"	A-Pending	Abbate
**d) Raises the maximum CPI from 3% to 5%	S6030-21	"	A-Pending	Abbate
**e) Raises the Surviving Spouse COLA from 50% to 100%	S5631-21	Gounardes	A-Pending	Abbate
**f) Increases the CAP from \$18,000 to \$21,000	S 5835-20	Neil Breslin	K07413-20	Steck
4- Form Temporary Task Force	S268-21	Addabbo	A3716-21	Gunther
5- Extend VSF To All NYC Police, Firefighters and Corrections	S5107	Sanders	A-Pending	
6 - Prohibits the diminution of Health Insurance benefits to certain retired firefighters, police officers and their dependents	S5184	Sanders	A-05208	Abate

NYS SENATE & ASSEMBLY STATUS OF BILLS:

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

[www.nysassembly.gov/leg](http://www.nysassembly.gov/leg)

1-800-342-9860

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Medicare Part B Reimbursement Form: [https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/Medicare\\_Part\\_B\\_.pdf](https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/Medicare_Part_B_.pdf)

Medicare Part B IRMAA Reimbursement Form: <https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/irmaa-form-2015-2017.pdf>

New NYPD ID Card Renewal Form (updated 2019) and NYPD Retiree Application: [https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/NYPD\\_Renewal\\_Retiree\\_Application\\_ID\\_Card\\_2019.docx](https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/NYPD_Renewal_Retiree_Application_ID_Card_2019.docx)

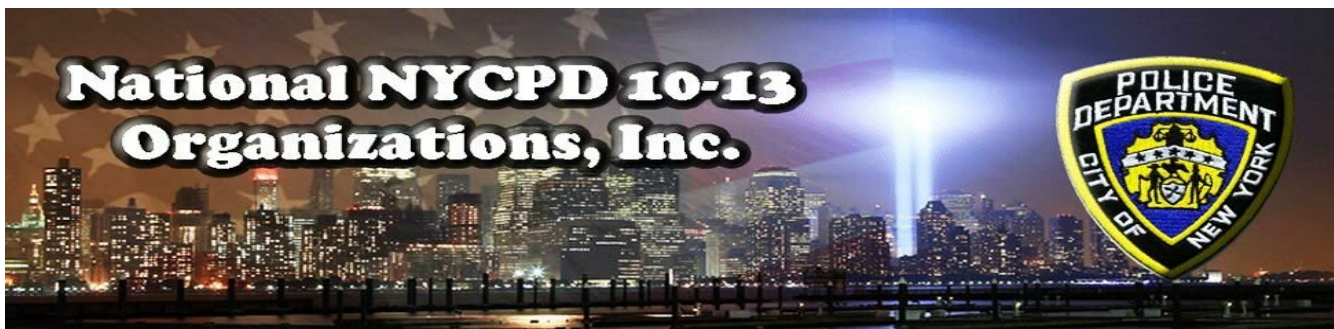
CCW SAFE Nationwide Gun Protection Coverage: <https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/CCW.pdf>

WTC Notice of Participation: [https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/WTCNoticeofParticipation\\_withcoverletter\\_201609.pdf](https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/WTCNoticeofParticipation_withcoverletter_201609.pdf)

WTC HEALTH PROGRAM APPLICATION: [https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/WTC\\_Application\\_2019.pdf](https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/WTC_Application_2019.pdf)

9/11 Victims Fund: [https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/911\\_Victims.pdf](https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/911_Victims.pdf)





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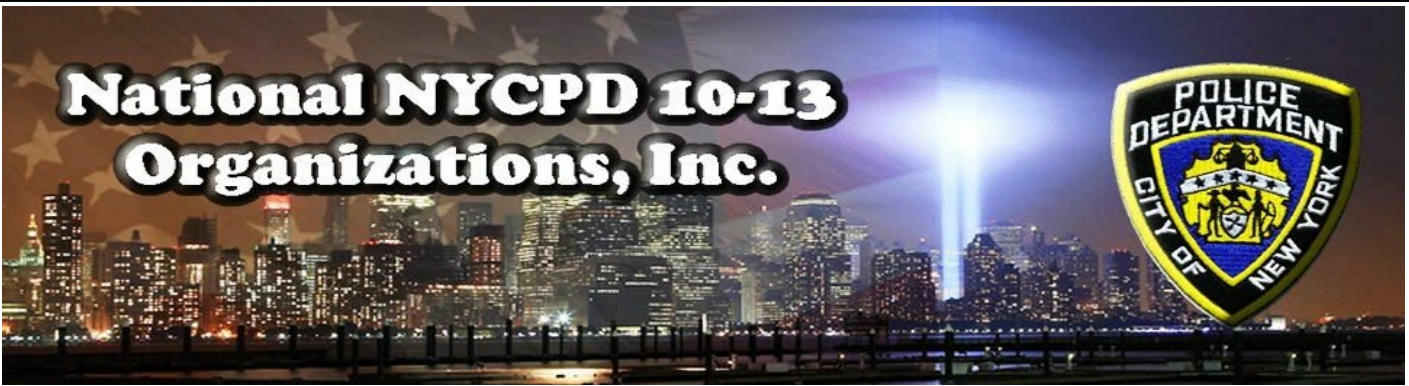
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# NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.



## NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG. NYPD ID CARD RENEWAL

**For those members that reside locally, the ID Card Section (646-610-5150) is now on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor at 1PP, opposite the Operations Unit.**

They will only renew a retiree ID card that has less than 3 months before expiration date or already expired

Please do not go at the end of month due to numerous active MOS retiring and it is very crowded.

Using the above number, call beforehand to make sure there is no promotion on the day you are going because it can get crowded and active will have priority.

For those out of state members, please follow the instructions when mailing in ID cards. I have received ID cards mailed to me using regular first-class mail. The issue with this is that it is not tracked and, therefore, not guaranteed that I will receive it. The Priority Mail procedure provides a tracking number so that the ID card can be accounted for throughout the entire mailing process.

If your ID card is lost or stolen, you must make a police report with your local precinct or PD for lost or stolen property and a copy of the report must accompany the ID card application. **The application will not be processed without a report.**

The NYPD card section uses the photo that is in their system since November of 2002. If your ID card was issued prior to this period, you will have to appear at the ID Card Section in person to take a new photo. You cannot send in a passport photo or a jpeg file photo to update the picture.

**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.

Regarding HR218/LEOSA qualifications: If your ID card does not have an expiration date, it does qualify as a valid ID card under the provisions of the laws. Unless you want to get a current photo on your ID card, you are not required to do so in order to satisfy the qualification. Also remember that some PDs in North Carolina that do the qualifications will require a current ID card so make sure that you check your expiration dates.

A completed PD form **MUST** accompany the card. The form can be downloaded from the National website;  
<https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/>

Additionally, ID card expiration dates will be increased from 5 to 8 years.

**If your card has no expiration date, you do not need to have a new card issued. Your card is perpetually current. Keep it.**

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 \$7.95.

Place in the envelope: your PD ID card, the completed PD Form, and a check in the amount of \$7.75 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

You can contact me at [cicheech@aol.com](mailto:cicheech@aol.com) or call (718) 637-1684.

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# NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.



## **NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG. NYPD ID CARD RENEWAL**

**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.

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

There is a new procedure for pre-merger Transit and Housing Police retirees.

The below information was received in an email from the NYCPD Transit Bureau Personnel Unit and has been verified.

### **Renewal of Transit ID card that is expired or nearing expiration.**

For the retirees that live out of state, they can email a copy of their driver's license and id card and in the body of the email they can put their name, address and a phone number where they can be reached. We run a background check to make sure no one is wanted (you'd be surprised).

Also they need to attach a digital photo of themselves from the waist up in front of a neutral colored wall (please no hats or sunglasses).

We need a digital photo, not a photo of a photo, to put on a new id card that we mail certified.

Please tell your members they can call the Personnel Unit at 1-718-610-4660 and we will be more than happy to walk them thru the process.

