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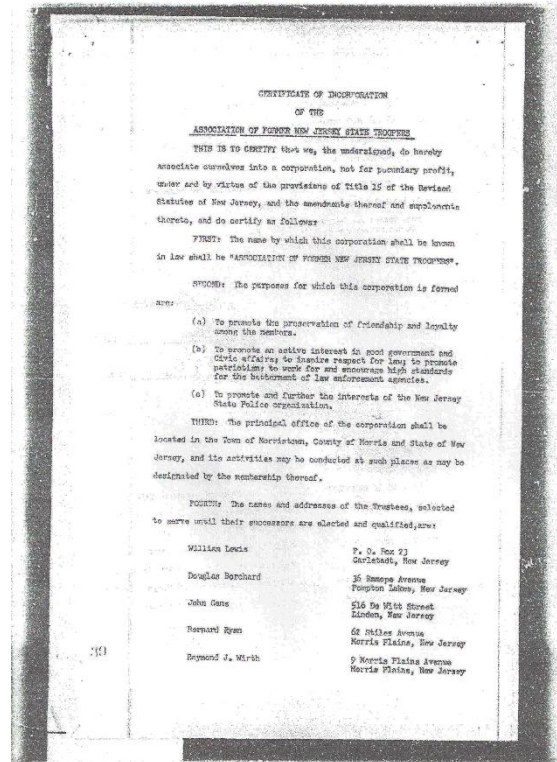
THE ASSOCIATION OF FORMER
NEW JERSEY STATE TROOPERS

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So, WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Greetings Everyone, and Happy New Year! While 2018 was ushered in with little fanfare, I can assure you the Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers is moving forward with a focused agenda. First and foremost, you may notice a change in our Association Name. That right, it's the ASSOCIATION OF FORMER NEW JERSEY STATE TROOPERS, INC. It's the name that was actually given this organization by its Founders and Incorporators on November 27, 1959, and so stated on our Certificate of Incorporation, our original Constitution, Bylaws, Meeting Minutes and even the founding notes of 1959.

Over the years, when I don't know, and no one appears to know why, the Association arbitrarily took on "The Former New Jersey State Troopers Association, Inc." as it's moniker. For the life of me, I can't understand why an organization like ours, steeped in such deep, unwavering tradition would make such a change. As the Editor of *True Blue & Gold*, I've been blindly writing about The Former New Jersey State Troopers Association for over eight years. Yes, I can understand that we've always referred to ourselves, been acknowledged as, and even done business as the "Former Troopers Association." Well that's all well and fine, and yes, I do realize that our Association was incorporated as what's known as a 501(c)7, "Fraternal, Social Organization." But it's a corporation none the less, and a corporation should utilize it's official name, and everyone should know what that name is, especially its membership! So, as of January 1, 2018, the beginning of our 59th year, we are once again as those eleven former Jersey Troopers who founded us, the **ASSOCIATION OF FORMER NEW JERSEY STATE TROOPERS, INC.** You'll see it more and more in everything we do.



Visit: <https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/FoundingDocuments.pdf>
to view those important founding documents!

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

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COLONEL'S COMMENTS



Greetings from Building 1at Division Headquarters. I would like to start with a brief note of thanks to Nick Soranno and George Wren, and to all of the Officers and Board of Directors from the FTA who recently appointed me as an “Honorary” member of the Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers. I, along with all of the Division, look forward to our continued partnership and sharing in the comradery which continues to be strengthened through our efforts to support one another.

I also would like to take this opportunity to offer a few updates with regards to a few topics associated with the Division. The 158th State Police Class entered the Academy at Sea Girt on January 29, 2018 with 213 recruits. As of the last week in March, 177 recruits remain in training. Although they have a long way to go, those who are successful in completing the training are scheduled to graduate and become our newest troopers on July 13, 2018. I am also happy to report that we have received approval for the 159th Class which is due to start training in January of 2019. As of this writing, we have navigated 4 nor’easter snow storms and the men and women of the Division, particularly the enlisted and civilian members within Field Operations and Emergency Management, worked tirelessly to ensure the State’s appropriate preparedness and response to these storms. During one of the storms, Governor Murphy took the time to visit with road troopers at Holmdel Station, and he also visited with all of our members and state partners staffing the State Emergency Operations Center, so he could offer his gratitude in person for their efforts.

Attorney General Gurbir Grewal and I have collaborated on several issues over the past few months including community engagement efforts, combatting violent crime, the opioid epidemic, and enhancing community policing strategies, particularly as they pertain to school safety. Together, it is our goal to visit all 21 counties and attend town hall meetings in what the Attorney General is referring to as “21 County – 21st Century Community Policing Project.” We are hoping these meetings foster continued public trust and a sense of transparency between law enforcement and the public we serve.

As a means of keeping the lines of communication open between my office and the members of the Division, I just completed my first run with 22 troopers that were Field Operations representatives from all four troops. We all headed to the tow path along side of the Delaware River for a 2-mile PT session. Afterwards, we suited up in our Class A Winter Blouses with full leather and I was thrilled to march the detail from the gymnasium down to the Log Cabin for a few photos to commemorate this run. We then headed back to my conference room where we had lunch and discussed the challenges facing the road troopers today. The discussion incorporated topics such as body worn cameras, contract negotiations, training, school safety, communications, clothing and equipment issues, as well as just an open dialogue and opportunity to connect with troopers. I told them that although the conference room table is regularly surrounded by commanders, I find it just as important that we continue to surround that table with young road troopers, so I can work to remove the obstacles they encounter every day. It is my hope to have one of these PT sessions once a month with members from all Branches of the Division.

Lastly, an issue impacting all of our retired troopers is the retirement ID that is issued upon retiring in good standing. It was relayed to my office that the larger, bill fold IDs are too large for those that just carry a wallet. Starting immediately, the Division will be issuing an additional retirement ID card that is the size of a driver’s license. This will especially assist those retired members required to carry their ID card if they are carrying a firearm under the RPO program. We will be rolling out a process through the FTA and the Division to facilitate the issuance of these smaller IDs to those retired members requesting one. We hope to coordinate this process in a manner which does not put undue stress on our Forensic Photography staff.

The troops are looking forward to transitioning into the Class A Summer shirts come April 1st and after this winter, so am I. Hope to see you all at the SP Chase on May 19th at Division Headquarters. Governor Murphy, the First Lady, and the Attorney General have all registered for this 5k race and I hope to be setting the pace! Stay safe out there.

Colonel Patrick. J. Callahan

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This year, we will be celebrating our 59th year anniversary as the Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers. I want to thank the board of directors, the past presidents, and all our members for the opportunity to serve you as your new president.

On behalf of the entire organization, I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Colonel Patrick Callahan for being chosen by our new governor, the Hon. Philip Murphy, to continue as the Superintendent of our great organization. Those who know Colonel Callahan realize that he is the best man for the job and is extremely supportive of the Former Trooper's Association. I assure everyone that our association is committed to a continued partnership with Colonel Callahan and the New Jersey State Police.



Since, becoming a Director ten years ago, many things have changed, including the corporate structure from when we were formed. For the past six years, President Sal Maggio, with the input from his entire board and the guidance of our legal team, accomplished many tasks which at times seemed impossible.

During Sal's tenure, the organization was re-structured into three entities, to include the Former Troopers Association, the Heritage Foundation, and True Blue and Gold. Most obvious, the office, now staffed daily, was relocated to Division Headquarters, and the store was expanded from a closet in the log cabin to a retail space within the former Wilburtha Station. I want to genuinely thank Sal for his leadership and his accomplishments. I also wish him and Susan well in their future endeavors.

Since taking over in January 2018, vice president George Wren and I, along with the executive board and directors, have re-organized the three entities with the formation of specific committees, along with a newly formed Finance Advisory Council. Said council, consists of an executive board with representatives from the three organizations. Communication between these three entities is paramount to accomplishing our goals and objectives, including expanding benefits to our members, while sustaining our financial stability for many years to come.

Over the next two years, I have an agenda which addresses specific issues and concerns. We, the FTA, have already formed strong bonds and working relationships with the three State Police active unions, along with the hierarchy of the PBA and the FOP. They have welcomed us with open arms to join them in the crusade to stabilize the pension systems, the re-instatement of the COLA, and revising the RPO gun laws, to include streamlining the annual licensing requirements and addressing the mandatory age limitations.

Lastly, I want to challenge our members to reach out to all our fellow troopers and their families to join our organization and to donate, even if it is ten dollars, to the Heritage Foundation, via the newly formed Go Fund Me page. This will aid in our aggressive campaign to fund all our projects, including the scholarship programs and most importantly, the building fund to construct the Columbarium around the statute in the courtyard of the Museum and Learning Center.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our General Membership Meetings, the annual picnic, and all our other statewide social events scheduled this year. God bless all of you and your families, and God bless the New Jersey State Police.

