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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Christopher J. Piazza

Hope you and your families are well. It was great to see all of the members that made it out to our March's meeting. Eddie Canlon out-did himself once again with his St. Patrick's Day meal. The St. Joseph's pastry was a great touch! As always, we need your support to continue the good that we are doing. First, you can help by paying your dues timely and as always, the success of our association is in its membership. Tell a fellow MOS, refer just (1) new MOS and have them join us for a meal. I am sure they feel the same as I do... "I miss the clowns but not the circus". You would be surprised who you might bump into at a meeting. As I mentioned in our last newsletter, we will require two (2) separate checks for 2023 Annual Dues and Additional 2023 Courtesy Cards. If you feel comfortable with the internet you can always pay online at our website vz1013.com. Please be reassured this is a safe way to pay your annual dues. We need our brothers and sisters to stick together, especially in today's climate.

Be Safe... God bless you and your family!

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VICE PRESIDENT'S LINES - John Ross

Hello all & Happy Spring! It was great seeing everyone at our last meeting. I want to thank our guest speakers who attended our March meeting and for sharing with us all that they do for there organizations, Thank you gentlemen. Welcome back to all you snowbirds from Florida I hope to see all of you at our April's meeting! Also our anual golf outing is coming up in September so I hope many of you can come out and support this event it is a wonderful day of golfing and Jack does a fantastic job with it so if you can please come out to support this great event thank you. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our April meeting. Stay safe and thank you.



TREASURER'S LINES - Henry Cartmell

I want to thank all who have renewed their membership for 2023 and the new members who have joined our association. I hope all is going well with you and your families. We have scheduled our annual Golf Outing for September 22 and hope it to be as successful as last year. The association is in good financial condition and is hopefully looking forward to a happy and healthy spring and summer. Stay safe and well.



CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LINES - Vincent Montagna



This article was submitted to Vinnie Montagna by Association Member Richard Pedone.



World Trade Center Disability Law

Police Pension Fund Order 1-2005

1. Chapter 93 of the Laws of 2005 (World Trade Center Disability Law) creates a presumptive eligibility for accident disability retirement for certain qualifying conditions if such disability occurred as a result of participation in the World Trade Center Rescue, Recovery or Cleanup Operations. All active members, or those members who vested or retired after 9/11/01, are eligible to apply for benefits or reclassification of benefits under the law.
2. **Members Covered:**
 - a. Anyone who participated in WTC Rescue, Recovery or Cleanup Operations at one or more of the four enumerated locations below for a minimum of 40 hours during the period from September 11, 2001 through September 12, 2002; OR,
 - b. Anyone who participated in WTC Rescue, Recovery or Cleanup Operations at the WTC Site (as defined below) and sustained a documented physical injury between September 11, 2001 and September 12, 2001 that resulted in a disability that precluded the member from participating in the Rescue, Recovery or Cleanup operations for the 40 hour minimum. Also that disability must be the condition for which the member seeks to be eligible for retirement under the World Trade Center presumption statute.
3. **Qualifying Conditions That Are Determined To Be Disabling:**
 - a. Diseases of the upper respiratory tract and mucosae, including conditions such as conjunctivitis, rhinitis, sinusitis, pharyngitis, laryngitis, vocal cord disease, upper airway hyper-reactivity and tracheo-bronchitis, or a combination of such conditions;
 - b. Diseases of the lower respiratory tract, including but not limited to bronchitis, asthma, reactive airway dysfunction syndrome, and different types of pneumonitis, such as hypersensitivity, granulomatous, or eosinophilic;
 - c. Diseases of the gastroesophageal tract, including esophagitis and reflux diseases, either acute or chronic, caused by exposure or aggravated exposure;
 - d. Diseases of the psychological axis, including post-traumatic stress disorder, anxiety, depression, or any combination of such conditions;
 - e. Diseases of the skin such as contact dermatitis or burns, either acute or chronic in nature, infectious, irritant, allergic, idiopathic or non-specific reactive in nature, caused by exposure or aggravated by exposure; or,
 - f. New onset diseases resulting from exposures as such diseases occur in the future including cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asbestos-related disease, heavy metal poisoning, musculoskeletal diseases and chronic psychological disease.

*NOTE: The law actually states that the member must have successfully passed a physical examination prior to employment, but that has been omitted from our forms because all NYPD members must pass such an examination prior to being hired.

4. Locations Covered:

- a. WTC Site – defined as south of Canal St., from the Hudson River to Pike Street, and south of Pike Street to the East River, extending to the lower tip of Manhattan;
- b. Fresh Kills Land Fill;
- c. NYC Morgue and temporary morgue on pier locations on the west side of Manhattan;
- d. Barges traveling between the west side of Manhattan and the Fresh Kills Land Fill.

