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FALLEN COMRADES

The past couple of years has been a sad time for our Outfit of Jersey Troopers. This time last year, I reported on the tragic loss of three Active Jersey Troopers, Trooper Anthony A. Raspa, #7425; Trooper Eli M. McCarson, #7775; and Trooper Sean E. Cullen, #7594, each lost in the performance of their duty. Their passing, as with the passing of every Jersey Trooper is a loss not easily accepted, one that makes each of us reflect back on prior losses



Tpr. Frankie L. Williams, #7953

and their importance to our esteemed Outfit of Jersey Troopers. Unfortunately, December 2016 claimed two more lives from our rank and file.

Trooper Frankie L. Williams, #7953, lost his life on December 5, 2016, following a head-on crash with a car that crossed the center medium while he was attempting to locate an erratic vehicle on SH #55 in Maurice River Township, Cumberland Co. Twenty-three days later, on December 28, 2016, Lt. William G. Fearon, #5147, succumbed to a long-term illness he contracted while serving in the line of duty in the aftermath of the World Trade Center terrorist attacks of 9/11. Their passing shows us just how vulnerable we all were.



Lt. William G. Fearon, #5147

If you will, step back almost forty-four years to the tragic loss of another Jersey Trooper. It was May 2, 1973, when Trooper Werner Foerster, #2608 was shot and killed by a member of a terrorist group, known as the Black Liberation Army. That convicted terrorist, Joanne Chesimard, subsequently escaped from prison and fled to Cuba where she remains comfortably residing today, protected by the Cuban government.

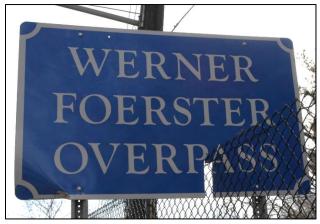
Trooper Foerster gave his life protecting the citizens of the State of New Jersey. This was an early act of terrorism that happened on the shoulder of the New Jersey Turnpike right where it passes under Route #18, in East Brunswick, Middlesex County. Subsequently, two signs were installed, one on the north bound shoulder and one on the south bound shoulder. They simply read, "Werner Foerster Overpass." No other information is present identifying who Werner Foerster was, or why his name was displayed there.

The Former Troopers Association with Major George T. Coyle, Sr., #1528 (*Ret*) as the lead, has been working to replace the current signs with signage that respectfully identify Werner Foerster as a Trooper of the New Jersey State Police. Of course the State exacts a hefty price tag to pay for this signage. The Department of Transportation indicates costs totaling \$3,500 to pay for the two signs and their installation on the Route #18 ramps. This will be a permanent memorial to honor one of our fellow Troopers, a fee well worth the costs.

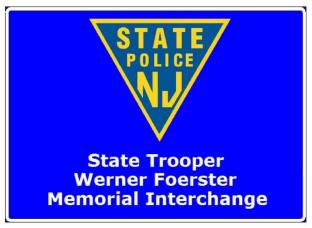


Every Jersey Trooper, no matter their rank or time in service knows who Trooper Werner Foerster was, and the circumstances surrounding his violent struggle and ultimate assassination at the hands of vicious terrorists. Each of us also knows that his death remains an unpaid debt to the Foerster Family and to our "Outfit," a travesty secured by the hands of foreign dictators and cowardice politicians here at home. As such, the Former Troopers Association, the State Troopers Fraternal Association, the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, the Superior Officers Association, and the Survivors of the Triangle, together and collectively have sought to have the signage replaced. I am happy to report, as of this writing, a bill has been approved by both Houses of the State and is currently awaiting Governor Christie's signature. I will keep you posted as to its progress.

Trooper Werner Foerster, #2608



Current Sign



Proposed Sign

While nothing any of us can say will ever lessen the pain caused at their passing, we can all reflect that these young men each earned their appointment to the ranks of the New Jersey State Police, were issued our Triangular Badge, specific only unto them by number, and to their testament to uphold the Honor, Duty and Fidelity of their charges. They were and forever will be remembered as Jersey Troopers. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Our sincere appreciation and gratitude to all our Fallen Comrades, and to each and every Jersey Trooper, for their dedicated service to the Outfit, past and present. Thank You All!

Submitted by: Lt. George J. Wren, Jr., #3680

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I would like to wish you all a happy and safe upcoming summer.

First I would like to speak about my good friend, Lt. (ret) John Pallotta 1589, who passed away on February 3, 2017. John was 86 years old. John was a US Marine and fought in the Korean War and was wounded. He graduated from the NJ State Police Academy on October 20, 1958 as a member of the 54th Class. He spent most of his time in Troop "B" and ended his career in Division Headquarters as the Assistant Bureau Chief of the Traffic Bureau. He retired on October 1, 1984. John, during most of his career in Troop "B", ran the Troop "B" Christmas parties and numerous Troop Golf matches. Though at the time I didn't know him personally, everyone knew of him and what he did for the State Police and the comradery and esprit de corps he created within the "outfit." John was President of the FTA in 1995 and 1996. While I was Troop "B" Commander in mid 1995, John came to see me at Troop "B" Headquarters; he had called and wanted to speak to me on an FTA issue. When he came into my office, I noticed that he had on a State Police sweater, a State Police Belt buckle and a State Police baseball cap. I stated to him, "Well, you're still in uniform." What he wanted was that he had organized a cruise for FTA members out of Bayonne, NJ and he wanted them to park their cars at Troop "B" Headquarters for the week and they would be picked up by a bus to Bayonne. He also requested that on the Saturday they were leaving, could I open up the Headquarters and have coffee for the troops and their wives, he would supply the bagels. I said yes to both requests. Later on in 1999, a year before I retired John called me and stated that he was organizing a "North Jersey Get Together" at an establishment in Flanders, NJ and would I come and speak. The party was a rousing success and eventually it was copied in Central Jersey (Troop "C") and also in South Jersey, (Troop "A"). I started helping John with the yearly party when I retired in 2000 and he finally turned it over to me to run in 2011. I now run it with the help of FTA Vice President Nick Soranno. John introduced me to the FTA Board in 2003 and that's when I became a Director. When I first retired on April 1, 2000 I did not work, I just played golf. Just when I was starting to get bored in August, John called me and stated the security company he was working for in Newark wanted to start an investigative section. John was more of a salesman selling guard services and alarm systems. I then started working with John and we stayed with the company until September 2011 when they started having financial problems. John had some health problems in 2011 into 2012 but he still attended FTA meetings until around 2015. When John was an active Past President he started selling Auto Window plaques to members and friends of the State Police. He made a lot of money for the He will also be remembered for the Trooper Statute in the State Police Museum Courtyard. He did it all by himself, he got two large donations and he personally paid for the wall and shrubbery around the statute. His name is inscribed on the statute base. There will only be one John Pallotta, for those of you who were lucky enough to know him, you know what I mean. Rest in peace John Pallotta, you will be missed.

For you members in New Jersey who still carry a concealed weapon; the bills to increase the age to 80 from 75 were written last summer, both in the Senate and Assembly. The Senate bill was supposed to come out of committee early this past February but was held up. I am still working on this issue with Senator Sweeney's office. I will post further information on the bulletin board of our web site as it develops.

Remember if you have to call our FTA office, we are now in Division Headquarters, phone 609-882-2000 ext 2220. If Gail is not in, leave her a message and she will get back to you.

May God Bless you all

Sal Maggio President

FTA Spring Meeting Reminder

The FTA Spring General Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2017, starting at 10:00 a.m. at the State Police Museum and Learning Center - Log Cabin, Division Headquarters. Coffee and donuts will be served before the meeting and all attendees are invited to lunch immediately following.

COMMENTS FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to start by apologizing for failing to include a very important letter in the last issue of *True Blue & Gold*. Major George T. Coyle, Sr., #1528 (*Ret*) had penned the letter as an update on the Korean War – Wall of Remembrance, and as a thank you to our membership in supporting such a great cause. Well, in my haste to get the newsletter published before leaving on vacation I neglected to include it. My appologies to Major Coyle and to all who supported this very worthy endeavor. The letter is published in its entirety on *page #29* for your review.

