



# ROCKLAND COUNTY SHIELDS

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May 2024

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Rockland County Law Enforcement Memorial will be held on **SATURDAY**, May 18th, at 11:00 AM, in front of the courthouse on Main Street in New City. Please make every effort to attend.

We must never forget those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. Note the date change. The ceremony was previously held on a Sunday. It has been moved to **SATURDAY**.

There will be a **NARCAN** training session immediately preceding the May General Membership Meeting. It starts at **5:00 PM** in the main room at the Haverstraw Elks.

This **FREE** training takes about 1 hour. We had to reschedule this training session from last month because the instructor was sick. Participants will receive a card to verify training and an emergency **NARCAN** package.

The May General Membership Meeting is our big event:  
**The Tim Finn Scholarship Program.**

We will be presenting scholarships to twelve college bound students. We wish them well in their studies. This meeting usually fills up quickly, so arrive early to get a good seat.

These awards are made possible from the successes of events like the **300 Club** and the **Super 50-50**.

Do we have your correct email address and other contact information? Remember the old reminder from the Post Office:

**"Don't Make Your Mail Come Looking for You!"**

Keep us in the loop if you change your email address/provider.

Email is the best tool that we have to communicate with our members and friends. Changes can be emailed to:

**[RCShieldsMedia@gmail.com](mailto:RCShieldsMedia@gmail.com)**

See you at the Elks.

Fraternally,

Ed Weireter

***"Don't find fault, find a remedy; anyone can complain."***  
**(Henry Ford)**



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

- 05/18/24 11:00 AM ROCKLAND COUNTY POLICE MEMORIAL  
ROCKLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE**
- 05/29/23 5:00 PM NARCAN TRAINING AT HAVERSTRAW ELKS PRIOR TO  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
ADVANCE SIGN UP IS REQUIRED.  
7:00 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING~SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS  
HAVERSTRAW ELKS**
- 06/04/24 7:00 PM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING- LYNCH'S ON THE GREEN**
- 06/09/24 5:00 PM 300 CLUB DRAWING AND PARTY  
HAVERSTRAW ELKS (OUTDOORS WEATHER PERMITTING)**
- 06/26/24 6:00 PM \* GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING "BRING YOUR SIGNIFICANT OTHER"  
ON THE DECK AT THE HAVERSTRAW ELKS  
SUPER 50-50 DRAWING (OUTDOORS WEATHER PERMITTING)  
\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE THIS MEETING BEGINS AT 6:00 PM\*\*\***

**NO JULY OR AUGUST MEETING**

- 08/15/24 6:00 PM ROCKLAND BOULDERS GAME AT CLOVER STADIUM  
GATES OPEN AT 6:00 PM MORE INFO IN THE NEWSLETTER**
- :09/03/24 7:00 PM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING- LYNCH'S ON THE GREEN**
- 09/25/24 7:00 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
HAVERSTRAW ELKS, HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK  
LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARDS**
- 10/01/24 7:00 PM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING- LYNCH'S ON THE GREEN**
- 10/30/24 7:00 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING-" CANDIDATES NIGHT"  
HAVERSTRAW ELKS, HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK**
- 11/05/24 7:00 PM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING- LYNCH'S ON THE GREEN**
- 11/27/24 7:00 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SUPER 50-50 DRAWING**
- TBD TBD KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY WITH SANTA**

**NO DECEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
HAPPY AND HEALTHY HOLIDAYS TO ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES**



# Membership

The next general membership meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at the Haverstraw Elks Lodge. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 PM. Scholarship awards will be presented. A Narcan training will take place before the meeting, with sign-in beginning at 5:00 PM. Pre-registration for Narcan training is required. Please send an Email to [RCShieldsnews@gmail.com](mailto:RCShieldsnews@gmail.com) to sign up for the training.