5. Preliminary Filing (Notice of Participation):

The law states that to preserve the right to the WTC presumption, a member (active or eligible retirees) must file with the Fund a sworn statement indicating the dates and locations of employment at one or more of the four abovementioned locations by June 14, 2007. The form shall be provided by the Fund and will be available on the website at, www.nyc.gov/nycppf. **The Notice of Participation is not an application for disability retirement benefits; rather, it is a necessary prerequisite for eligibility under the law.**

6. WTC Disability Law Application Process:

In addition to the Notice of Participation, members seeking initial consideration of disability retirement or reclassification under the World Trade Center Disability Law must file the usual application for Accident Disability Retirement benefits. This includes members with pending disability applications or pending Article 78 proceedings and retired members.

7. Medical Board and Administrative Review:

- a. All members must be seen by the Medical Board to determine whether the member is disabled by reason of one of the aforementioned qualifying conditions. The Medical Board may rebut the presumption that the member's disability was caused by his or her participation in WTC Rescue, Recovery or Cleanup Operations with competent evidence.

- b. The Board of Trustees then reviews the Medical Board's report and makes a determination.
- c. In the case of retired members applying for reclassification, it is further presumed that the condition would have been disabling had the condition been known and fully developed at the time of the member's retirement.
- d. The law provides the NYPD with the opportunity to be heard on all applications for reclassification.

8. Reclassified Benefits:

- a. Reclassifications of benefits under this law are effective only as of the date of reclassification; accordingly, such date shall be the date of the Board of Trustees Meeting at which such action is taken.
- b. Members are not permitted to change their retirement option upon reclassification.

9. Vested Members:

Vested members may apply for reclassification under the World Trade Center Disability Law after they reach their 20th anniversary. They will then be considered eligible for retirement benefits and therefore will qualify for eligibility under the law. **However, all members are still required to file a Notice of Participation by June 14, 2007.**

***NOTE:**

It is recommended that members collect and retain all documents that support the information provided in the Notice of Participation and any application for retirement disability benefits.



RECORDING SECRETARY'S LINES - Tom Dembinski

Spring has arrived.

A new season and still the City of New York and the Municipal Labor Council continues its attack on Retiree Health Benefits. If you haven't joined the NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees please do so. You can join at (NYCRETIREES.ORG) Up to date information is posted about our fight to retain our Healthcare as it is now.

There are 2 Bills in Albany at the moment one regarding Healthcare and the other for the Variable Supplement. Bill SO4191a/AO4989a Prohibits Public Employers from diminishing the health insurance benefits of certain public employees including Police and Firemen.

Bill S4158 Extends the benefits of the Variable Supplement Fund to all Police Officers, Firefighters and Corrections Officers regardless of their Pension Status. This would extend the Variable Supplement to disability pensions. Please contact your State Senators and Assembly Persons and ask them to support these bills.



SGT. AT ARMS - Jack Hellman

Welcome back to all you snow birds hope your winter was enjoyable. You certainly didn't miss anything here. Well spring is rapidly approaching and slot of us are starting to think about golf and other outdoor activities. That brings me back to our annual golf outing. I know I might sound redundant that every year I talk about it, but it is very important to our organization to help support our many endeavors, such as scholarship donations etc. As memorial day is soon coming I would like to mention & memorialize our past members who are not with us any more and mention their names so that they are not forgotten by us.

Ed Kescheki
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Frank Panarese
Jack Ferguson
Larry Ernst
Dom McElliott
Ed Raise

Frank Rapacciolo
James Maraday
Herb Sheldon



TRUSTEE - Philip DeLuca

Hello again 10-13 Members, let me start by saying condolences to our National President Mike Fahy for the loss of his mother, RIP MOM. Let's put winter behind us and look forward to our warm weather events, welcome to our new members, friends of mine and let's continue to grow, see you soon.



TRUSTEE - William "Harpo" Silvestri

It was really encouraging to see the turnout at our last two meetings. We have recently picked up a number of new members. Apparently, the word is getting out by the membership that our association is one that is well worth belonging. The annual dues is \$25 and the cost of attending our monthly meetings is a very modest \$10, which includes food and unlimited drink. The best though, in my opinion, is getting to see and interact with your brothers and sisters in blue.

The objective of our association is to support and aid its members and other retired and active law enforcement personnel. It is also to further the welfare, improve the benefits of all retired police officers of the NYPD and other law enforcement retirees and encourage social, charitable, educational, benevolent and fraternal activities among our members.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting.
Keep well and stay safe.



TRUSTEE - Bill Kelly

Well it finally happened. Our illustrious Mayor Eric has removed the last hope of usnot having Medicare Plus jammed down our throats and that is terrible.