I am happy to announce that the Former Troopers Association has securred trademark rights to four logos that are very important to our Outfit of Jersey Troopers. They include:



By securring these trademark rights the FTA is now in a position to leagally prohibit others from profiting on our Outfit. We've already begun identifying businesses that manufacture and sell State Police logo merchandise, often at great profit. The internet is full of individuals and businesses selling merchandise, depicting our State Police logos. Through our Corporate Counsel, Carl J. Soranno, ESQ of Brach Eichler, LLC we will be eliminating this unsanctioned profiteering, and limiting the manufacture, sales and marketing of State Police logo merchandise to only those few who will be licensed by the Former Troopers Association. Securing these trademark wasn't easy, and they are not cheap. I would also like to note that thanks to Colonel Justin J. Dintino, #1152 (*Ret*) and his incite on this matter back in 1991, along with then Attorney General, Robert Del Tufo for granting the FTA with official authority and responsibility to conduct the sales of State Police logo merchandise. Fast forward twenty-five years where Colonel Joseph R. 'Rick' Fuentes, #3190, also lent his support in the FTA maintaining that official authority and responsibility, towards securring these trademarks, so the FTA could police the manufacture, sales and marketing of our State Police logo merchandise. Without their combined vision and support we could not have come this far. Our sincere appreciation to each of you.

In other news, the annual Florida Winter Reunion Party was another successful occasion, thanks to the efforts of Sergeant Moe Washmann, #2634 (*Ret*). Moe has been coordinating this great event for many, many years now and his efforts are certainly appreciated by all who attend. Thanks again Moe for another great Florida Reunion!

I continue to keep in contact with our own 'Marathon Man,' Lt. John Ouweleen, #1759 (*Ret*), and here's his latest update of March 15th:

Good morning George. I will start with receipt of the most recent award. In December 2016, I received a surprise in the post. Received was the USATF (USA Track and Field) Masters LDR (Long Distance Runner) Road Runner of the Year, Men 75-79, 2016. This was a complete surprise to me. I had been awarded the identical recognition in 2015, never expecting a repeat.

2017 Racing began with the Tampa-Gasparilla Classic on February 26, 2017. This race was a half marathon, and I entered it as an experimental effort. As you recall, I raced the Space Coast Half on November 26, 2016 to determine how close I could come to the World Record, 77 year old (1:36:40). Space Coast effort ended with a 1:38:19. In other words, 1minute and 38seconds short. My fellow runners remarked that I had gone out too fast at Space Coast, and suggested a slower start at Gasparilla.

Well, I did what was suggested, and it didn't workout. At the turn around at mile 9, we all ran into a 15+ MPH headwind, already off my pace, I finished with a 1:44:02. I did win my age group, surpassing the second place runner by 23 minutes. 2:07:03.





USATF Award of December 2016

John & fellow runner after the Gate River Run

Two weeks later, on March March 11, 2017, I raced the Gate River Run, Official 15K Championship. My attitude and game plan was completely different from Gasparilla. First of all, I decided to pound the pace right from the start!!! Secondly, I was confident that I could win the age group, and acquire a USA championship, but there was another goal that was attainable. That being the course age (76) record. Gate River Run has been in existence 40 years, and this was an anniversary race. The current course record was established in 2001, record time 1:11:25. Well, pleased to say that I completed the course, crossing the finishline in 1:11:15. Establishing the new course record by 10 seconds. With that goes a win, AG (age group) win and title.

For the remainder of the year, I have the following events. On April 17, 2017, I have the 121st Boston Marathon (my 10th time). Then on September 24, 2017, I return to Berlin, Germany for the Berlin Marathon (2nd time), and finally I end the season on November 26, 2017, at Space Coast Half Marathon, where I will attempt my World Record race. I hope this provides you a picture of my activities, and my goals.

Best of Luck in Boston John, we'll be rooting for you, every step of the way!

In closing, I would like to advise you of a couple date changes on upcoming events listed in your FTA/NJSP 2017 Calendars. The Open House/State Police Chase has been changed from May 27th to May 20th, and the Troop "C" Old Timers Get-Together has been changed from June 13th to June 15th. Mark your Calendars!

Lt. George J. Wren, Jr., #3680 (Ret)

FEATURED MEMBER(S)

ACTIVE & RETIRED JERSEY TROOPERS RECEIVE COVETED AWARD

On March 8, 2017, Active and Retired Jersey Troopers celebrated the presentations of our Outfit's most coveted awards, the 2016 Troopers of the Year Awards.

At a morning ceremony within our historic Log Cabin at Division Headquarters, Colonel Joseph R. "Rick" Fuentes, #3190 and LTC Patrick J. Callahan, #5243, bestowed the 2016 Trooper of the Year Award to Trooper I James C. Agens, #6436, of the Mobile Safe Freight Unit.

As a result of the nationwide heroin epidemic, Colonel Fuentes directed State Police command to initiate a plan to detect and dismantle the bulk amount of heroin being transported to and through New Jersey. As part of this effort, Trooper Agens distinguished himself through diligent criminal patrol, bulk drug seizures, and unwavering dedication. His year-long patrol efforts led to the seizure of 79 kilograms of heroin and 10 kilograms of cocaine with a total estimated street value of \$6.7 million.

On May 15, 2016, Trooper Agens stopped a tractor-trailer in Warren County for a safety inspection. During the stop, Trooper Agens detected evidence of criminal activity, which led to a search and subsequent seizure of 15 kilograms of heroin. On August 23, 2016, Trooper Agens was conducting a commercial vehicle safety inspection in Warren County when he once again detected evidence of criminal activity. His investigation led to the seizure of 64 kilograms of heroin and 10 kilograms of cocaine. This is the largest cold-stop heroin seizure to date in United States history.

Trooper I Agens' investigative efforts and skills are extraordinary. His efforts have brought great pride and distinction to himself and the Division of State Police. His commitment and dedication exemplify the core values of the New Jersey State Police: Honor, Duty, and Fidelity. Congratulations Trooper Agens on an outstanding job!





Col. Fuentes, Tpr. I Agens, LTC Callahan & Michelle Agens

Later that same day, during an afternoon ceremony in Melbourne, Florida, Captain Nicholas C. Soranno, #3065 (*Ret*) and Lt. George J. Wren, Jr., #3680 (*Ret*) bestowed the 2016 Former Trooper of the Year Award to Lt. John Ouweleen, #1759 (*Ret*). Anyone who has read *True Blue & Gold* knows of Lt. Ouweleen and his long distance running accomplishments. And, while I spent the better part of ten minutes reviewing just the highlights of his marathon accolades, it's safe to say that I barely skimmed the surface. His loyalty and dedication to the State Police and the Former Troopers Association is unsurpassed, as are his contributions of volunteer time or service to the Association.

Lt. Ouweleen's plaque reads:

In recognition for his 27 years of dedicated service with the New Jersey State Police, his military service with the US Navy, his 9 years of Emergency Management service at Sussex County and another 4 years at FEMA.

Also, in special recognition of his chosen retirement pastime, where he has achieved international recognition as a marathon runner, ultimately being awarded USATF Male Athlete of the Year, and his conquering of the Six World Major Marathons, as the 1st American in his age group to cross the finish line in each race!

After receiving the award, Lt. Ouweleen eloquently addressed the attendees with a few well-chosen words. He offers them to all who have supported him, the State Police and the Former Troopers Association.

Thank You!!!

I would like to say a few words that express my current feelings. I want to thank President Sal Maggio, the Officers and Directors of the Former Troopers Association for choosing me to represent YOU as the 2016 Former Trooper of the Year.

This is an award that I do not take lightly, and will endeavor to represent the Former Troopers Association and the New Jersey State Police with utmost transparency and pride.

Finally, I end with words that reflect my feelings. Words that were originally uttered on July 4, 1939, at Yankee Stadium, where the famous "Iron Horse" addressed his supporters and peers. "TODAY, I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the earth." Well, Lou, today I join you!

God bless America, the Former Troopers Association, the New Jersey State Police, and all the people in this room.

Thank you!!!





Lastly, Lt. Ouweleen was presented with a custom running shirt, depicting his receipt of the 2016 Former Trooper of the Year Award. Congratulations John, you earned it!

Lt. George J. Wren, Jr., #3680 (Ret)

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Historical Highlights will return in the September 2017 issue.

BUSINESS UPDATES

N.J. FORMER TROOPERS HERITAGE FOUNDATION, INC.

The Foundation Directors are pressing forward to facilitate the operational aspects of all that encompasses the charitable undertakings of our organization and the benevolences to be offered in several areas of our future endeavors. We are well on our way!

