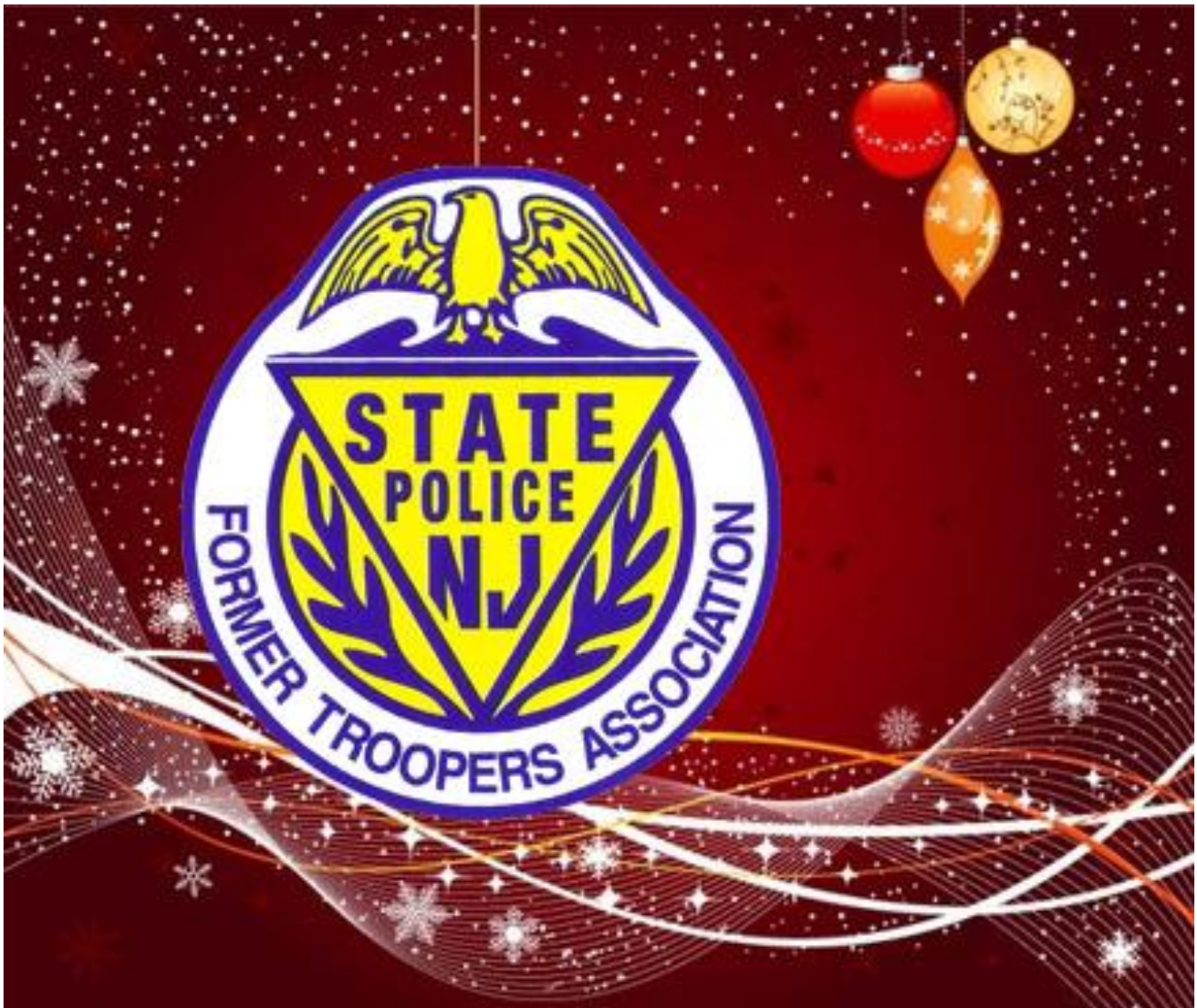




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On behalf of every FTA Officer, Director and Staff Member, I'd like to wish everyone all the happiness of the holiday season, and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope you and your families had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Well the 2016 Presidential election is over after 18 months of electioneering. My only thought is that everyone voted, no matter who you voted for. Your voting right is very important in our democratic society. Now we have a President-Elect taking over in January. Let's see what happens in the next 4 years. Good luck President-Elect Trump.

As most of you already know, our health benefits for members over 65 are changing over from Medicare to Medicare Advantage as of Jan. 1, 2017 for those under Horizon Blue Cross & Blue Shield. (Those using Aetna have already been changed almost 1 year ago). Horizon or Aetna will be your primary carrier, not Medicare. Horizon or Aetna will pay the providing doctor or hospital 100% and recoup 80% from Medicare. The State of NJ will pay a onetime fee of \$9,000 for each employee over 65 to either Horizon or Aetna which will cover the 20% of coverage the State of NJ usually paid. This is based on life expectancy of people dying between the age of 65 and 75. The insurance companies now control all payments to doctors and hospitals. Allegedly the State of NJ will save about 500 million dollars a year in this changeover. The governments, both State and Federal are opting out of the medical insurance business and turning health insurance over to private insurance companies. On any co-pays, the maximum you would have to pay for a health event is \$6,700.00 for something that was not covered. Under Obama Care, the Federal Government would pick up anything over \$6,700.00 though it would probably be a lot less of a co-pay. My advice is to wait one year and see if you experience any changes in coverage. I asked members at our open meeting on November 5th who have been on Medicare Advantage through Aetna and they stated they have not experienced any changes. **This information may or may not be correct. I received it from police meetings I attended and from others verbally. Not much is written down on this subject.**

As far as our NJ police permit to carry (RPO), there is no push to extend the permit from one to two years. I was advised personally by Senator Stephen Sweeney, President of the Senate, that extending the permit period to two years should be done by the Attorney General's Office or the Superintendent of State Police. So if you are interested in this extension of the permit, please either write to the Attorney General or the Superintendent. The more letters the merrier. Also the bills to have the age of the carry permit extended to 80 have been written and sit in the Public Safety Committee. The Senate bill is S-77 and the Assembly bill is A-133. If you are interested in the change to 80 please write to your respective Assemblyman or Senator. Again the more letters the merrier. I have made numerous calls to Senator Sweeney and Assemblyman Vincent Prieto, the Speaker of the Assembly and so far have had little response.