Proposed for Membership	Proposed Agency	Proposed by
Robert Edsall, Sr. Mildred Perez	Orangtown PD (Ret.) NYPD	Carl DeNonno Mike Young

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

The Shields will once again be hosting Naloxone (Narcan) training for our members. The **Rescheduled** training will take place on May 29 2024, before the general membership meeting. ADVANCE SIGNUP IS REQUIRED. Check-in will begin at 5:00 pm with the training beginning at 5:15 pm. You must sign up IN ADVANCE AND YOU MUST ATTEND THE ENTIRE TRAINING TO receive your NARCAN KIT. TO SIGN UP, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL WITH YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFO TO [rCSHIELDSNEWS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:rCSHIELDSNEWS@GMAIL.COM)



Our friends at the FOP will be holding meetings on the following Tuesdays at 7:00 PM June 11, Sept 10, Oct 8 and Dec 10, 2024 beginning at 7:00 PM. Meetings are held at the American Legion Hall in Pomona. The FOP 40th Anniversary Gala will be held on November 14, 2024, location to be determined. You can visit their website online at <https://foplodge188.com/>



## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Tim Connolly Jr. and his wife Diane on the birth of their newest granddaughter, Isabella Rosamaria Gagliano. Proud parents are Danielle and David. Proud Great Grandparents are Tim and Liz Connolly Sr. Congratulations to the Gagliano and Connolly families.

## 300 CLUB

The 300 Club party and drawing will take place on June 9, 2024 on deck at the Haverstraw Elks. Previous ticket holders should expect to hear from whoever sold them last year's ticket in the next few weeks. If you have not had a ticket in the past and would like to go on the waitlist for a ticket, contact Keith Hansen at 845-206-7571

## NEW YORK BOULDERS

Please join the Shields for our annual Rockland Boulders game at Clover Stadium on Thursday, August 15, 2024. Gates open at 6:00 PM and game begins at 7:00 PM. The cost is \$50.00 per person (children under 5 are free) and includes an air conditioned suite with outdoor seating to enjoy the game, hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, salads, beer, wine and soft drinks. It is always a great night of baseball and good company. Please reserve your tickets in advance by mailing a check to RC Shields PO Box 15, New City, New York 10956. Wristbands and tickets can be picked up at the gate from John Pinto on game day!

## CONDOLENCES

Lena Foley, wife of member Bart Foley passed away on April 18, 2024. Our deepest sympathy to Bart and the entire Foley family.

Condolences to Carl Greenberg on the passing of his daughter Amy O'Malley.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

### AWARDS NIGHT

The Shields Awards Night has been **RESCHEDULED** to the **September General Membership** meeting. Awards will include "Rockland County Shields Officer of the Year", "Commendation" and "Civilian Honor Award". The Award Recommendation Form can be found in the digital newsletter and on the Rockland County Shields website via this link [www.rocklandcountyshields.org](http://www.rocklandcountyshields.org). Award recommendations should reflect incidents that rise to the level deserving of recognition.

## NY: SENATE INITIATES GLOCK HANDGUN BAN

New York legislators introduced a bill designed to COMPLETELY ban the sale of Glock handguns and other semi-automatic pistols. Their bill, S. 9225, comes under the guise that Glocks, and other semi-automatic "convertible pistols," can be easily turned into machine guns through the installation or attachment of a "pistol converter," more commonly known as a "Glock switch. You can use the link below and send a message to your state senator to oppose S 9225.

<https://www.gunowners.org/ny05082024/>



## ***2024 Scholarship Recipients***

The Tim Finn Scholarship Program honors Shields Founder Tim Finn. Over the years, scholarship awards have been added to honor members who have made significant contributions to our organization. In their memory or honor, we wish to congratulate these deserving students for their academic achievement. Best wishes to them as they begin their college careers. Continue to work hard and make your parents proud!

### **Member**

### **Student**

### **Scholarship**

Edward Caro Jr.

Faith Caro

Michael Buczek Scholarship

Edward Caro Jr.

Emily Caro

J.J. Doyle Scholarship

Chris Brigando

Ava Brigando

Billy Boyd Scholarship

Kevin Twohig

Veronica Twohig

Tony Simeti Scholarship

James M. McAllister

Vincent W. McAllister

P.J. Ferguson Scholarship

Brian Block

Madison Block

Jack Coleman Scholarship

Peter Connolly

Ryan Elizabeth Connolly

Tim Connolly Sr. Scholarship

Martin Henry

Kristen Henry

Bob DiChiaro Scholarship

Julie Brown

Liam Brown

Tim Finn Scholarship

Brendan Bane

Brigid Bane

Tim Finn Scholarship

Brian Michel

Maggie Michel

Tim Finn Scholarship

Pierce Redmond

Brenna Redmond

Tim Finn Scholarship



# National Police Week

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls, as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

This year the Rockland County Police Memorial Ceremony will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday May 18, 2024, in front of the Rockland County Courthouse.