After what all of us have been through serving the City of New York all these years, we are now at the point in our lives where we need all the help we have earned and deserve and the City pulls the rug out from under us, it's just awful.

On to more pleasant thoughts, Spring is upon us and it's time to get outside and enjoy ourselves.

As you read this I have already been to opening day at the stadium, and I have a cruise on the horizon. I hope you plan to go out and enjoy yourself also. Be safe

THINK BEFORE YOU DONATE!

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT BEFORE YOU MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS:

As you open your pockets to do a good thing and make yourself feel good, please keep the following facts in mind:

<p align="center"><u>The American Red Cross</u> President and CEO Marsha J. Evans' salary for the year was \$651,957 plus expenses</p>	<p align="center"><u>MARCH OF DIMES</u> It is called the March of Dimes because only a dime for every 1 dollar is given to the needy.</p>	<p align="center"><u>The United Way</u> President Brian Gallagher receives a \$375,000 base salary along with numerous expense benefits.</p>	<p align="center"><u>UNICEF</u> CEO Caryl M. Stern receives \$1,200,000 per year (100k per month) plus all expenses including a <u>ROLLS ROYCE.</u> <u>Less than 5 cents of your donated dollar goes to the cause.</u></p>	<p align="center"><u>GOODWILL</u> CEO and owner Mark Curran profits \$2.3 million a year. Goodwill is a very catchy name for his business. You donate to his business and then he sells the items for PROFIT. He pays nothing for his products and pays his worker's minimum wage! Nice Guy. <u>\$0.00 goes to help anyone!</u> Stop giving to this man.</p>
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**Instead, give it to ANY OF THE FOLLOWING
GO "GREEN"**

AND PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE IT WILL DO SOME GOOD:

<p align="center"><u>The Salvation Army</u> Commissioner, Todd Bassett receives a small salary of only \$13,000 per year (plus housing) for managing this \$2 billion dollar organization. <u>96 percent of donated dollars go to the cause.</u></p>	<p align="center"><u>The American Legion</u> National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!</p>	<p align="center"><u>The Veterans of Foreign Wars</u> National Commander receives a \$000 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!</p>	<p align="center"><u>The Disabled American Veterans</u> National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!</p>	<p align="center"><u>The Military Order of Purple Hearts</u> National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!</p>
<p align="center"><u>The Vietnam Veterans Association</u> National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!</p>	<p align="center"><u>Make a Wish:</u> For children's last wishes. 100% goes to funding trips or special wishes for a dying child.</p>	<p align="center"><u>St. Jude Research Hospital</u> 100% goes towards funding and helping Children with Cancer who have no insurance and cannot afford to pay.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Ronald McDonald Houses</u> All monies go to running the houses for parents who have critically ill Children in the hospital. 100% goes to housing, and feeding the families</p>	<p align="center"><u>Lions Club International</u> 100% OF DONATIONS GO TO HELP THE BLIND, BUY HEARING AIDES, SUPPORT MEDICAL MISSIONS AROUND THE WORLD. THEIR LATEST UNDERTAKING IS MEASLES VACCINATIONS (ONLY \$1.00 PER SHOT).</p>

2023 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**** New Procedures Below ****

Submitting a Scholarship Application - (2 Years Continuous Membership)

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2023 2022 **LATE MEMBERSHIP**

(Please check off and add past years if you want to be eligible for Scholarship)

Annual Dues: \$25.00 Per Year

New Member Renewal Associate Member Life Member Other _____

PLEASE NOTE: We require two (2) separate checks for your **Dues & Additional Cards**.

To purchase additional membership cards please fill out **Additional Card Form** along with this application with your (2) checks made payable to **Verrazano 10-13 Association** and mail to:

Verrazano 10-13 Association, PO BOX 061-725, Staten Island, NY 10306

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Street Address: _____ Apt _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ D.O.B: ____ / ____ / _____

Email: _____

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New York State Restrictions on Carrying Concealed Firearms

Overview

- Based on a recent US Supreme Court case, more people will have licenses to carry firearms in NYC.
- New York State passed new laws to restrict where those license holders can bring firearms.
- The new laws do not change the way that street encounters are conducted:
 - Officers may stop an individual when the officer has reasonable suspicion that such individual is carrying a firearm (Level 3) and may frisk that individual since the officer has reasonable suspicion that the individual is armed and dangerous.
 - Anyone carrying a firearm is presumed to be carrying unlawfully until proven otherwise.
- Firearms license holders **must** provide their firearms license to law enforcement upon request.

Sensitive vs. Restricted Locations

- Firearms license holders may *not* bring their firearms to **sensitive** locations.
- Firearms license holders may *not* bring firearms to **restricted** locations *unless* the property owner gives permission.

