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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

March 2024

Hello, and welcome back to the start of Hudson Valley 1013's 2024 year.

The new legislative session has begun. Two bills introducing a Health Benefits Protection Bill are co-sponsored by Assemblyman Kenneth Zebrowski (A07866) and Senator Peter Harckham (S8388). These bills, called the Health Equity for Retirees Act (HERA), provides that public employers shall not diminish health insurance benefits for retirees and their dependents. Please call your representatives and ask them to support these vitally important bills.

There has been some confusion over our Life Membership policy. Starting this year we are no longer making any new Life Members. If you were already a Life Member prior to 2024 you will continue to be one. Life Members now make up more than half our membership. Due to rising costs, we simply cannot continue to make any new Life Members. We want to thank the Life Members who continue to generously donate. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Our next meeting will be Thursday March 21 at 7:00pm at the K & E American Legion Post 1600, 20 Station Road, Pomona, New York 10970.

April's meeting will be held on Wednesday April 17, 7:00pm at the American Legion Post 488, 532 Lakes Road Monroe, New York 10950 (this meeting is in conjunction with the Orange County Shields). Our May meeting will be held on Thursday May 16, 7:00pm at the American Legion Post 1122, 840 McLean Avenue Yonkers, New York 10704.

Hope to see you all there.

Fraternally,
Kathy McLaughlin



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To All Chapter Presidents and Members

February 2024

Happy New Year to you and yours.

We have a lot to look forward to in 2024. But, before I get into that, the convention was a great success and a fun time was had by all. There were two great people honored as the Man and Women of the year. Richie Alles from the firm of Barasch & McGarry was our Man of the Year. Richie is a great guy and works hard to make sure that the needs of 911 stricken survivors are taken care of. Marianne Pizzitola was our Women of the Year. She shouldn't need an introduction, but her efforts and the efforts of her organization are holding off the attacks against our senior health benefits. The RSA was in attendance led by their tenacious leader Bob Cotumaccio. Thank you also to PBA President Hendry, who made a donation to the National, presented by Trustee Kevin Murphy. Many more were in attendance that we thank for their attendance, their support, and their input. We even got a visit from the Nassau County Police

Commissioner.

2024 is going to be a busy time. We have our legislative agenda for the bills that were numbered in 2023. This year is also an election year for all state legislatures. We will be doggedly involved with this election cycle. More on this in the near future.

The 2024 legislative session started early this year, in August. That is when we started meeting and talking to legislative representatives, gearing up for the 2024 session, that actually started mid-January. One reason for the early start was new legislation, and guess what, a health protection bill. Rich Molloy, the ever vigilant watcher, received information about the bill and we dove right in. The bill was being pushed by a lobbyist, to whom we made contact and have been helping where we can. We saw the same problem with this bill that we had with the Lanza bill. The original senate bill was sponsored by a Republican Senator. This Senator was very gracious and did the right thing. We were able to help facilitate getting the bill sponsored by Democrat Senator Pete Harckham under bill S8388. This is a good bill and you should read it. One of the many good points about the bill is that it actually prohibits moving senior retirees to a medicare advantage plan. As we have been saying all along, the attack on retiree's health benefits will spread, and it is. There is a lawsuit going on in Cortland County NY and more recently there is action being taken by retirees from the TWU. We have been working with the NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees and Marianne has joined the information network.

I would like to thank the board members, the local chapter members, and the members of the Information Network for the contacts to local representatives that were made through the 2023 session. Those results can be seen.

Please keep up the good work that you do. Stay hopeful and stay well. Remember that all of our legislative action will benefit every public service retiree in NYS and what we do for retirees and their families now will also affect active members when they retire.

To the Chapter Presidents, Boards, and Members, thank you all for the work that you do.

Lastly, the 35th Annual Convention is being held from September 15th through the 17th this year at the Villa Roma. I hope that you would support us by coming to the convention (bring the family) and buying a Mega Raffle. Thank you and God Bless you.

Member - Alliance of Public Retiree Organizations of New York
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The following was written by Al Chestone, in response to San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick's refusal to stand during the National Anthem.

Standing for the National Anthem is not an option:

How fortunate you are to play football in the NFL,
Before rowdy or dedicated fans who boo and yell.
The field and boundaries are all lined in white.
In the center of the field a choir can be seen in the bright light.

Proud Americans stand as the National Anthem is about to be sung,
As a reminder of our freedom and how it was won.
The fighting soldiers were male and female, Black, Latino, Asian and White.
Many of whom lost their lives, an arm, a leg and even their precious sight.

Battlefields were not manicured but rather bloodied with dirty old rags.
They crawled in mud and filth to capture a mountain and plant a flag.
Their game of war unlike football was hell on earth, never to be forgotten,
Be it in Europe, Pacific, Viet Nam, Korea, The Desert, Iraq or Afghanistan.