Be well and keep collecting those retirement checks.

PO Georges Bazile

New York City PD  
Transit Bureau Personnel Unit  
130 Livingston Street, 3rd Floor  
Brooklyn NY 11201  
718-610-4660

718-610-4555 Fax

Email: [tbhqpersonnel@nypd.org](mailto:tbhqpersonnel@nypd.org)

**This procedure only applies to pre-merger Transit and Housing ID cards which works on a different system than the NYPD ID Card Section.**

# NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.



**PERSONNEL ORDERS DIVISION**  
Retiree/Non-Member Identification Card Worksheet  
PB Revised 12/8/2020

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Please Indicate: ☐ New Applicant ☐ Lost ID Card ☐ Renewal, Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

## RETIREE INFORMATION ONLY

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Retirement Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Tax # \_\_\_\_\_ Shield # \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information I provided on this worksheet and on any supporting documentation is true and complete. If I am applying for a retiree identification card, I further certify that since my retirement date, I have not been convicted of a crime.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Member Processing Request: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax # \_\_\_\_\_

Case # \_\_\_\_\_ Firearms Code: \_\_\_\_\_ New ID Card # \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Approved

☐ Disapproved

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorizing Supervisor Rank/Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

(Authorizing Supervisor is to ensure there is a copy of newly issued Identification Card attached to this worksheet)

## AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING IDENTIFICATION CARD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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**THE BEST FOR THE BEST**

**NYPD 10-13 PLANS** <https://ccwsafe.com/page/10-13>

The CCW Safe NYCPD 10-13 Plus Plan covers members for any criminal, civil or administrative legal action stemming from a self-defense incident (for OFF-DUTY incidents only). This plan is non-transferrable. The Primary member must either carry under HR218 for Law Enforcement members or have a concealed carry permit. LEOSA annual status and All permits must remain valid. Will need to submit proof to verify eligibility for this plan.

The Primary member will be covered for all defense costs with no caps or limits for criminal, civil and administrative cases regarding legal use of force responses to life threatening attacks where covered under HR218, where your permits are honored or on premises in which possession of a firearm is not illegal (all legal weapons covered).

No additional discounts codes shall be applied to this special price plan and annual payments only. Remember CCW Safe is a "Legal Service Plan" and is not an "Insurance Company." No policies are sold in the member's name in association with plans that have civil liability coverage benefits. Members are beneficiaries of the coverage of CCW Safe who is the insured.



## 10-13 PROTECTOR BASIC PLAN

**\$134ANNUALLY**

- 24-hour emergency hotline patched through to attorney
- Critical Response Team on site for all deadly force
- Appeals/Mistrials/Retrials
- \$500,000 bail coverage
- Vetting of hired Attorneys by National Trial Counsel
- No caps on Attorney Retainer/fees
- No caps on Investigators costs/fees
- No caps on Expert Witnesses expenses
- All trial fees and cost mentioned above covered up front
- Firearm Replacement during trial
- Spouse and children under 18 covered in home only
- Up to \$250 a day work loss while in criminal or civil trial
- up to 10 sessions (\$150/session) for a licensed counselor
- \$3k crime scene clean-up (home)
- Criminal Record expungements



## 10-13 PROTECTOR PLUS PLAN MOST POPULAR

**\$335 ANNUALLY**

- 24-hour emergency hotline patched through to attorney
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- Criminal Record expungements
- Dedicated \$1MM Civil Liability coverage.

# ALLIANCE OF PUBLIC RETIREE ORGANIZATIONS OF NEW YORK



## **RPA LEGISLATIVE CORNER REPORT: August / September 2021**

**2021-2022 Alliance Legislative Bill Agenda:** Note...You can use the new bill numbers and the other expired bill numbers for reference to research the print version of each bill on-line.

Numerous time and efforts have been expended calling all these Legislators, their Chiefs of Staff and Legislative Aides requesting action on our bills and every one of them give us the same, standard reply...we are working on it or we will re-submit the bill for you. The 2021-2022 Legislative Session is turning out to be the most dysfunctional, non-productive, complete disregard for all New York State Retirees that I have ever seen. Most of the re-submitted bills have not made it past the first committee and only a small number of Legislators have signed onto our bills as Co-Sponsors, which is pathetic at best and a egregious disregard for all of their constituents, especially New York State Retirees. RETIREES...CALL TO ACTION NEEDED...Please call your Senator and Assemblyman, at their District Offices and request them to sign on to our bills as Co-Sponsors and/or resubmit our bills. The more phone calls made by retirees, gets the attention of the Legislators and hopefully gets them to take much needed action on our behalf. This has to be a "TEAM EFFORT" by retirees voicing their displeasure personally, emotionally and emphatically that retirees deserve and need these bills passed and signed into law, to preserve and protect retirees hard earned benefits and maintain a "quality of retirement life " that all retirees worked so hard for as career New York State employees and are entitled to period. Legislators work for us !

**This is our " FORGOTTEN VETERAN'S BILL "**

**NEW Bill # S-5110A-2021 / Veterans Supplementation Bill / Senator Brooks**  
**In Civil Service and Pensions Committee / Only 1 Co-Sponsor**

**NEW Bill # A-6468-2021 / Veterans Supplementation Bill / Assemblywoman Barrett**  
**In Governmental Employees Committee / Only 3 Co-Sponsors**

**NEW Bill # S-5030-2021 / Health Protection Bill / Senator Lanza**  
**In Civil Service and Pensions Committee / Only 1 Co-Sponsor**

**A-4203-2019 / Health Protection Bill / Assemblyman Weprin**

Requested to be re-submitted made to the Assemblyman, who appears to be more interested in running for his election to New York City Comptroller and I would hypothesize that our bill might be counter intuitive to his campaign, although he has advised us that he would re-submit this bill for us numerous times ! Telephone calls to his office go to voice mail only.

**NEW BILL # S-5184-2021 / Health Protection Bill for Police Officers and Firefighters / Senator Sanders**  
**In Civil Service and Pensions Committee / Only 3 Co-Sponsors**

**NEW BILL # A-05108 / Health Protection Bill for Police Officers and Firefighters / Assemblyman Abatte**  
**PASSED NYS ASSEMBLY AWAITING NYS SENATE ACTION !**

**NEW Bill # S-5631B-2021 / COLA Bill (Increase surviving spouse 50% to 100%) / Senator Gounardes**  
**In Civil Service and Pensions Committee / Not one Co-sponsor**

**NEW BILL # S-6651-2021 / COLA Bill (Provide COLA - age 55 retired 5 yrs) / Senator Gounardes**  
**In Civil Service and Pensions Committee / Not one Co-Sponsor**

**NEW BILL # S6060-2021 / COLA Bill (5 year additional look back) / Senator Gounardes**  
**In Civil Service and Pensions Committee / Not one Co-Sponsor**

**NEW BILL # S6030-2021 / COLA Bill (Increase from 3% to 5% of CPI) / Senator Gounardes**  
**In Civil Service and Pensions Committee / Not one Co-Sponsor**

**S-5835-2019 / COLA Bill ( raise base calculation from 18K to 21K ) / Senator Breslin**  
**Requested to be re-submitted**

**A-7413-2019 / COLA Bill ( raise base calculation from 18K to 21K ) / Assemblyman Steck**  
**Requested to be re-submitted**



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The next CEA meeting will be held on Wednesday December 8, 2021, 1800 hrs. at:  
El Caribe  
5945 Strickland Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11234



November 6, 2021

Dear Lieutenant:

As you may be aware, some of the City's municipal unions have signed a Memorandum of Understanding regarding vaccine mandates with the City. The Lieutenants Benevolent Association has not, and will not, sign the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the vaccine mandates.

Contained in the MOU is a clause stipulating that unvaccinated Members of the Service who file for retirement with the Police Pension Fund (those members who give their statutorily obligated 30 day notice informing the Department of their intention to separate from service) must sign an irrevocable waiver stating that he/she cannot rescind their retirement filing or "Pull their papers". The unvaccinated member, who files for retirement, must agree to never attempt to return to Active duty, even if they get vaccinated prior to their retirement date.