Sensitive Locations

License holders cannot bring firearms into:

- Courts & government offices
- Medical facilities and hospitals
- Places of worship
- Libraries, parks, and playgrounds
- All educational and childcare facilities and campuses (public or private)
- Shelters
- Mental health, substance abuse and disability service providers
- Adult care homes
- Public transportation (including stations)
- Bars, restaurants and cannabis lounges
- Theaters, stadiums, arenas, racetracks, museums, catering halls, and casinos
- Polling locations
- Events that require permits such as parades and outdoor concerts (must post signs)
- Protests, demonstrations, and marches, or any assembly where individuals are gathered to collectively express their constitutional rights of free speech
- Times Square, as designated by signs

Restricted Locations

License holder must have permission from property owner to bring firearms onto:

- Any residential property
- Any commercial property that is not on the list of sensitive locations

Law Enforcement

- On-duty UMOS are *not* subject to any restrictions at sensitive or restricted locations.
- All UMOS (on-duty, off-duty and retired) may carry firearms at sensitive locations.
- Off-duty UMOS and retired UMOS *may* carry firearms at restricted locations *unless* the owner or lessee expressly prohibits firearms on the property.

The NYCPD Verrazano 10-13
Memorial High School & College
2023-2024 Scholarship Award Application

APPLICATION

Extra Copies of the application may be obtained at our website VZ1013.com or it can be duplicated (see below). Non-conforming applications will be discarded.

SPONSOR

Applicants must be sponsored by a member of Verrazano 10-13 Association in good standing for the past two (2) years. A sponsor may submit multiple applications for different children. However, a sponsor is limited to only one scholarship award every two (2) consecutive yearly drawings.

ELIGIBILITY

A son, daughter or grandchild of a member is eligible for a scholarship and must be attending or enrolled in a College on a full-time basis (taking at least 12 credits) for the 2023-2024 school year. Each child can only win once, but a member can sponsor another child after waiting (2) years. ONLY ONE ENTRY PER APPLICANT IS PERMITTED, If more than one application is received for the same applicant, all but one will be discarded.

VERIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE

Applicants must be attending the education facility during the application year. Proof of enrollment must accompany the application.

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

For the 2023-2024 school year, a \$1000 College Scholarship In Memory of President Richard Comnesso and two (2) \$500.00 College Scholarships will be awarded also one (1) High School for \$500.00 will be awarded.

SCHOLARSHIP DRAWINGS

Drawings will be on a lottery basis in order to give each applicant an equal chance for selection. Scholarship awards will be drawn at the Verrazano 10-13 Christmas Luncheon in December (Alternate drawing date is the January General Meeting). All applications must be received prior to the drawing date. NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF THE DRAWING.

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NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION – 2023-2024 SCHOLARSHIP



(PLEASE PRINT)



SPONSORING MEMBER OF THE NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: ___ Home Phone: () _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ___ Zip _____ Year Joined Org: _____

APPLICANT

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: ___ Home Phone: () _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ___ Zip _____ Date of Birth: _____

Cell Phone: () _____ Email: _____ Relationship to Sponsor: _____

School Attending: _____ Date: _____ Give a brief statement about your

Community Involvement: _____

MAIL APPLICATION TO: NYCPD Verrazano 1013 Association, Scholarship Committee, PO Box 061725, Staten Island, NY 10306

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Street Address: _____ Apt _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Number of Cards: _____

\$1.00 per card = \$ _____

Postage \$1.50 _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

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A Computer Tip on Password Strength

Any account with a weak password can be hacked in seconds. Create passwords that prevent cyber attacks.

12 characters and up

A longer, complex password is a stronger one. Use minimum 12-character passwords with upper and lowercase letters, numbers, and special characters.

The sentence method

Make a memorable password based on a simple sentence. For example, use the first two letters of each word: Never Forget Your Password Again! = NeFoYoPaAg!