Warmest Regards,
Nick Soranno

FTA SPRING MEETING REMINDER

The FTA Spring General Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2018, 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

Greetings Everyone, and as I stated earlier on page one, a belated Happy New Year to you all! 2018 Not only ushered in a return to the use of our "Official Corporate Name," it also welcomed the approval of Colonel Patrick J. Callahan, #5243 as Superintendent of State Police, by our newly elected Governor, Philip Murphy. The new year also brought a change in the leadership of our Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers, as Captain Nicholas C. Soranno, Jr., #3065 (*Ret*) took over the reins as Association President from Captain Sal Maggio, #2177 (*Ret*). Though he denies it, Sal was the longest running FTA President to date. Hopefully, that six (6) year rein will never be surpassed, and if it does, someone needs to seriously look into term limits! All kidding aside, Sal Maggio was the guy sitting in the leadership chair when a lot of important administrative changes were undertaken that incorporated a ton of work from the Board and our Corporate Counsel. Thank you Sal for your use of the gavel, and thank God Nick has it now!

The new year also moved me into the Office of Vice President, which means little more than I get to wear another hat and have more work to do, if that can be possible. One can only wonder, where do all these hats come from? Believe me, I'm not complaining. In fact, I enjoy the work and the added responsibilities. I was very honored when Nick asked me to join him and run for the office. You wouldn't think that two retired Jersey Troopers, from polar opposites of the state; Nick in Newton, Sussex County, nestled in the Kittatinny Valley, just east of its namesake mountain range and the Delaware Water Gap, and me kicking back down the Jersey Shore in sunny Sea Isle City, Cape May County would agree on most anything. Well we do, and we work very well together. Communication is the key, and we discuss everything. It's surprising how much we actually get accomplished with 180 miles between us. Thank God for cellphones and email!

The new year also brought a few other additions to the Association Board. Trooper I David Scuremann, #2924 (*Ret*) was posted to fill my vacant Director's position, and Trooper Robert R. Wilk, #3603 (*Ret*) was appointed as our Sergeant At Arms. Dave Scureman is the President of our for-profit affiliate True Blue and Gold, and brings wealth of business knowledge and experience to our Association. Bob Wilk also has a background in business, is the sitting Treasurer at True Blue and Gold, and also is a practicing attorney in the State of New Jersey. Welcome Aboard Gentlemen! We also have a new Administrative Assistant working in the Association Office at Division Headquarters. Patricia Maldonado, Gail Carrigan's daughter came on board in mid December and is an asset to our operation. Patti has a background in office administration and formerly worked at Division Headquarters as a Confidential Secretary in the Intelligence Services Bureau. With Patti on board, Gail can breath a little bit easier, and our office is now staffed daily, 10am – 2pm. What a great Mother/Daughter Team!

I would also like to bring your attention to our FTA Association Retiree Handbook and Estate Planning Handbook. Many of you will recall receiving copies of these blue covered handbooks when you first joined the Association. Unfortunately, those documents were published back in June 2007, and after eleven years some of the data has changed. As such, I've requested that Debbie Prettyman of Division's Payroll and Benefits Unit conduct a review of the handbooks for requisite updates. As soon as I receive word back from Debbie, I'll get the handbooks updated and posted on the FTA website for your use. Be advised there will not be any more printed copies mailed out.

You may notice some new bylines in the newsletter. After eight years and twenty-five issues, some talented writers now assist me in preparing this publication. They're a hardy bunch, and I'm sure they will bring an occasional smile to your face and a renewed interest to various aspects of this very worthy periodic update. Thank you everyone!

In other news, President Nicholas Sorrano, Past President Sal Maggio, Director Heidi Scripture and I, along with a cadre of uniformed and retired Jersey Troopers, National Guardsmen and invited guests, attended the February 16, 2018, Employer Support of The Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Award Ceremony at the New Jersey National Guard, Joint Military & Family Assistance Center, US 206, Bordentown, NJ to honor the award recipient, Colonel Patrick J. Callahan, NJSP. Mr. Donald Tretola, State Chair, New Jersey Committee, of the ESGR presented the Seven Seals Award to Colonel Callahan for his dedication and support of the ESGR, and their execution of the Statement of Support.



Chairman Donald Tretola presents Seven Seals Award to Colonel Patrick Callahan & execution of the Statement of Support

According to Chairman Tretola,

The Seven Seals Award is the broadest and most inclusive award given by ESGR and is presented at the discretion of the State Chair or by ESGR senior leadership at National. The Seven Seals Award is only given on a State or Federal level and is presented in recognition of significant individual or organizational achievement, initiative, or support that promotes and supports the ESGR mission, to include the efforts of the more than 4,500 volunteers who carry out ESGR's mission across the Nation on a daily basis.

The Statement of Support Program is the cornerstone of ESGR's effort to gain and maintain employer support for the Guard and Reserve. The intent of the program is to increase employer support by encouraging employers to act as advocates for employee participation in the military. Supportive employers are critical to maintaining the strength and readiness of the Nation's Guard and Reserve units.

The first Statement of Support was signed December 13, 1972, in the Office of the Secretary of Defense by the Chairman of the Board of General Motors. President Richard Nixon was the first President to sign a Statement of Support, and in 2005 every Federal Cabinet Secretary and all Federal agencies signed a Statement of Support to signify their continuing efforts to be model employers. Since its inception, hundreds of thousands of employers have signed Statements of Support, pledging their support to Guard and Reserve employees.

To view additional pictures, visit: <https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/ESGR.pdf>.

Congratulations Colonel Callahan!

I attended the March 6, 2018, Memorial Service and Dedication for Trooper Frankie L. Williams, #7953. The service drew a contingent of uniformed Jersey Troopers, Sherriffs Officers, Corrections Officers and Emergency Responders, as well as local, county and state representatives, and supporters, all totalling some 150 people. A moving service to say the least, it was a testament to Trooper Williams and to the entire community of First Responders. ***Pic and caption courtesy of the Press of Atlantic City, Staff Reporter Vincent Jackson, and Staff Photographer Dale Gerhard, with permission.***



Victoria Williams (center) Mother of fallen State Trooper Frankie Williams, holds a memorial sign honoring her son. Prosecutor Jennifer Webb-McRae (left) and NJ State Police Colonel Patrick Callahan present Williams with the sign. A memorial service was held at Leechester Hall in Maurice River Township, in memory of fallen New Jersey State Trooper Frankie Williams, Tuesday March 6, 2018. An area of Rt 55 between mile post 20 and 23 where Williams was killed in a crash while responding to a call is named in his honor.

I also had the honor of attending the 33rd Annual Atlantic Cape 200 Club Brunch on March 11, 2018, at the Tropicania Casino Hotel. I've been a member of this 200 Club Chapter for many years and strongly support it and all the 200 Club Chapters for the outstanding support they provide to the families of fallen responders. Of particular interest this year was the tribute paid to Peggy Mallen-Walczak by the Atlantic City Fire Department.



As you know, Peggy lost her husband Detective I Albert J. Mallen, #2753 on August 28, 1985, when he was shot in the line of duty, and this past summer her son Albert "Albie" Mallen, Jr., also passed away. Peggy explained how at the time of her husband's death, she had less than \$100, and struggled with the costs of his funeral and raising their three children. Her family received a donation from the Ocean and Monmouth Counties 200 Club, and it inspired her to start a chapter in Atlantic and Cape May counties. "This created something positive out of something negative," she said. "My children had to wait until my husband's death for him to be called a hero. We raise money to help families through it, and to honor first responders for what they do now."

Peggy's Son Albie, was a well-known and decorated scholar athlete, who attended Holy Spirit High School and Rutgers University. His selfless and generous personality was manifested during an almost 20-year, dedicated and accomplished career as an Atlantic City Firefighter. His spirit of community service was also apparent in his volunteerism in coaching youth sports. Please be advised, the 1st Annual Air Mallen Open Golf Tournament has been established, and is scheduled for August 15, 2018, at the McCullough's Emerald Golf Links in Egg Harbor Township. Proceeds will directly benefit the Albert J. Mallen, Jr. Education Foundation. Additional information will be posted on the FTA Web Site Bulletin Board in the near future. *Pic courtesy of Captain Fred Romanowski, #1984 (Ret).*

On Thursday, March 29th the State Police Memorial Association unveiled a new exhibit inside the foyer of the Museum and Learning Center. The exhibit features historical information, pictures and artifacts on the planning, selection process, and training of the first all-female state police class in the country, the NJSP 96th Class. The exhibit was put together by the Recruiting Unit with Trooper Aileen Clowes, #7292, taking the lead assisted by State Police Archivist, Mark Falzini. Stop by the Museum and check it out!

Lastly as you well know, I continue to keep in contact with our own 'Marathon Man,' and 2016 recipient of the FTA Former Trooper of the Year Award, Lt. John Ouweleen, #1759 (Ret), here's his latest update:

I am pleased to provide you an update, with something of interest. To reiterate, The Space Coast Half Marathon was to be a World Record attempt, however with the injury sustained in Tulsa OK, that became impossible. Post the Space Coast race, I continued to run, however the hamstring injury was ever present. Therefore, I continued to be cautious and conservative. Then out of nowhere, on January 10, 2018, after ten weeks of discomfort, the pain relinquished, and I was able to run comfortable again. Hallelujah.

