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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 2024 Annual Dues and Additional 2024 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 and hope everyone and your family's are doing well. Welcome back to all our Florida snow-birds hope you all enjoyed! Thanks to all who came out for our March's meeting. Hopefully the spring weather will get here very soon for us.

Looking forward to seeing everyone for our next meeting in April. Happy Easter and Passover to all.



TREASURER'S LINES - Henry Cartmell

I want to thank all the new and renewed members that have paid their dues for 2024. This helps the association to plan for this year's function. I hope all is going well with you and your families.

We have scheduled our annual Golf Outing for September 20 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


Don't turn in your firearms to NYPD Pistol License Section. Sell them to a Gun Shop. Your old service *revolvers* are worth a few dollars. I was offered \$650.00 for my Service Gun.



The Founding Fathers on the Second Amendment

 "I ask, Sir, what is the militia? It is the whole people. To disarm the people is the best and most effectual way to enslave them."
George Mason - Co-author of the Second Amendment during Virginia's Convention to Ratify the Constitution, 1788

 Firearms stand next in importance to the constitution itself. They are the American people's liberty teeth and keystone under independence ... from the hour the Pilgrims landed to the present day, events, occurrences and tendencies prove that to ensure peace security and happiness, the rifle and pistol are equally indispensable ... the very atmosphere of firearms anywhere restrains evil interference — they deserve a place of honor with all that's good."
George Washington - First President of the United States

 "To preserve liberty, it is essential that the whole body of the people always possess arms and be taught alike, especially when young, how to use them."
Richard Henry Lee - American Statesman, 1788



RECORDING SECRETARY'S LINES - Tom Dembinski

Greetings all,

The clocks have been set ahead and Spring is here. It must time for Baseball and Barbecues.

On a separate note I hope everyone has joined the **NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees**. It's a way to keep informed of all the Court dates and rallies. They also send out emails to contact our representatives. It's as easy typing your email address and pressing send to send a message to our State representatives and Washington. We demand what we were promised with no changes.

Remember to refer a friend and help our organization to grow.

Enjoy the Summer and stay safe.



SGT. AT ARMS - Jack Hellman

Well once again its spring time. By now hope all you snow birds are back in your nests. The weather is starting to get a little more pleasant and enjoying more daylight. All you golfers are getting out there and enjoying. That brings me towards our annual golf outing. This year it will be September 20 at Bunker hill golf course. Princeton NJ. This year it will be our 5th, year that we are naming it The Richie Comesso Memorial after our past President and good friend. Richie and I started this outing in 2021 to benefit our organization to help defray the cost of the many things that our club does. Like donations to widow and children's fund, NYPD emergency medical unit. Tunnel to Towers, Scholarships for our families, and defray the cost of our monthly meetings, so once again I'm asking all you to participate in it by, playing, getting sponsors, buying 50-50 chances. Or if you have some old Xmas gifts or others like unopened bottles of liquor we can use as raffels along with other great prizes we have donate to help make it a great day.

Hope all had a blessed Easter and a sweet Passover and all my Italian buddies ate a great Cabatzel. Thank you for taking the time to read my column and stay well.



TRUSTEE - Philip DeLuca

Happy spring to all hopefully bad weather behind us. Was corn beef good? I must've had it four times at all the organizations, great time at the pier after the parade. Good times coming ahead with the organization, stay tuned.

Don't forget the lawsuit for our health insurance send in some money. We should be hearing something in April. Don't forget Medicare B to in April. See you soon.



TRUSTEE - Bill Kelly

The face of the city is always changing one of the more recent changes is the state and city Officials allow mayhem in our streets and subways, which further degrades the city's quality of life. The next big change is the looming congestion pricing which I don't think will be good for any of us. What it will do is drive more people down into the subways. Are the subways ready for the influx of people?

I go into the city on a fairly regular basis and during the pandemic my kids insisted I stop taking the ferry and the train and drive, which I did for a while. With the cost and the traffic I recently switched back to the ferry and the train. It's more direct and it takes about the same amount of time at a much less cost.

Chaos still abounds on the trains, will the increased ridership due to congestion pricing bring safety in numbers? It's yet to be seen.

Stay safe.



TRUSTEE - William "Harpo" Silvestri

Hello All,

Hope you all had a good winter season. I think we bit the bullet once more. Hopefully, our Spring will be just as good. The accompanying is a compilation of various informational articles excerpted from other 10-13 organizations. I'm sure it can be a bit confusing. I did, however, attempt to make it as clear as possible. Hope it helps.