The Lieutenants Benevolent Association has been open to dialogue and negotiations with the City regarding COVID-19 issues throughout the pandemic. And we are still amenable to discussing issues impacting on our members regarding the pandemic. However, the inclusion of this irrevocable waiver stipulating that only "unvaccinated" Members of the Service who file for retirement may never return to service, even if they get the vaccine prior to separating from service, is completely unacceptable.

For the reasons I just mentioned, the LBA will not sign the current MOU with the City related to mandated vaccinations. The rights of the members of the LBA are paramount.

November 15, 2021

Dear Lieutenant:

The 2022 Medicare Part B Monthly premiums have been posted as well as the 2022 Medicare Annual Deductible.

Medicare Part B: The **standard monthly premium** for Medicare Part B enrollees for 2022 will be \$170.10; an increase of \$21.60 from \$148.50 in 2021.

The **annual deductible** for all Medicare Part B beneficiaries in 2022 will be \$233; an increase of \$30 from the annual deductible of \$203 in 2020.

Part B **monthly premiums are based on a person's income**. The income-related monthly adjustment amounts (IRMAA's) are listed on the following site: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/part-b-costs>

Fraternally,  
Lou Turco  
President

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



November 30, 2021

Dear Lieutenant:

The November LBA Delegate and General Membership meeting was held at Antun's on Wednesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. LBA President Lou Turco chaired the meeting and the following topics were discussed:

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RETIREES:** At the meeting Lou presented Retirement Shields to the following recently retired Lieutenants:

**Julien Antkies** of the 100<sup>th</sup> Precinct. Julien retired after serving with the Department for over 31 years.

**Michael Bach** from TARU. Mike retired after serving 27 years with the Department.

**Christina Gryziec** of Patrol Borough Queens North. Christina retired after serving with the Department for over 25 years.

**ANNE DONNELLY (REP) WINS NASSAU COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY RACE:** Anne Donnelly, who spoke to our members at the October LBA Delegate and General Membership meeting, was the victor in the Nassau County District Attorney election. Anne was successful in beating her opponent, New York State Senator Todd Kaminsky. Kaminsky is one of the main authors of the "cashless bail" law. His law has forced judges to release 3,000 inmates who have gone on to commit 9,000 new crimes. Anne's victory exemplifies how voter turnout is key in these races.

**ANNUAL UNIFORM ALLOWANCE TAX FREE:** As I informed the membership at the October LBA meeting, as the result of prolonged negotiations with the City of New York, the Lieutenants Benevolent Association has secured a tax free Uniform Allowance. All Active Lieutenants will now be entitled to the entire \$1,100 Uniform Allowance "Tax Free". As of this writing, approximately 35 of our Active Lieutenants have not yet submitted the Uniform Allowance Form electronically via the LBA website. If you have not yet submitted the form, please log onto the LBA website at [www.NYPD-LBA.org](http://www.NYPD-LBA.org), click on FORMS in the upper left and then click on the Uniform Allowance Form. We anticipate sending out the checks the week of December 6<sup>th</sup>; checks will be sent to the member's home address on file.

**DEPARTMENT'S VACCINE MANDATE:** On Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, we were informed that the Office of Equity and Inclusion would begin issuing decisions regarding requests for Reasonable Accommodation and that these decisions will be sent to the applicant's e-mail address. If you submitted a request for a Reasonable Accommodation, please make sure to monitor your e-mails for a decision from Office of Equity and Inclusion. If you received an e-mail stating that your request for a Reasonable Accommodation has been denied, the notification should have also included the process to file an appeal. If applicable, we encourage those whose request is denied to file an appeal as directed in the notification.



2022 Personalized LBA Card Orders

The LBA is now accepting orders for 2022 Personalized LBA Card(s). The order form is on the LBA website: [www.NYPD-LBA.org](http://www.NYPD-LBA.org).

Due to an overall increase in the cost associated with the manufacturing, printing and shipping of the LBA Cards, the cost for each Personalized Card is \$2.00. Proceeds from the Personalized Card sales go to support the LBA Charitable and Scholarship Fund

**LBA CALENDAR BOOKS:** Historically, the LBA would mail out a Calendar Book to each Active, Retired and Life Member with the Annual Holiday Mailing. However, in recent years it has become apparent that more and more of our members no longer use a Calendar Book to track their overtime/appearances/appointments/ etc., but rather use their phones or some other electronic device to track these events. Therefore, we no longer include a calendar book with the Annual Holiday LBA membership mailing. If you still wish to receive an LBA calendar book simply call the LBA office at 212-964-7500 (Opton#2) and request a book be mailed to you.

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**CURRENT CCRB TOPICS/TRENDS:** LBA 2<sup>ND</sup> Vice President Dennis Gannon informed the attendees that CCRB is currently focusing on investigating and enforcing the following issues:

## **Abuse of Authority – Failure to Provide Medical Attention to a Prisoner**

To combat such complaints, we insist that our members ask EVERY prisoner if they want/require medical or psychiatric attention. Ensure that this request is recorded on Body Worn Camera (BWC) and a Command Log entry reflects the request, the response and the respective action if applicable. This procedure must be done for EVERY PRISONER.

## **Abuse of Authority – Removing a Person to the Hospital Against Their Will.**

If there exists a need to remove an emotionally disturbed person (EDP) / prisoner to receive medical/psychiatric attention we urge our members to attempt to video the incident/behavior (if possible) leading up to such an action. We strongly encourage you to document the incident and include interviews with all witnesses, i.e. MOS and family members, and the mental state/actions of the person removed. CCRB is entertaining allegations of abuse of authority made by any person involuntarily removed to receive psychiatric attention.

Please ensure that you are thoroughly prepared for all CCRB hearings. The investigators at CCRB take their jobs seriously and look for any reason to bolster their case against a Subject/Witness officer. I cannot emphasize enough that you must adequately prepare before going to any CCRB hearing. This includes conferring with any officer(s) that may have already testified at CCRB on the same case, reviewing any pertinent body camera footage related to the case, and reviewing any pertinent documentation that may be associated with the case. Please prepare properly before appearing at a CCRB Hearing. Don't take these hearings lightly, because the investigators at CCRB are looking for any reason to strengthen their case against you.

**THE LBA IS ON TWITTER:** The Lieutenants Benevolent Association is now on Twitter. If you are not on Twitter, simply go to the App Store on your phone and download the app, create an account, and follow us at @LBANYPD. I want to thank LBA Recording Secretary Chris Cantelmi for monitoring and administering the LBA Twitter account. Chris has invested, and continues to invest, a substantial amount of time and effort in ensuring that the information posted by the LBA on Twitter is verified and accurate. Chris' efforts help maintain the integrity and credibility of what we post. Please feel free to send any ideas about postings to Chris, at [CCantelmi@NYPD-LBA.org](mailto:CCantelmi@NYPD-LBA.org). We will continue to inform our members of topical matters by e-mail in addition to posting contemporaneous comments on Twitter. Please make sure to follow us on Twitter; encourage your friends a family to follow us as well.

## **Sergeants Benevolent Association**

35 Worth Street  
New York, NY 10013  
Phone: (212) 226-2180



**The Toughest Job  
in the World!**

Vincent J. Vallelong  
PRESIDENT

Edmund J. Small  
VICE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Sergeant,

I understand that recent unfortunate events have been challenging and confusing on many levels. Since taking office, I have been very assertive in determining the overall condition of the SBA and making plans to move forward in a manner that in no way negatively impacts the membership.

As was stated in the email sent last week after the emergency delegates meeting, the Annuity and Health and Welfare Funds have not been compromised in any way and all member benefits are unaffected. While an outside independent accounting firm will conduct a thorough and transparent forensic accounting of our records, contract negotiations will continue as planned.