For those of you living in the Sunshine State of Florida, a Constitutional Amendment #3 was passed on November 8, 2016 which "supported providing property tax exemption to first responders who have been permanently disabled in the line of duty." So if you have been permanently disabled on the job, even in N. J. visit your tax assessor to see if you qualify for the exemption. You must now be a resident of Florida.

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

Season's Greetings Everyone! I must be honest, I for one have never really cared for that holiday greeting. Not because its politically correct, but because I was raised in the belief of keeping Christ in Christmas, and that post-Thanksgiving is the Christmas Season! I expect that some of you will agree with me, while others, not-so-much. And that's alright, depending on your perspective.

I recently came upon a "Holiday Calendar," depicting the celebrated holidays of the United States and Common Holidays, Christian/Catholic Holidays, Jewish Holidays, Muslim Holidays, and Misc. & International Holidays. What an eye-opener to what I have held fast to be the "Christmas Season."

This year, 2016, just post-Thanksgiving, we have on the November 25th Black Friday; Small Business Day on the 26th; Cyber Monday on the 28th; Giving Tuesday on the 29th, which by the way happens to be the third biggest Internet sales day behind Black Friday and Cyber Monday; World Aids Day on December 1st; International Day for the Abolition of Slavery on December 2nd; Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day on December 7th; Immaculate Conception Day on December 8th; and get this "Anti-Corruption Day" on December 9th, like we need a day to celebrate or remember anti-corruption; Human Rights Day on the 10th; Mawlid Un Nabi on December 11th, celebrated in some Muslim countries as the birthday of the prophet Muhammad; Green Monday on December 12th, to promote green lifestyle choices; International Migrants Day on the 18th, appointed by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 2000; Winter Solstice on December 21st, the shortest day and longest night of the year; Hanukkah, the eight day Jewish festival, known as the Festival of Lights, celebrated December 24th to December 31st; and Christmas, which celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ is of course on December 25th; Kwanzaa, the African-American & Pan-American celebration of family, community and culture is celebrated December 26 through January 1st; and lastly, The Feast of Saint John the Apostle is celebrated on December 27th.

So, it's true, it all does depend on your perspective. Now I'm not one to promote the insult or defamation of anyone's political or religious views. I don't do that to others and I won't abide to others doing it to me. I'll just leave it like this: *Season's Greetings Everyone? Nah, Bah Humbug. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Everyone!* At least we all can agree on Happy New Year, can't we?



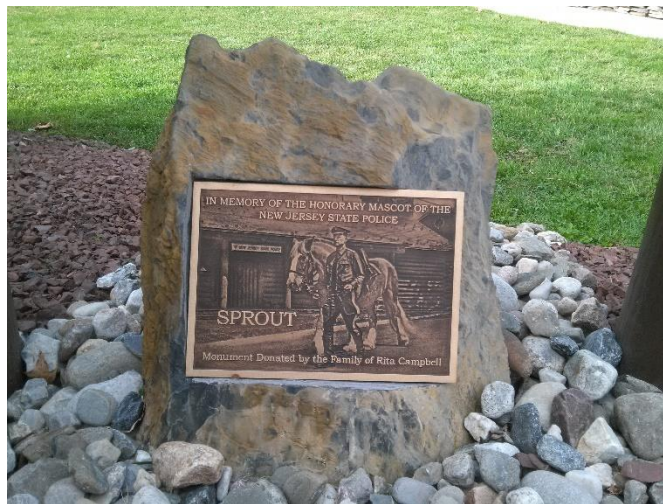
A little closer to home. I had the privilege of attending and very special dedication on October 13th at the State Police Museum and Learning Center – Log Cabin. It wasn't your usual dedication to memorialize a past member, building or event. It was much more, especially in light of the volunteer service performed over many years in all kinds of weather and at all types of occasions.



On a beautiful fall day, a cadre of well-wishers approaching 100, gathered in the courtyard in memory of the Honorary Mascot of the New Jersey State Police – Sprout. I’ve reported on Sprout over the years and anyone who has attended a State Police related function can remember seeing that elusive Mounted Jersey Trooper and his trusted steed in the background. After several stories were offered, Lt. Theodore W. “Ted” Schafer, #5207, that elusive Mounted Jersey Trooper and his wife Deanna unveiled the newest monument, a Hitching Post in honor of Sprout’s and their service to ‘The Outfit.’

While Lt. Schafer no doubt could have furnished a plethora of Sprout stories, he chose instead to share his personal relationship with his trusted steed and how well Sprout took to his duty as the unofficial State Police Mascot. Ted explained that Sprout knew when to be the so-called “Show-horse” and when to be a “Work-horse,” the always gentle and sturdy vehicle for many a ride of children of all ages. He truly appreciated the opportunity he and Ted made to be something very special to so many.