This sudden change hatched a new dream. I discovered that the World Record for Male 77 in the 15K (9.3) miles was set two years ago in Tampa Florida. The race, Tampa-Gasparilla Classic, is a race that I ran in 2017, but in the Half Marathon version. In addition, the runner who set the World Record, Joseph Burgasser of Tampa, FL, is an acquaintance, and fellow competitor. Joseph already has a legacy in Road Racing. He holds World Championships, National Championships, World Record holder in the 15K, course records, and defending (2017-2018) age group (75-79) Tampa-Gasparilla champion. He is also incorporated as a Forerunner coaching, licensed USATF Coach. The Tampa-Gasparilla course, is his home field. What an opportunity to get back into the mix.

I registered for the race which was scheduled for February 24, 2018. My goal was two-fold, win the race, and break Joseph's World Record individual age time.

The race went off on time with light winds, but with extremely warm conditions. At the half way turn around, I had a meager 20 second lead, but I hit it heavy on the return to win the race with a sizeable difference. I ran a 1:13:31, and Joseph's second place time was 1:16:27. Two minutes and fifty seconds to my benefit. Unfortunately for me, Joseph's 77-year individual age record still stands. Maybe next time.

I am presently feeling fine, and training regularly. The Boston Marathon is two weeks away, April 16, 2018, and I am prepared to do my best.

In December 2017, I was bestowed the honor of "The Lifetime Achievement Award," by the Sunrunner of Vero Beach Fl., Running Club. Only the 2nd person to receive such an award in the 39-year history of the club.

And, just last week, I was contacted by the Space Coast Runners, running club, offering me the opportunity to represent the club at the upcoming Boston Marathon. I will be representing the club as a team member, 3 male members per team. There will also be a 3-member female team.

So that's the update. The number one thing is that I am healthy, ready to compete, and represent the good old New Jersey State Police/Former Troopers Association.



Johnny Ouweleen, #1759 celebrating 2017 poolside!

Congratulations John and best of luck in Boston. We'll be rooting for you, every step of the way!

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

FEATURED MEMBER(S)

LT. "TURNPIKE" TONY VUOLO, #1422 (AKA TV)



Lt. Anthony J. Vuolo, #1422

Lieutenant Anthony J. Vuolo, #1422 is a member of the 48th Class and graduated from the Academy in West Trenton on May 1, 1955. His career spanned over thirty years and he retired as the Troop "D" Moorestown Station Commander on September 1, 1985. Starting out as a "B" Trooper, he broke in and spent his first year in the Outfit at Washington Station, Warren County. His next assignments were at the Pompton Lakes and Ramsey Stations. In 1958 he was assigned to Troop "D" Newark Station and spent the rest of his career, 27 years, on the New Jersey Turnpike.

Born on April 19th, 1928, Anthony J. Vuolo grew up in the Sandy Hill section of Paterson, NJ and attended School 11, School 15 and Eastside High School. In 1943 he played football at Eastside High but after suffering an injury he left school and went to work for Curtis Wright Aeronautical. He subsequently returned to school and the football team in 1946. After leaving high school in 1946 he joined the Army Air Corps., completing his basic training in Fort Dix, NJ. From there he was stationed in Fort Lee, VA, San Juan Puerto Rico and Trinidad where he completed his military service.

After his discharge from the Army he attended Art School on the G.I. Bill for one year further honing the natural artistic talents he possessed throughout his childhood. He became proficient at sketch drawing and calligraphy.

Tony met his beloved wife Ann Eilersen in 1945. They married in 1950 and lived on 38th Street in Paterson for ten years. They bought a home and moved to Midland Park, NJ in 1960, a “home” they still reside in to this very day. They have been blessed with four children, Chuck, Wendy, Anthony and Marie. They have ten grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. On April 19th this year Tony will celebrate his 90th birthday. Ann will celebrate her 89th birthday in April as well.

From 1949 to 1954 Tony worked in the textile industry in Paterson as a Sketch Maker. He also did other odd jobs to make ends meet because the textile industry in Paterson was declining and relocating to the New England area. Seeking steady employment and “guaranteed” benefits he applied to become a member of the NJ State Police in 1954 and entered the 48th Class in 1955.

During the 67 plus years they have lived in Midland Park, Tony and Ann have been very active in their community. In September 1992 the Bergen County Executive awarded Tony a Certificate of Commendation for “Outstanding Volunteer of the Year,” chosen for his distinguished and dedicated volunteerism to the community. In June 2001, Tony and Ann received the Town Council Award in recognition of their years of service and dedication in founding and supporting Midland Park Youth Olympic Day. Tony also received a Proclamation from the Office of the Mayor of Midland Park for his service on the Board of Recreation from 1974 through 2001; as a member of the Booster Club from 1968 through 2001; as a Founding Father and 1st president of the Junior Football League; for founding the Powder Puff and Men’s Softball Leagues; Olympic Day; Art Director for 3 High School Graduation Balls; beautification of a number of public areas in the Borough and he was also granted the “Top Cop” Award and Citizen of the Year in 1981. Tony has been a member of the Midland Park American Legion for 48 years. In 2017 he and Ann were inducted into the Midland Park High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Throughout their lives and Tony’s State Police career, Tony and Ann have had the good fortune to rub elbows with some historic figures and entertainment stars. His father-in-law, Charles Eilersen, was a chauffeur for Senator Dwight Morrow and his family. In addition to Mr. & Mrs. Morrow he drove Charles Lindbergh, his wife Ann Morrow Lindbergh and servant Betty Gow in the early 1930s during the Lindbergh Baby kidnapping investigation. He made many trips back and forth between Englewood and Hopewell, NJ during that time and was interviewed by investigators during the course of the investigation. Mr. Eilersen told Tony that the Morrow vehicle he drove was a 16-cylinder Packard. On several occasions driving from Englewood to Hopewell he said the Troop Cars accompanying him were unable to keep up with the Packard.

As a child, Ann Eilersen remembers being at the Morrow residence in Englewood. Ann Morrow Lindbergh, herself a pilot, was very good friends with Amelia Earhart. On occasion Amelia Earhart came to the Morrow residence bearing candy treats for young Ann Eilerson.

As a young Trooper patrolling the NJ Turnpike, “TV” was working Newark Station’s northern area one summer Sunday afternoon. Trooper Mike Cermak #1498 was patrolling Newark’s southern area and called Tony on the radio advising him that he had “**a friend**” of his stopped in Elizabeth and requested that he Signal 26 with him. When Tony arrived on scene he observed Trooper Cermak speaking to a gentleman he later learned was Pinky Jackson. Pinky was an animal trainer and was travelling with a chimpanzee named Cheetah. Cheetah was the animal actor who starred with Johnny Weissmuller in the Tarzan movies, popular during the 1930s and 1940s. At some point during the roadside encounter they had Cheetah dismount from his trailer and Pinky told Cheetah to “**do Marilyn Monroe.**” At that point Cheetah rolled back his lips exposing his teeth and presented a broad grin, flashing a smile at the two Troopers. A command decision was then made to bring Cheetah back for a “guest tour” of Newark Station. Trooper Vuolo had Pinky instruct the chimp to sit in the right front seat of his Troop Car for the trip. Trooper Cermak and Pinky followed in the other cruiser. Trooper Vuolo placed his Class “A” hat on Cheetah’s head and proceeded north toward Newark Station in search of the “**the right car.**” The right car was a station wagon with a bunch of kids in the rear, mom and



(L-R) Chiappelli, TV, Cheetah, Napierski (Cheetah has a taste)

dad up front, haggard and tired, returning from a day down the Jersey shore. As Troopers always do, Trooper Vuolo found his mark. He pulled up into the vehicle's "blind spot" and the kids in the rear immediately focused on the Troop Car and the funny looking "Passenger Trooper." With that, Trooper Vuolo told Cheetah to "do Marilyn Monroe." Cheetah complied, and the kids went wild and began poking and prodding their parents to get them to look back. Then the Troop Car pulled up alongside the driver who finally looked over. You can imagine the shocked look on the driver's face. As his mind tried to reconcile what his eyes had just seen, the Chrysler's four barrels kicked in and the Troop Car disappeared over the horizon.

At the station Cheetah was introduced to Troopers William Napierski, #1267 and Ray Chiappelli, #1281. While on his station tour Cheetah was placed on the "the book," wearing a visor belonging to one of the Sergeants. He also was given a demonstration on fingerprinting procedures, but instead of cleaning off the fingerprint table with the 100-proof moonshine kept on hand for "just" that purpose, he chose to drink it at the Troopers dismay. Pinky explained that Cheetah acquired his taste for "adult beverages" after accompanying Johnny Weissmuller on several lunchtime filming breaks at a local gin mill. "Feeling good," Cheetah began tightrope walking acrobatics on the handcuff bars in the lock up area, frolicking with the Troops. After his antics at the station, Pinky took him into the men's room, so he could relieve himself. As the chimp stood in front of the toilet bowl Pinky asked him, "did you forget something?" Cheetah then picked up the toilet seat and proceeded to relieve himself.