Myself, newly appointed Vice President Edmund Small, and the entire SBA board are committed to serving you in an honest, thorough, and transparent manner. We will leave no stone unturned in our search for the truth, regardless of where it leads. The SBA membership deserves nothing less.

The coming weeks will be hectic, but we will keep you apprised of important developments as they occur. Thank you very much for your support during this difficult time.

Fraternally,

*Vincent J. Vallelong*

Vincent J. Vallelong  
President  
Sergeants Benevolent Association

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## The DEA Now Has Its Own App

If you have an Apple iPhone iOS, go to your Apple App store and search DEA NYPD to download.

If you have an Android phone, go to your Google store and search DEA NYPD to download.

To gain access to the App, you need to enter your DEA website login information, including email address and password.

If you've never logged onto the DEA website at [www.nycdetectives.org](http://www.nycdetectives.org) before, you have to do so and create your own login. Everything that is listed on the DEA website is listed on our DEA App, designed for easy viewing on a smaller screen. If you have any problems logging in, go to the DEA website and choose "General Login Support" on the drop-down menu under Website Support.

Don't miss this specially designed application created so that our members can always access DEA information any time of day or night

## 2022 DEA Cards for Sale

Beginning today, Monday, November 29th, the 2022 DEA cards are for sale at the DEA headquarters building at 26 Thomas Street, New York, NY 10007 in lower Manhattan.

Retirees' member cards and calendar books will be mailed out starting December 15th.

At the union headquarters building at 26 Thomas Street, the DEA also has a wide array of items — such as tee shirts, patches, key chains, coffee mugs, and pins — emblazoned with the union logo and gold Detective's shield. Proceeds from the sale of union items go to the DEA's Widows' & Children's Fund, so consider making the union your stop for shopping for "stocking stuffers" for the upcoming holiday season!



## P.C. Richard & Son Is Available For DEA Members

If you're in need of a critical appliance or household goods — such as a refrigerator, stove, mattress, television, computer, portable electronics, and much more — please know that P.C. Richard & Son can service our DEA members' needs, and they have terrific holiday offers for police!

This family owned and operated business is a reliable retailer dealing in essential household goods. Joe Morrone, the Director of Sales at P.C. Richard & Son, will provide our DEA members with great service at affordable prices. His sales team is always ready and able to deliver product.

All store managers are currently available to service our needs.

Store hours vary per day and location.

Curbside pickup available at stores.

Curbside delivery, **inside delivery, and/or installation** is also available for you.

Feel free to email Joe Morrone directly for any help you may need making a purchase from P.C. Richard at [Joe.morrone@pcrichard.com](mailto:Joe.morrone@pcrichard.com). You can also call his cell phone at **(516) 984-6693**.

Call stores for updated information about hours, pick up, shopping, or delivery. Make your holiday a great one at P.C. Richard & Son.



# LINE ORGANIZATIONS



November 26, 2021

## **"We need to have a reset" says Pat Lynch**

As Officer Alejandra Jacobs leaves the hospital after getting shot in the Bronx, Pat Lynch says: "We need to have a reset in the next administration: let's look at everything, let's fix the problem." Reports on **Fox 5 News**, <http://www.nycpba.org/news-items/fox-5-news/2021/officer-alejandra-jacobs-leaves-hospital-after-being-shot-we-need-to-have-a-reset-in-the-next-administration-says-lynch/>

November 25, 2021

## **2 Officers shot in the Bronx: Lynch says the problem is perps aren't afraid to carry guns**

News coverage of the shooting of two cops in the Bronx on **New York 1**, <http://www.nycpba.org/news-items/new-york-1/2021/2-officers-shot-in-the-bronx-lynch-says-the-problem-is-perps-arent-afraid-to-carry-guns/>

PRESS RELEASE  
November 24, 2021

## **LYNCH ON DISTURBING VIDEO: "WE NEED YOUR HELP"**

A video circulating online <https://www.dropbox.com/s/oa1rqpl92ca7ifv/Video%20Nov%2024%2C%2010%2009%2017%20AM.mov?dl=0> shows a New York City police officer in a physical struggle inside a store. The incident occurred in Brooklyn on Tuesday.

**PBA President Patrick J. Lynch said:** "This video is incredibly disturbing. We have a police officer in distress, and nobody helps him. Is this the city we want? Has this become normal? It has to stop. We need your help. We need your help on the street, and we need your help to force our reckless elected officials to do their job."

November 24, 2021

## **Amid "public safety disaster on our streets," Pat Lynch calls upcoming contract arbitration an "emergency"**

The PBA president is quoted in **the Chief**: <http://www.nycpba.org/news-items/chief/2021/pba-bid-to-top-wage-pattern-in-arbitration-will-begin-nov-30/>

"This arbitration is about a problem that has been holding our city back for 30 years: New York City simply does not pay its police officers a competitive wage. The NYPD's recruitment, retention and ability to fulfill its public-safety mission all suffer as a result...But while the basic problem is not new, it has grave implications for this particular moment in history. We are facing an existential crisis in the NYPD and a public-safety disaster on our streets. This is no run-of-the-mill labor dispute. It is an emergency, and we hope the arbitration panel will treat it as such."

November 21, 2021

## **Pat Lynch says he's not surprised that survey shows more than half NYPD cops regret having joined**

The PBA president is quoted in the **NY Post**, <http://www.nycpba.org/news-items/post/2021/survey-says-more-than-half-nypd-wishes-they-never-joined-the-force/>

"New York City police officers are well past our breaking point, and Mayor de Blasio and the outgoing City Council are still piling on with policies that punish cops and erode public safety. The intolerable environment and our substandard pay has every cop looking to get out as soon as they can. Our new leaders have a real mess to clean up. They need to start by supporting the beleaguered cops on the street."

November 14, 2021

## **As NYPD cops find greener pastures in departments as far away as Florida, Pat Lynch points out that they can also do much better much closer to home**

The PBA president is quoted in the **NY Post**: <http://www.nycpba.org/news-items/post/2021/cops-find-respect-warm-welcome-more-money-in-florida/>

"They don't even need to go all the way to Florida. There are many better-paying police departments in and around NYC, and they're hiring. We certainly don't blame anybody for leaving. But New York City needs to wake up."

# LINE ORGANIZATIONS

POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, INC.

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[www.nycpba.org](http://www.nycpba.org)

Patrick J. Lynch, President



Keep Cop-Killers in Jail

In multimedia ad campaigns launched last May the PBA is thanked every New Yorker who helped us deliver over 800,000 petitions against the parole of cop-killers to the Parole Board in Albany. The PBA is encouraging the public to keep up the support by using the [Keep Cop-Killers In Jail](#) tool on this website.

Thank you for helping us  
**HOLD THE LINE**

The NYC PBA  
just delivered  
816,725 petitions  
to the New York  
State Parole  
Board opposing  
the release of  
cop-killers.



**But make no mistake:  
WE ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING THIS BATTLE**

We have already seen **SEVEN** cop-killers paroled in the past year and a half, including two who will walk out of prison doors next month. We need every law-abiding New Yorker to tell the Parole Board that an attack on a police officer is an attack on all of us.