SURVIVING SPOUSE INSTRUCTIONS

QUESTION: When a member passes away, what will happen to his/her spouse as far as medical coverage?

ANSWER: If the retiree has retired on 3/4 and dies from the condition that mandated their retirement, (Heart Bill, etc.) the City will continue the same medical coverage that was in effect with the retiree. This will also include Health & Welfare Benefits (dental, eyeglass & prescription drugs). If the retiree has retired for regular service or ordinary disability, the spouse will be able to continue the medical coverage but must pay for it at the group rate. The group rate is a bargain and is calculated at the cost of 102 percent of the amount that the City was paying. Due to special legislation that we were able to achieve several years ago this coverage does not expire after 36 months. This applies only to New York City Police and Fire Retirees. Upon learning of the death of a police retiree the Retiree Benefits Section of the Office of Labor Relations sends the SPOUSE an application which is referred to as "Cobra for Life." The surviving spouse fills it out and sends it to the medical plan of choice and is thereafter billed and covered by that health carrier. The survivor also can continue the Health and Welfare coverage with the respective union, PBA, DEA, SBA, SOC, (based on retirement rank) only for a period of 36 months but they must pay for that continuing benefit for a 36 month period. The Health and Welfare coverage is no longer available after the 36 months but it does not affect the Medical Coverage which is for life. However, if they are of Medicare age, we recommend they take the health plans (GHI etc.) prescription drug rider instead, and they will be partially subsidized by Medicare. But only if they can forego dental and optical benefits.

QUESTION: What happens when the 36 months expire?

ANSWER: If the spouse is not yet of Medicare age, then they should contact their medical plan provider and inquire about paying for the prescription drug rider. They can also shop for other prescription drug plans.

ANOTHER OPTION FOR THE MEDICARE ELIGIBLES AT THIS TIME, IF THEY CHOSE THE COVERAGE WITH THEIR SPOUSES RESPECTIVE UNION, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU GO TO YOUR LOCAL PHARMACY WITH A LIST OF YOUR MEDICATIONS AND THEY CAN RECOMMEND WHICH AVAILABLE PLAN IS BEST FOR YOU.

QUESTION: I am receiving the Medicare rebate for myself and also my spouse. When I die will my spouse continue to receive the rebate?

ANSWER: The survivor continues to be in the rebate program only if the CITY is paying the health coverage. If the CITY is not paying for the health plan then there is no justification for the CITY to provide a rebate.

NOTE: It is important to remember that the City will take the widowed spouse off the record for Medicare premium reimbursement. However, you are still entitled to all of the retroactive payments for both you and your spouse up until his/her date of death. Since this payment is always a calendar year behind, it is incumbent upon the surviving spouse to ensure this payment is received. Contact the Employees Benefits Section 212-513-0470.

THE FOLLOWING IS A GENERAL GUIDE FOR THE WIDOW / WIDOWER REGARDING NOTIFICATIONS THAT MUST BE MADE BY THE SURVIVING SPOUSE AND INFORMATION YOU SHOULD HAVE ON HAND WHEN A RETIREE DIES:

For Members appointed after June 30, 1940 and for members who merged from Transit/Housing as of May 1995- Notify NYC Police Pension Fund either in writing or by telephone at 233 Broadway, 25th Floor, New York, NY 10279 - Attention: Retiree Death Benefits Unit, Telephone (212) 693-5607/5919.

For Members appointed prior to July 1, 1940 contact the NYCPD at 1 Police Plaza, New York, NY 10038, Tel 646-610-8073/74 the Audits and Accounts Section, Article 1. You will need to provide the deceased first, middle and last name, the date of death, social security number, next of kin as well as the executor/of the estate and his/her address and phone number. You may also be required to provide, to complete certain records, the following: a copy of the will, a copy of the paid funeral bill, the original or certified copy of the death certificate and a certified copy of your marriage certificate and the surviving spouses social security number.

BE CERTAIN TO KEEP BENEFICIARY INFORMATION CURRENT AS MEMBERS MAY HAVE CHANGES IN SOCIAL CONDITION (MARRIED, SEPARATED, DIVORCED, ETC.) WITH BOTH THE PENSION SECTION AND YOUR UNION. ALSO NOTIFY SAME OF ADDRESS CHANGES, AS WELL AS NYC HEALTH BENEFITS SECTION, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS TAKEN FROM OUR NY 10-13 ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA WEBSITE.

