



# ROCKLAND COUNTY SHIELDS

PO BOX 15 NEW CITY, NEW YORK 10956

October 2024

OFFICERS (2024-2025)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

PRESIDENT  
Ed Weireter

On Sunday, October 20th, Rockland's law enforcement family remembered the tragic events of the Brinks Robbery at a memorial service on Mountainview Avenue in Nyack.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT  
John Pinto

2ND VICE PRESIDENT  
Lou Falco III

In 1981, [Sergeant Ed O'Grady](#), [Officer Waverly Brown](#), and Brinks guard [Peter Paige](#) were killed during a robbery. Members of the Black Liberation Army and Weather Underground robbed a Brinks armored truck of \$1.6 million in Nanuet.

TREASURER  
Joe Cain

SECRETARY  
Lynn Hayes

FINANCIAL SECRETARY  
Jim Sciacca

The Shields will be hosting Candidates Night at the October General Membership Meeting. Anyone on the ballot (as reported by the Rockland County Board of Elections) has been invited to this event.

1ST SGT. AT ARMS  
Mark Swamy

Turnout is usually very good and this is our opportunity to meet those running for office.

2ND SGT. AT ARMS  
Mike Fennessey

EDITOR  
Peg Varieur

Tuesday, November 5th is Election Day.

CHAPLAIN  
George Albin

Don't forget to vote!! If you voted early, outstanding!

DIGITAL MEDIA OFFICER  
Dennis Dodrill

There is a Proposition (#1) on the ballot in New York State.

Look up [Proposition #1](#). View its details from several sources. Different groups have very different opinions about its meaning and purpose.

TRUSTEES (2024-2025)  
ORANGETOWN  
Daniel Ryan

CLARKSTOWN  
Chris Brigando

The Fall [Super 50-50](#) tickets have been sent out. The [Super 50-50](#) drawing will be at the General Membership Meeting on November 27, 2024, at the Haverstraw Elks.

HAVERSTRAW  
Manny Figueroa

STONY POINT  
Keith Hansen

We thank everyone who already sent in their Super 50-50 tickets. We appreciate your support.

RAMAPO  
Mike Higgins

TRUSTEE AT LARGE  
Tim Connolly Jr

**Fraternally,  
Ed Weireter**

HEALTH AND WELFARE  
John Dillon

HISTORIAN  
Mark Murphy

PAST PRESIDENT  
Christian Cortelli

[A good plan violently executed now is better than a perfect plan executed next week. \(Gen. George Patton\)](#)

Legal Counsel  
StolzenbergCortelli



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024-2025

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| 10/20/24 | 4:00 PM | BRINKS MEMORIAL CEREMONY<br>MOUNTAINVIEW AVENUE AND ROUTE 59, NYACK  |
| 10/30/24 | 7:00 PM | GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—" CANDIDATES NIGHT"<br>HAVERSTRAW ELKS, HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK<br>LOCAL CANDIDATES WILL BE INVITED TO ADDRESS OUR MEMBERSHIP<br>COME AND HEAR THE CANDIDATES BEFORE YOU CAST YOUR VOTES |
| 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<br>HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!   |
| 12/15/24 | 12 NOON | KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE HAVERSTRAW ELKS<br>BRING THE YOUNG ONES FOR A VISIT WITH SANTA<br>PLEASE BRING A WRAPPED AND LABELED GIFT FOR YOUR<br>CHILD(REN).  |

## NO DECEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

HAPPY AND HEALTHY HOLIDAYS TO ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

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| 01/07/25 | 7:00 PM | EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING<br>LYNCH'S ON THE GREEN    |
| 01/29/25 | 7:00 PM | GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING<br>HAVERSTRAW ELKS CLUB |



Our friends at the FOP will be holding meetings on the following Tuesdays at 7:00 PM; 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 at Terrace on the Hudson. Shields 2nd Vice President, Lou Falco III, is among the honorees. For more information or to purchase tickets, you can visit their website online at <https://foplodge188.com/>



# Membership

The next general membership meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at the Haverstraw Elks Lodge. This will be our annual "Candidates Night". Come and hear what the candidates have to say!

## Proposed for Membership

**Rob Galindo**  
**Peter N. Tetukevich**  
**Thad J. Todd,**  
**Maxim Katsov**  
**Alice M. Honey**

## Proposed Agency

**NYPD, DOI (Ret.)**  
**Town of Walden PD**  
**NYPD (Ret.)**  
**NYPD**  
**RTO,RC SO**

## Proposed by

**Dennis Dodrill**  
**Ann-Margaret Tetukevich**  
**Joe Cain**  
**Joe Cain**  
**Sandra Volpeto**

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

Membership applications can be found on our website at <https://rocklandcountyshields.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/RC-Shields-Membership-Application-2021.pdf>

In addition to membership applications, you will find photos, archived newsletters, history of the Shields and the Calendar. We are also on Facebook as Rockland County Shields.



## LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARDS

On September 25, 2024 The Rockland County Shields held its annual Police Awards Day. Police Officer Luis Maldonado was awarded the Commendation Medal for Heroic Service for rescuing a victim held at knifepoint. Sergeant Robert Barnett and our very own Dennis Dodrill were awarded Civilian Commendation for their work on the Shields Hockey Team and the Shields Cycling Team, respectively.

## ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

If you wish to receive this newsletter electronically (via email), please send your request and email address to [RCShieldsnews@gamil.com](mailto:RCShieldsnews@gamil.com) The newsletter will be sent to your email each month, rather than being mailed. If you have not signed up for this yet, we encourage you to do so.





## CANDIDATES NIGHT

The October Meeting will be "Candidates Night. Prior to Election Day, local candidates are invited to our meeting to meet and address the membership. Please make every effort to attend to see which candidates appear, and what they have to say.

## KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual kids Christmas party will take place on December 15, 2024 at 12 noon at the Haverstraw Elks. Weather permitting, Santa will make a dramatic arrival. Please bring a wrapped gift that is clearly labeled for each child you bring. Santa will distribute the gifts to the kids. Pizza, soft drinks and kid friendly food will be served. We are fortunate to have Santa and friends come and visit with us. It's always a great day for the kids.

## CONDOLENCES

Member John "Jack" Murphy, passed away on September 18, 2024. Jack joined NYPD 1957 retired in 1990. He was also a U.S. Army veteran, having served in the Korean war. Our deepest sympathy to his family and loved ones.

Thomas P. Vicale, father in law of member Dennis Suarez, passed away on Thursday, September 12, 2024. Our deepest sympathy to the Vicale and Suarez families.

## SUPER 50-50 DRAWING

Don't forget your Super 50-50 tickets. They have been sent to you in the mail and are available at all membership meetings. The drawing will take place at the November meeting. Good luck to all!

