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We are fast approaching the warmer months and Albany is about to shut down for the summer. Once again Gov. Pataki has vetoed our Health Protection Bill. We were assured that all the bodies in Albany would overturn the veto, but we must play the waiting game. I hope that all of you have contacted the Governor to voice your opposition to his veto. We have until June 21, 2006 for his veto to be overturned.

A voice from the past has come out with "In my opinion" in stating that the VSF is up for negotiation in 2007. Where he gets his information is beyond me. The VSF will not be renegotiated in 2007. The only possible negotiation would be for new retiree's. Both this writer and Vice President Anthony DeNatale were present at a RSA meeting which was addressed by Joe Maccone, past CO of the Pension Fund. He assured those present that there was no plan for renegotiations of the VSF in 2007.

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To say that our golf outing held on June 12, 2006 was a success would be the largest understatement ever! With the help of Tony Franzese, Tony DeNatale, and Jack Hellman, we raised the largest amount so far in the outings 4th year. "Irish" Ed Jordan, Joe Manfra, Ernie Fazio, Don Vinci and Frank Polizzi handled the cooking chores. Everyone complemented the food selection of "Emeril Hellman". The prizes were plentiful and all had a great time. Bunker Hill Golf & Country Club were more than a gracious host. We will be making a donation to the Police Emergency Fund, which will surpass all other donations previously given. The line organizations came through for us by sponsoring both tee's and greens. The weather cooperated and compliments were heard from over 60 golfers.

The Verrazano 10-13 Association and the Retired Firefighters Association of Staten Island combined to fill a bus for the annual trip to Albany. Both the firefighters and the police department have a great interest in the Health Protection Bill and our voices were heard.

The annual National 10-13 Convention will be held again on July 28, 29, and 30th at the Friar Tuck. There is still time to book a room and to have a great time. We will be honoring Tony Perrone, who will be stepping down as President. There is no one who has worked harder for both retiree's and active members. His wife Pat will be present also. Pat is the steel rod, which keeps Tony plugging along. She will be honored along with Tony.

Jim Ferguson, our incoming National President had a short stay in the hospital. From what I hear, all went well and he is looking forward to a successful term as National President. We all look forward to seeing Jim at Friar Tuck.

My wife Irene and I will be defending our Bocce crown and will take on all challengers. A note of caution, we have been practicing in our back yard all winter.

With a note of pride, I must compliment our own organization. We now have the largest number of members since I became involved over 6 years ago. Our sponsorship has increased over the years, thanks largely to Tony Franzese and his efforts. Our line of communications with the line organizations has increased dramatically. Your organization has helped many needy causes and individuals in need. We look forward to continuing with these Herculean efforts.

One of our own is running for Councilman. Joe Cammaratta will be throwing his hat into the ring and is looking for our support. Joe is retired from Intel and is still with the Army National Guard.

We will be holding our meetings as of September 20th at The Knights of Columbus Hall in Great Kills. The hall is located across from the municipal parking lot on Hillside Avenue and Amboy Road. The meetings are still on the 3rd Wednesday of the month and start at 7:30 PM.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Friar Tuck and at our new meeting place.

I would like to thank the Marine Corp. League for their hospitality during our stay with them. We needed a bigger hall to handle our growing membership. For those of you who don't smoke, you will be glad to learn that there will be no smoking at our new meeting place. A guest speaker will be present to comment on the VSF.

In closing, I want to wish all our members a safe and healthy summer. I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on September 20, 2006 at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Richard Ammesse

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DEA 1-212-587-9120
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Empire Blue Cross 1-800-433-9592
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Medicare "B" 1-800-333-7586
Caremark..... 1-877-722-7911
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Vice President's Lines

by Anthony G. DeNatale

It seems that not too long ago, in our October 2005 newsletter, I was writing to inform our membership of the Governor's veto of the Health Insurance Protection Bill. Well, for the fifth time, Governor George E. Pataki has vetoed this bill. Having received the bill from the senate on June 9, 2006, after it had been unanimously passed by both the senate and assembly, the governor held on to it until just before midnight on June 21. It seemed his game plan was to hold it to the very last minute, knowing that the legislative session would end the next day without time for an override of his veto.

As you all may know, we were told that this time things would be different and an override was a strong possibility, especially since the unanimous support the bill received in the senate and assembly. Well after the dust settled and the scurrying was over, nothing was different. Behind the scenes there were people lobbying against this bill, and groups, throwing their weight around because this bill was not in their interest.

Finally, there was a governor who bullied political bigwigs into backing down, causing their failure to push forward a veto. Instead of being outraged at the governor's action, the bill was allowed to slip away without even as much as a snow balls chance in hell at being passed.