PREPARATIONS BEFOREHAND

Get organized now. When someone dies, one of the big problems for beneficiaries is locating the things necessary to settle the estate. Make sure you know before the death occurs where to find the following documents and information...

- Will
- Living Will
- Trusts
- Deeds (if any)
- Safe-deposit boxes (location of boxes, contents and keys)
- Life insurance policies
- Funeral and burial instructions
- Names and addresses of creditors and debtors
- List of assets and where they are located
- List of all advisers—attorney, accountant, insurance agent, stockbroker, etc.

STEPS TO BE TAKEN AFTER DEATH

Notifications:

NYC Police Pension Fund either in writing or by telephone
233 Broadway, 25th Floor New York, New York 10279 Attention: Retiree Death Benefits
Unit Telephone (212) 693-5607/5919

Contact the appropriate Union for a possible existing life insurance policy and also for continuation of optional benefits, if qualified.

Police Officers - Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (P.B.A.) (212) 233-5531

Sergeants - Sergeants Benevolent Association (S.B.A.) (212) 431-6555

Detectives - Detectives Endowment Association (D.E.A.) (212) 587-1000

Lieutenants and above-Superior Officers Council (S.O.C.) (212) 964-7500

HEALTH INSURANCE: C.O.B.R.A.

Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985. COBRA has a safety net. If spouse or dependent was covered under deceased's health plan they may continue coverage under COBRA for up to 36 months. New York State in 2001 amended the Administrative Code to continue Health Care Coverage for Surviving Spouses for Life. This enables the deceased's spouse and/or dependents to receive coverage at the group rate. The City and the Line Organization health benefits stop at the death of the member. The rate, though high, is cheaper than the non group rate.

NYC Employee Benefits 1-(212) 513-0470.

Contact the NYPD Operations Unit located at One Police Plaza, telephone # (646) 610-5580, for pall bearers (all five boroughs, all of Long Island and Upstate New York but not beyond Dutchess County).

Social Security: 1-800 772-1213 (Funeral Director will usually do this for you)

Fraternal Organizations to arrange for visitors, Color Guard and possible insurance benefits.

If a veteran, Notify the Veterans Administration 1-800 827-1000, (Usually Funeral Director will do this for you also Church or Temple for announcements and to arrange for funeral).

DISCHARGE PAPERS: DD 214 - Original needed for BURIAL IN NATIONAL CEMETARY, Grave marker, Funeral Allowance, Flag or Social Security, if spouse was not already receiving benefits. Service time counts toward qualification. They will photostat 1 for Veterans Administration & Social Security. if a veteran and can't find discharge or DD 214, Need date of Enlistment, date of Discharge, Branch & Serial Number. if deceased had 100% disability for 10 years spouse is entitled to an additional benefit. (See Funeral Director for assistance)

PAID FUNERAL BILLS: 1 for Pension Bureau, 1 for Probate Court, 1 for I.R.S. if taxable estate.

THINGS YOU WILL NEED

DEATH CERTIFICATES: Death Certificates are necessary in every step to the successful administration of a decedent's estate. (Usually Funeral Director will obtain certificates as part of his service at current cost).

Pension Bureau

Veterans Administration (if a veteran)

Motor Vehicle Bureau (if auto was in deceased's name ONLY). 1 for each insurance policy

Probate Court (If probate is needed)

Your State Department of Revenue to obtain non-tax certificate (if real property is involved).

Bank accounts held in Trust for another (1 for each account if property held in a Trust)

Personal Records

Note: If estate is probated, some of the above will take a Letter Testamentary instead of a Death Certificate.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES WITH OFFICIAL RAISED SEAL:

Social Security, (not necessary if surviving spouse already receiving benefits)

Veterans Administration (if a veteran).

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY OR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION: Motor Vehicle Bureau if auto is in the deceased's name ONLY.

One for each bank account, brokerage house account, share of stock or bonds, etc. that were in the deceased's name alone.