One of our most recent endeavors includes an addition to the State Police Memorial Garden. After a lengthy investigation, it was determined that the best avenue to pursue was the installation of a columbarium to house the ashes of our dearly departed. As such, we have begun work to facilitate this upgrade, and we are in the process of instituting a fundraising initiative to pay for this key addition to our hallowed burial site. Remember, the Heritage Foundation is the 'Non Profit' arm of our Association, and that all donations are now tax deductible.



TRUE BLUE AND GOLD, INC.



Our Logo Merchandise Store continues to do a great business, and our Internet sales operation is expanding every week. Thanks to you, last year was a banner year for our Logo Sales. Unfortunately, due to the loss of a couple of our top-notched Sales Clerks we have had to cut our store hours down to four days per week, closing Mondays. Jackie Snyder has been busy replacing the winter inventory with our new line of spring and summer wares. Visit our store in the front of the old Wilburtha Station, or check us out on our web store at: http://store.ftanjsp.org.

FTA SOCIAL EVENTS

THE 2016 STATE POLICE HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

The 2016 State Police Holiday Open House was cancelled due to an incoming winter storm front that threatened the region. Colonel Fuentes took great pains in cancelling this highly favored, holiday event. With a week to go before Christmas, he chose to side with caution and made good decision. While all who planned to attend this great event were certainly disappointed, it was the right thing to do.

If you haven't attended this holiday event in the past, you've really missed out. Bring the kids and the grandkids out to our next Holiday Party and help usher in the Christmas Season at Division Headquarters. This is what the State Police Family is really all about. Just ask someone who has been there.

THE 2017 ANNUAL FLORIDA WINTER PARTY

The 2017 Florida Winter Party was held on Tuesday, March 7th and Wednesday, March 8th at the Crown Plaza Melbourne Oceanside, Melbourne, Florida. The weather was perfect this year, mostly warm with a breeze off the ocean, just perfect for relaxing on the beach, at the pool, or the hotel deck, leisurely conversing with old comrades.

The festivities were excellent as usual, thanks to Sergeant Moe Washmann, #2634 (*Ret*) who coordinated the party, accented by the hotel staff, who again went out of their way to make sure everything was taken care of. Thanks again Moe on another great outing!



https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/Florida2017.pdf

This year's event included a special presentation, the bestowment of our Former Trooper of the Year Award to Lt. John Ouweleen, #1759 (*Ret*). Lt. Ouweleen was actually awarded the honor at our November 5th General Membership Meeting, but due to his Florida residency the Board decided to make the presentation at the Florida Winter Party. For additional information on Lt. Ouweleen's award visit the Featured Members section on page #6.

Some 93 members attended this year's party. It was great to see old faces, and some new ones. Presentations were made by our President, Captain Sal Maggio, #2177 (*Ret*); and Vice President, Captain Nicholas Soranno, #3065 (*Ret*) updating the current and future activities of our FTA. Our Human Resources Consultant, Bessie Jones was also on hand to give an update on our benefits and healthcare issues.

For those of you who haven't attended the Annual Florida Winter Party, especially those of you who reside in Florida and the southern states, do yourself a favor and make it a point to attend next year's party. For those residing up north, take a break from the doldrums of winter and plan a trip to sunny Florida, and attend the Winter Party! In retirement, too many fall by the wayside and lose touch with those who were such a big part of their lives during their careers. Use opportunities such as the Florida Winter Party, the FTA Picnic, the Troop Get-Togethers, and the General Membership Meetings to get back in the fold. These are great opportunities to rekindle friendships with old comrades and renew your rightful place within our Outfit of Jersey Troopers. *Pics Courtesy of Sandy Wren, Capt. Joe Curry, #1701 (Ret), Lt. John Ouweleen, #1759 (Ret), Donna Van Riper & Jackie Snyder.*

SAVE THE DATES

TROOP "A" OLD-TIMERS GET-TOGETHER



The Annual Troop "A" Old-Timers Get-Together will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2017, at the Kerri Brook Caterers, Hammonton, NJ. As in the past this long-standing Troop "A" event serves as a great opportunity for retirees to catch up with old comrades.

As always, Good Ole' Captain Ed Marinelli, #1334 (*Ret*) will host the occasion. At only \$20.00 per person in good standing, every Jersey Trooper who started their career reporting to Hammonton Headquarters should be attending. **Use the Registration Form on** *page #42*!

STATE POLICE MEMORIAL SERVICE



The Annual State Police Memorial Service is scheduled to take place at 11:00 a.m., May 1, 2017, at the Museum and Learning Center Memorial Garden. This is an extremely important event that pays homage to all our fallen comrades who have passed away in the line of duty!

36th Annual State Police Chase & Family Open House



This year's event will take place on Saturday, May 20, 2017, at Division Headquarters, West Trenton, NJ. For those interested in participating in the race, pre-registration fee for the 5K Race is \$25.00, day-of-race registration fee is \$30.00. Registration closes at 8:30 a.m. on race day with the race starting promptly at 9:00 a.m. For more information contact Rachel Pingitor @ (609) 882-2000 x: 2323 or email lpppingr@gw.njsp.org.

TROOP "B" OLD-TIMERS GET-TOGETHER



The 2017 North Jersey Get-Together will be held on June 8, 2017, at 6:00 PM. As last year it will be held at La Strada Resturante, 1105 Rte 10 EB, Randolph, NJ. It was a great time last year with 76 retirees attending. Post cards with information will be going out on or about May 1, 2017. The price for members is still \$20.00! (PAY AT DOOR ONLY). Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

NEGRON CARROLL SCHOLARSHIP FUND GOLF TOURNAMENT



The 28th Annual Negron-Carroll Golf Tournament will take place on Friday, June 9, 2017, at Gambler Ridge Golf Course. Shotgun Start at 1:00 PM! A donation of \$145 includes: Green Fees, Cart, Shirt, Raffles, Lunch, Prizes & Steak Buffet. Contact Michelle Carroll at (732) 446-1642.

21TH ANNUAL NJSP MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION GOLF TOURNAMENT



The 21st Annual New Jersey State Police Memorial Association Golf Tournament, the "Colonel's Cup," will take place on July 5, 2017, at the Mercer Oaks Golf Course, Village Road, West Windsor, NJ. Entry fee is \$200.00; includes golf, greens fees, cart, lunch, open bar, dinner, drinks throughout the day, and giveaways compliments of the SPMA and sponsors. For additional information see the SPMA website @ www.njspmemorialassociation.org.

TROOP "C" OLD-TIMERS GET-TOGETHER



The annual Troop "C" Old-Timers Get-Together will take place on June 15, 2017, 6 p.m., at Mastoris Diner in Bordentown, N.J. Open to all Troop "C" Jersey Troopers (Active and Retired), Civilian Support Staff, and NJSP Family. Price is still only \$20.00 per person. Make check payable to F.T.A. and mail in by June 10th with completed registration form found on *page #42* of this publication.

FORMER TROOPERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL PICNIC



The FTA Annual Picnic will be held on Friday, August 18, 2017, 12:00 Noon – 5:00 p.m. at the German-American Club Picnic Grounds, Uncle Pete's Road, Hamilton, NJ. Costs to attend remains the same as last year: \$25 pre-registered FTA Members, Active Troops & Guests; \$30 for FTA Members, Active Trooper & Guests paying at the gate; \$35 NJSP Retirees who are not FTA Members; Children under 12, Life Widows, and members of the 52nd Class are FREE.

This year's menu will include: Roast Pig, Pulled Pork, Hamburgers/w Cheese, Hot Dogs, Bar-be-cue Chicken, Italian Sausage, Bratwurst, Port Roll, Fried Peppers & Onions, Baked Beans, Sauerkraut, German Potato Salad, Shrimp, Clams (raw & steamers), Condiments, and of course Ice Cream. Beverages include, Beer, Wine, Soda, Iced Tea, Water and Set-ups, Hot Coffee and Tea ALL DAY. Entertainment will consist of the NJSP Bag Pipers, NJSP Helicopter, and live music by The Cameos. Registration form for the picnic can be found on *page #42* of this publication

FTA PICNIC VOLUNTEERS. The FTA is currently updating the list of volunteers to assist at the 2017 Annual Picnic. Volunteers are needed to man posts at the Bar, Steamed Clams and Shrimp areas. Assignments are for one hour with two members assigned per hour. Members also are needed to assist in setting up the picnic area prior to the event and clearing the area following the event. The set up volunteers will report to the picnic area at 9:00 AM and the clean up crew will remain after 5:00 PM to assist. As we are updating our picnic roster ALL volunteers MUST submit a new volunteer form (found on *page #41* of this newsletter), send an Email to fta@ftanjsp.org, or call the FTA Office at 609-882-2000 x 2220. Volunteers should provide current Email address and phone number as soon as possible when responding.