News of Sprout’s unexpected passing on March 14, 2016, left many to sense a void in that patrol, yet some profess that Sprout’s passing was due to a higher calling. Colonel Fuentes professed, on that day, Sprout was to participate in the funeral of Trooper Sean E. Cullen, #7594, there to perform the duties of the rider less horse. Instead, Sprout was called away to give Trooper Cullen his ride into heaven.



Visit: <https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/HitchingPostPics.pdf>

And here's an update on our own "Marathon Man" and reigning Former Trooper of the Year, Lt. John Ouweleen, #1759 (Ret). Since the last newsletter, John competed in the Amsterdam, Netherlands Marathon on October 16, 2016. Upon returning home John sent me the following update:

Raced the Amsterdam Netherlands Marathon on October 16, 2016. And it was a successful event. Ran a 3:29:51 on a much slower and relaxed course. Results, 1 first place finish in the 75-79 age group, overcoming the 2nd place finisher by 13 minutes. The subsequent vacation was great, with many sights to see. Including Rotterdam, the city of my father's birth. Nice people, great food, excellent transportation.

Then on November 27th John competed in the Space Coast Half Marathon in Cocoa Village, Florida. I understand that John smoked the competition, winning his 75-79 age group with a time of 1:38:19. That's a 7:31 pace for 13.1 miles! John outpaced the 2nd place finisher by 1:19:55. WOW!

Come April 17, 2017, it will be John's 10th time competing in the Boston Marathon. We'll be routing for John, and I'll keep you posted on his future successes.

In closing, I must say, "Thank God the election is over!" While this year's historic election has certainly filled our every waking moment with the most personal and vulgar campaign rhetoric, I've never witnessed the level of continuous political advertising, both nationally and locally, as this election produced. Unfortunately, most of it mirrored the snippets and soundbites perpetrated by opposing candidates, sensationalized by our biased main street media. While I doubt much of it will recede in the next few months, at least we won't have to watch the incessant repetitive commercials on the television. That is until next year's campaign season.

PS: Congratulations President Elect Donald Trump! Hopefully, he will be able to turn the tide on our growing \$20 trillion debt, return lost jobs back to the U.S., strengthen and support our military services, and return us to the law and order country we once were, where the United States Constitution is no longer under attack from radical liberals bent of changing it to adhere to their socialist views. In essence, a political outsider is going to Washington, elected by the people to do one thing, "Make America Great Again!"

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



FEATURED MEMBER(S)

PHIL BERMAN BOXER "LEGEND IN HIS OWN TIME"

As a follow-up to recent articles featuring Lt. Philip Berman, #1192; he was inducted posthumously into the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame at its 47th Annual Dinner and Induction Ceremonies at the Venetian, Garfield, New Jersey. In attendance to join Lt. Berman's family were Captain Sal Maggio, #2177 (Ret), Lt. Frederick T. Martens, #2215 (Ret), and SFC Fredrick M. Staudinger, #2313 (Ret). The following is an accompanying article authored by Captain Maggio and pics memorializing this occasion.

Lt. Phil Berman 1192 GRADUATED THE New Jersey State Police Academy on August 1, 1953, as a member of the 43rd Class. He retired on August 1, 1980 as a Lieutenant in the Emergency Management Section, Division Headquarters.



Visit: <https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/Bermanpics.pdf>

Lt. Berman was a State Police Instructor at the Academy from the middle 1960's through the middle of the 1970's, including my class, the 72nd in 1967. (Lt. Berman was a buck Sergeant then and in charge of the physical fitness and self-defense program which included boxing). We all knew that he was some type of boxer before becoming a trooper but little of his career in boxing. He was not a bragger or pompous about it. I still did not know much about his boxing career until I was contacted a few months ago by his daughter Ellen Berman of California. She advised me that her father, Phil Berman was being inducted into the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame on November 3, 2016 at their gala event at the Venetian in Garfield, N.J. Ms. Berman asked me if I would attend this affair which I accepted and brought along two FTA members, Lt. Fred Martens 2215 (ret) and DSFC Fred Staudinger 2313 (ret). There were 14 fighters inducted, including 4 posthumously, which included Lt. Phil Berman. There were about 500 people at this event and it was a first class event.

Now a little about Lt. Berman's boxing career before he was a trooper. He started boxing as an amateur boxer at around age 15. He, as a heavyweight eventually won the Golden Gloves and then the Diamond Gloves Awards. As a professional he had about 20 fights, winning about 18. As a professional he is remembered for a 28 second first round knockout at Madison Square Garden which is noted as one of the fastest knockouts in Madison Square Garden history. He also fought in Yankee Stadium in New York City. His career was interrupted by World War 11 when he joined the Navy. He injured his wrist while in the Navy and when he came out he was unable to continue in his fight career. Lt. Berman then became a Paterson NJ Fireman for about a year before entering the N.J. State Police Academy and becoming a trooper. As an Academy Instructor, Lt. Berman authored the N. J. State Police Physical Fitness Manuel which was used for many years to come.

Lt. Berman was represented by his family at this event, his daughter Ellen Berman, his son Joseph Berman and his grandson Lewis Berman. They were presented with a beautiful plaque which has a championship belt on it. The FTA is having a duplicate plaque made that will probably hang in the hallway between the State Police Museum and the Log Cabin.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sal Maggio
President, FTA

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Over the years, I've come to rely on the expertise of our own noted historian when seeking out information on historical events involving members of 'The Outfit.' Considered a world-renowned expert on the Lindbergh Kidnapping Case, he is also the premier authority on the history of the New Jersey State Police. He has served as an advisor on many noteworthy projects, articles, books, and yes, even some movies, not to mention his own list of published works. And while he remains the caretaker and archivist of our State Police history, the friendships he has established over the years has instilled in him the traditions that were forged over the decades. And from time to time, he shares important snippets of State Police lore with those of us who appreciate it the most, Jersey Troopers.