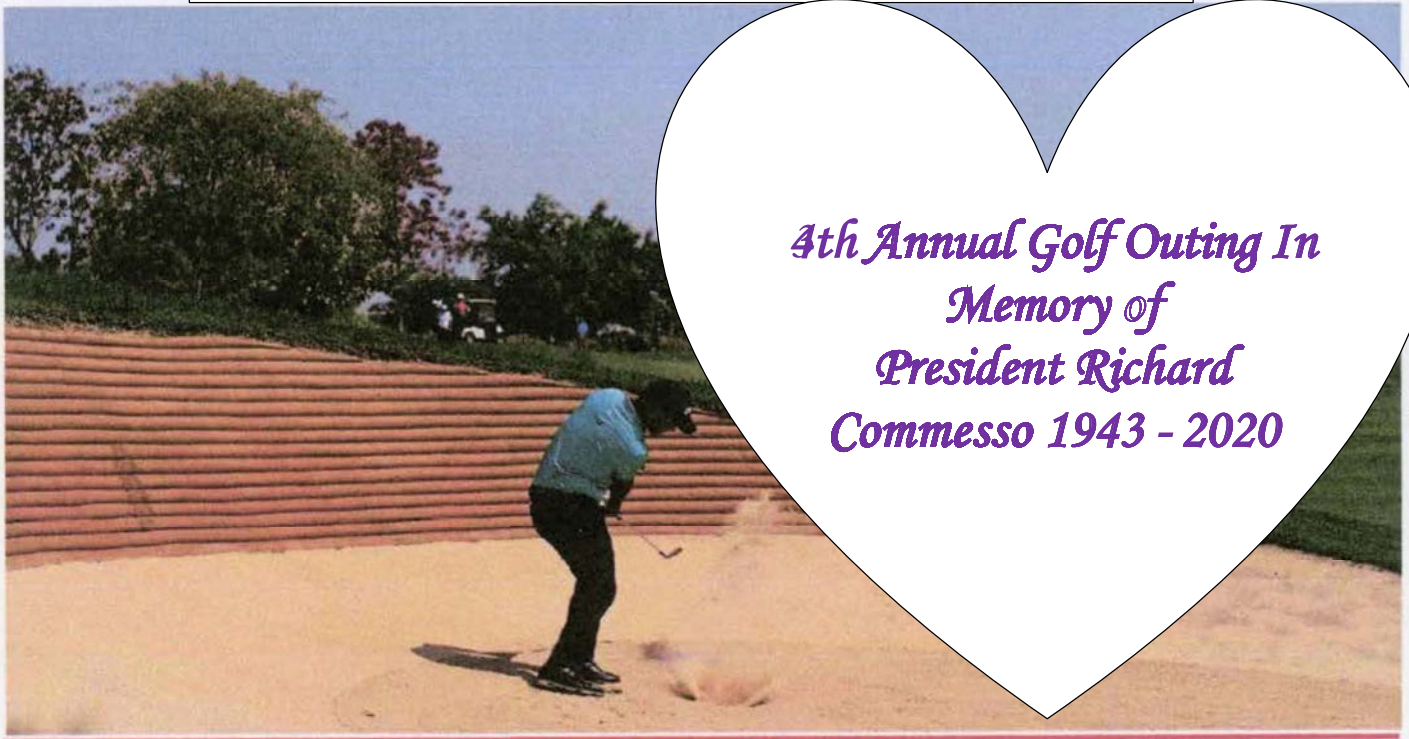
One password per account

Create unique passwords for every account, from your email to your social media, and use a folder or use a password manager to keep them all in one place

NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION



**22nd Annual Golf Outing
Bunker Hill Golf Course
Friday, Sept 22nd, 2023**



*4th Annual Golf Outing In
Memory of
President Richard
Comnesso 1943 - 2020*

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
9:00 AM SHOT GUN START – GOLF CART
SLEEVE OF BALLS – WATER – 10-13 SOUVENIR
BARBECUE AT THE 19TH HOLE WITH COOL REFRESHMENTS
50/50 – RAFFLES WITH GREAT PRIZES**

**The NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association
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For further information call: **646 752-6148**

Or visit our website: www.vz1013.com or Email: info@vz1013.com

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Golf Fee: \$135.00 – Sponsor a Hole or Tee: \$100.00 – Donate: Gift Items or Gift Certificates
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NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION



22ND ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

**BUNKER HILL GOLF COURSE
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2023**



*******RAIN OR SHINE*******

Continental Breakfast 9:00 AM - Shot Gun Start - Golf Cart - Sleeve of Balls - Water
10-13 Souvenirs - Barbecue with Cool Refreshments - 50/50 - Raffle with Great Prizes

*Enter the Hole In One at the 6th Hole, and Win a FREE Two Year Lease of a
2022 FORD FROM DANA LINCOLN FORD/LINCOLN*

GOLFERS' REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Golf Registration Fee \$135.00 PP Due on or before August 14th. Late Registration Fee \$150.00
No Refunds for no shows or After August 14th

PLAYER #1

PLAYER #2

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

PLAYER #3

PLAYER #4

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

BARBEQUE ONLY

The fee is \$35.00 pp

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Mail Golfers' and/or BBQ Registration form along with payment to:

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For further information call: (347) 216-5215 or visit our Website: www.VZ1013.com or Email: info@vz1013.com

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February 23, 2023

NYPD Verrazano 10-13 Association
P.O. Box 061-725
Staten Island, N.Y. 10306
Christopher Piazza-President

Dear Chris,

On behalf of the Emergency Medical Squad, I would like to extend my sincerest thanks for your generous donation. Your thoughtful donation will assist the Emergency Medical Squad in our continued efforts to provide quality medical assistance to all Active and Retired members of the NYPD.