(L-R) TV, Cheetah, Napierski, Cermak, Chiappelli & Pinky (Cheetah has another taste)



(L-R) TV, Cheetah, Napierski, Pinky, Chiappelli, Cermak



During his tenure on the Turnpike, Trooper Vuolo made such an “impact” with his presence at Newark Station that he is the only **living** Trooper to have a section of highway named after him. The “impact” occurred between his Troop Car and a civilian vehicle at the 112 U-turn on the SNE roadway, and ever since, the site has been officially designated as “Vuolo Curve.”

History again touched on “Sergeant TV,” later on in his career. The Newark Station Commander’s Office proudly displayed a framed, under glass, copy of the Declaration of Independence. As most of you know the Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Second Continental Congress in Philadelphia on July 4, 1776. What you probably

didn’t know is that there were several people who were supposed to sign the document on that day in history but were unable to make it to Philadelphia due to transportation difficulties, as well as “**delayed birth dates.**” Newark Station’s proximity to major highways and Newark Airport made it the hub and obvious rally point for these **Patriots** to muster and sign the coveted historic document. Several of these **belated signers** were friends of Newark Station personnel, and also included the Station Commander and his wife, Jim and Louise Longo. As luck would have it Sergeant Vuolo happened to be working on the days these historic figures showed up and was able to witness them affixing their signatures to the document.

During his tenure at Newark Station and as the Squad 5 Supervisor, TV produced several sketches and caricatures depicting many facets of the State Police experience and its members. Included in these sketches were t-shirt logo designs, one of which was the first rendition depicting the Turnpike as “The Black Dragon” (pictured below). If you look closely you will see that he used Lt. Nick Zichello, #3077 (Ret) as his model for the Trooper riding the dragon. Additional sketches of TV’s can be viewed by visiting: <https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/TonyVuolopics.pdf>.



First Black Dragon T-Shirt Logo



Ann & Tony Vuolo 2018

In preparing this article I had the good fortune to visit with and interview my former Turnpike Squad Sergeant and friend. My wife and I were treated to an outstanding meal prepared by him, Ann and daughter Wendy. We reminisced about the “old days” and caught up on each other’s lives and families. Tony has been retired for more than 32 years and remains active and devoted to his family and local community. Throughout his life he has placed service to others before self; and has always maintained a healthy sense of humor.

Major Joseph A. Cannatella, #2852 (Ret)

2017 FORMER TROOPER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Joseph M. Paulillo, #2028, graduated from the New Jersey State Police Academy on September 13, 1965, as a proud member of the 68th Class. After serving at various Troop 'C' Stations, then Trooper Paulillo was assigned to the State Police Academy as an Instructor, where he presented courses to state & municipal police, pre-service and basic training programs, in-service, supervision, and management training programs. While at the Academy, Joe was designated as Supervisor and Coordinator of several NJSP initiatives, including the Seton Hall University Higher Education Program, community youth relations, and the Trooper Youth Week programs, as well as Domestic Terrorism training for law enforcement managers, sponsored by the Department of Justice.



Sal Maggio and Nick Soranno present Joe Paulillo the 2017 Former Trooper of the Year Award

Moving up through the ranks while at the Training Academy, he was appointed to the position of Assistant Bureau Chief of the Academy, and later served as Bureau Chief of the Planning Bureau and the Traffic Bureau. After serving 26 years as a Jersey Trooper, Captain Paulillo retired from State Police service on September 1, 1991.

Upon leaving the State Police, Joe volunteered in his community at Plumsted Township, reviewing a plethora of police/community, emergency management, substance abuse, and crime prevention projects and programs, and served on the Township Land Use Board. As a consultant to Triangle Enterprises Inc., he assessed the Elizabeth City School District school security operations, and ultimately developed a district-wide, school guard policies and procedure manual, as well as a program of training school guards.

In 1993, Joe was hired by the New Jersey Attorney General and assigned to the Division of Criminal Justice where he was appointed State Administrator for the New York/New Jersey High Intensity Drug Trafficking Program (HIDTA), sponsored by the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), Office of the President. After the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, Joe was re-assigned to the New Jersey Office of Counter-Terrorism as a counter terrorism intelligence analyst. Joe also worked on document and identity fraud with the Division of Consumer Affairs.

In his retirement, Joe established an Internet web site called, "The Jersey Trooper" on September 16, 2015, and a subsequent Facebook page where he actively solicits and posts historic and current State Police related information towards preserving the history of our esteemed "Outfit" of Jersey Troopers.

A member in good standing of the Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers, Joe is also a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the International Association of Law Enforcement Intelligence Analysts (IALEIA), and the New Jersey State Narcotics Officers Association (NJSNOA). Additionally, Joe is also a member of the Hoboken High School Sports Hall of Fame, where in 2012 he was recognized for playing four years of football and inducted into their Sports Hall of Fame.

Joe Paulillo received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Education from the College of New Jersey and a Master of Arts Degree in Public Administration from Rider College.

Highly recommend for his distinguished career and achievements, Captain Joseph M. Paulillo, #2028 (*Ret*) was awarded the 2017 Former Trooper of the Year Award at the FTA Fall General Membership Meeting on November 4, 2017. His actions serve as a testament to the fortitude, character and initiative of our members after they leave the active rolls of the New Jersey State Police.

Congratulations Captain Paulillo!

Captain Sal Maggio, #2177 (Ret)

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

TWO GREAT STORIES – BOTH ARE TRUE!

Editor's Note: From time to time I received stories and leads about historical highlights that are truly inspiring. I try to make sure that before considering them for inclusion in this publication, they have some connection to our Outfit of Jersey Troopers. However, some stories just have to be shared, and this is one of them. A special thanks to SFC Timothy M. O'Riordan, #3046 (Ret) for sending in this story. Enjoy!

STORY NUMBER ONE:

Many years ago, Al Capone virtually owned Chicago. Capone wasn't famous for anything heroic. He was notorious for enmeshing the windy city in everything from bootlegged booze and prostitution to murder. Capone had a lawyer nicknamed "Easy Eddie." He was Capone's lawyer for a good reason. Eddie was very good! In fact, Eddie's skill at legal maneuvering kept Big Al out of jail for a long time.

To show his appreciation, Capone paid him very well. Not only was the money big, but Eddie got special dividends, as well. For instance, he and his family occupied a fenced-in mansion with live-in help and all the conveniences of the day. The estate was so large that it filled an entire Chicago city block.

Eddie lived the high life of the Chicago mob and gave little consideration to the atrocity that went on around him. Eddie did have one soft spot, however. He had a son that he loved dearly. Eddie saw to it that his young son had clothes, cars, and a good education. Nothing was withheld. Price was no object. And, despite his involvement with organized crime, Eddie even tried to teach him right from wrong. Eddie wanted his son to be a better man than he was. Yet, with all his wealth and influence, there were two things he couldn't give his son; he couldn't pass on a good name or a good example.

One day, Easy Eddie reached a difficult decision. Easy Eddie wanted to rectify wrongs he had done. He decided he would go to the authorities and tell the truth about Al "Scarface" Capone, clean up his tarnished name, and offer his son some semblance of integrity. To do this, he would have to testify against The Mob, and he knew that the cost would be great. He testified.

Within the year, Easy Eddie's life ended in a blaze of gunfire on a lonely Chicago Street. But in his eyes, he had given his son the greatest gift he had to offer, at the greatest price he could ever pay. Police removed from his pockets a rosary, a crucifix, a religious medallion, and a clipping from a magazine. It read: "The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will. Place no faith in time. For the clock may soon be still."

STORY NUMBER TWO:

World War II produced many heroes. One such man was Lieutenant Commander Butch O'Hare. He was a fighter pilot assigned to the aircraft carrier Lexington in the South Pacific. One day his entire squadron was sent on a mission. After he was airborne, he looked at his fuel gauge and realized that someone had forgotten to top off his fuel tank. He would not have enough fuel to complete his mission and get back to his ship.

His flight leader told him to return to the carrier. Reluctantly, he dropped out of formation and headed back to the fleet. As he was returning to the mother ship, he saw something that turned his blood cold; a squadron of Japanese aircraft was speeding its way toward the American fleet.

The American fighters were gone on a sortie, and the fleet was all but defenseless. He couldn't reach his squadron and bring them back in time to save the fleet. Nor could he warn the fleet of the approaching danger. There was only one thing to do. He must somehow divert them from the fleet.

Laying aside all thoughts of personal safety, he dove into the formation of Japanese planes. Wing-mounted 50 calibers blazed as he charged in, attacking one surprised enemy plane and then another. Butch wove in and out of the now broken formation and fired at as many planes as possible until all his ammunition was finally spent.

Undaunted, he continued the assault. He dove at the planes, trying to clip a wing or tail in hopes of damaging as many enemy planes as possible, rendering them unfit to fly. Finally, the exasperated Japanese squadron took off in another direction.

Deeply relieved, Butch O'Hare and his tattered fighter limped back to the carrier.