This issue's Historical Highlights article was written by our own noted historian, Archivist Mark W. Falzini, regarding a little known, very noteworthy aspect of how important the Lindbergh Kidnapping was to the New Jersey State Police, and the level of secrecy Colonel Schwarzkopf instilled in that investigation. Featured on his Blog, Archival Ramblings on July 26, 2016, Mark shared what none of us would have considered took place back in 1932. It is being reprinted with his permission (visit <http://www.njspmuseum.blogspot.com>).

THE LINDBERGH-SCHWARZKOPF CIPHER

On March 24, 1932, the superintendent of the New Jersey State Police, Colonel H. Norman Schwarzkopf, dispatched his deputy, Major Charles Schoeffel, to Europe to investigate any possible foreign connection to the Lindbergh kidnapping. The intention was for him to secretly meet with investigators at Scotland Yard and other European investigation agencies and show them Photostatic copies of the various ransom notes received by Colonel Lindbergh and his representatives. He was also to show them photographs of the Lindbergh Estate and other evidence in hopes of receiving any "advice, suggestions or criticism concerning the facts in hand." He sailed first for London, England, on March 28th aboard the RMS Mauritania. From London, he continued on to Paris, Berlin, Vienna and Rome.

Although this was supposed to be a secret mission, the press immediately knew Schoeffel was heading abroad. On April 1st, he received a telegram from the editor of the Daily Herald in London saying that "New York messages state you coming England investigate Lindbergh baby" [sic] and further requesting details of his plans. "This was followed by a visit from one of the women passengers who introduced herself as a sister of the editor of the Universal News, Inc. at London. She stated she had a cable which advised her I was on board and requested her to obtain an interview with me as to my plans."

Major Schoeffel did not intend to grant anyone an interview. He disclosed his secret identity to the ship's captain and asked him to send "a coded message to Colonel Schwarzkopf explaining the fact that I had received the telegram stated above and requesting what attitude to take towards the press."

The "code" used by Schwarzkopf and Schoeffel was a simple substitution cipher, similar to the "Crypto-quip" found in many daily newspapers today. In this kind of cipher, replacing it with a different letter encrypts each letter of the alphabet. "The substitution is fixed for each letter of the alphabet. Thus, if "a" is encrypted to "R", then every time we see the letter "a" in the plaintext, we replace it with the letter "R" in the ciphertext."¹ This kind of cipher traces back to the days of Julius Caesar. In his case, Caesar simply shifted the letters to the right by three. So, A became C; B became D and so on. In this case, "CAESAR" would then be written as "DCHVCU".

The cipher employed by Colonel Schwarzkopf and Major Schoeffel randomly reassigned letters to replace the standard alphabet. In this case, A became C, B became J, and C became B, and so on. Each had a copy of the

¹ <http://crypto.interactive-maths.com/monoalphabetic-substitution-ciphers.html>

“key” that would allow him to encipher and decipher messages. When sending a telegram, Schwarzkopf or Schoeffel would first write out then replace the letters of the original “plaintext” message with the cipher. This would then be sent overseas by telegram. If the press intercepted it, it would take them too long to decipher the message for it to be of any use to them.

Charles Lindbergh also used a simple substitution cipher for his coded messages to and from Schwarzkopf and others working on the investigation. The difference was that Lindbergh used numbers instead of letters. But he also added a bit of a twist.

The simplest form of numeric substitution simply replaces a letter with its numbered position in the alphabet. For example, A is the first letter of the alphabet so A = 1. B is the second letter, so B = 2; C = 3; D = 4; E = 5 and so on. In this version of the numeric cipher, LINDBERGH would be written as 12 9 14 4 2 5 18 7 8. The twist that Lindbergh added was that, rather than using the numerical value of the plaintext letter, he used the numerical value of new letter assigned by Schwarzkopf’s cipher. It sounds confusing but it is actually quite simple.

In the plaintext alphabet, A = A = 1; B = B = 2; C = C = 3 (A=1; B=2; C=3) and so on. In Schwarzkopf’s cipher, A = C; B = J; C = B. Lindbergh used the numerical value of the replacement letter to represent the plaintext letter. Therefore, A = C = 3; B = J = 10; C = B = 2 (A=3, B=10; C=2). In other words, he encoded the message twice; first by replacing the original letters with those from the cipher and then by changing the cipher letters into their numerical value.

<i>Plaintext</i>	<i>Schwarzkopf Cipher</i>	<i>Lindbergh Cipher</i>
A	C	3
B	J	10
C	B	2
D	L	12
E	Q	17
F	N	14
G	T	20
H	U	21
I	X	24
J	Z	26
K	W	23
L	Y	25
M	M	13
N	H	8
O	I	9
P	S	19
Q	K	11
R	D	4
S	E	5
T	F	6
U	G	7
V	V	22
W	P	16
X	A	1
Y	O	15
Z	R	18
0		33
1		28
2		31

3		30
4		36
5		34
6		35
7		27
8		29
9		32

The following is a sample of a coded message that was written by Lindbergh. Note: the dashes separate words and the periods separate individual letters:²

19.25.17.3.5.17-2.9.13.13.7.8.24.2.3.6.17-2.9.25-25.24.8.12.10.17.4.20.21

Whether or not Lindbergh actually used his version is unknown. And there is only one telegram known to still exist that was encoded using the Schwarzkopf-Schoeffel Cipher. Major Schoeffel sent it to Colonel Schwarzkopf while in London. The message simply states:

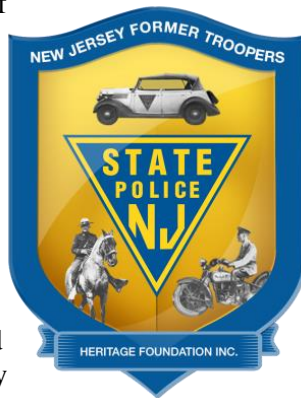
XG LXZR GYRXL ZSMXOF GNHZPRXL DXGSPG RSPGOFXGOYF WZYCXCDL USZMXFL OT
ZSWDL PSFR GYMS FSK PIYGDXFR LXZR.³

During the early investigation of the Crime of the Century, the movements of the State Police detectives were under great scrutiny. While not protecting diplomatic or military secrets, the codes employed by Lindbergh and the State Police were needed to keep the voracious appetite of the press for information in check.