Visit [www.nycpba.org](http://www.nycpba.org) & click:  
**KEEP COP-KILLERS IN JAIL**



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| Name                                                                                | Address/Phone                                                             | Specialty/Practice                   |
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| <a href="#">SINGH, PRADEEP MD</a>                                                   | 196 CARDIOLOGY DR<br>ROCK HILL SC 29732<br>(803) 324-5135                 | Cardiology, Internal Medicine        |
| <a href="#">MORI, NARESH A MD</a>                                                   | 196 CARDIOLOGY DR<br>ROCK HILL SC 29732<br>(803) 802-0090                 | Cardiology                           |
| <a href="#">PATEL, VASANT B MD</a>                                                  | 196 CARDIOLOGY DR<br>ROCK HILL SC 29732<br>(803) 324-5135                 | Cardiology                           |
| <a href="#">LIMBANOVNOS, GEORGE A DC</a>                                            | 8019 ARDREY KELL RD<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28277<br>(704) 321-0656               | Chiropractic                         |
| <a href="#">HEWETSON, DONALD J DC</a>                                               | 1120 EBENEZER AVENUE EXT<br>ROCK HILL SC 29732<br>(803) 328-2800          | Chiropractic                         |
| <a href="#">WHITE, CURT L DC</a>                                                    | 122 GATEWAY BLVD STE 100<br>MOORESVILLE NC 28117<br>(704) 799-1416        | Chiropractic                         |
| <a href="#">MCLEOD, TONYA S MD</a>                                                  | 5815 BLAKENEY PARK DR STE 100<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28277<br>(704) 542-2220     | Dermatology                          |
| <a href="#">ROSENZWEIG, LAURA B MD</a>                                              | 5815 BLAKENEY PARK DR STE 100<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28277<br>(704) 542-2220     | Dermatology                          |
| <a href="#">MCELGUNN, PATRICK S MD</a>                                              | 5815 BLAKENEY PARK DR STE 100<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28277<br>(704) 542-2220     | Dermatology                          |
| <a href="#">PORTER, JOSHUA G MD</a>                                                 | 959 COX RD<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 866-7576                         | Dermatology                          |
| <a href="#">KLINE, LAURA M MD</a>                                                   | 649 N NEW HOPE RD<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 866-4005                  | Dermatology                          |
| <a href="#">BERGAMO, BETHANY M MD</a>                                               | 315 19TH ST SE<br>HICKORY NC 28602<br>(828) 325-9849                      | Dermatology                          |
| <a href="#">JOHNSON, CHARLES S MD</a>                                               | 315 19TH ST SE<br>HICKORY NC 28602<br>(828) 325-9849                      | Dermatology                          |
| <a href="#">OLIARO, JERRY P DO</a>                                                  | 2525 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 834-2662                      | Emergency Medicine                   |
| <a href="#">BAUER, STEVEN R DO</a><br><a href="#">Ballantyne Medical Associates</a> | 15640 DON LOCHMAN LN STE A<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28277<br>(704) 540-1640        | Family Practice                      |
| <a href="#">BAUER, STEVEN R DO</a><br><a href="#">Ballantyne Medical Associates</a> | 16928 Lancaster Hwy, Charlotte, NC<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28277<br>(704)817-8273 | Family Practice<br>Walk-in Emergency |
| <a href="#">EMERY JR, HENRY R JR MD</a>                                             | 1928 WEDDINGTON RD<br>MATTHEWS NC 28104<br>(704) 844-0505                 | Family Practice                      |
| <a href="#">LADD-SNIVELY, SUSAN E MD</a>                                            | 1013 CHESTNUT LN STE 110<br>MATTHEWS NC 28104<br>(704) 585-8255           | Family Practice                      |



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| <a href="#"><u>HEALTH @ HOME CMC</u></a>                                                                  | 4701 HEDGEMORE DR ST 300<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28209<br>(704) 512-6438       | Home Care                                           |
| <a href="#"><u>KWAKU, HANS M MD</u></a>                                                                   | 3627 BEATTIES FORD RD<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28216<br>(704) 335-0806          | Internal Medicine                                   |
| <a href="#"><u>EVIVIE, PATRICK E MD</u></a>                                                               | 3627 BEATTIES FORD RD<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28216<br>(704) 335-0806          | Internal Medicine                                   |
| <a href="#"><u>LE, STACY C MD</u></a><br>Seeing Current Patients Only                                     | 13220 ROSEDALE HILL AVE<br>HUNTERSVILLE NC 28078<br>(704) 766-0320     | Internal Medicine                                   |
| <a href="#"><u>AFULUKWE, IFEDIORA F MD</u></a>                                                            | 209 S COLLEGE ST<br>HEATH SPRINGS SC 29058<br>(803) 273-4018           | Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Diseases               |
| <a href="#"><u>SHUSTER, SARAH OTR</u></a>                                                                 | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 824-4999                   | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>FARREN, KRISTEN OTR</u></a>                                                                | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 824-4999                   | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>PIRKO, CARYN OTR</u></a>                                                                   | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 824-4999                   | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>CADENA, AMANDA OTR</u></a>                                                                 | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 824-4999                   | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>BUDAY, ALEXA OTR</u></a>                                                                   | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 824-7800                   | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>THURLOW, AMANDA OTR</u></a>                                                                | 8440 PIT STOP CT NW<br>CONCORD NC 28027<br>(704) 960-1729              | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>ADAMS, DONNA M OTR</u></a>                                                                 | 8440 PIT STOP CT NW<br>CONCORD NC 28027<br>(704) 960-1729              | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>BLAKE, CHRISTINE OTR</u></a>                                                               | 518 N GENERALS BLVD STE D<br>LINCOLNTON NC 28092<br>(704) 748-0616     | Occupational Therapy                                |
| <a href="#"><u>TAUB, NEAL S MD</u></a>                                                                    | 3535 RANDOLPH RD STE 208<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28211<br>(704) 442-9805       | Pain Management, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation |
| <a href="#"><u>ORAZULIKE, EBELE G MD</u></a>                                                              | 342 PATRICIA LN STE 105<br>FORT MILL SC 29708<br>(803) 520-9380        | Pediatrics                                          |
| <a href="#"><u>NORTHLAKE CHILDRENS ASSOCIATES</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>JAMES, MARY MARGARET M MD</u></a> | 170 MEDICAL PARK RD STE 102A<br>MOORESVILLE NC 28117<br>(704) 663-5240 | Pediatrics                                          |
| <a href="#"><u>NORTHLAKE CHILDRENS ASSOCIATES</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>GOODWIN, MAJE D MD</u></a>        | 170 MEDICAL PARK RD STE 102A<br>MOORESVILLE NC 28117<br>(704) 663-5240 | Pediatrics                                          |

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| <a href="#"><u>GRENDAL, MICHAEL J PT</u></a>                                                 | 13655 PROVIDENCE RD<br>MATTHEWS NC 28104                                          | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>WOODWORTH, STEPHANIE PT</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>See Other Locations</u></a> | 8814 RACHEL FREEMAN WAY STE 103<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28278                             | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>PADGETT, LAUREN PT</u></a>                                                    | 8326 PINE CIR STE 404<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28215                                       | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>PLATNER, KELSEY L PT</u></a>                                                  | 8326 PINE CIR STE 404<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28215                                       | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>TURBIAK, KRISTIN PT</u></a>                                                   | 7427 MATTHEWS MINT HILL RD STE<br>102-103<br>MINT HILL NC 28227<br>(980) 729-6525 | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>LEGATIE, ARIANA M PT</u></a>                                                  | 7427 MATTHEWS MINT HILL RD STE<br>103<br>MINT HILL NC 28227<br>(980) 729-6525     | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>BIVENS, EMMA P DPT</u></a>                                                    | 7427 MATTHEWS MINT HILL RD STE<br>103<br>MINT HILL NC 28227<br>(980) 729-6525     | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>SIGMON, MARSHALL G PT</u></a>                                                 | 231 MT HOLLY HUNTERSVILLE STE<br>140<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28214<br>(704) 954-8959      | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>BRISKE, JAMIE L PT</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>See Other Locations</u></a>      | 231 MT HOLLY HUNTERSVILLE STE<br>140<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28214<br>(704) 954-8959      | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>MORTON, ABBY PT</u></a>                                                       | 197 PIEDMONT BLVD STE 205<br>ROCK HILL SC 29732                                   | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>RACHH, BEENAL DPT</u></a>                                                     | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054                                                | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>DYBA, JENNIFER PT</u></a>                                                     | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054                                                | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>FLANAGAN, DAVID L PT</u></a>                                                  | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054                                                | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>LABRECQUE, JEFFREY PT</u></a>                                                 | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054                                                | Physical Therapy |
| <a href="#"><u>HOOGERHYDE, JORDAN PT</u></a>                                                 | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054                                                | Physical Therapy |