Upon arrival, he reported in and related the event surrounding his return. The film from the gun-camera mounted on his plane told the tale. It showed the extent of Butch's daring attempt to protect his fleet. He had, in fact, destroyed five enemy aircraft.

This took place on February 20, 1942, and for that action Butch became the Navy's first Ace of WWII, and the first Naval Aviator to win the Medal of Honor.

A year later Butch was killed in aerial combat at the age of 29. His home town would not allow the memory of this WW II hero to fade, and today, O'Hare Airport in Chicago is named in tribute to the courage of this great man.

So, the next time you find yourself at O'Hare International, give some thought to visiting Butch's memorial displaying his statue and his Medal of Honor. It's located between Terminals 1 and 2.

SO, WHAT DO THESE TWO STORIES HAVE TO DO WITH EACH OTHER?

Butch O'Hare was "Easy Eddie's" son!

SFC Timothy M. O'Riordan, #3046 (Ret)

BUSINESS UPDATES

N.J. FORMER TROOPERS HERITAGE FOUNDATION, INC.

The Foundation Trustees continue on with the charitable benevolences to be offered in several areas of our future endeavors. We are well on our way!

In association with the FTA, the Heritage Foundation continues our pursuit towards the installation of a columbarium at the Memorial Garden as well as several other charitable projects. As such, you will begin seeing funding drives and events to help secure donations to facilitate our benevolences. In fact, on January 9th Jacqueline Soranno, unveiled an Internet GoFundMe page to assist us in soliciting donation towards our worthy benevolent programs. Remember, the Heritage Foundation is the 'Non Profit,' charitable arm of FTA, and that all donations are tax deductible. Visit: www.njfteritagefoundation.org and make a donation!



TRUE BLUE AND GOLD, INC.



Our Logo Merchandise Store continues to do a fine business, and our Internet sales operation is shipping our merchandise weekly. Now that the Christmas Season has passed, Jackie Snyder's been busy stocking the shelved with spring and summer stock to satisfy your upcoming shopping needs. Visit our store in the front of the old Wilburtha Station or check us out on our Ecom store via the FTA website link at www.ftanjsp.org.

FTA SOCIAL EVENTS

THE 2017 STATE POLICE HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE



The annual State Police Holiday Open House took place on Saturday, December 16, 2017, at the State Police Museum and Learning Center. As always, the event drew a large showing of Enlisted, Retired, and Civilian Employees (past and present), and their families, who came out and helped usher in the arrival of the Christmas Season to Division Headquarters.

As in the past, and in true State Police form, jolly old Saint Nicholas, accompanied by his lovely wife Mrs. Clause, arrived courtesy of the NJSP Aviation Bureau. Children of all ages waited eagerly to sit on Santa's lap, each hoping that he would grant their wish with a special present come Christmas morning. If you haven't attended this great event, do yourself a favor and bring the family to Division Headquarters on December 15, 2018. The kids and the grandkids will certainly let you know just how great the event really is.

THE 2018 ANNUAL FLORIDA WINTER PARTY



The Florida Winter Party was cancelled this year due to storm damage at the Crown Plaza Melbourne Oceanside. Unfortunately, the hotel sustained heavy damage during the September 10, 2017, landfall of Hurricane Irma. Almost four months later the hotel's room availability was questionable, as many of the rooms damaged were still under reconstruction, and the hotel could not guarantee our accommodations. Attempts to relocate the Winter Party were unsuccessful, and the FTA Administration regrettably cancelled the 2018 event.

In the wake of this unfortunate situation, the FTA Board has established a Florida Winter Party Committee, tasked with investigating this popular event. Their findings will be posted in a future newsletter.

SAVE THE DATES

TROOP "A" OLD-TIMERS GET-TOGETHER



The Annual Troop "A" Old-Timers Get-Together will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at the Frog Rock Country Club, Hammonton, NJ, due to mechanical problem at Kerri-Brooke. 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, 2018, 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!

37TH ANNUAL STATE POLICE CHASE & FAMILY OPEN HOUSE



This year's event will take place on Saturday, May 19, 2018, 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 lppingr@gw.njsp.org.

TROOP "B" OLD-TIMERS GET-TOGETHER



The 2018 North Jersey Get-Together will be held on June 7, 2018, at 6:00 PM. As last year, it will be held at La Strada Resturante, 1105 Rt. 10 EB, Randolph, NJ. It was a great time last year with 70+ retirees attending. Post cards with information will be going out on or about May 1, 2018. 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 29th Annual Negrone-Carroll Golf Tournament will take place on Friday, June 8, 2018, 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.

22ND ANNUAL NJSP MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION GOLF TOURNAMENT



The 22nd Annual New Jersey State Police Memorial Association Golf Tournament, the "Colonel's Cup," will take place on July 2, 2018, 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 14, 2018, 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 17, 2018, 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 Troopers & Guests paying at the gate; \$35 NJSP Retirees who are not FTA Members; Children under 12, Life Widows, and members of the 53rd & 54th 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 Mounted Patrol. Registration form for the picnic can be found on **page #42** of this publication.

MILITARY NEWS

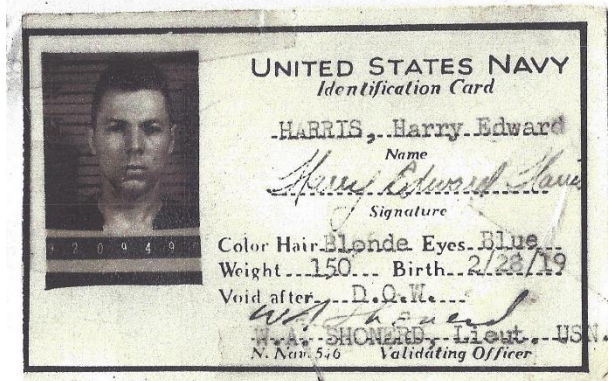
BECAUSE HE WAS OUR BROTHER

Recently, an event occurred that supports and demonstrates the comradery that we proudly share as submariners. The event occurred as follows:

During the summer of last year an unidentified man walked unannounced into the VFW Post in Wildwood, NJ and placed a sealed urn on the bar which contained the ashes of an individual that he described only as those of a submariner. He told the bartender “vets will know what to do with the ashes” and departed without further explanation as to how or why he was in possession of the urn/ashes.

The commander of the VFW contacted me, as commander of the nearest submarine veterans base (Egg Harbor New Jersey Base), explained the unusual event and asked if our base would see to the proper disposition of the ashes. Our base retrieved the ashes from the VFW and began the process of trying to properly identify the remains of the individual in question and also ascertain if in fact the person was a submarine veteran. We researched identifiers on the urn and were ultimately able to identify the funeral home that performed the cremation of the individual. The funeral director confirmed that he performed the cremation on October 28, 2014 and identified the remains as those of Harry Edward Harris, DOB February 26, 1920. The funeral director advised that to the best of his knowledge there were no known relatives or family members of Mr. Harris. He further explained that he had no records or knowledge of how or why the urn was in the possession of the unidentified person who left it at the VFW.

Our base researched navy military records for Harry Edward Harris, DOB February 26, 1920 and learned that Mr. Harris was a US Navy veteran and was in fact a submarine veteran. He was awarded the Pacific Theater Ribbon with three stars, the American Theater Ribbon, the Victory Medal, Submarine Combat Pin and Submarine Qualification Pin. His military records revealed that he served as a Yeoman Third Class YN3(SS) aboard the USS Balao (SS285) during the period 15 March 1944 through 7 March 1946.



Our base made numerous inquiries in an effort to locate any living relatives of YN3 (SS) Harris but were unable to find any information that would be helpful. Therefore, our base concluded that it would be our privilege to give YN3 (SS) Harris a proper military funeral that would be commensurate with his military service. Associate base members Robert Frolow (Veteran Affairs Coordinator/American Legion Post 352 Commander), James Donahue and Frederick Vineyard (AMVETS Post 911) were asked for their assistance with the burial of YN3(SS) Harris. Commander Frolow was instrumental in securing a burial site and requesting a US Navy burial detail be present at grave side. As a result, the navy provided a burial detail, flag bearers and bugler. AMVETS Post 911 provided a color guard and American Legion Post 352 provided side boys. Submarine Veterans Egg Harbor Base Chaplain John Pucci provided a moving eulogy and base sub-vet members served as pall bearers, and interment facilitators.

During the service it was noted that a woman who was passing by the site stopped to observe the burial of YN3(SS) Harris and the military protocol that was being shown to him. She stayed until the conclusion of the service and then approached a group of our sub base members that were gathered by the grave site. The woman approached us and offered her condolences. She stated that the service was very impressive, explained that she had never observed a military service before and found it to be very moving and emotional. She then inquired as to whom the burial was for. We told her of the unusual circumstances under which we obtained the ashes and ultimately arranged for the burial service. She was a little surprised by our explanation and stated, “you mean you did all this for someone you are not related to or never met?” Yes, ma’am was the response. Noting the confusion that seemed to come over her, John Kill (Base COB) came forward with the following explanation: “You see,



Ma'am, it's like this, Yeoman Harris was a veteran, a submarine veteran, therefore he was a brother to all of us. What happened here today was that brothers buried their brother." The woman paused for a moment with her mouth slightly ajar as if trying to comprehend what she had just heard. She then stated, "that is the most amazing thing I have ever heard. Thank God that our country has men and women like you to protect it. God Bless you all and thank you for your service." Thank you, Ma'am, was our response.