Champions in sports are celebrated with parades, showered with confetti.
Some soldiers of war have been showered with Agent Orange and so deadly.
Let's turn back to Mr. K and his cowardly act of disrespect toward our Flag.
Ask that he face the mothers and fathers who are left with only dog tags.

Ask Mr. K to face some Black, Latino, Asian, and White wounded warriors,
And mention his refusal to stand at the playing of the National Anthem.
Ask Mr. K to face the group of female soldiers who have lost arms and legs
And state why he refuses to stand at the playing of the National Anthem.

These warriors have enabled us to look for all the tomorrows and sunsets to follow,
For they have made this land so sacred, so hallow.
They are like candles that will forever shine,
For they have brightened up another place, more perfect, more precious, more divine.

So Mr. K, why not be a true role model and helper of the poor and address what you
consider to be wrong-doings towards minorities, rather than act as a rabble-rouser
And encourage disrespect of our Flag and our National Anthem.

About the Author: Al Chestone, a true patriot, was an accomplished individual. He was active in his community, wrote several books, fought in the Second World War, and worked as an agent for the FBI. Unfortunately, Mr. Chestone (at the young age of 94) passed away soon after he penned the above. May he rest in peace!

Richard Molloy

Prayers Needed Members: *Annmarie Smith, Montgomery Delaney.*

Well Wishes Members: *John Briganti, Richard Cerrato, Tim Connolly, Chip Hayes, Bryant Kolner, Bob Lebzelter, Christopher Morley and Marvin Wolfthal.*

Speedy Recovery To: *Laraine Marra, wife of Board Member Artie Marra.*



In Memoriam

<p>John Tirino November 24, 1939 March 12, 2016</p>	<p>NYCSPD Lieutenant <i>Appointed: 2- -64</i> <i>Retired: 3-15-92</i> <i>Commands: BxTF, Sanitation.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime A' M # 1165</i> <i>Since: 2000</i></p>
<p>Phil H. Schnabel, Esq. July 9, 1934 January 23, 2022</p>	<p>NYPD Lieutenant <i>Appointed: 5-11-59</i> <i>Retired: 5- -72</i> <i>Commands: 34, 24, A15, 28, 18, NYSP, 47.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 1733</i> <i>Since: 2009</i></p>
<p>Francis J. Alberts May 13, 1928 February 6, 2022</p>	<p>NYPD Lieutenant <i>Appointed: 10-1-52</i> <i>Retired: 5-13-80</i> <i>Commands: PBBx, 48, 46, C1 Div, PSB.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 361</i> <i>Since: 1988a</i></p>
<p>Leonard Mendel November 27, 1928 May 21, 2023</p>	<p>NYPD Police Officer <i>Appointed: 6-29-51</i> <i>Retired: 9-2-71</i> <i>Commands: ESS 3.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 1224</i> <i>Since: 2001</i></p>
<p>Eugene Abbatiello February 7, 1935 August 9, 2023</p>	<p>YonPD Police Officer <i>Appointed: 2-1-59</i> <i>Retired: 3-20-87</i> <i>Commands: Ynkrs PD, 1.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime A' M # 1800</i> <i>Since: 2011</i></p>
<p>Ralph A. Rojas June 19, 1934 October 15, 2023</p>	<p>NYPD Police Officer <i>Appointed: 7-29-62</i> <i>Retired: 7-10-82</i> <i>Commands: AIU, 23, YD, 23, CCRB, 46, PA.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 2015</i> <i>Since: 2015</i></p>
<p>Douglas F. Malin March 26, 1941 December 3, 2023</p>	<p>NYPD Detective 3 <i>Appointed: 9-26-66</i> <i>Retired: 7-3-88</i> <i>Commands: TARU, DCPL, JNTE, 48.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 751</i> <i>Since: 1991</i></p>
<p>Robert Dowd April 13, 1939 January 15, 2024</p>	<p>NYPD Police Officer SA <i>Appointed: 7-28-61</i> <i>Retired: 7-30-81</i> <i>Commands: Prop Clk, 41, 47, 7 Div, PBMN, 3 Div.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 6</i> <i>Since: 1986</i> <i>P Pres 1989-90</i></p>
<p>William J. Clarke September 11, 1939 January 18, 2024</p>	<p>NYPD Detective <i>Appointed: 4-30-65</i> <i>Retired: 1-1-88</i> <i>Commands: 46 PDU, NSU 9, 46.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 1358</i> <i>Since: 2003</i></p>
<p>James J. Brennan June 8, 1935 February 1, 2024</p>	<p>NYPD Police Officer <i>Appointed: 2-24-61</i> <i>Retired: 7-3-81</i> <i>Commands: 45, 42.</i> HV 10-13 <i>Lifetime R' M # 35</i> <i>Since: 1986</i></p>



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