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| <a href="#"><u>BURGER, KALAH J PT</u></a>                                                            | 2675 COURT DR<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 824-4999                  | Physical Therapy                      |
| <a href="#"><u>MANTOOTH, GREGORY A MD</u></a>                                                        | 5815 BLAKENEY PARK DR STE 100<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28277<br>(704) 542-2220 | Plastic Surgery                       |
| <a href="#"><u>NESS, DANIEL T MD</u></a>                                                             | 959 COX RD<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 866-7576                     | Plastic Surgery                       |
| <a href="#"><u>EMERSON, ERIC T MD</u></a>                                                            | 649 N NEW HOPE RD<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 866-4005              | Plastic Surgery                       |
| <a href="#"><u>TIMMONS, BENSON E IV MD</u></a>                                                       | 649 N NEW HOPE RD<br>GASTONIA NC 28054<br>(704) 866-4005              | Plastic Surgery                       |
| <a href="#"><u>SWANK, GREGORY M MD</u></a>                                                           | 315 19TH ST SE<br>HICKORY NC 28602<br>(828) 325-9849                  | Plastic Surgery                       |
| <a href="#"><u>LIESMAN, ROBERT M DPM</u></a>                                                         | 2115 E 7TH ST STE 102<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28204<br>(704) 442-8433         | Podiatric Surgery                     |
| <a href="#"><u>AFULUKWE, IFEDIORA F MD</u></a>                                                       | 209 S COLLEGE ST<br>HEATH SPRINGS SC 29058<br>(803) 273-4018          | Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Diseases |
| <a href="#"><u>ERB, DAVID R MD</u></a>                                                               | 1529 N LIMESTONE ST<br>GAFFNEY SC 29340<br>(864) 487-9931             | Pulmonary Diseases                    |
| <a href="#"><u>DE LA CRUZ, LUIS I MD</u></a>                                                         | 1529 N LIMESTONE ST STE B<br>GAFFNEY SC 29340<br>(864) 487-9931       | Pulmonary Diseases                    |
| <a href="#"><u>BOSCIA, JOSEPH A III MD</u></a>                                                       | 1005 THOMPSON BLVD<br>UNION SC 29379                                  | Pulmonary Diseases                    |
| <a href="#"><u>FORD, PETER F MD</u></a>                                                              | 7800 PROVIDENCE RD STE 209<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28226<br>(704) 544-7535    | Vascular Surgery, General Surgery     |
| <a href="#"><u>MINUTE CLINIC OF NORTH CAROLINA</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>See Other Locations</u></a> | 4100 CARMEL ROAD<br>CHARLOTTE NC 28226<br>(866) 389-2727              | Urgent Care                           |
| <a href="#"><u>MINUTE CLINIC OF NORTH CAROLINA</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>See Other Locations</u></a> | 3310 SISKEY PARKWAY<br>MATTHEWS NC 28105<br>(866-389-2727             | Urgent Care                           |
| <a href="#"><u>MINUTE CLINIC OF SC LLC</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>See Other Locations</u></a>         | 1740 HIGHWAY 160 W<br>FORT MILL SC 29708<br>(866) 389-2727            | Urgent Care                           |

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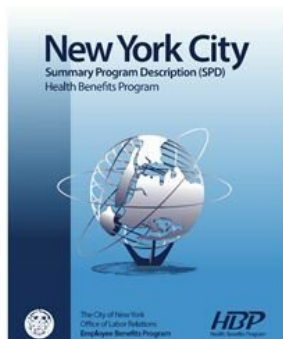
EmblemHealth has contracts with laboratories to provide lab services for our members. Please use these network laboratories when requesting lab services for our members. If you do not have an account with any of our network laboratories, please establish one as needed by calling the applicable phone number(s) below.

| LABORATORY NAME                             | PLANS COVERED | PHONE NUMBER                    | WEBSITE              |
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| <b>ROUTINE CLINICAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b> |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans     | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE</b>               |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>DERMATOPATHOLOGY</b>                     |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>DIALYSIS TESTING</b>                     |               |                                 |                      |
| DaVita Labs                                 | All Plans*    | 800-604-5227                    | davita.com           |
| Spectra Laboratories                        | All Plans*    | 800-522-4662 or<br>800-433-3773 | spectra-labs.com     |
| <b>ENDOCRINOLOGY</b>                        |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>GASTROENTEROLOGY/PATHOLOGY</b>           |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>GENE-BASED TESTING</b>                   |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY/PATHOLOGY</b>        |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>NEUROLOGY/PATHOLOGY</b>                  |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>PAIN MANAGEMENT</b>                      |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| <b>UROLOGY/PATHOLOGY</b>                    |               |                                 |                      |
| Quest Diagnostics, Inc.                     | All Plans*    | 866-697-8378                    | questdiagnostics.com |
| AmeriPath New York                          | All Plans*    | 866-393-7434                    | ameripath.com        |

\* All Plans: EmblemHealth Select Care, EmblemHealth EPO/PPO, EmblemHealth Medicare HMO/PPO, GHI HMO, HIP and Vytra HMO/ASO

**Note:** Physicians may use the lab and pathology group services affiliated with a participating hospital only when both the lab and pathology group also have a contract with EmblemHealth.

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I continually receive inquiries from members who are unsure of what medical coverage they have through Emblem Health/GHI.

Thanks to Club Trustee Dennis Cirillo here is a link to the New York City Summary Program Description Health Benefits Program <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/health-full-spd.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 - Dec.) 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.

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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.

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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.

<https://private.sbanypd.nyc/wp-content/uploads/documents/benefits/catastrophic-coverage-benefit-claim-form.pdf>

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**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 catastrophic medical expenses after your G.H.I. basic refund, the DEA requires an out-of-pocket deductible of \$4,000 per family per calendar year. When G.H.I. original Explanation of Benefit (EOB) statements are submitted to the DEA reflecting the deductible, we will refund \$3,000 of the \$4,000 deductible. All covered expenses i.e., those claims in which GHI has made some level of payment, after the deductible will be processed at a 100% reimbursement level not to exceed \$250,000 lifetime per family. This catastrophic medical benefit applies only to members enrolled in the GHI-CBP program offered through the City of New York Health Benefits office.

There is an additional benefit under the DEA Catastrophic Benefit Program for Retired Members who do not qualify for the Catastrophic benefit described above.

For members who have out of pocket expenses ranging between \$2,000 and \$4,000 in a calendar year, the DEA Health Benefits Fund will reimburse you the amount between \$2,000 and \$4,000. GHI Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statements will be required for submission to the DEA in order to obtain reimbursement. Please telephone the DEA Health Benefits Office at 212-587-9120 for an Annual GHI/DEA Refund Form.

<https://www.nycdetectives.org/health-benefits/catastrophic-medical/>



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## NYC Health Benefits Program City Coverage for Medicare-Eligible Retirees

In order to maintain maximum health benefits, it is essential that you join Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Part B (Medical Insurance) at your local Social Security Office as soon as you are eligible. If you do not join Medicare, you will lose whatever benefits Medicare would have provided.

### Medicare Enrollment

You must notify the Health Benefits Program in writing immediately upon receipt of your, or your dependent's, Medicare card by completing the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Application: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/med-b-application.pdf>

For retirees 65 and older Social Security has sent the IRMA letters indicating your Medicare part B deductions for 2019. When you receive your Medicare reimbursement check in the spring of 2020 you submit that letter, a copy of the 1099 from Social Security and the reimbursement form for any addition money that was withheld. You are also reimbursed for your spouse's Medicare deductions. If you have not filed in the past you can go back and file for up to 3 past years.

### Medicare Part B Reimbursement

The City will reimburse retirees and their eligible dependents for Medicare Part B premiums paid, excluding any penalties. You must be receiving a City pension check and be enrolled as the contract holder for City health benefits in order to receive reimbursement for Part B premiums.

For most retirees, the refund is issued automatically by the Health Benefits Program. If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account. This will be separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you will receive a check in the mail in June.