Thomas J. Innocente - Base Commander
Egg Harbor New Jersey Base USSVI

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

You may recall from previous newsletters, under a new State law enacted in 2016, 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. For more information, contact the [New Jersey Division of Taxation](#).

HEALTH, SECURITY & MISC INFORMATION

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.



Bob & Fran Scott returning to camp from a successful moose hunt in the Allagash region of the Maine North Woods, October 11, 2017.



Wedding of George Zeoli, #2522 & Toni Hoblenam at home in Delaware, Ohio with friends and family, August 4, 2017



BOB DELANEY RECEIVES TAPS AWARD

DSG Robert J. Delaney, #2853 (Ret) was presented the TAPS National Community Partnership Award by Bonnie Carroll this past fall for work with the families of our military fallen, see <https://www.taps.org>.

Subsequently, Bob and his wife Billie were on hand with twenty TAPS Families as guests of the NFL at the 2018 Pro Bowl events in Orlando, FL January 25-28, 2018.

Congratulations DSG Delaney!

EACH ONE – REACH ONE

At the Former Troopers Association re-organization meeting in January the topic of membership was discussed at length. Over the past three years, 45% of the Troopers who retire join the FTA. To date we have 1790 regular members, their spouses, and 178 associate members. The regular member number also includes 282 Life Widows who do not pay membership dues, but still receive the advantage of all regular member benefits, with the exception of voting rights.

Membership in the Former Troopers Association has many benefits. There is the Spring and Fall Meetings at the Log Cabin where there is a business meeting, a guest speaker(s) and a luncheon afterwards that is paid for by the Association. Three regional get-togethers and an Annual Picnic that are subsidized by the Association. We also have a Scholarship Program for graduating high school seniors for the children and grandchildren of regular members in good standing. But the most important benefit is helping those Former Jersey Troopers or their family members who are in need of assistance.

The Board of the Former Troopers Association is asking all members to “Each One - Reach One.” I have heard many Troopers who are about to retire say, “I won’t miss the work, but I will miss the people I worked with.” While among the active ranks, we socialize with the co-workers and classmates that we wanted to socialize with, and the same follows us into retirement. We are asking all members of the Former Troopers Association to ask our retired Trooper friends if they are members of the FTA. And if they are not, talk to them about the benefits of becoming one. Membership applications can be found on our website or the FTA office would be happy to email one. The FTA email is fta@ftanjsp.org and the phone # is 609-882-2000 ext. 2220 or 2236.

Looking forward to seeing some of you at the Spring Meeting on May 5, 2018.

*Major Heidi Scripture, #3579 (Ret)
Director & Membership Chair*

BEAT THE WEP!!!

Over the years, one of the biggest concerns of our members is the reduction in their social security benefits due to the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP). This law, enacted during the tenure of President Reagan, reduces monthly social security benefits as a result of having a government or state pension, without paying into social security during said employment.

For years, we were hopeful that this provision, which affects nearly 1.7 million beneficiaries, would be repealed through legislation. A recent letter from Congressman William Posey to our member, Captain George W. Fisher, #2824 (Ret) provided an update to legislation introduced last year. Unfortunately, this legislation was not included in the recent Trump tax reform and there is very little optimism in the legislation.

Until some relief is provided, there is a way that a beneficiary may be eligible for a higher benefit. Based on an individual’s work history and reaching the threshold of annual substantial earnings, the penalty can be reduced, substantially, as per Social Security Administration Publication #EN-05-10045. In fact, with 30 years of substantial earnings, the WEP becomes exempt. From 20 to 30 years, the penalty is reduced based on the percentage chart. visit: <https://www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10045.pdf>.

It is recommended that you either contact your social security office or go on line to determine your lifetime earnings subject to social security contributions. Apply that to the substantial earnings chart to determine how many years that you reached the annual threshold. If those years are between 20 and 30 years, your penalty is reduced according to the percentage chart.

You never know, give it a try!!!!!!!!!!

Captain Sal Maggio, #2177 (Ret)

FORMER TROOPER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Nominations for the 2018 Former New Jersey State Trooper of the Year Award will be accepted January 1, 2018 through August 31, 2018. 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 primary criteria being considered for the award will be the candidate's contributions of volunteer time or service to the FTA. In addition to a candidate's contributions of volunteer time or service to the FTA, 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 2018. The presentation of the award will be made to the successful recipient at the 2018 FTA Fall General Membership Meeting on November 3, 2018.

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.

Major George T. Coyle, #1528 (Ret)

CONCEALED CARRY INFO

The status of what constitutes eligibility of concealed carry under Federal Law has been somewhat of a gray area when it comes to States Laws. The Federal Laws seem quite clear and certainly offer qualified law enforcement officers employed by or retired from local, State or Federal law enforcement agencies eligibility to concealed carry. Make no mistake about it, if you are going to concealed carry under the Federal Laws, **YOU** better know those laws inside and out. Do not, we repeat, **DO NOT** take the contents of this article as gospel that you can concealed carry under the Federal Laws, just because it is addressed in this publication.

A copy of an FOP Bulletin was forwarded for inclusion in this newsletter. It has since been posted on the FTA Web Site Bulletin Board and can be accessed via the Internet at: <https://www.fop.net/legislative/issues/hr218/hr218faq.pdf>. If you plan to concealed carry under the Federal Laws, this a good place to start with your research. While it is not all inclusive, it does answer a number of important questions that you will need to know as to your eligibility.

This FTA Administration is committed to make every attempt to amend New Jersey's State RPO Statutes towards a more agreeable and inclusive law for our retirees, especially the age limitation. We will keep you posted.

Major Joseph A. Cannatella, #2582 (Ret)
Lt. George J. Wren, Jr., #3680 (Ret)

Editor's Note: A letter from the Federal Trade Commission on your new Medicare cards and the scams that you should avoid!

New Medicare cards are on the way

May 18, 2017

by

Andrew Johnson

Consumer Education Specialist, FTC

Changes are coming to your Medicare card. By April 2019, your card will be replaced with one that no longer shows your Social Security number. Instead, your card will have a new Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) that will be used for billing and for checking your eligibility and claim status. And it will all happen automatically – you won't have to pay anyone or give anyone information, no matter what someone might tell you.

Having your Social Security number removed from your Medicare card helps fight medical identity theft and protect your medical and financial information. But even with these changes, scammers will still look for ways to take what doesn't belong to them. Here are some ways to avoid Medicare scams:

- Is someone calling, claiming to be from Medicare, and asking for your Social Security number or bank information? Hang up. That's a scam. First, Medicare won't call you. Second, Medicare will never ask for your Social Security number or bank information.
- Is someone asking you to pay for your new card? That's a scam. Your new Medicare card is free.
- Is someone threatening to cancel your benefits if you don't give up information or money? Also a scam. New Medicare cards will be mailed out to you automatically. There won't be any changes to your benefits.

For more on the new changes to your Medicare card, visit [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/New-Medicare-Card/index.html) at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/New-Medicare-Card/index.html>, and [report scams to the FTC](https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov/#crnt&panel1-1) at: <https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov/#crnt&panel1-1>.



[The Federal Trade Commission](https://www.ftc.gov) (FTC) is the nation's consumer protection agency. The FTC works to prevent fraudulent, deceptive and unfair business practices in the marketplace.

BESSIE'S CORNER

Bessie's Corner will return in the September issue.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

FORMER TROOPERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers, Inc., is pleased to announce that it will be awarding scholarships for the upcoming school year ending in June 2018. Only those students that are seniors and are graduating from High School in June 2018 need apply. Student applicants must be the child, grandchild, step-child, or step-grandchild of a member in good standing of the FTA.

This scholarship program is particularly important as it directly benefits the continuing education of FTA Members' descendants. Current scholarships consist of a \$1,000 award to the outstanding applicant in honor of our former FTA Benefits Consultant, Debra Chesko. Additionally, up to twenty-four, \$500 scholarships will be awarded to students whose Grade Point Averages and extracurricular activities are exceptional, with the remainder of the scholarships awarded by a random drawing.

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 FTA "Members Only" web site under "Forms." Completed applications must be received no later than April 15th of the year the student is a senior in high school. **Scholarship winners will be selected at the May 5th General Membership Meeting.**

If you have any questions, please call a committee member: Ernest Volkmann – Chairman @ (732) 254-5322, Ken Wondrack @ 732-223-5259, Michael McLaughlin @ (609) 820-3040, Dave Scureman @ (201) 323-6795, or Heidi Scripture @ (973) 590-6896.