THINGS THAT MAY APPLY

- Cancel the lease. If your parent or loved one rented a home, cancel the lease after clearing out the furnishings.
- Inform insurance companies. File life insurance claims for any policies on the person's life, and request that the insurers send you Form 712, Life Insurance Statement (a statement about the life insurance that must be filed with the estate tax return).
- Make sure the car insurance company continues to cover the person's car until it's sold or transferred to a beneficiary.
- Make sure the homeowners policy continues to provide adequate coverage for the person's things until removed from the home.
- Notify companies the person did business with.
- Cancel credit cards, and close charge accounts.
- Tell airlines to transfer frequent-flier miles (in attendance with the will to the primary beneficiary).
- Gather assets. This doesn't mean piling them all together. It means getting a list of all the assets at the time of the decedent's death, along with copies of statements, deeds, etc. This information is needed for probate. It's also essential for filing federal and state estate tax returns, if required. Review IRAs. If the surviving spouse is the beneficiary, decide whether to roll an IRA over to the surviving spouse. Get good advice - and get it now. The money you pay to attorneys and other advisers to resolve issues up front can be much lower than if you deal with problems after a person's death.
- In case of couples, usually most of the property is held in joint names and the survivor obtains same "by operation of law". However, there may be some items which were held in the name of the deceased only, and in that case it would be necessary to go to Probate Court to transfer ownership of that property, unless listed in a trust. Consideration should also be given to making pre-death funeral arrangements. This provision, no matter how painful, should be discussed by couples and by parents with their families. Too often, spouse and children spend much too much money on a funeral and do so without really knowing what were the deceased's wishes in this regard (Place of Burial, Cremation, etc.)
- Consideration should also be given to having a "Family Durable Power of Attorney" (Someone to take over your finances if you become incapacitated or incompetent) There are no words of comfort at such a difficult time, however if you have all the necessary information at the ready it will expedite any claim that is pending, make the process run smoothly and your stress level can be minimized.



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All (MOF) Members of the Force and (MOS) Members of the Service

Costly Prescription Drug Insight

Be advised that as PBA members we have a Life Time Contract with the PBA regarding our Prescription Drug Coverage. SBA, LBA, CEA and SOC members contact your Union Office for further confirmation. Be it known we, PBA, have a \$17,000.00 (Seventeen Thousand Dollar) Family CAP. That being said it is suggested that if we have a Medicine that is unreasonably, long term costly, and that we could exhaust that amount we should enroll into Medicare Part "D" Wellcare.

What you do first is contact Medicare at 800-633-4227 to evaluate your Medicine cost. They will tell you you're Premium Cost and the cost of your Medicines. "Take it from there".

Then if you should decide call your Union and advise them you intend to enroll into Medicare Part "D". Be advised...You will NOT be dropped from your Union Drug Plan. **BUT**, you cannot "double dip". They will supplement OR co-pay. You can go into Part "D" and you AND your spouse can still use your Union Drug Plan.

BTW the Premium Cost for Medicare Part "D" is a whopping \$3.50 monthly. (Three dollars and fifty cents).

OR CALL CAN-AMERICA A CANADIAN Pharmacy at 1-888-788-1112. They will accept a NY Doctor's Drug Script.

GOOD LUCK IN YOUR DECISION FOLKS

NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION



23RD ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



**BUNKER HILL GOLF COURSE
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024**

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

**Continental Breakfast 9:00 AM - Shot Gun Start - Golf Cart - Sleeve of Balls - Water
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Golf Registration Fee \$135.00 PP Due on or before August 14th. Late Registration Fee \$150.00
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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:

The NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association, PO BOX 61-725, Staten Island, NY 10306