The reimbursement amount is based on the standard Medicare Part B premiums. If your Medicare Part B reimbursement amount was less than what you paid in Medicare Part B premiums, excluding penalties, you may be eligible for a Medicare Part B Differential reimbursement. To receive the differential reimbursement, please complete the Medicare Part B Differential Request form (below).

If you were eligible for Medicare Part B Reimbursement for prior years but did not enroll by providing a copy of your Medicare card, reimbursement is limited to the previous three (3) calendar years. To enroll, please complete the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application.

### [Learn More about Medicare Part B Reimbursement](#)

### [Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application](#)

### [2019 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form](#)

### [2018 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form](#)

### [2017 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form](#)

### 2019 Medicare Part B Premium Reimbursement ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The standard reimbursement amount for Calendar Year 2019 is \$109.00 per person, per month. For those newly enrolled in Medicare in 2019, currently, the standard amount is \$135.50. The reimbursements will be issued in Apr.. If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your Medicare Part B reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account. This will be a separate payment from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you will receive a check in the mail in Apr..

Question: How do I enroll for the Medicare Part B reimbursement?

Answer: Complete the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application and return it with a copy of your Medicare card to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit.

Question: I am a City retiree. Is my spouse/domestic partner/Medicare-eligible dependent entitled to the Medicare Part B reimbursement?

Answer: Yes. They are eligible if they are covered under your City health plan and enrolled in Medicare Part B Reimbursement and the health plan has the dependent in Medicare status. Complete the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application and return it with a copy of their Medicare card to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit.

Question: I received the standard premium amount of \$109.00 per month for 2019 for the Medicare Part B reimbursement. However, I paid more than the standard amount. Can I be reimbursed for the difference?

# Health and Welfare



## NYC Health Benefits Program City Coverage for Medicare-Eligible Retirees

Answer: Yes. If your 2019 monthly Medicare Part B premium was between \$110.00 and \$135.50, you may be eligible for an additional reimbursement amount referred to as a differential payment. In order to receive the differential payment, the retiree and/or dependent must submit a copy of proof of this additional payment (for example, the Form SSA-1099, bank statements, CMS-500 Notice of Medicare Payment Due) to our office for review. If approved, you will receive the differential payment during the first quarter of 2021. For further information and to download the Medicare Part B Differential Request form, visit our website at [nyc.gov/hbp](https://nyc.gov/hbp).

If, however, you are enrolled in Medicare Part B as of 2016, you should have received reimbursement of \$135.50 per month automatically and no action will be required on your part.

Question: Many people received their reimbursement and I didn't get mine yet. What should I do?

Answer: Medicare reimbursements were deposited directly into the same account that you use for your pension payment. Please check your bank statement.

Question: I don't have direct deposit for my pension payment and still have not received my Medicare reimbursement. What should I do?

Answer: You should write to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Please include your name, retiree spouse's name (if applicable) retiree's Social Security number, agency from which the retiree retired, current address, telephone number, and a copy of your Medicare card/ your spouse's Medicare card (if applicable). This review process may take up to 8 weeks from receipt of the above information. Question: The reimbursement I received is not the correct amount. What should I do?

Answer: You should write to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Include your name, Social Security number, current address and telephone number, and a copy of your Medicare card. State the reason you believe the amount is incorrect. This process may take up to 8 weeks from receipt of the information.

Question: The check that I received is torn/ripped and the bank will not cash it. What should I do?

Answer: You should return the check to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Include your name and Social Security number. It may take up to 8 weeks for a replacement check to be issued.

Question: I am the retiree and received a reimbursement for my spouse/domestic partner/Medicare-eligible dependent who died during the reimbursement year. What should I do?

Answer: Contact the Health Benefits Program in writing. Include both the retiree's and deceased individual's name, both Social Security numbers, address, phone number and a copy of the death certificate. Mail the information to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit.

Question: My spouse/dependent was a City retiree who died before the reimbursements were issued. How do I claim the reimbursement?

Answer: You should write to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Include the retiree's name and Social Security number, your name, your address, phone number and a copy of the death certificate. Upon receipt of the death certificate, we will contact you if further documentation is required.

Question: Do I have to re-enroll every year for the Medicare Part B Reimbursement?

Answer: No, but if you change your address, or if one of the eligible Medicare Part B recipients dies, you must notify the Health Benefits Program, in writing.

Question: What if my bank account information changes?

Answer: Please notify your pension system directly of any bank account changes. The changes will be automatically used for the Medicare Part B reimbursements.

Question: I paid more than the standard premium for Medicare Part B. Am I entitled to the higher premium reimbursement (IRMAA)?

Answer: You may be entitled to the higher reimbursement through Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA). Visit our website at [nyc.gov/hbp](https://nyc.gov/hbp) for further information.

### **IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement**

If you paid more than the standard monthly reimbursement rate for Medicare Part B, as an Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA), you may be eligible for additional reimbursement. **If you submit the required documentation for Medicare Part B IRMAA reimbursement, your reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account.**

Learn More about IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/faq-irmaa.pdf>

# THIS AND THAT



HR 218 Qualification classes are conducted at Eagle Gun Range, 3789 Roberta Church Rd SW, Concord, NC 28027.

Due to COVID-19 qualification spots are limited.

Contact Mike Boger: [wrthawg@yahoo.com](mailto:wrthawg@yahoo.com) for further information.



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

## THE DO'S AND DON'TS OF CARRYING A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN NC

1. Your permit to carry a concealed handgun must be carried along with valid identification whenever the handgun is being carried concealed.
2. When approached or addressed by any officer, you must disclose the fact that you have a valid concealed handgun permit and inform the officer that you are in possession of a concealed handgun. You should not attempt to draw or display either your weapon or your permit to the officer unless and until he/she directs you to do so. Your hands are to be kept in plain view and you are not to make any sudden movements.
3. At the request of any law enforcement officer, you must display both the permit and valid identification.
4. You may not, with or without a permit, carry a concealed weapon while consuming alcohol or while alcohol or any substance, controlled or otherwise, is in your blood unless the substance was obtained legally and taken in therapeutically appropriate amounts.
5. You must notify the Sheriff who issued the permit of any address change within thirty (30) days of the change of address.
6. If a permit is lost or destroyed, you must notify the sheriff who issued the permit and you may receive a duplicate permit by submitting a notarized statement to that effect along with the required fee. Do not carry a handgun without it.
7. Even with a permit, you may not carry a concealed handgun in the following areas: a) Any law enforcement or correctional facility; b) Any space occupied by state or federal employees; c) Any premises where the carrying of a concealed handgun is prohibited by the posting of a statement by the controller of the premises; d) Public educational property, however, a permittee may secure a handgun in a locked vehicle; e) Areas of assemblies or demonstrations; f) State occupied property; g) Any state or federal courthouse; h) Any area prohibited by federal law; i) Any local government building if the local government had adopted an ordinance and posted signs prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons.
8. If you are in a vehicle and stopped by a law enforcement officer, you should put both hands on the steering wheel, announce you are in possession of a concealed handgun and state where you have it concealed, and that you are in possession of a permit. Do not remove your hands from the wheel until instructed to do so by the officer.

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/>



Concealed Carry Reciprocity Map & Gun Laws By State - [https://www.usconcealedcarry.com/resources/ccw\\_reciprocity\\_map/](https://www.usconcealedcarry.com/resources/ccw_reciprocity_map/)

The NYPD Crime Prevention Division is now on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NYPDCPD> This is a great resource for current



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### CITY - NEW YORK CITY GOVERNMENT

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/City>

### COUNTY - CITY OF NEW YORK COUNTY OFFICES

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/County>

### STATE - NEW YORK STATE AGENCIES

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/State>

### COURTS CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/Courts>

### FEDERAL—THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/Federal>

### INTERNATIONAL - INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/International>



# THIS AND THAT

## 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.

|                         |                                             |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 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.