A meeting for volunteers will be scheduled prior to the event. Assignment roster will also be posted at the picnic entrance gate. The FTA Annual Picnic is our most attended event and every volunteer contributes to the success of this endeavor and allows us to keep the admission price reasonable for every member.

MILITARY NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ALL VETS SHOULD KNOW

The link below will open a list of web-sites that will provide information on Veterans benefits and how to file and/or ask for them. Accordingly, there are many sites that explain how to obtain books, military/medical records, information and how to appeal a denied claim with the VA. Nearly 100% of this information is free and available for all veterans, the only catch is: you have to ask for it, because they won't tell you about a specific benefit unless you ask for it. Visit: http://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/Veterans.pdf

Lt. Harry C. McCurdy, #2117 (Ret)

(*Editor's Note – I've reprinted this article due to the importance of the information.*)

NEW EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS BEGINS IN 2017 TAX YEAR

Under a new State law, veterans may qualify for an exemption of up to \$3,000 on their New Jersey tax return for income earned in 2017. This exemption, part of a bill passed by the Legislature and signed into law by Governor Christie last October, is in addition to other exemptions or deductions for which veterans may qualify. The exemption is available for all veterans who received honorable discharges or who were released under honorable circumstances from active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States, a reserve component thereof, or the National Guard of New Jersey in a federal active duty status. Veterans may claim the exemption when they file their Tax Year 2017 returns. The exemption does not apply to 2016 income. For more information, contact the New Jersey Division of Taxation.

HEALTH, SECURITY & MISC INFORMATION

FORMER TROOPERS ASSOCIATION NAME TAGS AVAILABLE

For those who would like to have a name tag to wear to various FTA functions, we have available for purchase a personalized name tag. The tags are available with blue background and yellow lettering, either with a pin, magnet or fold-over for placing in a jacket breast pocket. The cost is \$11.00 each. If you are interested call the FTA Office @ (609) 882-2000 x:2220 for an order form.

Submitted by Major George T. Coyle, #1528 (Ret)

WORLD TRADE CENTER FIRST RESPONDER SOLICITATION

I have received the following Contact Request information from Lt. Roberts and Dr. Van Patten of the NJSP Medical Services Unit. Please spread the word and remember there may be some retired members who worked at the World Trade Center site and were exposed to the contaminants, but are not members of the Former Troopers Association, and therefore may not be privy to this important information.

The Medical Services Unit is soliciting our enlisted membership, active and retired, for any member that served or volunteered their services in any capacity at the World Trade Center disaster site during the terrorist attacks of September 11. 2001, and were potentially exposed. The purpose of this solicitation is to ensure that all of our members are properly informed and afforded all protections and medical monitoring available.

The World Trade Center Health Program (WTCHP) was established by the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010. The program provides medical treatment, care and monitoring services (at no out-of-pocket cost) for specific symptoms and illnesses related to exposure at the disaster sites. The services are provided by clinics and hospitals that have expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of 9/11 related conditions. By registering with this program, you can receive free medical screening and treatment, including an annual physical and medical testing directly related to 9/11 ailments. Because it is a monitoring and treatment program, you do not have to be sick or have a symptom in order to enroll.

You should register for the WTC Health Program:

- If you are experiencing mental health or stress related problems resulting from your 9/11 work
- Whether you were a worker or volunteer, even if you were not part of an organized volunteer group
- Even if you have no apparent 9/11 related health problems now.

If you previously submitted documentation including an RM-2, exposure report, and/or affidavit detailing your participation in rescue and recovery efforts at the World Trade Center site, you may contact Medical Service Unit to obtain copies of these documents to submit with the application. Even if you do not have the preceding documentation and assisted with recovery efforts, you may still be eligible.

In order to apply, you may visit https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/apply.html to get started. Additional information can be found in the Member Handbook (https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/handbook.html) as well as the Frequently Asked Questions page- https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/faq.html.

NJSP Medical Services is available to help with any questions concerning applications or general program information at 609-882-2000 x:2540.

You may also contact the World Trade Center Health Program Help Line at 1-888-982-4748 M-F 9AM to 5 PM EST.

Submitted By: Major Joseph A. Cannatella, #2852 (Ret)

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON!



Pictured is Corporal J. Kenneth Wilson Jr., Delaware State Police, and his Patrol/Explosive Detection K-9, FIFO.

Corporal Wilson is the proud son of Lieutenant John K. "Ken" Wilson, #2996 (Ret).

TRUMPS (NOT DONALD) GET STRANGE LOOKS IN FORT MYERS

BY: DAVID DORSEY, DDORSEY@NEWS-PRESS.COM 8:12 A.M. ET JAN. 20, 2017



From time to time I receive a copy of a published article, depicting one of our members for inclusion in the newsletter. This one certainly fit the bill. It was published in **The News-Press**, Fort Myers, Florida on January 20, 2017. The article was a great human interest/political piece, penned by reporter, David Dorsey. I offer it to you for your reading enjoyment with the permission of Mr. Dorsey.

"What I liked about him, is he mentioned how the veterans were being treated," said Bill Trump, who served with the Army for a year during the Vietnam War. "I have firsthand experience with that. I have kidney cancer. They were able to cut it out, but I lost part of my kidney. My doctor believed that it was from Agent Orange."

Living in the democratic-leaning state of New Jersey, Bill Trump said he gets friendlier looks about his name in the Sunshine State than in the Garden State.

"It seems like a lot of people like him down here," Trump said.

Trump said he planned on watching the inauguration.

"I usually watch them all," he said. "I watched Obama when he got inaugurated. I'm a true American, man. I try to give everybody a chance and see what they can do.

"Some of his (Trump's) statements I don't care for. But that's the man. He's not a politician. He doesn't talk that talk. He and I are the same age. We were born in the same year. He's three months older than I am. We're from the 60s, you know."

A retired state police officer in New Jersey, Trump used to work in the gaming and casino unit as a detective just as Donald Trump opened an Atlantic City casino in 1984.

"Embezzling money, money laundering, stuff like that," Bill Trump said of what he investigated. "Organized crime people. It was a busy task."

Trump retired from the police in 1987 and got into the insurance industry. Since 1994, he has been a private investigator, getting most of his work from insurance fraud cases. His wife is a certified public accountant.

Although Donald Trump owns property around the world, he does not, according to public records, own any in Lee County.

But there is one more Trump home owner.

Carolyn Trump, 72, has lived in Lee County since 1982. Unregistered to vote, she lives in North Fort Myers and had no desire to talk about politics. She did have plenty to say about her passion of bowling.

"I love to bowl," said Carolyn Trump, who works for the United States Bowling Congress.

Carolyn, named Trump by marriage to her late husband, Dwight Trump, said she received plenty of comments about her last name, not just during the 2016 election season but during Donald Trump's reality TV stint on "The Apprentice."

Dwight Trump was from Tennessee, and Carolyn Trump said her husband wasn't related to the new president but had a lot of fun with his last name before he died, eight years ago.

"He played a joke one time and called the Trump Towers," Carolyn said of her husband. "He was going to reserve a room. He did it at a time when it was very busy. He was a prankster. He loved to play jokes on people, especially people who played jokes on him. He was just an all-around good guy who everybody loved."

She paused when asked what her husband would have thought of the prospects of President Trump, had he been alive.

"I don't know what he would have thought, really," she said.

But when people used to ask Dwight if he were related to Donald, "he would say, sure, why not?" Carolyn Trump said. "He was just a happy man."

Carolyn Trump spends much of her time at the Pin Street bowling alley off Fowler Street, where she bowls twice a week. She organizes bowling tournaments, including one Jan. 28-29 for scratch bowlers. She said 70 percent of the \$100 entry fee for up to 120 bowlers would go to prize money. She encouraged local bowlers to enter.

"I love everything about bowling, I really do," Carolyn Trump said. "From bowling to accounting to funding leagues to bowling in the leagues, scheduling tournaments, working tournaments. There's a lot more to bowling than what people think."