BUSINESS UPDATES

N.J. FORMER TROOPERS HERITAGE FOUNDATION, INC.

Since last year’s FTA reorganization, the N.J. Former Troopers Heritage Foundation, Inc., has certainly established itself as the benevolence arm of ‘non-profit’ 501(c)(3), all aspects of benevolent donations fall within the worthy duties were undertaken by the dictates that a ‘non-profit’ organization operations. As such, you will see the and more projects aimed at assisting our noteworthy charitable organizations. All Please help-out when you can. If you before year’s end, ask them to make it with work for your Association, its members, and can be made through the Quarter Century www.njformertroopersheritagefoundation.org. deductible. As always, thank you for your support!



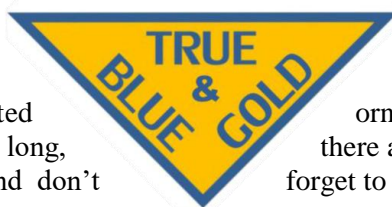
our triangle of organizations. As our true soliciting donations, fund raising, and Mission of the Foundation. While those FTA in the past, today’s corporate world handle those benevolent business Heritage Foundation involved in more membership, ‘The Outfit,’ and other that requires donations, large and small! know of a business looking to donate us. You’ll be able to see those donations other worthy charities. Member donations Club, or by visiting our website at: Every donation is greatly appreciated and tax

² Lindbergh’s message decodes as “Please communicate Col. Lindbergh”

³ Sorry, As Editor I’ve taken the liberty of making it just a little more intriguing to verify your cipher. For those of you who wish to check your cryptology skills you will first need to test your investigative skills and locate the decipher elsewhere in this newsletter publication. In the meantime, MQDDO BUDXEFMCE!

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The Christmas rush has already begun and there are a number of new items available to fill your gift basket, including our newly minted brass ornament depicting the State Police Helicopter. It's the second in a long series of annual State Police related ornaments that we should be offering for years to come. Don't procrastinate too long, there are only about 200 ornaments left, and they will go faster than you think. And don't forget to get your SP/FTA 2017 Calendar.



Our Logo Merchandise Sales Operation will return to the Log Cabin on December 17th to make this year's Holiday Party/Open House more convenient for all attendees. While we are very happy with our Logo Store operation at the former Wilburtha Station, it gets quite crowded during the Christmas Rush. So, join us in ringing in the Christmas Season at Division Headquarters on the 17th surrounded by all the festivities, and of course a visit by Saint Nicholas.

As you may well know, our Internet sales operation is taking off at a very respectable rate. If you would rather do your shopping via the Internet, check us out at our web store at: <http://store.ftanjsp.org/>, or on the FTA Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/Former-Troopers-Association-of-NJ-1382368762059216/>.



FTA SOCIAL EVENTS



THE 12TH ANNUAL SURVIVORS CUP MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT took place on Tuesday, October 11, 2016, at the Mercer Oaks Golf Course, Princeton Junction, New Jersey. 101 Golfers participated in this annual fall outing to support our honored families. All proceeds benefit the New Jersey State Police Survivors of the Triangle C.O.P.S. Chapter.



Visit: <https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/SurvivorsCupPics.pdf>

SAVE THE DATES



THE 2015 STATE POLICE HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

The date for the annual State Police Holiday Open House has been scheduled for Saturday, December 17, 2016, at the State Police Museum and Learning Center, between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. As always, **ALL** Enlisted, Retired, and Civilian Employees (past and present) and their families are cordially invited. Plan to come out and help usher in the arrival of the Christmas Season to Division Headquarters.

As in the past, a fine gathering of our State Police family and friends, numbering in the hundreds is expected to be on hand to welcome jolly old Saint Nicholas, hopefully, arriving compliments of the NJSP Aviation Bureau. Children of all ages will be eagerly waiting to sit on Santa's lap, each hoping that he will grant their wish with a special present come Christmas morning. Don't miss out on this special occasion.

In addition to a huge assortment of food and refreshments, this year we will make available an even larger selection of State Police and FTA Logo merchandise. In addition to our fine selection of T-Shirts, sweats, hats, and assorted memorabilia, we now offer an expanded selection of clothing, State Police related books, prints, jewelry and more. Don't forget to obtain your SP/FTA 2017 calendars, and don't miss out on this opportunity to purchase that special gift for that special active, retired, or "future" Jersey Trooper.

THE 2016 ANNUAL FLORIDA WINTER PARTY

The Florida Winter Party will be held on Tuesday, March 7th and Wednesday, March 8th, 2017 at the Crown Plaza Melbourne Oceanside, which is still a Holiday Inn facility.

Festivities will begin on Tuesday, March 7th with a cocktail party starting at 3:00 p.m. There will be an open bar until 6:00 p.m., followed by a buffet at 7:00 p.m. After the buffet, there will be a D/J present for your dancing pleasure. The reunion will begin on Wednesday, March 8th. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. A sit-down luncheon will begin at 1:00 p.m.