For too long politicians have been able to do their "Pontius Pilate" routine by saying "they did all they could" when, in fact, they knew what the outcome would be. It is high time that those in position to help us in our efforts to protect the health benefits, of not only retired police officers and firefighters, but also our active brothers and sisters, be held to a higher standard of accountability. It is no longer enough to just look at the voting records. It is time to go once

step further and look at what they are doing behind the scenes. The way I figure it, the most dangerous politician is the one who has become complacent and thinks they are unbeatable. It's time they know, the candidate we like best at the outset of a campaign, is the one running against them.

On a final note, I'd like to thank Tony Perrone for his tireless efforts on behalf of all retirees and for the outstanding job he did as our National president. One thing was for sure, as members of the NYCPD National 10-13 Association, we were the most well informed retirees This was due to the fact that Tony saw the importance of keeping himself well informed and on top of things. He conducted himself in a manner that should be a lesson to anyone seeking similar positions in any of the 10-13s. For all his countless trips between Albany and the 10-13's under his watch, I say thank you. We must not forget all the work done by his lovely wife Pat. No matter what the time was, if Tony was not around, Pat would be there to answer the phone and help.

NEW MEETING LOCATION!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Staten Island Council
22 Hillside Terrace**

**This is one block off Giffords Lane in Great
Kills. There is a municipal parking lot on
Amboy Rd. with ample parking.**

**ALL meetings start at 7:30 PM on the
3rd Wednesday of every month.
NO meeting July & August.**

**July 28-30 National Convention
Wed. September 20
Wed. October 18
Wed. November 15
Wed. December 20
Holiday Luncheon .. Dec. 27 @ 12:30 PM at
King's Buffet
2407 Richmond Ave.**

Secretary's Notes

by Jack Hellman

April 19, 2006

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Comnesso with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for all sick and departed members. Rich went over our bus trip to Atlantic City and our upcoming trip to Albany. He stressed the need for a large show of support in pressing the legislators to stand behind us in our fight for the medical protection bill. Rich also reminded the members of the annual Nation 10-13 Convention at the Friar Tuck. It will be the weekend of July 28, 29 and 30th. We will be honoring Tony Perrone, President of the National as he steps down after serving for 3 terms. Our 4th. annual golf outing will be held on June 12, 2006 at the Bunker Hill Golf course. The proceeds of the sponsor fees will go directly to the Police Emergency Relief Fund which benefits all. Vice president Tony DeNatale spoke briefly about the Police Reserve Fund and how they help us. Rich then introduced Jerry Leary of the SBA Health & Welfare Fund. He spoke of the changes made in the modernization of the SBA. President Comnesso then introduced John Salazo, President of the Retired Firemen's Association. John spoke of the benefits of both the Firemen & Police Officers. He stressed the need to stick together and to fight Albany on future givebacks.

May 17, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Tony DeNatale. A salute to the flag was followed by a moment of silence for all sick and departed members. Tony thanked all those who gave up their time to travel to Albany on May 15, 2006. Tony then spoke about the Health Protection Bill and where we stood in Albany. Tony further spoke about the upcoming National Convention at the Friar Tuck. He again implored the members to attend to honor National President Tony Perrone, who is stepping down after 3 terms of service. Tony reminded all about our upcoming annual golf outing taking place June 12, 2006 at The Bunker Hill Golf Course. Tony informed the members of the coverages of the line organizations for Medicare Part D. Treasurer Tony Franzese gave a report to the members of the financial status of the Verrazano 10-13. We then heard from Tom Clark about the V.A. Benefits and are told about the social security offset for combat veterans to enhance the veteran's pension.

June 21, 2006

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Comnesso. After a salute to the flag, a moment of silence was held for all sick and departed members. Richie mentioned that the Verrazano 10-13 was going through some tough times with all the sicknesses and deaths recently. Rich informed the members of the success we had at our recent golf outing. It was the largest attended and a good time was had by all. Richie thanked Tony DeNatale, Tony Franzese and Jack Hellman for co-chairing the event. A special thanks went to the cooks: "Irish" Ed Jordan, who was sporting a "T" Shirt from the Boxing Hall of Fame, Joe Manfra, Frank Polizzi, Ernie Fazio, and Don Vinci. President Comnesso informed the members that we will be donating \$3,500 to the Police Emergency Fund this year. This is an increase of \$1,000 over last year's donation. Richie informed the members that anyone wishing to run for office on the Executive Board of the Verrazano 10-13, should place their intention in writing to Larry Tevault who will be the Election Committee Chairman. This is our last meeting before the summer break. Richie informed all that the next meeting will be September 20, 2006 at the VFW in Great Kills. Richie also reminded the members that there was still time to make arrangements for the National Convention at the Friar Tuck this July 28, 29, & 30th. Vice President Tony Perrone informed the members that the Health Protection Bill is on Gov. Pataki's desk waiting to be signed. Tony states that he believes that the Governor is expected to veto the same. The members were informed by President Comnesso that there will be a "10-13" for Detective Lubrano who was severely injured in an automobile accident. Donations were made from the floor and were matched by the Verrazano 10-13. President Comnesso will present a check for \$400.00 on June 29 at the Bay Ridge Manor. Treasurer Tony Franzese then gave his treasurer's report to the members.