A native of Canton, Ohio, Carolyn Trump said she would continue to focus on her passion of bowling during the Trump presidency. She has seen a lot of changes to her sport over the years. But she'd rather be at a lane than anywhere else. And she'd certainly rather talk bowling than politics, regardless of her last name.

"That's the way I was raised, and that's the way I enjoy it," Carolyn Trump said of bowling. "It changes just like everything else changes."

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AN INTERNATIONAL FIND



This miniature troopcar was noticed by Christoph Koch, the grandson of Captain Ernest J. Volkmann, #2547 (Ret) while visiting the Minatur Wuinderland exhibit with his mother Sherry Koch who resides in Hamburg. Sherry proudly photographed the find and forwarded it to her father. The exhibit is known throughout Europe and is a great place to visit. It is billed as the world's largest HO model train exhibit, and is located in Hamburg, Germany. The exhibit is made up of several individual rooms dedicated to European countries and the United States. This NJSP vehicle was found in the America section, and as you can see, it clearly represents the rocky, mountainous terrain in northern New Jersey. The NJSP has always been known throughout the US, and this adds an international pedigree to our reputation. Check the web site for details: http://www.miniatur-wunderland.com.

FORMER TROOPER OF THE YEAR

Nominations for the 2017 Former New Jersey State Trooper of the Year Award are being accepted January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017. All nominations should be forwarded to the FTA office in West Trenton, N.J., by the August 31st deadline. Candidates will only be considered from members who are in good standing with the Former Troopers Association.

The criteria being considered for the award will be the candidate's contributions of volunteer time or service to the FTA. In addition, the candidate's participation to any civic or charitable organizations and community activities will be considered, along with any major accomplishment or award bestowed upon the candidate. Lastly, has the candidate continued to best represent both the traditions of the New Jersey State Police and the Former Troopers Association.

The selection will be made by the Board of Directors in September 2017. The presentation of the award will be made to the successful recipient at the 2017 FTA Fall General Membership Meeting on November 4, 2017.

VISITATION PROGRAM

The Former Troopers Association in cooperation with the New Jersey State Police developed the Visitation Program in 2009. The program was designed to check on the wellbeing of retired members and to lift the spirits of those who may be seriously ill, homebound, or in need of some old fashion camaraderie by their fellow Jersey Troopers. Visits are scheduled utilizing both active duty uniformed personnel and representatives from the Former Troopers Association. The Former Troopers Association currently maintains lists of retired volunteers in north, central and southern New Jersey to draw upon for visits. Visits can be scheduled via a request from any FTA or family member, or a friend. In respecting the privacy of our members these visits will only be conducted with his or her approval. The FTA is also looking for additional retired volunteers to assist with visits to our members. Visitation requests and/or volunteers may contact the Former Troopers Association office by telephone at 1-609-882-2000 X:2220. Your assistance in this endeavor is greatly appreciated.

AGNES DEFRINO VISITATION



Recently, members of the Survivors of the Triangle, Former Troopers Association and Troop D TPU, Holmdel visited with Agnes DeFrino. Agnes is the Mother of Tpr. Joseph DeFrino #1605, EOW 6/11/1962. Agnes recently celebrated her 100th Birthday. Pictured L-R: Maj. Heidi S. Scripture, #3579 (Ret); Michelle Carroll; Tpr.I Thomas C. Manzo, #6858; Jackie Lynch (Tpr. DeFrino's sister); Tpr.II Yenier Hurtado, #7118; Lt. Vincent W. Mattis #1613 (Ret) (Tpr. DeFrino's classmate); and of course, Mrs. Agnes DeFrino.

Congratulations Mrs. DeFrino, and many happy returns!

Major Heidi S. Scripture, #3579 (Ret)

TROOPER 'A' SOUTH RETIREE HOLIDAY DINNERS

Troop 'A' South Retirees gather monthly to break bread and enjoy the continued camaraderie they each experienced throughout their careers. During the holidays, wives are invited, making it a more festive occasion. Pictured below are the December 14th Christmas, and the February 13th Valentine's Day Dinners. *Pics courtesy SFC Peter R. Ballurio*, #2902 (Ret).





Visit: https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/ASouth12142016.pdf

Visit: https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/ASouth02132017.pdf

TROOP 'B' RETIREE LUNCHEON

Troop 'B' Retirees gather for lunch on the last Thursday of every month at Jiggs McAllister's Music Saloon – Rt. #23N, Butler, NJ. Pictured below is their February 23rd gathering. *Pics courtesy Major Joseph A. Cannatella*, #2852 (*Ret*).





73RD STATE POLICE CLASS 50TH REUNION

The 73rd State Police Class is planning a 50th reunion on Friday, August 25, 2017. The tentative location is the Tavistock Country Club, Tavistock Boro, Camden County, NJ. For those members who are interested please email or call Mike Lyons at mfxlyons@comcast.net / Ph# 856-589-0484, or Rob Fuller at ltrgf2200@yahoo.com / Ph# 856-425-6798.

SURROGATE INFORMATION

On March 16, 2017, I attended a police meeting with the Retired Policeman's & Firemen's Association Inc. (Union County Branch) in Kenilworth, N.J. The guest speaker was Mr. James LaCorte, the Union County Surrogate. He explained how important it is to having a Will. He stated that in Union County an average of 39% of its residence die without a Will. Information on Wills and other matters (Powers of Attorney) were discussed at this meeting and information from a handout booklet prepared by Mr. LaCorte.

Without a Will the State of New Jersey will determine who receives your assets through the laws of intestacy. Also, only the original will can be probated. If the original will cannot be located the State of New Jersey will determine who receives your assets. So, if you have a will it should be secured at a lawyer's office, at a bank safety deposit box or in a safe at the residence of the executor. Making a will need not be expensive. There are many lawyers who would prepare a simple Will at a reasonable fee that would make it easier for your loved ones to settle your estate without the expense of posting a surety bond when theirs is no Will.

Other than the people whom you want to receive your property, you should name both an executor and an alternate executor. If you have minor children, you should also appoint a guardian and/or trustee to handle their funds. Every person over 18 years of age having real and personal property should make a Will.

If you do not have a Will please go to the Surrogate's Office in the County that you reside and obtain further information on Wills, and on Power of Attorney or medical directive for a loved one.

It has come to my attention from a member that applying late for Medicare at age 65 could cause you to lose medical insurance. This member did not apply until around Feb. 1st and his birthday is Feb. 24th. He was advised by Division of Pensions when he called that his medical insurance was cancelled on Feb. 1st which is the first day of the month that he turned 65. You can apply for Medicare 3 months prior to your 65th birthday and you will probably receive your Medicare card within a couple weeks so you can then send a copy of the card to Division of Pensions on time. They will notify your health insurance company who will only then pick up 20% of medical costs, the rest will be picked up by Medicare.

If you have any questions on this topic, please call Gail at the FTA office (609-882-2000 x: 2220) and she will connect you with Bessie Jones our benefits coordinator.

Submitted by: Captain Sal Maggio, #2177 (Ret)

BESSIE'S CORNER

Hello all, it was great to see so many of you at the Winter Get Away in Melbourne. It was good to connect with familiar faces and meet some new. It was definitely a good time, enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this year's get away such a success!

Many folks had questions regarding the new Medicare Advantage plans that many of you were automatically rolled into as of January 1, 2017. Here are some of the points I covered:

Those members who were automatically rolled into one of the Medicare Advantage Plans and have reservations about these new plans, have until December 31, 2017 to



change back to traditional Medicare as your primary and NJ Direct as your secondary. You must do this by completing an enrollment form and submitting to Pensions and Benefits.

For those who do wish to switch back, please keep in mind that if you were previously enrolled in NJ Direct 10, you can no longer go back to NJ Direct 10, you must be enrolled in Medicare and NJ Direct 15/25. What does that mean to you? Instead of a \$10 co-pay, you would then have a \$15 co-pay for doctor's visits, and a \$25 co-pay for specialists.

According to the frequently asked questions and what I have read, the Medicare Advantage Plans offer the same level of coverage and benefits as traditional Medicare and NJ Direct plans.

You need to present the Medicare Advantage card only. You no longer present your Medicare card when you visit a physician or medical facility.