The costs are \$30.00 per day per person in good standing, thus \$120.00 per couple for two days. For former Troopers not in good standing the cost is \$50.00 per day per person, or \$200.00 per couple for two days. Payment for the dinners, etc. must be made through the FTA Office. **Use the Registration Form on page #33!** No tickets will be sold at the door. No tickets will be mailed. Your name will appear on a prepaid list at the door.

The hotel is currently taking reservations and will accept them at our rate from Saturday, March 4th through Friday March 10th, 2017. Please **DO NOT** call the toll-free number. Call the direct number for the hotel at (321)777-4100. Be sure to identify yourself as being with the New Jersey State Police. Use the code "FNJ." Reservations can be made for a week or less with the same discount. The cut-off date for making room reservations will be FEBRUARY24, 2017. Don't Forget "You Snooze You Lose."

Room Rates are as follows:

\$119.00 Standard Non-Oceanfront View	\$139.00 Standard Partial View
\$184.00 Oceanfront w/Balcony	\$214.00 Oceanfront Suite

Directions are:

Coming North on I-95 to Exit #71; take Route #192 East to Atlantic Avenue (Route #A1A), make a left and travel 3 miles to the Crown Plaza Inn on the right.

Coming South on I-95 to Exit 72; take Route 518 East to Atlantic Avenue (Route # A1A), make a right and travel 4 miles to the Crown Plaza Inn on the left.

Any problems, contact Moe Waschmann at (239)542-8098.

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 #33!**

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!

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 continue to reprinted this article due to the importance of the information.)

HEALTH, SECURITY & MISC. INFORMATION

FORMER TROOPER OF THE YEAR

Nominations for the 2017 Former New Jersey State Trooper of the Year Award will be 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.

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)

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 well-being 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.

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

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



I-r: Retirees Tpr. Charlie Korostynski, #1997; Lt. Fred Martens, #2215; Joseph Dougherty of the Pennsylvania Crime Commission; Capt. Mike McLaughlin, #2118; and Lt. George Wren, #3680 gathered in Blackwood with Colonel Justin J. Dintino, #1152 to celebrate his 88th Birthday.



South Jersey Retirees gather at the Kove Restaurant, Audubon, NJ on 11/9/2016.

Visit: <https://www.ftanjsp.org/newsletter/KovePics.pdf>

BESSIE'S CORNER



Hope everyone had a happy and warm Thanksgiving with family and friends. This is the time of year to count our blessings and get ready for the holidays and new year!

As we move to the end of 2016, and into 2017, start the new year off right and make sure your important paperwork is in order and up to date. Has there been an addition to your family? Is ALL of your information current and up to date? Need to change your beneficiary for your pension and/or life insurance? If so, be sure and contact Pensions and Benefits at 609-292-7524 and have your information updated right away, do not delay. Do your loved ones know where to locate all your important documents and information? If not, why not take the time now to get it all together and advise folks where it can be found. **Be sure to notify Gail at the FTA office at 609-882-2000, ext 2220, with spouse, address, telephone and email changes.**

If you have a computer, or access to one, I cannot stress enough the convenience of setting up a **Members Benefit Online System (MBOS)** account online with Pensions and Benefits. Your MBOS account will allow you to see all of your information relating to health benefits coverage, beneficiary information, as well as various important information and documents relating to your pension. If you don't have an account, why not set one up now? Most requested changes and needed documents can be changed or downloaded right from the site. To set up your account, click here for step by step instructions:

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

2017 Health and Dental Benefits Rates and Information:

It's no surprise that 2017 State health benefits rates have increased. The rates for the two most popular plans, NJ Direct 10 and 15 are as follows:

NJ Direct 10 (\$10 co-pay): Single on Medicare: \$556.34;	Single NO Medicare: \$1348.64
NJ Direct 15 (\$15 co-pay): Single on Medicare: \$533.39;	Single NO Medicare: \$1285.78

For a full listing of all health benefit programs and the 2017 Health Benefit Rates, click here:

http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/hb_open_enrollment_2016/state-retired-full.pdf

For those who are enrolled in a dental plan, the full listing of plans and costs can be found here:

http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/hb_open_enrollment_2016/retiree-dental.pdf

For those who pay in more than the standard rate for Medicare Parts B and D, these additional premiums are reimbursable. The due date for 2016 reimbursements has not been determined, but information regarding the process can be found here:

<http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/retireeltrs.shtml>

NEW for 2017 - MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS

Now what MOST of you have been waiting for, additional information and clarification of the new Medicare Advantage Plans, Aetna Medicare Advantage and Horizon Medicare Advantage NJ Direct (PPO) plans (both NJ direct 10 & 15).

Those retirees and/or spouses who are currently enrolled in Medicare will automatically be rolled over into one of the above Advantage plans on January 1, 2107. This depends on what State Health Benefits Program you are currently enrolled in, either one of the Aetna or NJ Direct plans

What does this mean to you?

January 1, 2107, you will now be covered under one of the above plans based on your current plan.

You will receive new ID cards, as well as additional information, by mail, later this month, from either Aetna or Horizon NJ Direct.

The Medicare Advantage plans will offer the same level of coverage you currently have, the co-pays and deductibles will remain the same as well.

The Medicare eligible retiree will be enrolled in an Advantage plan, as it provides single coverage only. Those eligible dependents under the age of 65 will remain in your current State Health Benefits Program and you will each have your own ID cards and unique Member number.

The Advantage plans will then become your primary level of care and you are free to see any doctor who accepts Medicare and is willing to treat you. The Explanation of Benefits (EOB) will come directly from either Aetna or Horizon NJ Direct, depending on which plan you are enrolled in.