# NOSTALGIA

## POLICE-MEN NEWS

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

5 December 1906

#### On List For Captains

The new Civil Services list for police captains, good for four years, was made known to-day. Many Brooklyn men are on the list of 282 successful candidates in the examinations. In point of service as sergeants, three years, 66 are not eligible for promotion. The foremost Brooklyn men on the list are:

| No. | Name                 | P.C.  |
|-----|----------------------|-------|
| 9   | LAHEY, William J     | 90.55 |
| 13  | HUGHES, Edward P     | 89.23 |
| 15  | FRANK, Samuel        | 89.10 |
| 17  | O'CONNOR, John F     | 88.98 |
| 18  | DULF??, John         | 88.85 |
| 19  | POST, James H        | 88.79 |
| 24  | MURPHY, Thomas H     | 88.58 |
| 28  | HARRINGTON, George E | 88.10 |
| 29  | O'CONNOR, Joseph     | 88.10 |
| 31  | GILLESPIE, James     | 88.00 |
| 32  | COMBOY, F.J.         | 87.91 |
| 34  | WALDEN, George J     | 87.38 |
| 35  | BURNS, Edward J      | 87.43 |
| 37  | MURPHY, M.J.         | 87.49 |
| 38  | GALLAGHER, Dennis    | 87.43 |
| 41  | BOURKE, Edward J.    | 87.30 |
| 48  | CONEYS, W.J.         | 86.98 |
| 50  | CONLIN, J.J.         | 86.95 |
| 51  | MAGUIRE, Thomas      | 86.90 |
| 52  | TRUMOR, Joseph W     | 86.90 |
| 54  | MEYERS, Thomas       | 86.85 |
| 56  | DONAHUE, Thomas      | 86.79 |
| 57  | SLOTT, Cornelius     | 86.75 |
| 60  | WHEELWRIGHT, James   | 86.70 |
| 61  | SHEEHAN, Patrick J.  | 86.63 |
| 63  | DOOLEY, William J    | 86.56 |
| 64  | REIDY, M.J.          | 86.50 |
| 65  | GILLER, James H.     | 86.43 |
| 67  | GROSBACK, Phillips   | 86.33 |
| 70  | MCCAULEY, Thomas     | 86.25 |
| 71  | COLEMAN, William A   | 86.10 |
| 72  | DAVIS, Daniel        | 86.08 |
| 73  | MCCARTHY, James      | 86.03 |
| 74  | BREEN, Henry         | 85.94 |
| 78  | SCHMIDT, John        | 85.85 |
| 80  | FLEMING, James E.    | 85.80 |
| 81  | HURLEY, George       | 85.79 |
| 83  | DUNN, James          | 85.73 |
| 84  | DOLAN, Bernard       | 85.70 |
| 85  | MAST, Morris         | 85.68 |
| 86  | KENNEDY, James A     | 85.65 |
| 88  | PACHININ, Anthony    | 85.60 |
| 91  | DULFER, John         | 85.30 |
| 102 | COOPER, James A      | 85.25 |

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## POLICE-MEN NEWS

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7 December 1906

Grafting Reporter and Policeman Sentenced

Charles R. PRICE, for years Police Headquarters' reporter for the "Daily News" and Policeman John J. BRYAN, formerly attached to the Leonard street station, were sentenced to-day in the Court of Special Sessions, Manhattan, to pay a fine of \$250 each or twenty days in the Tombs prison on the charge of a violation of Section No, 53 of the Penal Code in having made a corrupt bargain, the object of which was to make Policeman James A. DONOHUE, a roundsman for \$200.

The courtroom was crowded with policemen who were interested chiefly because Third Deputy Police Commissioner MATHOT was the complainant. He broke into a room occupied by PRICE at 299 Mulberry street, on May 31, and after a chase caught BRYAN.

District Attorney JEROME made a plea for clemency for both men, saying that in the case of BRYAN he had served fifteen years on the police force, saved human life and won a medal of honor. In PRICE's case he said that the wife and children of the defendant and his aged mother were the main sufferers of his guilt. The accused will appeal.

Retired Policeman Drops Dead in Home

Michael BOWE, 54 years old, of 344 Thirteenth street, was found dead this morning by his wife, who discovered him lying on the floor in the rear parlor of their home. Death was the result of apoplexy, from which he has been a sufferer for two years. BOWE was a retired policeman. He had an excellent record.

10 December 1906

O'KEEFE STIRS UP POLICE CAPTAINS

Deputy Police Commissioner Arthur J. O'KEEFE blossomed out as an energetic orator when he addressed the captains of Brooklyn and Queens at the State street headquarters. Mr. O'KEEFE was very much in earnest and told the captains a few plain facts which didn't make them feel any better. The Deputy made it plain he wanted them to attend more strictly to their duties, and pointed out some of the evils which he wanted to remedy right away.

Mr. O'KEEFE's recommendations were as follows:

First - Captains must be more courteous to citizens in general.

Second - They must pay attention to reports and complaints.

Third - They should look over their precincts at frequent intervals.

Fourth - They should be on the watch for prize-fighting.

Fifth - They should see that theatres do not violate the law, especially as to Sunday concerts.

Sixth - They should suppress rowdyism.

Seventh - They must make fuller and more complete reports to him and a recommendation or two wouldn't be amiss.

Eighth - They must be just in the matter of Sunday closing of stores.

Ninth - They must be on the lookout for gambling.

Tenth - They should not plead that they cannot accomplish work without the assistance of plainclothes men, who are not known to the persons in the precinct whom the police are after when they never ask for such men to be assigned to them.

11 December 1906

POLICE TRIALS

-Peter J. REILLY, a policeman at the Flatbush avenue station, who on Nov. 7 walked into the station house and laid his shield on the desk before the sergeant, saying he was going to resign was before Deputy Commissioner O'KEEFE this morning in the trial room at Police Headquarters. O'REILLY was asked by the Commissioner what he meant by resigning from the force one day and returning two days after. Not receiving a satisfactory answer he fined O'REILLY three days pay.

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## POLICE-MEN NEWS

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-Officers Christopher F. RYAN and James H. LIDDY were charged with being off their posts and in a saloon. Each was fined ten days' pay.

-Patrolmen Thomas E. HULBERT, of the Astoria station, had his sentence suspended after O'KEEFE learned he had performed meritorious acts of the time of the SLOCUM disaster. HULBERT was charged with being absent three hours after roll call.

-Although William STEVENS, of the Liberty avenue station has only been on the police force since May he has had six complaints made against him. He was in the court to-day for being absent from duty for twenty-six hours. O'KEEFE reserved decision, and his dismissal from the force is expected.

-When F. E. BUCKLEY, of the Richmond Hill station, was asked why he had failed to discover a broken fire box he presented a diagram of his beat to the Commissioner. It showed that his beat was over four miles long and over fifty fire boxes were located in his territory. After the Commissioner had carefully perused the diagram he remarked to BUCKLEY: "The only way to cover your beat is to be a bird and fly around it. I dismiss the complaint. You may return to your station."

13 December 1906

### BROOKLYN MEN LAND IN SERGEANTS JOBS

Police Commissioner BINGHAM today announced that he had promoted to the rank of sergeant Roundsman, James CLARE, of the Amity street station, and Detective George H. BUSBY, of the local headquarter's staff. CLARE'S name has been on the eligible list for more than a year, but it was said that because he had never reported a patrolman, MCADOO refused to appoint him. CLARE explained this morning that his district was small and that they men under him were especially capable patrolmen. He was sent to the Stagg street station.

Sergeant BUSBY was assigned to the Parkville station.



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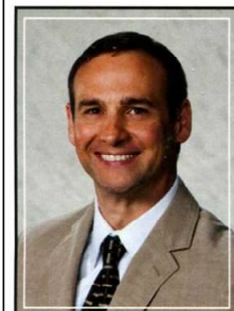
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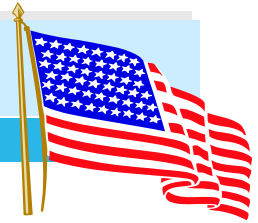
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