Information regarding death benefits can be found here:

http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/pdf/factsheets/fact40.pdf

For more information regarding the Medicare Advantage Plans, you can access the member handbooks here: NJ Direct 10 Medicare Advantage:

http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/pdf/hb/horizon-ma-njd10.pdf

NJ Direct 15 Medicare Advantage:

http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/pdf/hb/horizon-ma-njd15.pdf

For more information regarding the various health plans, dental plans and rates for retirees, please click here: http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/hb-retired.shtml

A <u>LIFE INSURANCE BENEFIT</u> is available to eligible retirees through the State of NJ. This life insurance benefit is provided through Prudential and the benefit is equal to 50% of the last year of salary. This benefit is payable to your listed beneficiary. Not sure who you listed as that beneficiary so long ago? If you have a MBOS account, you can see who you have listed as beneficiary, and if it needs to be changed, you can do it right online. If you do not have an MBOS account, you can download a change form from Pensions website here: http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/epbam/exhibits/pdf/eb0215.pdf

If you do not have computer access, you will need to contact Pensions and Benefits at 609-292-7524 and have them send you a form to change.

For more information regarding this benefit and the Certificate of Group Life Insurance, click here: http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/epbam/exhibits/pdf/life-sprs.pdf

Have a computer or access to one? How about setting up a **Members Benefit Online System (MBOS)** account online with Pensions and Benefits. With wait times up to an hour or more, why waste time on hold waiting and waiting, when most information is just a click away through your personal MBOS account. To set up your account, click here for step by step instructions:

http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/mbosretkit.htm

Any time you have any questions or would like additional information, feel free to reach out to me via email or telephone. My email is <u>bjones@ftanjsp.org</u> or telephone me at 609-649-3221. If you know of a member who doesn't have computer access, please have them reach out to me.

For the latest information check out *Bessie's Corner* at: https://www.ftanjsp.org/protected/bessie/wordpress/

I want to thank you all for giving me the pleasure to be of service. Feel free to reach out at any time with any questions, or if you want to just say "hi!" Happy Spring!

Bessie

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

FTA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Former New Jersey State Troopers Association will be awarding scholarships for the upcoming school year ending in June 2017. Only those students that are seniors and are graduating from High School in June 2017 need apply. Also the student must be a child, grandchild, step child, or a step grandchild of a member in good standing of the FTA.

This scholarship can be used for the study of any curriculum while attending a state accredited college or university, anywhere in the USA. The award will be paid directly to the student.

Applications are available on our web site under "forms," and at our office. Completed applications must be received at the address at the end of the application no later than April 30th of the year the student is a senior in high school. Scholarship winners will be selected at the May 6th General Membership Meeting.

If you have any questions, please call a committee member: Ernest Volkmann – Chairman @ (732) 254-5322, Sal Maggio @ 908-850-5021, Ken Wondrack @ 732-223-5259, George Coyle @ 732-254-6646, or George Wren @ (609) 425-6390.

ASSOCIATION OF FORMER NEW JERSEY STATE TROOPERS EDUCATIONAL FUND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers Education Fund, Inc., has been committed to provide educational scholarship opportunities and interest free educational loans to eligible State Police family members for several decades. The scholarship program will continue to offer scholarships to any child or grandchild of a New Jersey State Trooper (Active or Retired), who is living or deceased as set-forth in its By-laws. The program consists of (3) annual scholarships being awarded, each in the amount of \$1,250.00. The Scholarship is open to any student presently attending a college and maintaining a GPA of at least 2.5, and to any high school senior with an equivalent grade who plans to enroll in a state accredited college or university, anywhere in the USA. Selections are based on a lottery drawing, which shall include all applications submitted that meet the stated criteria.

Applicants benefiting from the drawing will receive a formal notification by the Secretary of the Fund along with a check payable to the applicant. If for any reason the applicant should change their mind about pursuing or continuing a college education, the money shall be returned to the Fund.

The Association also administers "interest free" education loans to eligible to widows, widowers, and dependent children of members of the New Jersey State Police who were killed, died or were retired for reasons of accidental disability, while on active duty with the New Jersey State Police.

All applications must be mailed to the Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers Educational Fund, Attention: Robert Kilmurray, Secretary, 1741 Daniel Court, Wall, New Jersey 07719. Applications for the 2017 drawing are do prior to April 30, 2017. Applications for scholarship and "interest free" loans can be found on the FTA website.

COMICS & CONSIDERATIONS

"If there is ever a fascist takeover in America, it will come not in the form of storm troopers kicking down doors, but with lawyers and social workers saying,
"I'm from the government and I'm here to help."

~ Jonah Goldberg,

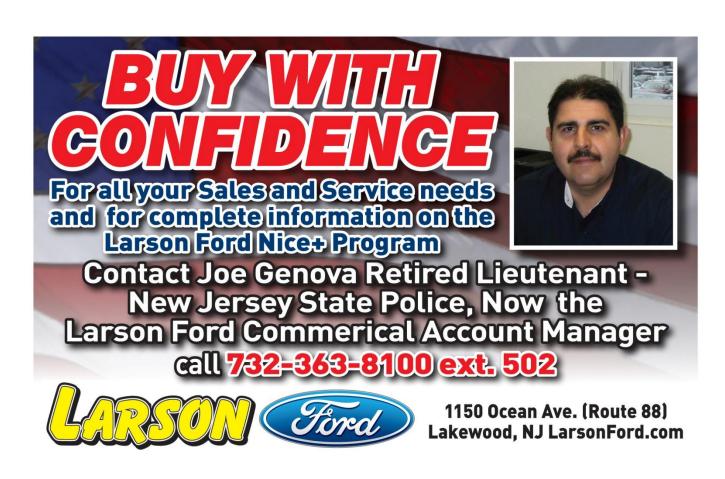


"People often claim to hunger for truth, but seldom like the taste when it's served up." ~ George R.R. Martin

"There are two ways to be fooled. One is to believe what isn't true; the other is to refuse to believe what is true." ~ Søren Kierkegaard

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To purchase a plaque, simply contact the FTA Office @ (609) 882-2000 X:2220. Each plaque costs \$138.94 (shipping, handling, and sales tax included).

STATE POLICE MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION PAVER PROJECT

If you're still looking for that special gift, or can't decide on what to buy the person who has everything, don't worry. Phase II of the State Police Memorial Association's 'Walk of Honor' still has room.

You can help support the Memorial Association while leaving a lasting tribute to a Trooper or special person by purchasing a personalized engraved paver. Pavers have been installed in the new walkway and are engraved on site. Your paver will forever remain an important State Police landmark. Reserve your spot today and give the gift that will last a lifetime. For more information and order forms call on Adele at (856-547-2135), at adelegolf@gmail.com, or see the order form on our website.



LETTERS TO THE FTA

November 21, 2016

WALL OF REMEMBRANCE - KOREAN WAR

At the Former Troopers Association annual picnic in August, 2015, I asked our members to sign a petition in support of legislation authorizing a Wall of Remembrance that would bear the names of all of our military who gave their lives in the Korean War. The legislation was under consideration by the United States Congress. This petition would be sent to our two United States Senators and our twelve Congressional Representatives asking them to support this legislation.

The response from our Former Troopers members was outstanding in the number of those who signed the petition. I am most pleased to report that both of our United States Senators and all twelve New Jersey Congressional Representatives supported this legislation.

The final Federal authorization action was on October 7, 2016 when the President of the United States signed Public Law -114-1475, which authorizes the Korean War Veterans Memorial Foundation to construct-without Federal Government funds - the Wall of Remembrance at the Korean War Veterans Memorial on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. This law will allow the public display of the names of 37,000 American military members, including 850 New Jersey residents, killed during the Korean War.

On behalf of Korean War veterans, I wish to express our sincere thanks to the members of The Former New Jersey Troopers Association for their support of this legislation authorizing construction of the Wall of Remembrance.

George T. Coyle, Sr., #1528 Korean War Veteran 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment 1st Marine Division

Sal & the FTA,

Thank you for helping to make the 28th Annual Golf Outing a success. Four recipients received \$5000 each. So, to date we have presented 88 scholarships, totaling \$397,500 dollars. Without your generosity and support this would not be possible.

My heartfelt thanks, Michelle Carroll Chairwoman – Negron Carroll Scholarship

December 10, 2016

Dear Former Troopers Assoc.,

May the Strength of Joseph, the Joy of Mary, and the Peace of the Christ Child fill your Heart on Christmas Day.

Thank you for your newsletters, I read them to my Dad!

Carol-Jo Osinski

December 17, 2016

Dear Former Troopers,

Many thanks for the pictures and beautiful plaque. I wish to have the plaque inserted into George's grave marker. The pictures were a great surprise since we saw them for the first time.

