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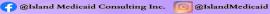
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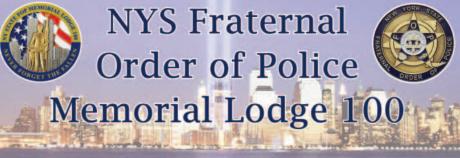
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## **RDNY NEWS**

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

The tulips in my flower bed have come up so that means one thing, Winter is over, and summer is just around the corner. Not too bad of a winter, but I'm ready for the beach, pool, and BBQ's. The change of seasons is something I always enjoy. Sometimes change is a good thing. Speaking of change, we have been changing things up a little at the RDNY as far as our meetings go. Last month we had our very first Brooklyn meeting at Jack Bailey's. Owned and operated by a retired squad commander, Lt. Chris Minogue, we had a great evening. I think we also may have broken an RDNY record. We didn't have just one, not just two, but three Chief's of Detectives in attendance. The present Chief, Joe Kenny, former Chief, Robert Boyce and former Chief and honoree, James Essig. I can't describe how honored and proud I am to have had three Chief of D's at an RDNY meeting. I think it really shows how much these men appreciate the dedication and hard work of the men and women of the Detective Bureau and how proud they are to have risen to the rank second only to Detective . Sorry, I couldn't help myself....



There are some scheduling challenges next month so our May meeting will have to be put on hold. Our next get together will be on Friday, June 7th, aboard the Celtic Quest out of Port Jefferson, LI for our annual fishing trip. Bring your spouse and kids, it's a wonderful day and the crew on board do

all the dirty work. Pack a small lunch, but we will have some food and drink on the boat as well. And bring a cooler with ice to keep all your fresh fish fresh after the crew cleans them for you!!! After we dock, a bunch of us head into town and brag about who caught the biggest fish over a few beers and bar food. Trust me, a great day. And I encourage you to bring your kids, no matter how old they are. There are only so many chances we get to spend quality time with our families, and this is one of them.

When I became president of the RDNY last year, my goal was to leave this organization better than when I started. That wasn't going to be easy, considering the people before me did an outstanding job, but I put my personal touches on a few things, and I think the RDNY is looking good. On that note, I am proud to announce that the RDNY has been in talks with an insurance company to offer our members Pet Insurance. That's right, health insurance for your pet. I am not a pet owner, but a lot of my friends are, and they tell me how expensive it can be when their dog or cat or whatever pet they have needs to go to the vet. The final touches are being put together and when they are we will get all the details to you. The magic word in the above offer is "member." This offer can only be made to members in good standing. As some of you have realized, we sent out friendly "reminder" letters that we haven't received your 2024 dues. If you received one of those letters, please take a moment to send in your check or go to our website (www.RDNY.org) and pay with PayPal. Thanks.

July 29th is our annual golf outing, August we are off for the summer. That brings us to September. I know, time fly's when you're having fun, I like to plan in advance. I'm hoping to be back on Staten Island for that meeting. Traditionally our meetings are the second Wednesday of the month, that Wednesday is 9/11. Half of me wants to keep that day but the other half knows it just isn't right and that a lot of people will be attending more important memorial services. We will figure something out and let everyone know what date we choose for that meeting as soon as possible.

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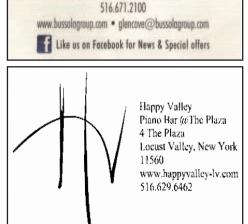
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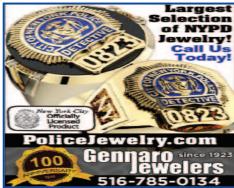
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Remember the story years ago about Pinocchio that if you lie your nose would get longer. Could you imagine if that story was true today. Nobody would be able to turn left or right without banging into someone, especially the politicians. They lie all the time. The Mayor tells the public that crime is down and you should not fear being in the City or riding on NYC Transit. Well, HELLO! There have been 50 random attacks on women, 37 took place in the street and 13 on the subway. Just the other day, a 9 year-old girl was punched in the face walking with her mother. The powers to be brush it off as mental issues. Who cares, it is still a crime. The illegal migrants who were invited to come to NYC by the Mayor are committing more crimes than anyone. They shoplift in all the stores and just recently the NYPD put out something about them pickpocketing around the city. They also have been linked to 62 robberies with mopeds where they grab cellphones and pocketbooks from unsuspecting women and on occasion knock them to the ground causing injury. I guess when Uncle Joe opened the border, he didn't ask them what their profession was. Crime must be down in their previous countries cause all the mutts are here. And I'm sure there is more to come. These lies are ruining our City and our Country. The truth never hurts anyone unless you are a liar and get caught. Like telling someone your uncle was eaten by cannibals when he was not. See, it goes all the way to the top with politicians. They can get away with it. There is no punishment for them and the only way to get back at them is to vote them out of office. And if the Pinocchio story was true you would vote for the guy with the shorter nose not the biggest mouth. That's no lie. Whatever!