ASSOCIATION OF FORMER NEW JERSEY STATE TROOPERS **EDUCATIONAL FUND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The Association of the Former New Jersey State Troopers Educational Fund, Inc. has been committed to provide educational scholarship opportunities and interest free 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/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 \$1,500.00. 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 benefitting from the drawing will receive a formal notification by the Treasurer 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 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 Education Fund, Attention: Robert Kilmurray, Secretary, 1741 Daniel Court, Wall, New Jersey 07719. Applications for the 2018 drawing are do prior to April 30, 2018. Applications for scholarship and "interest-free" loans can be found on the FTA website.

COMICS & CONSIDERATIONS

DOCTOR GORDON GEEZER

An old physician, Doctor Gordon Geezer, became very bored in retirement and decided to re-open a medical clinic. He put a sign up outside that said: "Dr. Geezer's clinic. Get your treatment for \$500 - if not cured, get back \$1,000."

Doctor Digger Young, who was positive that this old geezer didn't know beans about medicine, thought this would be a great opportunity to get \$1,000. So, he went to Dr. Geezer's clinic.

Dr. Young: "Dr. Geezer, I have lost all taste in my mouth. Can you please help me?"

Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in Dr. Young's mouth."

Dr. Young: 'Aaagh! -- This is Gasoline!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your taste back. That will be \$500."

Dr. Young gets annoyed and goes back after a couple of days, figuring to recover his money.

Dr. Young: "I have lost my memory, I cannot remember anything."

Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in the patient's mouth."

Dr. Young: "Oh, no you don't -- that is Gasoline!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your memory back. That will be \$500."

Dr. Young (after having lost \$1000) leaves angrily and comes back after several more days.

Dr. Young: "My eyesight has become weak --- I can hardly see anything!"

Dr. Geezer: "Well, I don't have any medicine for that so, "Here's your \$1000 back" (giving him a \$10 bill).

Dr. Young: "But this is only \$10!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You got your vision back! That will be \$500."

Moral of story -- Just because you're "Young" doesn't mean that you can outsmart an "old Geezer."

Remember: Don't make old people mad. We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to piss us off.

ENJOY YOUR DAY!!!

P.S. Written in large print for old Geezers.

Submitted By: Lt. James Dooley, #2439 (Ret)

***The worst thing about Aging is that
The Older your become, the further away the Good Old Days get!
~ Ziggy***



Established as the charitable, nonprofit 501(c)(3) affiliate of the Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers, the N.J. Former Troopers Heritage Foundation upholds much of the traditions established over the Association's fifty-nine-year history, especially the belief that, "Once a Trooper, Always a Trooper" is paramount, and although retired or separated from State Police service, we are all still part of "The Outfit." The Heritage Foundation has six established benevolence programs that solicit your donations, they include:

a **College Scholarship Fund**, dedicated to providing educational scholarship opportunities to the children, step-children, grandchildren, and step-grandchildren of former Jersey Troopers. This program selects qualified recipients based upon academic achievements, demonstrated volunteer civic involvement while at the elementary and high school levels, and financial needs.

a **Survivors Fund**, dedicated to assist the survivors of former Jersey Troopers, whose passing has incurred financial hardship upon their family.

a **Wounded Warriors Fund**, dedicated to assist the Wounded Warrior Program via Troopers Assisting Troops, to honor those who have served in our Armed Forces to preserve our freedoms.

a **Boy & Girl Scouts of America Fund**, dedicated to support the Boy Scouts of America in their endeavors to become valued members of society and future leaders of our nation.

a **Building Fund**, dedicated to support the expansion and construction of worthy New Jersey State Police and Former New Jersey State Troopers' Association related projects; and,

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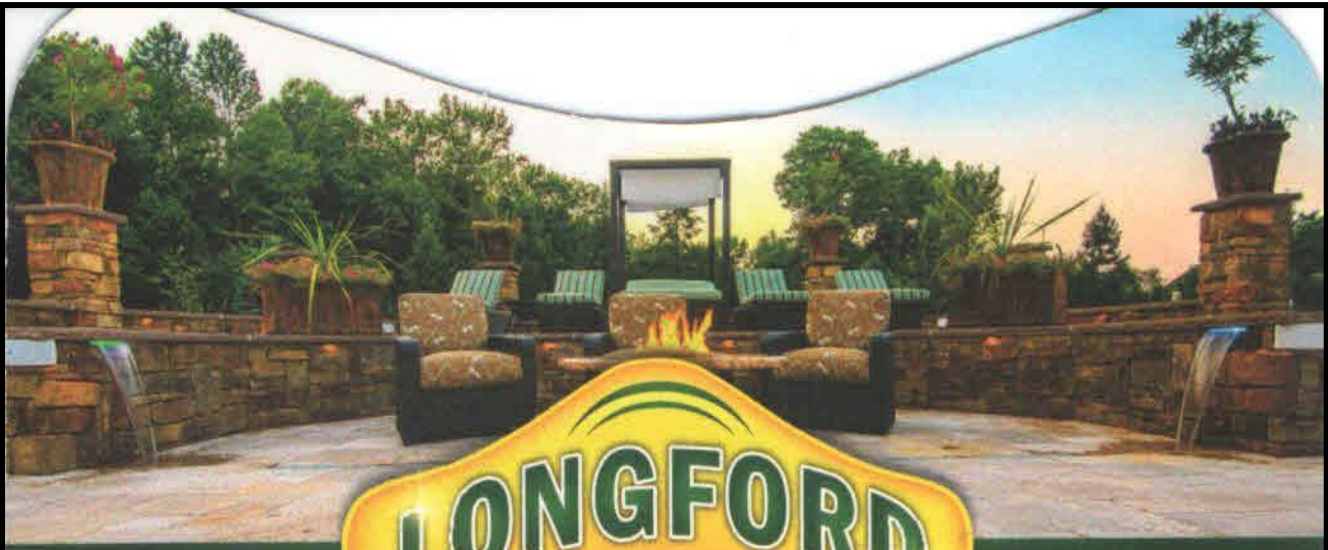
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LETTERS TO THE FTA

December 17, 2017

Dear Former Troopers Association,

The family of the late Anthony D. Terrigno wishes to thank you for your sympathy and kindness during this difficult time. Thank you for the lovely plaque in memory of Anthony.

*Sincerely,
Robyn Terrigno and family*

December 19, 2017

Dear FTA,

Many thanks for all the unseen things you guys do on a daily basis. I wish I lived closer to stop in for a cup of coffee and spread some good rumors.

God bless all of you, all of you are on my mind all the time. Some time I will make the last patrol, put my good side toward the camera, only kidding.

Leo J. Kerwin, Jr., #1891

December 26, 2017

President Maggio,

Enclosed is a contribution from the McGrath Family in memory of Sergeant John J. McGrath, #961 with much appreciation to the State Police & The Association for being a very important part of our Father's life.

The McGrath's

January 5, 2018

NJ Former Troopers Heritage Foundation,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to the Assist the Officer- Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund. Please allow this letter to serve as your tax deduction receipt for the amount of \$1,000.00.

As you know, Assist the Officer is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization established to provide assistance to Houston police officers injured or disabled in the line of duty. Since 1991, Assist the Officer has provided more than \$1,000,000 to injured Houston police officers and their families.

Due to the unprecedented destruction caused by Hurricane Harvey, Assist the Officer opened the Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund. Assist the Officer is currently providing assistance to all law enforcement officers in Harris County who fell victim to the damage of Hurricane Harvey.

We could not accomplish this goal without the support of our friends in the community.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, and more importantly, the men and women who wear the badge, thank you for your support.

With Gratitude,
Krystal LaReau
Executive Assistant

January 31, 2018

Dear Former Troopers Association,

Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

The Russell Dunfee Family

February 20, 2018

Dear FTA,

Thank you for the pictures of Lew and the plaque you recently sent to us. We appreciate it very much. Also, thanks for your offer to help us if needed.

Doris Venuti and Family

Captain Ernest J. Volkmann, #2547 (Ret)

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LAST PATROL

CAPTAIN HARRY J. GARBE, JR., #1156



GARBE, HARRY J. JR., #1156, passed away on 24 November 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 1 December 1952 as a member of the 42nd Class and retired at the rank of Captain on 1 July 1979. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps during WW

II and survived the battle for Iwo Jima. He served the State Police as Commandant of the Academy at Sea Girt. He loved sports and was inducted into the Riverside, NJ High School Hall of Fame. He is survived by his wife of 62 years Eileen, his sons Brian, Shawn, Patrick and daughters Colleen and Noeleen, 14 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

SGT ANTONIO D. TERRIGNO, #2514



TERRIGNO, ANTONIO D. #2514, passed away on Sunday, 26 November 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 17 October 1969 as a member of the 79th Class and retired at the rank of Sergeant on 7 October 1996. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Viet Nam War with the 2nd Armored Division and was discharged in September 1968.

He is survived by his wife Robyn, three children, daughter Christine, two sons Angelo and Joseph, four grandchildren Jacob, Ashton Quinn and granddaughter Lily.

**LIEUTENANT RICHARD
R. HORN, #1749**



HORN, RICHARD R., #1749, passed away on 30 November 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 5 February 1962 as a member of the 59th Class. He retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 September 1991. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps from 1957 to 1960. He was predeceased by his wife Lucy who died in 2011. He is survived by a son Richard Jr., a daughter Denise and four grandchildren.