The New Jersey State Police outdid themselves, giving George a fitting farewell. Five honor guards, bag piper and a helicopter. A Good Bye tribute that will always be remembered.

George and I were married for 64 years. Our family is very proud of the Troops. God Bless you all – stay safe.

Respectfully, Lillian Thomas and Family

Dear Troopers,

Enclosed please find a donation to your organization. I would like to thank you for the exceptional memorial you provided to my Uncle, George Thomas, at his funeral. It gave much comfort to my Aunt and our entire family. My Uncle was very proud to be a New Jersey State Trooper.

Sincerely, Dianne Thomas

January 9, 2017

Dear Former Trooper Association.

On November 13, 2016 my father in law Retired Lt. Richard G. Seppi passed away after 85 years on this earth. We reached out to the FTA, and without hesitation, we were told that representatives from Troop C will be there for us. Well, when we got to the funeral home here in Brick on the 17^{th} , we were greeted by two State Troopers. For the two viewings, the two impeccably dressed troopers stayed by the front door as people attended the viewing. On Friday the 18^{th} , the troopers gave escort to the church and then the cemetery in South Brunswick.

On behalf of my wife Lynne, Richard's daughter, and my entire family, I would like to thank the two troopers from Troop C and the staff at the FTA for their professionalism and comfort during that difficult time. Please accept this small donation to be used as needed by your organization.

Sincerely, Robert J. Coleman

January 12, 2017

THE TRIANGLE

The other day I accompanied my creaking bones up sixteen well worn steps to my attic. This, which is not made as often as before in my life, was to look thru our collection of tossed aside, and between Halloween plastic pumpkins, cracked witches, and an occasional sign on which was printed with "BOO." I really don't think this sign ever scared anyone, at least in my neighborhood.

Our tossed aside memories, always seemed to go to some faraway spot in our homes, they collect dust, spiders, and sometimes an old dried up mouse carcass.

Most of the Halloween decorations were so broken, and past their prime that they ended up in my trusty Rubbermaid plastic bag. Guess what, the only thing I saved was my "BOO" sign, which ended up on my front lawn.

While in the attic I glanced around at memories of family photos, records, 78 PRM, 45, and even some 33.3 my Father bequeathed to me. I never listened to any. Toys that were sent upstairs because they made too much noise, or scraped the new hardwood floors, and sometimes because we just didn't want to see them anymore.

My eyes looked around in the dim light of a very old attic room. Other families I'm sure have stood there as I did, and tried to decide what should stay, and what should be sent to the depths of a Rubbermaid bag.

Way over in the corner underneath the attic fan was a faded cardboard box marked with E.J. Korvette. Sticking out of this box was a jumble of wire hangers, which I guess have used up their usefulness.

I searched thru the box, and down under the wire was a pile of the N.J.S.P. Triangles. I could not believe my find. These thin paper printings which covered most of my 30 years in the "Outfit." Things I have forgotten,

faces I haven't seen in years, and faces I'll never see again. Events, Parties, Get-Togethers, Promotions, Deaths, and some Births.

Each Triangle started with that current Colonel's Comments. Trooper of the Year, New Station Dedications, Trooper Youth Week, stories about us on vacations, stories about somebody else's trip to Borneo, or to Hoboken.

Everything, we as Troopers needed to know, as Troopers, Patrol Buddies, Drinking Buddies, and sometimes Buddies who mourned the death of one of ours. They dated from about 1981 till 1995. I'm sure I'm missing some. I would like to share these memories with some of the younger Troopers, but they would only say, "wow you guys really did wear your hats when you got out of your patrol cars."

Maybe some spring day I'll bring my stash of memories down to the Log Cabin, some hot coffee, and "Troopers don't pay for that Donut" donuts, and maybe some Trooper who still wonders around his attic of the past will join me. See you down there.

Ret Lt. Ed Pfahle, #1904

Editor's Note: Let me know when that spring day will be, so I can meet you at the Log Cabin. I'll even bring the hot coffee and the elusive, "Troopers don't pay for that Donut" donuts!

Dear All at the Former Troopers Association,

Thank you for the kind words and plaque we will cherish! Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, The Feraron Family

January 11, 2017

Dear Mr. Maggio,

Thank you so much for the Life Membership Card in the Former Troopers Association. When we were younger we attended many functions. Captain Bill Galick and his wife Shirley became our good friends. I never realized that I met George right after he graduated from training. I also graduated from nursing school. We had 64 years together. Let me tell you it was interesting.

Have a wonderful year, Respectfully, Lillian Thomas

January 31, 2017

Dear FTA.

Thank you for the beautiful memorial plaque for my husband, Lt. Col. Frank M. Wladich #1137, 41st Class.

Also a special thank you to Lt. Col. Pat Callahan who was very supportive and helpful in arranging the honor guard and bag piper at the funeral and also with the escort to the cemetery.

Frank was always proud of being a part of the Outfit.

We very much appreciate all the support that was shown to us during this difficult time.

Pat Wladich and Family

To Sal,

Just a short note of condolence for the loss of your friend John. I'm sorry I didn't make it, but I broke down en route. And could not make up the time to attend. The Outfit will not be the same.

I know you're going to miss him a lot, good friends are hard to find, and the ones we do call friends are with us for such a short time.

My thoughts are with you, and John's Family, Ed Pfahler

February 20, 2017

To Whom It May concern,

Imagine my surprise when I received the attached newspaper print-out a few days ago. A friend of the family who lives in Secaucus recognized our last name re: a rescue care that my husband was involved in. He never mentioned it when it happened. He would just say, "It was part of my job."

He was a very proud member of the N.J.S.P.

Warmest Regards, Gilda Simonetti

60 YEARS AGO IN THE SECAUCUS HOME NEWS

Published in the Secaucus Home News – Thursday, December 8, 2016.

Dateline December 6, 1956:

"N.J. State Trooper Rescues 17-Year-Old Boy in Swamp." A 17-year-old Secaucus boy was rescued by a state trooper last week after he had stepped into a bog while duck hunting in the town's marshland, near the Lincoln Tunnel exit of the New Jersey Turnpike. Police said Robert Pero, 17, of 251 Pandolfi Avenue, had fallen into the mud and sunk to his waist in an unsuccessful attempt to free himself. His companion, Fred Gallo, 20, of 133 Centre Avenue, ran to the roadway in order to flag down a car. Trooper Rudolph Simonetti saw Gallo and followed him to the scene of the mishap. After warning Pero not to move because the youth's struggle was causing him to sink deeper into the mud, Simonetti drove 1-1/2 miles to a maintenance station and brought back a 50-foot length of tow rope. Pero was then pulled from the bog by Simonetti and Gallo and taken to North Hudson Hospital, Weehawken. After treatment, he was allowed to go home.

March 14, 2017

Dear Sal,

On behalf of my family I wanted to send you a special "Thank you" for your thoughtfulness and assistance to make Herb's funeral respectful and something he would be proud of.

It has been very difficult for all of us moving on after his sudden and unexpected passing, however, it was extremely comforting to see so many former and active troopers at the service.

Also, thank you so much for the plaque. I think it is truly beautiful and I have put it on the hutch he built for our home. Again, thank you and your staff for everything you did. We sincerely appreciate it more than you will know.

Ann Clark and Family

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LT WILLIAM P. DAVIS, #2772



TROOPER FRANKIE L. WILLIAMS, #7953



WILLIAMS, FRANKIE L., #7953, passed away on 5 December 2016, as a result of a motor vehicle accident while on duty at Port Norris Station. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on January 29, 2016 as a member of the 156th Class. He is survived by his wife Kimberly.

CAPTAIN HERBERT F. CLARK, #1817



CLARK, **HERBERT** F., #1817, passed away suddenly on 11 December 2016. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 30 September 1963 as a member of the 62nd Class and retired at the rank of Captain on 1 October 1989. After retirement. continued working for the Office of Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety until 1996. He is survived by his wife of 58 years Ann B., four children Cindy, Patti, Barbara and Brian, eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren. In addition, he is survived by a brother Alvin R. Clark.

DAVIS, WILLIAM P., #2772, Tuesday passed away November 2016. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 17 December 1971, a member of the 86th Class, and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 October 1989. He proudly served in the United States Coast Guard in 1967 and served on active duty until 1972. Following that he served in the Coast Guard reserve from 1983 until 1999. After his retirement from the New Jersey State Police he worked at the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice as a Forensics Examiner from 1999 until 2014, He is survived by his wife Carmella, his daughter Kimberly, a son Michael, a sister Barbara Davis and five grandchildren.