Sincerely,

Gary DeRosa-Director
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Vinnie Montagna with DA Mike McMahon and Boro President Vito Fossella at the Welcome Home Veterans Breakfast in March

NY State Div. of Criminal Justice Services State Police: re Gun Laws Eff. 9/1/22, issued 8-27-22.

Please Note:

- 1 - This is from the NY State Div. of Criminal Justice Services State Police.
- 2 - NYC and other local jurisdictions have additional restrictions and requirements.
- 3 - Make sure to also comply with **All Local Laws, The " Safe" Act, All Federal laws & Pistol License Requirements, Etc.**

I suggest the following a reference material: **A guide to New York's Firearms and Weapons Laws**, Gun control in New York, Published by Looseleaf law publications (AKA Blue 360 Media), <https://www.blue360media.com>, in a Looseleaf binder format which can be updated by subscribing to yearly updates.

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Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Recent Changes To New York State Firearm Laws.

These Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) provide information on New York State's newly enacted firearms law. These questions and answers are not intended to be exhaustive, nor do they constitute legal advice.

Please review the information that follows to learn more about how to obtain a firearm license, including new requirements for an in-person interview, firearm safety training, and additional resources for hunters, gun owners, and retailers.

Additional information can be found at: New York [State Police's Firearm Website](#) & New York [State Department of Environmental Conservation's Website](#)

(Q1) - Do I Need a License to possess a pistol or revolver in New York State? (A)-Yes. You are still required to have a license to possess a pistol or revolver.* Nothing in the recent United States Supreme Court decision changes this fact.

*Note: Requirements for a semi-automatic rifle are addressed in Questions 19-21.

(Q2) - What are the most common Types of Licenses for a pistol or revolver in New York State? (A)-The two most common licenses for a pistol or revolver are a license to "have and possess" and a license to "have and carry concealed." A "have and possess" license is commonly referred to as a "premises license," which authorizes the license holder to possess a firearm at a certain location such as their home or place of business A "have and carry concealed" license is commonly referred to as a "concealed carry license," which authorizes the license holder to carry a pistol or revolver on their person.

(Q3) - Are the terms "License" or "Permit" the same? (A)-Yes. The terms license and permit are used interchangeably.

(Q4) - What are the new Requirements to obtain a concealed carry license? (A)-The new requirements to obtain a concealed carry license are: • proof of completion of a firearms safety training course (see Questions 11-18); • four character references; • a list of former and current social media accounts for the last three years; • disclosure of applicant's spouse or domestic partner, any other adults residing in the applicant's home, including any adult children of the applicant, and • an in-person interview of the applicant with the licensing officer/designee. For more information, please visit the [State Police's Firearm webpage](#) or contact your [county/local licensing officer](#).

(Q5) - Am I required to show a Need For Self-Defense to get a pistol or revolver license? (A)-No. You are not required to show a need for self-defense to get a pistol or revolver license.

(Q6) - Are retired law enforcement officers required to apply for a concealed carry license? (A)-Yes. Retired law enforcement officials will need to apply for a concealed carry license.

(Q7) - How and when do I apply for a firearm license? (A)-You can apply for a firearm license to your county/local licensing officer at any time. Please visit State Police's Firearm [webpage](#) for more information on how to apply for a pistol or revolver license.

Recertification / Renewal

(Q8) - What is the difference between **Renewal** and **Recertification** of my pistol or revolver license?

(A)-A pistol or revolver license issued by New York City or Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties expires and needs to be **Renewed** every 3 years.

A pistol or revolver license issued outside of those areas does not expire, but the license holder must **Recertify** with the New York State Police every 3 years for a concealed carry license and every 5 years for other types of licenses.

(Q9) - How does the new law impact the **Recertification** due date of my pistol or revolver license? **(A)**-If you have a New York State concealed carry license, you are now required to submit your Recertification to the New York State Police every 3 years after issuance instead of 5 years. The new law does not change the recertification requirements for a premises license, which must be recertified every 5 years.

(Q10) - How does the new law impact the **Renewal** of my pistol or revolver license? **(A)**-A concealed carry pistol or revolver license issued by New York City, Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties now expires every 3 years.

Training

(Q11) - Who is required to take the new firearm safety training course? **(A)**-Any individual who seeks to obtain a concealed carry license for a pistol or revolver will be required to take the 16-hour classroom and 2-hour live-fire firearm safety training course. This will be required for concealed carry licenses issued on or after September 1, 2022. Individuals **Renewing** their license in New York City or Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties must complete the training.

(Q12) - Where will I take the required firearm safety training course? How much will it cost? **(A)**-The firearm safety training course will be provided by authorized instructors, in accordance with **standards** published by the New York State Police and the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS). Training costs and locations will be set by the instructor.

