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Live Band: J.A.M!

- ★ Opening Remarks: President Matthew Schmidt
- ★ Presenting the Colors- NCPD Color Guard
- ★ National Anthem- Robert F. Brent (Ret. NCPD Sgt.)
- ★ Retiring the Colors- NCPD Color Guard
- ★ Missing Man Table Reading
(A Place Setting for One, A Table for all)
- ★ The Sounding of Taps-
NCPD Bugler PO Dominick Cutrone
- ★ Nassau County Police Emerald Society Pipe Band
- ★ Invocation: NPVA Chaplain- Deacon Jay Valdes
- ★ Presentation to Honorees (During Dinner):

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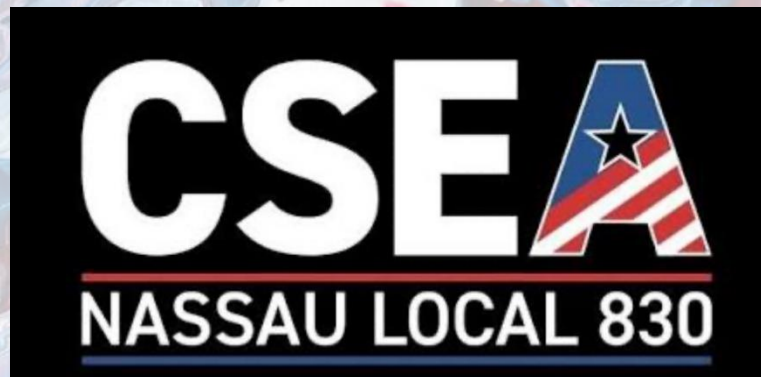
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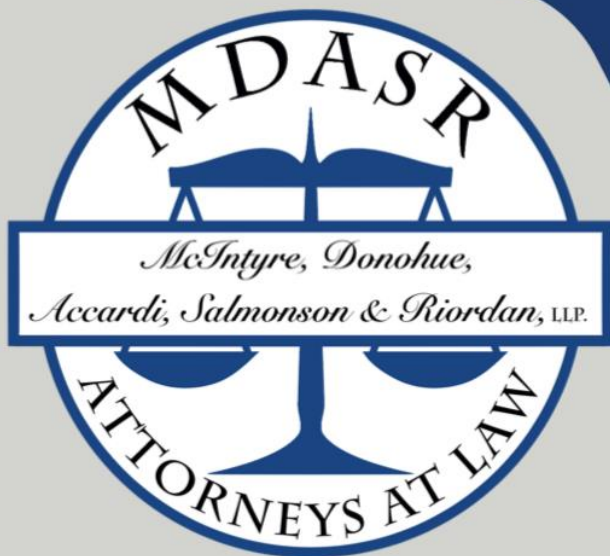
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JESUS (JAY) VALDES

Jay has been a member of the Nassau County Police Veterans Association since its inception and currently holds the position of Chaplain on the Executive Board.

Jay served in the military for six years. He enlisted in the United States Army

immediately after graduating from high school and trained initially as a Combat Medic and Clinical Specialist with Expert Field Medic endorsement; he was assigned to the 45th Medical Battalion and after a year at the Brooke Army Medical Center Emergency Department in San Antonio, Texas, he cross-trained as a Military Police Officer and was reassigned to the 3rd Armored Division in Hanau, Germany.



Jay was honorably discharged in 1986 and began his career with Nassau County Police Department in 1987. His assignments included uniform assignments in the Sixth Precinct and Highway Patrol Bureau. While in uniform, he worked undercover on several assignments with Narcotics/Vice



Squad, Robbery Squad, and Homicide Squad. He was promoted to Detective and assigned to the Fourth Squad, the Third Squad and then to the Scientific Investigation Bureau as a Polygraph Examiner after having completed the DoD Federal Polygraph Examiner's Course at Fort Jackson, SC. Jay was also a member of the Nassau County Police Hostage Negotiation Team and The NCPD Color Guard Unit.

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Gus Tsiorvas is the owner of the Embassy Diner in Bethpage, New York. He grew up in Wantagh, New York and attended Hofstra University. His father owned diners his entire life and so Gus grew up in the food service business. He began his career working with his father at the Cross-Island Diner in Rosedale, New York. His father eventually went on to own and operate the Seaford Palace followed by the Oconee Diner in Islip. In April 2022, Gus realized his dream of opening his own diner and purchased the Embassy Diner.