Prior to January 1, 2017 you will receive, by mail, a Health Assessment that must be completed and mailed back to the insurance carrier. They will provide postage paid envelopes to send back.

For those surviving spouses who must pay the full rate of coverage, 2017 Rates for these plans are the same as the rates for the different Aetna and NJ Plans:

Aetna Freedom 10: \$560.71	Aetna Freedom 15: \$537.30
Horizon NJ Direct 10: \$556.34	Horizon NJ Direct 15: 533.39

For those who have a computer or access to one, you can find more detailed information about these plans, such as comparison charts, frequently asked questions and links to their websites on Pension and Benefits' website:

<http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/med-advantage.shtml>

I know there are folks who do not have computer access and need/want additional information, **PLEASE call me at 609-649-3221** and I can send information in the mail to you. Some of you have already reached out and information was put in the mail to you.

I realize all of these new changes are confusing and a bit intimidating, but please **feel free to reach out to me either by phone or email at BJones@ftanjsp.org**. I will do my best to answer your questions, or do the research to get you an answer. I plan on doing a presentation at the Winter Getaway in Melbourne, Florida in March 2017, so if you plan on attending and have a topic or issue you would like addressed, please let me know and I can put something together.

Also, were you aware that as a retiree, you have a **LIFE INSURANCE BENEFIT** 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 your salary. This benefit is payable to the individual(s) you listed at time of enrollment. For many, this was a very long time ago and the person(s) you originally listed as beneficiary may no longer be around, or your life circumstances have changed and the beneficiary should be changed. Again, 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>

Be sure to check out **Bessie's Corner** for the latest information at:

<https://www.ftanjsp.org/protected/bessie/wordpress/>

As always, it is my pleasure to serve you and I enjoy the conversations with folks, meeting new and reconnecting with past acquaintances. I hope to meet more of you in Melbourne! I want to close with wishing you and your families a happy, healthy and joyous holiday season and the most wonderful 2017!

Happy Holidays to All, See you in March!

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. Eligible student applicants 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 FTA office. Completed applications must be received at the address at the end of the application no later than April 20th 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



"Apparently there's no good or bad children anymore...only misunderstood!"

***God never gives someone a gift they are not capable of receiving.
If he gives us the gift of Christmas, it is because we all have the ability
to understand and receive it.
~ Pope Francis***

***One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living
room on Christmas day. Don't clean it up too quickly.
~ Andy Rooney***

***At Yard Today Remain Thursday Latest Destination Probably Germany
If Reply Send To Me New Scotland Yard.
~ Major Charles Schoeffel***

***Perhaps we are wiser, less foolish and more far-seeing
than we were 200 years ago.
But we are still imperfect in all these things,
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that neither wisdom nor virtue have increased as rapidly as the need for both.
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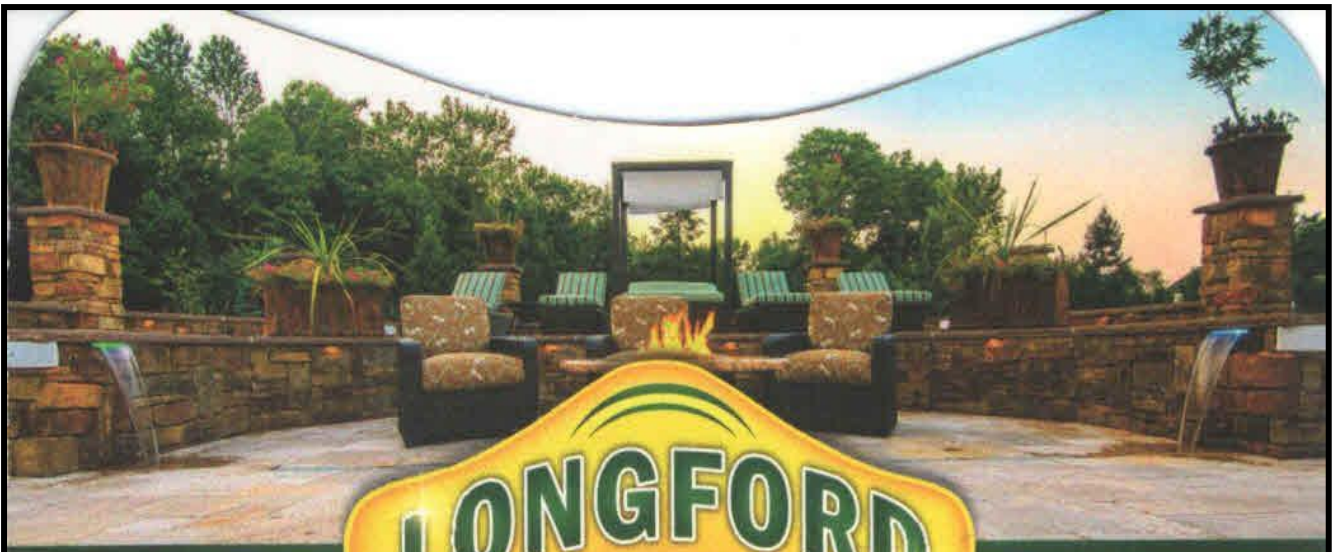
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LETTERS TO THE FTA

October 12, 2016

Thank you for the sympathy card.

Robert V. Campbell, Jr. & Family

*George Wren 3680 (Ret)
Hello Mr. George (Ret),*

I had the privilege to read your article on the front page of the True Blue and Gold. I want to commend you!!!! The first and best article I have ever read on that subject....good for you... "People" should know what is going on and accolades be injected with that when recruits!!!! No common sense in most of the public....so pats on the back. Accolades....High fives...Handshakes. I will show this to everyone I can....hope you can too....you deserve it !!