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

**This is a fundraiser. We are a 501 (c) (3) Organization and all donations are tax deductible.
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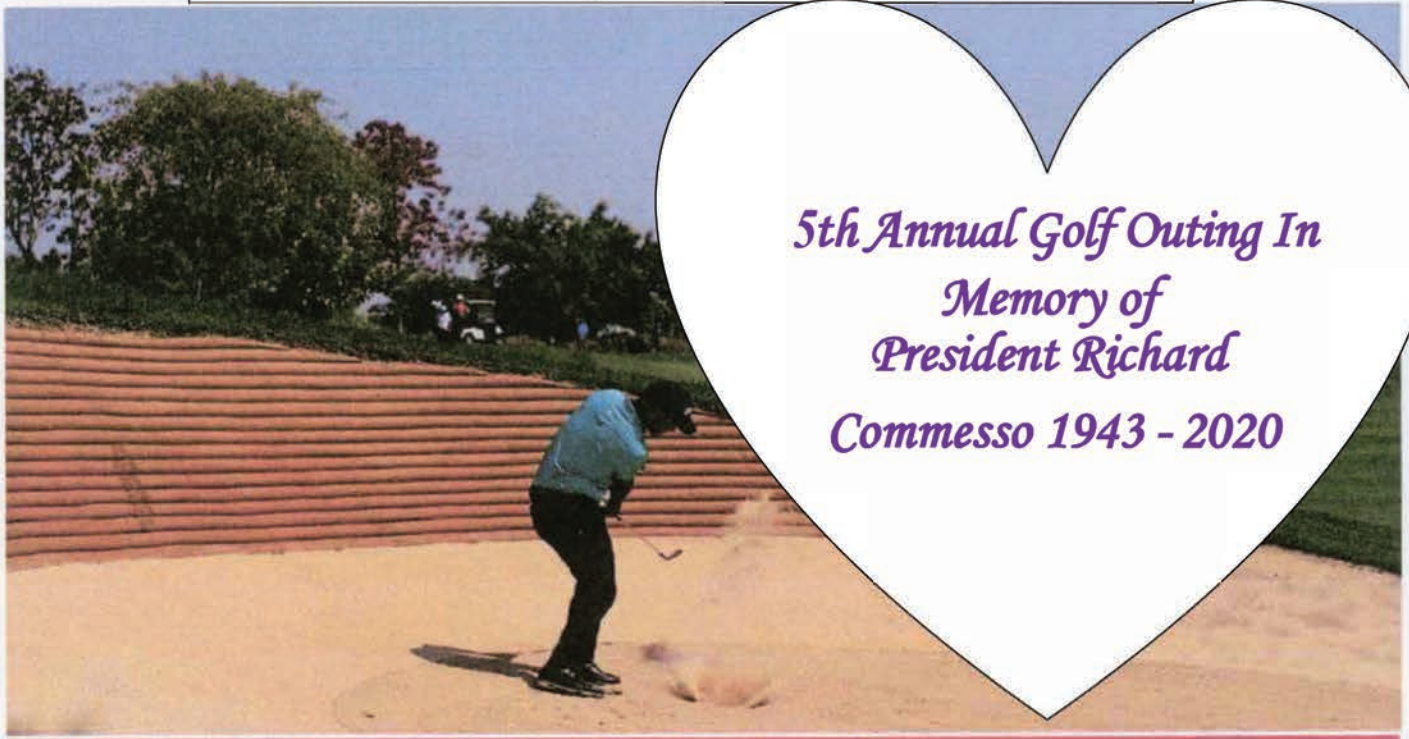
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Golf Chairman: Jack Hellman, (646) 752-6148

NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION



**23rd Annual Golf Outing
Bunker Hill Golf Course
Friday, Sept 20th, 2024**



*5th Annual Golf Outing In
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**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
9:00 AM SHOT GUN START – GOLF CART
SLEEVE OF BALLS – WATER – 10-13 SOUVENIR
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Golf Fee: \$135.00 – Sponsor a Hole or Tee: \$100.00 – Donate: Gift Items or Gift Certificates
Golf Chairman: Jack Hellman 646-752-6148

ADDITIONAL CARD FORM

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

To purchase additional membership cards please fill out this form along with the membership 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: _____

(Minimum of 5 Cards)

Number of Cards: _____

\$1.00 per card = \$ _____

Postage \$5.00

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

FOR OFFICE USE

PAYMENT TYPE: CASH CC CHECK / MO # _____ **BY:** _____

The NYCPD Verrazano 10-13 Memorial High School & College 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 paid tuition College or University on a full-time basis (taking at least 12 credits) for the 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 school year, a \$1000 College Scholarship In Memory of President Richard Comesso 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 - SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



(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

From Verrazano 10-13 Association Member Paul Ferrigno:

In response to several queries, I contacted the office of the NYPD Police Relief Fund, INC to ascertain the benefits provided for our membership and all retired officers in the New York area. The following is their response for which I am totally grateful.



POLICE RELIEF FUND INC.

"In Service For Others"

DIRECTOR: Gary DeRosa

SERGEANT IN CHARGE: Matthew Pignataro

June 22, 2023

From: Director, Police Relief Fund
To: UNIFORMED MEMBERS OF THE SERVICE
Subject: BENEFIT PROGRAM, POLICE RELIEF FUND

1. The exclusive function of the Emergency Medical Squad is to ensure that the highest level of care is afforded to every active and retired **uniformed members of the service** at their time of need. Many medical related services can be obtained from the Emergency Medical Squad. This service encompasses both the availability of ambulance service as well as the loan of a myriad selection of medical equipment for as long as their condition dictates.