More than a diner owner, Gus prides himself on being a huge patriot. He loves his country so much that he chose to pay homage in selecting the corporate name "Home of The Brave Diner". The establishment proudly displays hundreds of American flags both inside and outdoors. While Gus followed in his father's footsteps, his brother and sisters all serve as police officers. Gus is a huge supporter of our Veterans and First Responders and is always the first person willing to offer help to any of these organizations.

Gus is a proud supporter of the Warrior Ranch Foundation. This past Veteran's Day, Gus sponsored a giant Embassy Diner float in the parade in New York City. To honor first responders and commemorate September 11th, he also organized a large drone tribute at the Embassy Diner that could be seen from miles away. Garnishing local recognition for his patriotism, Gus recently appeared on the morning show Fox and Friends to promote "Project Thank a Cop". Additionally, Gus is a proud member of the Human Rights Commission of Nassau County. In 2024, Gus was honored with the Bethpage Chamber of Commerce Businessperson of the Year Award.

Above all, Gus is married to his beautiful wife, Ann, who also serves her community as a Nassau County school teacher. Together, they have three wonderful children named Grace, Panagioti and Emma. Despite his busy work schedule and dedication to his country and community, Gus believes family comes first. He displays a strong priority to always take care of his family and friends. Anyone that knows Gus knows that you can always count on him to help in any way he can.





U.S. ARMY VETERAN RETIRED LONG ISLAND USPS **THOMAS F. ROSATI**

Born and raised in Maspeth, Queens into a family of WW2 veterans. Three Rosati brothers distinguished themselves during WW2 in the Army Air Force, Army and Navy. Only Frank, his father, survived. Dedication to family, faith and country was the cornerstone for Tommy and his siblings.



Tommy joined the US Postal Service in 1967 as a distribution clerk. Enlisted in the Army in May '68 while his brother Danny was in the Air Force. He was assigned to the 9th Infantry Division in May '69 as an 11Bravo. He received numerous awards and unit citations including the Army ARCOM Medal with V device, Bronze Star with V device with 1 oak leaf cluster, Air Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters in and CIB.

After his discharge he returned to the Postal Service in 1970 in Flushing where he met Loretta, the love of his life. Loretta and Tommy married in 1973 and moved to Bohemia in 1975 where they resided and raised their 4 children, Philip, Michael, Marie and Allison. He worked his way through numerous supervisory positions in management in Flushing and Long Island. In 1987 he became a postal executive in the Long Island Division as Director, Operations Support and subsequently Director, City Operations. In 1992 he returned to Flushing as Senior Plant Manager of the Triboro District. In 1996 he was promoted to Long Island District Manager/Executive in Charge where he served until his retirement in 2008.

Always a veteran supporter and advocate, he took a more active role in 1996 after attending a Gold Star Mothers luncheon hosted by Rich Kitson of Suffolk County Vietnam Veterans Association. Along with Rich and many other postal employees, a Postal Service Veterans Coalition was born. A memorial was built at the Mid Island P&D Center where annual events are still conducted. Tommy is most proud of his employee's contributions during his time as chairman of the Federal Combine Campaign of the United Way. Annual golf tournaments were held at the Northport VA supporting Veterans.

With the assistance of every Long Island Postmaster, retail clerk and other employees, the Long Island District was able to sell and distribute over 3 million dollars' worth of phone cards to those active duty service members serving overseas. That wouldn't have been possible without the women who took the lead and volunteered the time. Also, the leader didn't ask for permission.

He followed the mantra of the VVA. Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another.

Retired from 2008 he enjoys his extended family, which now includes Phil & Patty, Mike & Denise, Marie & Frank, Allison & Dave. Granddaughters Alyssa, Emma, Hailey, Ava, Lilianna, Olivia & Kennedy.