Ron Ayres, #1140 (Ret)

October 24, 2016

On behalf of the New Jersey State Police Survivor's of the Triangle, C.O.P.S. Chapter we wish to express our appreciation for your support of the 13th Annual Survivors Cup Golf Tournament.

The success of this event would not have been possible without your valued sponsorship.

Thank you again and we hope you share our good feeling in knowing that your contribution helped provide needed support for our families of NJ State Troopers killed in the line of duty.

*Michelle Carroll
President*

October 26, 2016

To the Former New Jersey State Troopers Association

I received the Memorial plaque as a token of remembrance for my husband Delbert A. Zelenak, badge number# 1874, a member of the 63rd New Jersey State Police Class.

I would like to thank the Former Troopers Association for such a wonderful remembrance, and for their sincere condolences on my husband's passing.

He was a dedicated state trooper. He always said it was his honor to belong to the New Jersey State Police family, and it was my honor to be his wife.

Also, I thank all who attended Delbert's funeral service, and a very special "thank you" to Sal Maggio, #2177, President.

*Sincerely,
Virginia Zelenak and Family*

October 27, 2016

Dear Former Troopers Association,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of The Former New Jersey State Troopers Association for your generous support towards my college career. I am honored to be the recipient of The Former New Jersey State Troopers Association Scholarship Award for 2016. I am grateful for the scholarship, and to be a part of your tradition of helping the children and grandchildren of New Jersey State Troopers and retired New Jersey State Troopers with their college educations.

I have recently graduated from Florence Township Memorial High School and I will be starting my undergraduate education this September at the Rutgers University School of Arts and Sciences (New Brunswick, NJ) pursuing a degree in business and computer science. My goal is to earn a Bachelor's degree in Business Technology.

I also wish to thank my grandfather, Retired Captain Russell R. MacArthur #1508, who has always encouraged me to never stop learning and to do my best at all times.

Thank you very much.

*Sincerely,
Daniel L. MacArthur
Roebing, NJ*

November 7, 2016

Dear President, Salvatore Maggio,
Board of Directors, Former New Jersey
State Troopers Association.

It is with humble honor that I accept the Board of Directors of the Former New Jersey State Troopers Association selection as Former Trooper of the year, 2016. Their choice has filled me with a strong sense of pride, and I would like to thank the entire Former Troopers Association for their support.

I look forward to the continuance of interacting with the community, and representing the New Jersey State Police, and the Former Troopers Association in an honorable and professional manners.

*Sincerely, and greatly appreciated,
John Ouweleen #1759
59th New Jersey State Police Class.*

November 20, 2016

FTA:

Thanks so very much for your thoughts & prayers.

Roe Manghisi, #3498

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LAST PATROL

LT BRIAN P. CAVANAUGH, #1805



CAVANAUGH, BRIAN P. #1805 passed away on 6 October 2016 at his home in Florida. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 10 June 1963 as a member of the 61st Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 April 1984. He is survived by his wife Debra.

LIEUTENANT HARRY R. CURRAN, #1994



CURRAN, HARRY R. #1994 passed away on 12 October 2016. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 7 June 1965 as a member of the 67th Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 June 1992. He then worked for New Jersey Department of Labor for 15 years. He proudly served in the United States Army. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Janet, his children Lieutenant Dawn L. Curran #5689 New Jersey State Police, Karen, Michael and three grandchildren.

SFC JOHN R. FINN, #2332



FINN, JOHN R. #2332 passed away on 12 October 2016 at his home in Beachwood, NJ. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 18 October

1968 as a member of the 76th Class and retired on 1 February 1997 at the rank of Sergeant First Class. He was assigned to the Governors Security Unit for eight years, and was assigned as the Governor's wife's personal security. He is survived by his wife Patricia, two sons Michael and Kevin, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

LT LOUIS J. ZIELINSKI, #1276



ZIELINSKI, LOUIS J. #1276 passed away on 4 November 2016 at his home. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 11 December 1953 as a member of the 44th Class and retired at the rank of Lieutenant on 1 December 1980. After retirement, he worked as security at

several casinos in Atlantic City. He proudly served in the United States Navy during the Korean War. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Jean, seven children LuAnn, William, Daniel, Steven, Louis, James and Jean. He is survived by 19 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

**LT RICHARD G.
SEPPI, #1515**



SEPPI RICHARD G. #1515 passed away on 13 November 2016 at his home in Brick Township. 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 Lieutenant on 1 September 1986. He proudly served in the United States Navy from 1949 until 1953. He is

predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Joan and his daughter Susan Kizman. He is survived his daughter Lynne Coleman and her husband Robert and a son-in-law Mark Kizman, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**CAPTAIN GEORGE J.
THOMAS, #1003**



THOMAS, GEORGE J. #1003 passed away on 23 November 2016. He enlisted in the New Jersey State Police on 18 December 1950 as a member of the 38th Class and retired at the rank of Captain on 1 August 1979. He proudly served in the United States Navy during WW II and saw action in the Pacific Theater as a Quartermaster on board PT 171. After his retirement, he worked as an

investigator with the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles for ten years. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Lillian Kara Thomas, a daughter Karen, two sons Michael and George III, 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

FTA FAMILY & FRIENDS

CHIEF JOSEPH J. MANGHISI, Respected Father of Captain Roseanne Manghisi, #3498 (*Ret*) passed away on October 20, 2016.

KATHLEEN McGOURTY, Beloved Wife of Lt. John F. McGourty, #2877 (*Ret*) passed away on November 11, 2016.



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