(Q13) - When will I need to take the firearm safety training course? **(A)**-Proof of completion of the firearm safety training course is required to obtain a concealed carry license on or after September 1, 2022.

Local licensing officers have the discretion to determine whether a portion or all of the firearms training requirement is satisfied for those applicants who completed a firearm safety course in the previous 5 years.

(Q14) - Do I need to take the firearm safety training course if I already have a concealed carry license that was issued **Outside** of New York City or Westchester, Nassau, or Suffolk counties? **(A)**-No. Existing concealed carry pistol or revolver license holders with licenses that were issued outside of New York City or Westchester, Nassau, or Suffolk counties are not required to take the firearm safety training course.

(Q15) - If I am renewing my concealed carry license in a jurisdiction where it has an expiration date, (i.e., New York City, and Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties) will I need to take the firearm safety training course before renewing? **(A)**-Yes. An individual seeking to renew a concealed carry license on or after September 1, 2022, will need to complete the firearm safety training course. Local licensing officers have the discretion to determine whether a portion or all of the firearms training requirement is satisfied for those applicants who completed a firearm safety course in the previous 5 years.

(Q16) - If I have an existing concealed carry license that was issued **Outside** of New York City or Westchester, Nassau, or Suffolk counties and I am **Recertifying** it with the New York State Police, will I need to take the firearm safety training course before recertifying? **(A)**-No. The firearm safety training course is not required to recertify your concealed carry license with the State Police.

(Q17) - Are active or retired law enforcement or former military personnel exempt from having to take the firearm safety training course? **(A)**-The firearm safety training requirements apply to all applicants for a concealed carry license. This includes retired law enforcement and former military personnel. Local licensing officers have the discretion to determine whether a portion or all of the firearms training requirement is satisfied for those applicants who completed a firearm safety course in the previous 5 years. Further, local licensing officers may satisfy the training requirement for active or retired military personnel or law enforcement officers who received firearm training, in excess of the standards set forth for the firearm safety training course, as a component of their service or profession (e.g., the New York State Basic Course for Police Officers).

(Q18) - If I only want a firearm in my residence and do not want to carry concealed, do I still have to take the firearm safety training? **(A)**-No. Premises license holders are not required to take the firearm safety training course. The firearm safety training course requirement applies to concealed carry licenses.

Semi-Automatic Rifle License

(Q19) - How do I apply for a Semi-Automatic Rifle License? (A)-Starting September 4, 2022, you may apply for a Semi-Automatic Rifle License through your County/Local Licensing Officer. Existing firearm license holders can add a Semi-Automatic Rifle to their firearm license through their local licensing officer. A Semi-Automatic Rifle License is required to purchase or take ownership of a semiautomatic rifle on or after September 4, 2022.

(Q20) - Do I need a Semi-Automatic Rifle License to keep a semi-automatic rifle I currently own? (A)-Any person that lawfully possesses a semi-automatic rifle prior to September 4, 2022, will not be required to obtain the Semi-Automatic Rifle License. The Semi-Automatic Rifle License is only required for persons acquiring a semiautomatic rifle on or after September 4, 2022.

(Q21) - Has the age requirement changed to acquire and/or possess a semiautomatic rifle? (A)-Yes. Starting on September 4, 2022, the minimum age to purchase or take ownership of a semi-automatic rifle is 21 years old. If you are younger than 21 years old, and lawfully acquired a semi-automatic rifle prior to September 4, 2022, you may continue to possess that rifle.

Restrictions on Carrying Firearms in Certain Locations

(Q22) - Are individuals who have a premises license, now able to carry a concealed pistol or revolver outside their home? (A)-No. You would need to obtain a concealed carry license. You cannot legally carry a concealed pistol or revolver outside of your home in New York State if you only have a premises license, which only allows you to possess a pistol or revolver in your home or place of business.

Please note the difference Between **Sensitive Locations** / **Restricted Locations**, and most important, the **Differences Regarding Their Respective Exemptions!**

(Q23) - What are the places, under the new law, where I Cannot bring a firearm, rifle, or shotgun?

Sensitive Locations:

(A)-Effective September 1, 2022, the possession of a firearm, rifle, or shotgun is Prohibited In Sensitive Locations. Under the law, the following are considered **Sensitive Locations:**

- Any location owned or under control of federal, state, or local government for the purpose of government administration, including courts;
- Any location providing health, behavioral health, or chemical dependence care or services; • Places of worship or religious observation;
- Libraries, public playgrounds, public parks, and zoos;
- NYS Office of Children and Family Service licensed or funded facilities (childcare facilities); • Nursery schools, preschools, summer camps;
- NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities licensed or funded facilities;
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- Polling places; Issued August 27, 2022 7 • Public sidewalks and other public areas that are restricted from general public access for a limited time or special event;
- Gatherings of people to collectively express their constitutional rights to assemble or protest; and
- Times Square (with boundaries determined by New York City).