### TIME TO CHANGE THE CHANGE

OVER TIME! Change takes effect and sometimes change has to be changed. Nobody wants to hear that they made a mistake but if it doesn't work and it causes grief, it has to be looked at. Last month's newsletter had an article about an Assemblyman wanting to change a law on adultery on the books since 1907. Five people were convicted since 1907 of this crime. In a very short time this bill was repealed in Albany. Just today the politicians are pushing to get a bill passed to prevent companies to not be able to package cheese in individual slices because of the environment. Doesn't cannabis come in individual bags too? They have no clue. They can't get together on bail reform and the prosecution of major crimes but adultery and single slices of cheese are important. Bail reform and the prosecution of crimes is what they should be looking at instead. We have illegal immigrants causing more crime in the city and they can't deal with it. Well, they got rid of ICE. Former Governor Cuomo signed a bill preventing ICE to work with local police. Governor Hochul can rescind that and then ICE could deport these criminals. She also could fire all these DA's not doing their job and acting like Defense Attorneys. They changed these laws and they can change them back the same way And, one more thing, they are looking to put a hotel and casino in NYC. Well, I have the perfect spot for it. The UN Building on First Avenue. It has no function and does nothing. Just look at what is going on in the world and they have no solutions. A lot of parking and great view of the East River. That would be a great change.

### **PROUD OF A COMMUNITY**

I was born in Brooklyn and was always proud to say I was from there. I moved to Queens and then Long Island. Just recently an NYPD Officer, Jonathan Diller, was killed in Queens and his wake and funeral was held where he lived in Massapequa. To all of you who could not attend, I'm telling you I have never seen the amount of love and support for the Men and Women in Blue. The amount of police who attended was enormous but the support of the community was outstanding. They put out water, food, drinks and told Officers to park in their driveways and offered rest rooms, if needed, in their homes. Many attended the funeral and showed so much respect. There were Blue Ribbons around the whole town. I still have my Brooklyn accent and attitude but my heart is in Massapequa.

#### **MEDICARE UPDATE**

Thanks to the efforts of Marianne Pizzitola of the NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees, we are still in the fight for our free health care that was promised to us. If you are reading this newsletter, you are alive and kicking and retired. We all should be concerned about Medicare because if you are not in it now, you will be eventually. You can't just sit back and let someone else do the work. Mayor Adams and some of the Unions in the MLC are trying to change our Medicare Benefits. To learn more, join the Public Service Retirees and donate to help them fight for our rights. They have a website. Don't complain if you don't get involved. They are doing good with the NY Senate but they have to get thru the NY Assembly. It's been a fight. Join the Fight!

### **FOOTNOTE**

Correction March Newsletter: NO SUCH THING AS EX-MARINE. ONCE A MARINE, ALWAYS A MARINE!

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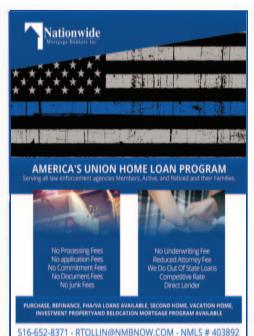
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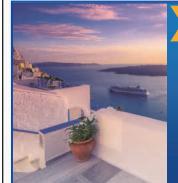
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