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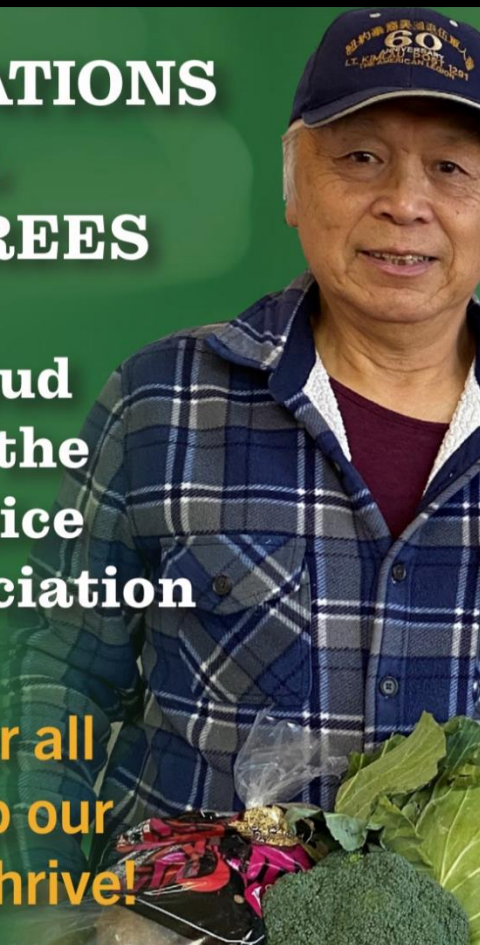


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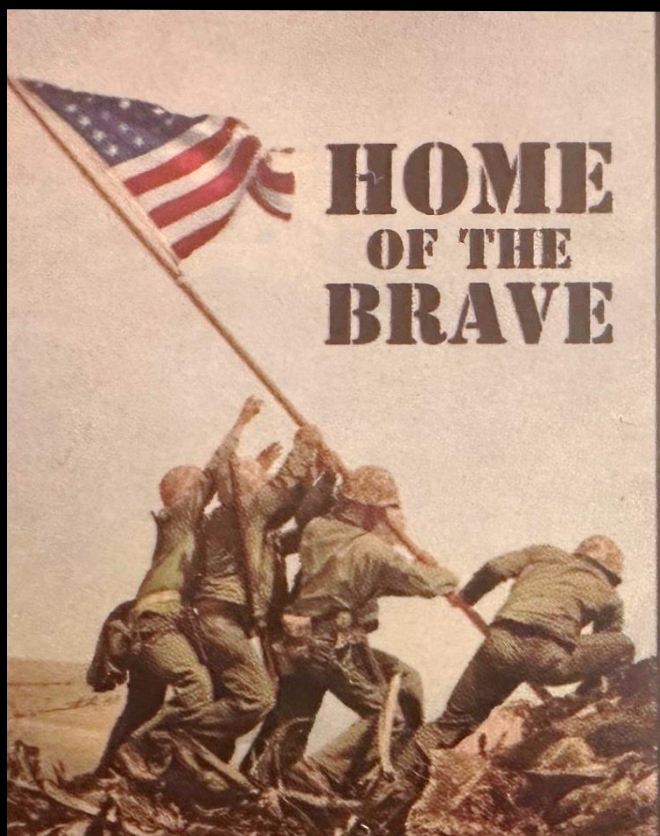
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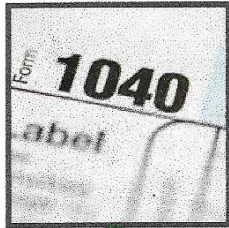
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October 23, 2025

Nassau Police Veterans Association
7th Annual Military Ball

Dear Friends,

It is with great pride that we, the Nassau County Majority Legislators, offer our sincere best wishes and salute the Nassau Police Veterans Association on the occasion of its 7th Annual Military Ball, an evening to honor, remember and celebrate the fine men and women who currently work or have retired from the Nassau County Police Department, Nassau County Sheriff's Department or any Village/City Police Department in the jurisdiction of Nassau County and who currently serve, or have served, in the United States Armed Forces.

We would also like to take this opportunity to honor and congratulate the Nassau Police Veterans Association's honorees, Member of the Year Jay Valdes and Community Persons of the Year Gus Tsiorvas and Thomas F. Rosati, for their support and assistance to the police and all veterans and active service members in the community.

We are proud to offer our sincere thanks to the Nassau Police Veterans Association for all they do to foster fraternity between all members of Law Enforcement that have served or are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces and for the support and assistance to its members and their families during and after periods of deployment.

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