**SGT RAYMOND E.
LEMIEUX, #2703**



LEMIEUX, RAYMOND E. #2703, passed away on Tuesday 21 November 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 5 March 1971 as a member of the 84th Class and retired at the rank of Sergeant on 1 April 1998. He proudly served in the United States Coast Guard from 1963 until 1967. He also served as a Police Officer with the Hightstown N.J. Police Department. He is survived by his son Gregory."

**CAPTAIN THOMAS P.
O'BRIEN, #1903**



O'BRIEN, THOMAS P., #1903 passed away on Wednesday, 6 December 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 25 May 1964 as a member of the 64th Class and retired at the rank

of Captain on 1 December 1991. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps for four years. He is survived by his wife of 52 years Joanne, daughters Shelly and Tara, a son Tom and five grandchildren also his brothers Dennis and Ritchie and sister Colleen.

**TROOPER RUSSELL F.
HAWKE, #2018**



HAWKE, RUSSELL F., #2018, passed away on Friday, 12 December 2017. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 13 September 1965 as a member of the 68th Class and retired on 1 November 1985. He is survived by his Mother Evelyn Hawke; his niece Stacy Haykel, his nephew Joseph Begley. Predeceased by his Father Francis Hawke in 2005.

**DSG WILLIAM J.
HUNTER, #1403**



HUNTER, WILLIAM J., #1403, passed away on 31 December 2017 at the age of 92. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 1 May 1955 as a member of the 48th Class. He served at a number of Troop A Stations and retired at the rank of Detective Sergeant on 1 March 1977. After retirement he served in the Cape May County Sheriff's Department then transferred to Cape May County Social Services as Deputy Chief of Investigations. He proudly served in the United States Navy during WW II in the Pacific Theater and saw action in the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa. He is survived by daughters Victoria Hunter, Adele O'Kane, a son Gilbert and three grandsons.

**LIEUTENANT RUSSELL
L. DUNFEE, #3379**



DUNFEE, RUSSEL L., #3379, passed away recently He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 29 June 1979 as a member of the 95th Class. He retired at the rank of Lieutenant.

**CAPTAIN CLIFFORD
CHIPPENDALE, #1500**



CHIPPENDALE, CLIFFORD #1500, passed away on 3 January 2018 at the age of 85. 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 Captain on 1 November 1984. His assignments as a member of the State Police were Patrol Trooper, Firearms Instructor at the State Police Academy, Internal Affairs, Personnel Department and Labor Relations. He also spearheaded the NJSP Weapons and Tactical Committee and was a driving force to change troopers side arms from revolvers to automatic weapons. He is survived by his wife Maryann, daughters Linda and Beth, son David, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He is predeceased by a daughter Diane.

**DSG RONALD J.
BUNKOWSKI, #2851**



BUNKOWSKI, RONALD J. #2851, passed away on Tuesday, 9 January 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 22 June 1973 as a member of the 88th Class and retired at the rank of Detective Sergeant on 1 December 1999. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Theresa, a son Ronald Jr. and two daughters Alise and Tracy, a brother Larry Bunkowski and four grand-children.

**LIEUTENANT LEWIS
VENUTI, #1131**



VENUTI, LEWIS #1131, passed away on 31 January 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 24 June 1952 as a member of the 41st Class and retired on 1 April 1978 at the rank of Lieutenant. He is survived by his wife Doris, 3 children, daughter Lynn Kirk, sons Rich Venuti and Jim Venuti and three grandchildren Kyle, Courtney and Ed.

**CAPTAIN ROBERT E.
FECHISIN, #2859**



FECHISIN, ROBERT E., #2859, passed away on Tuesday, 6 February 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 22 June 1973 as a member of the 88th Class and retired in 2006 at the rank of Captain, Troop "B" Headquarters. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Wendy, a son Joel and his wife Janine.

**SGT STANLEY E.
MATUSIEWICZ, #1718**



MATUSIEWICZ, STANLEY E., #1718, passed away on Tuesday, 30 January 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 2 October 1961 as a member of the 58th Class and retired on 1 July 1986 at the rank of Sergeant. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps. He is survived by his wife Lorraine, his daughter Jill and her husband George Gohr and his sister Jean Zabecki.

**SFC JOHN J. FRECH,
#2199**



FRECH, JOHN J., #2199, passed away on Tuesday, 20 February 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 25 August 1967 as a member of the 73rd Class and retired at the rank of Sergeant First Class on 1

October 1988. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Ruth M. Frech, his daughters Kimberly and Jacqueline, son Kevin and his granddaughter Amanda Beamer.

**SFC EDWARD W. BOW,
#2365**



BOW, EDWARD W., #2365, passed away on Monday, 19 February 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 7 February 1969 as a member of the 77th Class and retired at the rank of Sergeant First Class on 1 October 1997. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps from 1963 until 1969. He was a Purple Heart Veteran, having served a tour in the Viet Nam War. He is predeceased by his parents. He is survived by his wife Grazyna, a son Anker Eric, two daughters Barbara, and Eileen, a sister Betty Ann Belliveau and a brother Anker Stephen Bow.

**LIEUTENANT STEPHEN
J. FLYNN, #3100**



FLYNN, STEPHEN J., #3100, passed away on Tuesday, 20 February 2018 at his home in Las Vegas Nevada. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 2 May 1977 as a member of the 92nd Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant in 2006. He served primarily in the Troop C area and reached the rank of Lieutenant as the Station Commander at Tuckerton. He is survived by his wife of 26 years Carol, daughters Bridget and Jonelle, son Sergeant Nathan S. Flynn, #7024 and four grandchildren.

**TROOPER HENRY A.
KODER, #1851**



KODER, HENRY A., #1851, passed away on 12 January 2018 in Bronson, Florida. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on

2 March 1964 as a member of the 63rd Class and resigned on 15 March 1973. He moved to Florida where he served another 20 years as a member of the Jupiter, Florida Police Department. He proudly served in the United States Navy, 6 years active duty and 14 in the Reserves as a member of the Seabees. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth, two daughters Kimberly and Dawn and a granddaughter Eddie Ann.

**LIEUTENANT WILLIAM
H. SCHAUMAN, #1308**



SCHAUMAN, WILLIAM H., #1308, passed away on 9 March 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 30 April 1954 a member of the 45th Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 October 1979. He served in "A" Troop and CIS Division Headquarters where he was assigned as the supervisor of the Major Crimes Unit. He proudly served in the United States Navy as a Machinist Mate. He was predeceased by his wife Alexa. He is survived by his children Sandy, Bill, Nicki, and nine grandchildren.

**LIEUTENANT ROBERT
W. CLAUSS, #946**



CLAUSS, ROBERT W., #946, passed away on Monday 26 March 2018 at Cooper Hospital, Camden, N.J. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 1 August 1950 as a member of the 37th Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 March 1978. He proudly served in the United States Navy during WW II aboard the destroyer USS Bryant. He served as a patrol Trooper in the Troop "A" area and was one of the first Troopers assigned to patrol the New Jersey Turnpike when it opened in November 1951. His final assignment before retiring was as a Lieutenant in command of the Firearms Investigation Unit. When he retired he became a Special Agent with the National Auto Theft Bureau. He was predeceased by his wife of 65 years, Alice. He is survived by five children, Carol, Robert, John, Kurt and Kristine, and seven grandchildren.

**LIEUTENANT
PHILLIP R. CALITRE,
#1560**



CALITRE, PHILLIP R., #1560, passed away on 27 March 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 24 March 1958 as a member of the 53rd Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 September 1986. He proudly served in the United States Navy. After retirement he became Director of Security at Montclair State University. He is survived by his wife of 64 years Margaret, son Phillip C., daughter Laura, and two grandchildren. He is predeceased by a daughter Deborah Blauvelt.

**TROOPER I ROBERT
REYNOLDS, #2584**



REYNOLDS, ROBERT, #2584, passed away on Thursday, 29 March 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 15 May 1970 as a member of the 81st Class and retired on 1 June 1990. He proudly served in the United States Navy. When he retired he worked for the Sussex County Prosecutors Office. He is survived by his wife Joann P., two sons Robert and Langdon, a daughter Jennifer, and five grandchildren.

**TROOPER CHARLES
J. HANLON, JR.
#2529**



HANLON, CHARLES J., #2529, passed away on 20 March 2018. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 6 February 1970 a member of the 80th Class and resigned on 1 October 1977. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth.

FTA FAMILY & FRIENDS

Nicholas Pulieo, Sr., owner of Pulieo's Service Center, passed away on December 1, 2017.

Dale E. Tout, retired State Police Mechanic, passed away in mid-January 2018.

Kathleen Winne-Martowicz, cherished Sister of Lt. Brian E. Winne, #5852, passed away on February 13, 2018.

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Carol Read, beloved Wife of SGT William I. Read, #2980 (Ret), passed away in mid-March 2018.

Susan R. Weidl, beloved Wife of SSGT Carl M. Weidl, #3072 (Ret), passed away on March 14, 2018.

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