LT WILLIAM G. FEARON, #5147



FEARON, **WILLIAM** G., **#5147**, passed away on Wednesday, 28 December 2016. He had suffered from a longterm illness he contracted while serving in the line of duty in the aftermath of the World Trade terrorist Center attack 9/11/01. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on September 1994 as a member of the 114th State Police Class. He is survived by his wife Janice, his three children Ryan, Elyse, Jessica, his mother Angela and a brother George.

LT JOSEPH T. OSINSKI, #1454



OSINSKI, JOSEPH T., #1454, passed away on 28 December 2016. He enlisted in the New

Jersey State Police on 19 August 1955 as a member of the 49th Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 July 1986.He proudly served in the United States Army and served as a Physical Therapist at the Percy Jones Hospital in Battle Creek, Michigan. He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 56 years, Elsie. He is survived by his two daughters, Carol-Jo Osinski and Susan Morelli; granddaughters, Kaitlyn and Joanna. He is also survived by his brother SGT John G. Osinski, #1341 (Ret) and a sister Betty Manno.

LTC FRANK M. WLADICH, #1137



WLADICH. **FRANK** M., #1137, passed away on Saturday, 7 January 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 24 June 1952, a member of the 41st Class, and retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, Deputy Superintendent on 11 August 1982. He proudly served in the United States Navy during WW Upon his discharge was employed by the United States Maritime Commission. served in Troop "B" in the early days of his service and was

promoted to the rank of Lieutenant assigned to the Governmental Security Bureau at the State House. He is survived by his wife Patricia, his sons Frank and James, daughters Susan and Deborah, six grandchildren and ten greatgrandchildren.

LT STANLEY GODLESKY, #982



GODLESKY, STANLEY, **#982,** passed away on 7 January 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 18 December 1950, a member of the 38th Class, and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 April 1981, He proudly served in the United States Coast Guard during WW II. After his retirement, he served Second Undersheriff Somerset County and then did private detective and investigator of insurance fraud for the State of New Jersey. He was predeceased by a brother Casmir Eugene in 2016. He is survived by wife of 55 years Mildred, two daughters Anastasia and Katherine and four grandchildren.

SFC EDWIN VANHANDEL, #3225



VANHANDEL, EDWIN, #3225, passed away on Monday 16 January 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 19 January 1978 as a member of the 93rd Class, and retired at the rank of Detective Sergeant First Class in 2007. Upon retirement, he took up the post of Business Manager of the State Troopers Non-Commissioned Officers Association. He is survived by two daughters Olivia, Rose and former his wife Linda VanHandel and a sister Kathleen Yurkovic.

COLONEL EUGENE OLAFF, #858



OLAFF, EUGENE, #858, passed away on Tuesday 17 January 2017. He enlisted in the

New Jersey State Police on 20 May 1946 as a member of the 32nd Class and retired on 1 October 1975 at the rank of Colonel, Superintendent, proudly served in the United States Navy during WW II as a Metalsmith 2/C and a Certified Deep Sea Diver 1/C. He played professional soccer as a goalie with the Brooklyn Hispano in the American Soccer League from 1941 to 1953, winning both the ASL and National Challenge Championships. He was preceded in death by his parents Victor and Irene Olaff, his wife of 62 years Doris and his son Gary Olaff. He is survived by his son Gene Olaff, a sister Adele a Daughter-in-law Burke. Pamela Olaff, five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

LT JOHN A. PALLOTTA, #1589



PALLOTTA, JOHN A., #1589, passed away on 3 February 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 20 October 1958 as a member of the 54th Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 October 1984. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War. During his career in the

State Police he served at several Troop B stations and served as a station commander Somerville, Netcong. During his retirement, he was a member of the Former Troopers Association and served as president in 1995. He was very active in conducting social events to assist in the growth of the Former Troopers Association. He is predeceased by his first wife Mary Frances in 1989, a son John in 1992 and his second wife Jane. He is survived by his daughter Darlene 2 brothers Nick and Anthony and 3 grandsons.

SFC GEORGE HOMA, #1506



HOMA, GEORGE, #1506, passed away on 17 February 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 3 August 1956 as a member of the 51st Class, and retired at the rank of Sergeant First Class on 1 October 1981. He started the Composite Sketch Department for the Division of State Police. He is survived by a sister Mary Marcinkowski, three daughters, Kelly Maria Cannuscio, Stacy Maria Homa and Shawn Maria Zenga, and three grandchildren

Isabella Cannuscio, Anastasia Cannuscio and Domenic Zenga.

SGT WILFRED VELEZ, #3945



VELEZ, WILFRED, #3945, passed away on 24 February 2017. He served in the Highway Patrol Bureau of the Division of Motor Vehicles and later was transferred to the New Jersey State Police. He served in the State Police for 22 years and retired with the rank of Sergeant on 1 December 1999. He proudly served in the U.S. Army, and served a tour of duty in Viet Nam. He is survived by his wife Georgeann, two children Melissa Christopher. and grandchildren, Shawn and Kyla.

TROOPER S. MARSHALL ROSER, #1120



S. MARSHALL, ROSER, #1120, passed away on 3 March 2017, at the age of 88. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 24 June 1952 as a member of the 41st Class. He resigned on 4 October 1958 and became the first Chief of Police in the town of Willingboro which was being constructed by the construction company Levitt & Sons. Willingboro became a large community and Marshall Roser worked for the next ten years building a police force. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps and later served as an advisor in Viet Nam. He is survived by his wife Pamela.

SGT JOHN SKARZYNSKI, #3452



SKARZYNSKI, JOHN, #3452, passed away on 3 March 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 29 June 1979 as a member of the 95th Class and retired at the rank of Sergeant on 1 July 2004. He is survived by his wife, Sandra and 2 step-sons, Richard and Gerald.

LT JEROME C. CASEY, #1477



CASEY, JEROME C., #1477, passed away on 9 March 2017 at his home in Cape Coral, Florida. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 16 December 1955, as a member of the 50th Class, and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 December 1978. He proudly served in the United

States Army and was assigned to duty in Germany. He was employed by Division of Criminal Justice for nine years. He is survived by his wife of 65 years Barbara, two sons John and Stephen, four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

DSFC JOHN E. STANWOOD, #2090



STANWOOD, JOHN E., #2090, passed away on Friday, 17 March 2017 at his home in Browns Mills, N.J. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 20 December 1965, as a member of the 69th Class, and retired at the rank of Detective Sergeant First Class on 1 November 1986.

He proudly served in the United States Army during which he participated in the funeral services of President John F. Kennedy. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Constance, four children Dawn, Lynn Jonathon, David 8 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

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Adam W. Lowe, Jr., cherished Son of Shelly Lowe, Program Development Specialist, Office of the Superintendent, passed away on November 28, 2016.

Barbara A. Gauthier, beloved Wife of Captain Laurent H. Gauthier, #1842 (*Ret*), passed away on December 31, 2016.

Gudrun D. Gautschy, beloved Wife of Lt. Henry P. Gautschy, #1808 (*Ret*), passed away on January 26, 2017.

Margaret Seeds, beloved Wife of Trooper Robert G. Seeds, #1828 (*Ret*), passed away on January 27, 2017.

Harry M. Bratty, respected Father of Captain Robert Bratty, #3515 (*Ret*), passed away on February 13, 2017.

Barbara Lee Leibe, beloved wife of Major Edward R. Liebe, #1211, (*Ret*), passed away on February 19, 2017.

Jean M. Langston, cherished Mother of SSGT Glenn A. Langston, #4400 (*Ret*), passed away on February 22, 2017.

Russell J. Langill, Sr., respected Father of Trooper II Russell J. Langill, #5471 (*Ret*), passed away on February 26, 2017.

Alice J. Monsees, beloved Widow of SSGT Harold K. Monsees, #1042, passed away on March 27, 2017.

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\$975k for a NJ State Trooper injured in a motor vehicle accident
\$795k for a NJ State Trooper whose patrol car was struck by a tractor trailer
\$600K for a Bergen County Sheriff's Officer who was injured in a motorcycle accident
\$287k Settlement at trial for a NJ State Trooper injured in a motor vehicle accident
\$265k for a NJ State Trooper injured in a motor vehicle accident



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