(Q24) - If I have a concealed carry license, can I carry my pistol or revolver to Sensitive Locations? (A)-No. Subject to exceptions for certain individuals (see Question 25), Penal Law §265.01-e prohibits bringing any pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun or any other firearm to a sensitive location – even if you have a concealed carry license.

(Q25) - Are there any exceptions to this rule? Is anyone exempt from the prohibition of possession of firearms, rifles, or shotguns in sensitive locations?

(A)-Yes, the law Exempts the following persons:

- Police officers in New York State, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 1.20(34), and those who were employed as police officers in New York State but are retired;
- Retired law enforcement officers who qualify under 18 U.S.C. 926(C) (the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act, or LEOSA);
- Peace officers in New York State, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 2.10; • Armed security guards registered by the NYS Department of State while working;

- Active-duty military personnel;
- * Persons licensed under paragraph **c, d, or e subdivision 2** of § **400.00** of the Penal Law while in the course of official duties;
- Persons lawfully engaged in hunting activity, including hunter education training;
- Persons operating a program in their home that would otherwise be considered a sensitive location, however, such possession must comply with any rules or regulations (e.g., safe storage); and
- Government employees with agency consent, for the purpose of natural resource protection.

 ***Note:** The following sections regarding PL 400 pertain to the following licensees.

PL400.00, sub 2 c - Certain licensed Individuals while employed in the "banking" industry.

PL400.00, sub 2 d - Certain licensed Justices,

PL400.00, sub 2 e - Certain licensed regular Correctional employees.

See PL 400 for Exact Details.

Restricted Locations

(Q26) - Is it a crime to enter Another Person’s Property, also known as a “Restricted Location**” under the law, with a firearm, rifle, or shotgun without the owner’s or lessee’s consent?** (A)- Subject to exemptions for certain individuals, you can only enter another person’s property with a firearm, rifle, or shotgun when the owner or lessee has specifically posted that it allowed, or the owner or lessee has expressly consented. Consent to carry must be reflected by clear and conspicuous signage or express verbal consent from the owner or lessee. (Penal Law § 265.01-d)

(Q27) - Is anyone Exempt from the prohibition of possession of firearms, rifles, or shotguns in Restricted Locations? (A)-Yes, the law exempts the following persons:

- Police Officers in New York State, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 1.20(34), and those who Were Employed As Police Officers in New York State but are retired;
- New York peace officers, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 2.10;
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- Persons lawfully engaged in hunting activity, including hunter education training.

(Q28) - Can I possess a firearm, rifle or shotgun in the Adirondack and Catskill Parks? (A)-Certain areas of the parks are not considered “sensitive locations” under the law, as the state- owned or managed lands are legally classified as state forest preserve or are generally private lands. There are areas inside the Adirondack and Catskill Parks, however, that are classified as sensitive locations or restricted locations under the new gun law (e.g., libraries and government administrative facilities) and these specific locations are subject to the sensitive and restricted location restrictions under the law, which are detailed in Question 23. Please review the Department of Environmental Conservation’s FAQs for more information. Safe Handling and Storage Law Changes

(Q29) - How does the new law impact **Transporting Guns In A Vehicle?** (A)-Effective September 1, 2022, if you leave your gun unattended in a vehicle, it must be unloaded and locked in a fire, impact, and tamper resistant storage depository that is hidden from view. Glove compartments and glove boxes are not appropriate safe storage depositories. A plastic or aluminum, lockable, hard-sided, gun case or safe will suffice for this purpose. If an adult remains with the vehicle to ensure security, a case or safe is not required. To prevent theft and ensure safety, it is always recommended that firearms be secured during transport. Local rules for traveling with firearms also apply and may be more restrictive. For example, New York City requires that all guns be unloaded, in a case, and out of sight, even when you are with the vehicle (Penal Law § 265.45).

(Q30) - How am I required to Store My Guns in my Home?

- (A)-If anyone younger than 18 years old or anyone who is prohibited from possessing a gun resides in the home, all firearms, rifles, and shotguns not in your immediate control must either be:
- Secured with a gun locking device (trigger lock or cable lock) that makes them incapable of being accessed or fired by the prohibited individual, **or**
 - Locked securely in a safe or secure container that is fire, impact, and tamper resistant and which is locked using a key, keypad, or combination.

Hunting and Hunting Education Activities

(Q31) - Where can I find more information about how the recent law changes apply to hunting and educational activities? (A)-Please review the Department of Environmental Conservation’s FAQs for more information.

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