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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In the last week of October, the NYS parole board granted parole to David Gilbert, the terrorist who played a role in the Brinks robbery and the murders of Sgt Edward O'Grady, PO Waverly Brown and guard Peter Paige on October 20, 1981. This piece of garbage is the last one to be released from prison by our disgraceful parole board. Please keep the families of the fallen heroes in your thoughts as they cope with the injustice that our ex-Governor has bestowed upon them as one of his last acts before resigning from office.

Candidates night was a great time. Thank you to all of the candidates who came out and introduced yourselves. And thank you to Mark Murphy for putting it together.

Please mail your Super 50/50 tickets back ASAP. The drawing will be at the November meeting. You don't want to miss out on that as we've been having record prize amounts. Reach out to John Pinto for more tickets if you need them.

We have included in this newsletter information regarding a fundraiser for Trooper Christopher Baldner. Tpr. Baldner is being held without bail after being charged in the tragic death of a child in a motor vehicle accident last December. Tpr. Baldner was performing his duties as a NYS Trooper at the time of the incident. Please consider donating to help his wife and two children, ages 10 and 13.

I would like to thank member Tony Stone for hosting our executive board meeting this month at his facility in West Haverstraw. Tony is the owner of Shadow Firearms and Tactics Academy which has an overwhelming amount of state-of-the-art training tools. They even run an HR-218 qualification course which does not use conventional ammo. Given the price and lack of availability of ammo these days, it seems like a feasible way to qualify. Check out his ad on the email where our advertisers are listed.

Fraternally,

Keith Hansen



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

<i>11/24/21</i>	<i>7:00PM</i>	<i>General Membership Meeting Haverstraw Elks</i>
<i>12/04/2021</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>Executive Board Meeting TBD</i>
<i>12/19/2021</i>	<i>12:00 Noon-3:00p</i>	<i>Kid's Christmas Party Haverstraw Elks</i>

Membership

<u><i>Proposed</i></u>	<u><i>Proposed for Membership. Agency</i></u>	<u><i>Proposed by</i></u>
Margaret Carey	Greenwood Lake PD	Kayla A Bosworth
Chris Brigando	Clarkstown PD	Cristian Cortelli
Edward Markunas	NYPD-Harbor Unit SOD	Tim Connolly Jr
Andrew Markunas	Town of Tuxedo PD	Tim Connolly Jr

******Welcome to any new members. Please see any board member upon arrival at your first meeting to be sworn in.******



Promotions

Rockland County Sheriff's Office

Sgt. Matt Winters to Det. Sgt of BCI/Crime Scene

Retirements

Detective Dennis Proctor from the Town of Ramapo.

Good & Welfare

The NYS Troopers PBA is holding a 10-13 for Trooper Baldner who is currently being held in the Ulster County Jail without bail on murder charges, for performing his duties as a New York State Trooper. The NYS Troopers PBA is seeking any financial support you can offer to his family to help support them in their time of need. The NYSTPBA's Signal 30 Benefit Fund is accepting donations on behalf of Trooper Baldner and his family. To donate, visit the Signal 30 website at <https://signal30benstg.wpengine.com/online-donations/> and in the line for "Specific fundraising event or in memory of" please type in the words "Trooper Baldner." In addition, you can write a check to the Signal 30 Benefit Fund and in the memo, line write "Trooper Baldner" and mail it to: NYSTPBA Signal 30 Benefit Fund, 48 Howard St., Albany, NY 12207.

Condolences

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of the following as they mourn their losses.

Christine M. Rodriguez, passed on 11-01-2021. She is the sister of Lynn Hayes-Ret. Rockland County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division & current Rockland County Shields Recording Secretary.

Member Thomas J. Burke charter member #24 passed away on 10-26-2021. Thomas joined the NYPD on 06-29-1961 and retired on 07-03-1987. He joined the shields on 06-06-1966. He is survived by his wife Josephine, daughter Mary Healy, son's Brendan and Dan, who is a Sergeant with the Clarkstown Police Dept. as well as nine grandchildren.

Member Robert Walter on the passing of his father Fred Walter on 07-23-2021 and the passing of his mom Joan on 10-28-2021. Both were 89 years old.



Upcoming Events

None reported.

Miscellaneous

A big thank you to past president Mark Murphy for once again organizing and making the candidate's night a huge success.

On Saturday October 30th, 2021, members of the Tour de Force fundraising executive board, along with the Rockland County Shields Cycling team honored the wife and sons of NYPD Sgt. William Brautigam who passed away on 01-31-2021 from 911 related illness. The family was presented with a check of \$8500.00 Thanks to member & Stony Point Supervisor Jim Monaghan for hosting the event. A special thanks to the Shields 2nd Sgt-at-Arms Dennis Dodrill for nominating the Brautigam family. (Wife-Susan, sons Kevin & Billy).

Thank you to Shields member & CEO of Shadow Firearms & Tactics Academy Anthony Stone for hosting the November Shields Executive Board meeting.

Submitted by past president Mark Murphy:

NYSP - Pistol Permit Recertification:

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

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

<https://firearms.troopers.ny.gov/pprecert/welcome.faces>

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