**"To Your Health" will appear
in this publication in September.
Have a safe and happy summer!**

Treasurer's Report

by Anthony Franzese

"Fun in the Sun in the Catskill Mountains." It's not too late to plan to attend the NYCPD 10-13 National Convention. This will be Anthony Perrone's last convention as President, and he will be this year's honoree. We have all benefitted from his past six years of dedication, leadership, honesty and integrity to our wonderful organization. For a good time with old and new friends, reminiscing and making new memories, please plan on joining us. Members, friends, and families are welcome. There is a hospitality room that is fully stocked and open to all who register with the 10-13 organization. Socialize all weekend long at a very reasonable price! Try to attend and show your support and friendship for President Perrone and his wife, Pat. See the flyer in this newsletter for additional information or call Tony perrone at 1-518-945-1749. Remember - Pat and Tony Perrone and the entire National Board put alot of time and effort into making the weekend enjoyable for all. So please try to join us. You won't be disappointed!

I would like to thank all of our members and guests who participated in our 4th Annual Golf Outing and special thanks to all of our golf sponsors who helped us exceed our goal of \$3,000.00. All of our sponsor proceeds are donated to the NYCPD Police Relief Fund Medical Unit. Remember, we all benefit from the Police Relief Fund, active or retired, of any rank! A special "thank you" to our unions, especially the PBA, for their tee and hole sponsorship and participation by entering a foursome. The DEA, SBA, LBA, CEA, NYPD Emerald Society, NYPD Columbia Association, 48 Police Precinct Club, and GHI were also sponsors of holes. The contributions and cooperation of our affiliate organizations are what makes these outings so successful. In the future, we look forward to even more support from other precinct clubs, health care providers and fraternal

organizations. Thank you to all of our members, newsletter sponsors and local businesses who also sponsored a tee or a green. A special "thank you" goes out to James Cogna, owner of Dana Motors - Lincoln, Mercury, Suzuki, who donated a 2006 Lincoln Zephyr for any golfer who hit a hole in one. Unfortunately, nobody on the car, but they all had a great time trying. Also, thanks go to David DiOrio and Juan Estrella, our two salesmen friends and sponsors from Dana Motors, who made the hole in one possible. If you need a car, be sure to see David or Juan for special pricing. Make sure you mention the NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association to them. A complete list of all golf sponsors will be in our next newsletter.

The Joseph "Buffalo" Bellestri College Scholarship information and application are included in this newsletter. Due to the generosity of our members who attend our monthly meetings, we are able to award a second scholarship in the amount of \$500.00. Your donations given at the meetings held from January to June have raised \$486.00. Donations can also be mailed in all year long to our office. Make checks payable to the NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association and, on the "memo" line, write in "College Scholarship Donation." Donations in any amount are welcome. Anyone who donates \$250.00 or more will have a scholarship awarded in their name. It may also be used as a memorial to that of a loved one. Remember, our children and grandchildren represent the future of our great city and nation!

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JULY 28 - JULY 30, 2006

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Address _____ Phone () _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

No. Attending _____ Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____ PCT. Worked _____

_____ Yes, for Golf Number of Players _____

Dinner Selection: _____ Chicken _____ Fish _____ Prime Rib

(Golf information must be provided NOW to reserve Tee Times)

The Joseph "Buffalo" Bellestri College Scholarship

APPLICATIONS:

The application is available in this newsletter or may be attained by contacting our office. It must be completed on provided application or an exact duplicate in size. Non-conforming applications will be discarded.

SPONSORSHIP:

Applicants must be sponsored by a member of the NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association in good standing for the past two (2) years.

ELIGIBILITY:

A son or daughter or a grandchild of member. Must be attending or enrolled in a College or University on a full-time basis for the 1006-1007 school year.

ONE ENTRY PER APPLICANT:

Only one application per applicant is permitted. If more than one application is received for the same applicant, all applications for that applicant may be discarded.

SAME FAMILY APPLICANTS:

Each eligible member of a family may participate. However, only one scholarship will be awarded per family each year.

VERIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE:

Winners will be required to verify school enrollment.

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS:

For the 2006-2007 school year, two (2) scholarships each in the amount of \$500.00 will be awarded.

SCHOLARSHIP DRAWINGS:

Drawings will be on a lottery basis in order to give each applicant an equal chance of selection. Scholarship awards will be drawn at the NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association General Meeting on September 20, 2006, by the Scholarship Committee and viewed by the membership in attendance. All applications must be received prior to the drawing date. NO APPLICATIONS will be accepted at the meeting.

**NYC VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION
JOSEPH "BUFFALO" BELLESTRI
MEMORIAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
2006-2007**

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TELEPHONE # (WITH AREA CODE) _____

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	Anthony Francese
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April 19 Membership Meeting



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May 17 Membership Meeting



The winners of the 50/50:
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Jersey Shore Golf Outing May 22, 2006



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