2. The following criteria must be met in order for this benefit to become available:

- a. The requesting PATIENT must be either an active or retired uniformed member of the service, his or her spouse, unmarried dependent children, father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, or a brother or sister of the member. Please note that brothers and sisters are covered only if they are residing with and are supported by the member.
- b. The ambulance is available to transport non-ambulatory patients as directed by a competent medical authority (i.e. Physician, Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner, etc.) from his/her residence to a hospital(s) or medical facility; from hospital or medical facility to his/her home and also from one hospital or medical facility to another hospital or medical facility.
- c. The ambulance can travel up to two hundred and fifty (250) miles outside the city limits. However, one point of the trip must be within the confines of the City of New York.

THE AMBULANCE CAN NOT BE USED TN THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

- a. **NO EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED PATIENTS** without the prior approval of the Commanding Officer, Emergency Medical Squad.
- b. **NO EMERGENCY MATERNITY CASES.**
- c. **NO TRANSFERS WITHOUT MEDICAL AUTHORITY AND PROPER DISCHARGE DOCUMENTS.**
- d. **NO KNOWN AIRBORNE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE TRANSFERS** without the proper direction of a competent medical authority and the approval of the Commanding Officer, Emergency Medical Squad.
- e. **NO INTENSIVE CARE UNIT TRANSFERS** without a doctor, a hospital approved nurse or paramedic onboard the ambulance. This is due to the fact that we are not certified as an advanced life support ambulance.
- f. **NO PATIENTS WITH OPEN OR OOOZING WOUNDS** without the proper dressings as per the instructions of a competent medical authority.
- g. **NO DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS.**
- h. **NO WHEELCHAIR TRANSPORTS OR AMBULETTE SERVICES**, the Police Relief Fund Ambulance is a NYS Certified Ambulance and is not equipped to transport patients in a wheelchair, therefore patients able to be seated upright and/or transported in a wheelchair are ineligible for the service.

IT SHOULD BE FURTHER NOTED THAT FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL PATIENTS AND THE TRANSPORTING OFFICERS, ALL PRUDENT AND NECESSARY SAFETY STANDARDS AND MEDICAL PRECAUTIONS AS DIRECTED BY NYSDOH AND REGIONAL EMS PROTOCOLS SHALL BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED.

3. The ambulance service is available primarily Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 11 :00 PM. It should be further noted that we are not a "first responder ambulance". The initial ambulance transportation to a medical facility should be handled directly through the patient's emergency ambulance number, whether that be "911" or another local emergency telephone number. As soon as the patient is stabilized at the initial receiving hospital, we will be glad to handle subsequent transfers. However, the patient must have an admitting physician as well as a room available at the receiving facility prior to transfer.

4. The following is a sample list of durable medical equipment currently stocked at our command and available to the membership and their families as **prescribed** by a competent medical authority (i.e. Physician, Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner, etc.):

- oxygen therapy equipment
- portable oxygen
- oxygen concentrators
- pulmo-aide equipment
- fully adjustable electric hospital beds
- wheel chairs, reclining wheel chairs
- hip chairs
- commodes, toilet seat extensions
- canes, crutches
- hoier lifts and slings
- trapeze bars
- tens unit therapy
- geriatric chairs
- intravenous stands
- shower chairs, transfer benches

Additionally, other medical equipment comes available on occasion and members are advised to call this command with their specific and immediate medical need. If the medical equipment is currently available, the member will be advised, and arrangements will be made for pickup or delivery to the patient. If the patient lives within the confines of the City of New York, our command can make arrangements for the equipment to be delivered and professionally set up at the patient's residence. If the patient lives outside the City of New York, our staff will make necessary arrangements for a convenient time for the member to pick up the equipment at our facility.

5. The entire benefit program described above is a cost-free benefit to all Uniformed Members of the Service and their covered family members. UMOS remain responsible for the serviceable return of all loaned durable medical equipment.
6. All requests for ambulance transportation and/or prescribed medical equipment is subject to availability, such requests should first be submitted to the patient's insurance provider. The Police Relief Fund and the Emergency Medical Squad will make every effort to accommodate the members request as covered by this benefit program. This benefit program is subject to change without notice.
7. UMOS should be prepared to provide the following information at the time of their request for service from the Emergency Medical Squad: patient's full name, address, phone number, date of birth, social security number, height, weight, current medical condition, prescription. In addition the requesting UMOS rank, full name, command, home address, phone number and relationship to the patient.
8. In the event that you have any questions or concerns not already covered in this communication or Patrol Guide Procedure 205-04, Department Ambulance Service, regarding the benefits of the Police Relief Fund through the Emergency Medical Squad, please feel free to contact Sgt. Matthew Pignataro, Sergeant-in-Charge, Emergency Medical Squad or the undersigned at (718) 626-9320.

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