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In a prosecutorial equivalent of “shoot first and ask questions later,” Baltimore State Attorney Marilyn Mosby announced the arrests of 6 police officers for the death of a man in custody in April. The arrests were made before anything more than a perfunctory investigation or grand jury action had taken place. The mayor later accepted all civil liability by agreeing to pay the deceased man’s family a \$6.4 million settlement before a judge or jury heard even one word of testimony.

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### In the Line of Duty

The NYPD was still reeling from the ambush and execution of Dets. Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos when Det. Brian Moore of the 105 Precinct was savagely gunned down by a career criminal on May 2. Det. Moore’s father Raymond and his uncle Ronald are both retired NYPD sergeants.



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### Medal Day 2015

Seven active, retired, former or deceased sergeants were honored for their gallantry, dedication, heroism and sacrifice at the NYPD’s annual Medal Day ceremony on June 9. Two deceased members received the Distinguished Service Medal, while 2 were presented with the Police Combat Cross, and 3 were bestowed with the Medal for Valor.

### SBA Heroism Awards

This year’s SBA Heroism Awards Event was hosted by Geraldo Rivera and the honorees were 4 NYPD members and one Philadelphia police officer, all of whom lost their lives in the performance of their duties; Jet Blue Airways; radio host Mike Gallagher; attorney Stephen P. Younger, and a 10-year-old girl from Tyler, TX, who is a cop’s best friend.



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### Women of Influence

The SBA honored 10 active and retired female members at its first annual Women of Influence luncheon on March 12. They were recognized for their dedication and determination in their law enforcement duties, as well as their educational accomplishments, charitable endeavors and familial roles.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE SBA PRESIDENT ED MULLINS

### *Dear Sergeants:*

Between January 2014 and mid-September 2015, there have been over 200 line of duty deaths of police officers throughout the United States and in Puerto Rico. Others have been seriously injured by gunfire and unprovoked assaults or while engaged in emergency responses to vehicular accidents, fire or water rescues, and other incidents. More have passed away from the insidious effects of 9/11 related illnesses.

It was recently reported that since the December 2012 massacre of 26 people at a Newtown, Connecticut, elementary school, 84,523 people have been killed by guns in the United States.

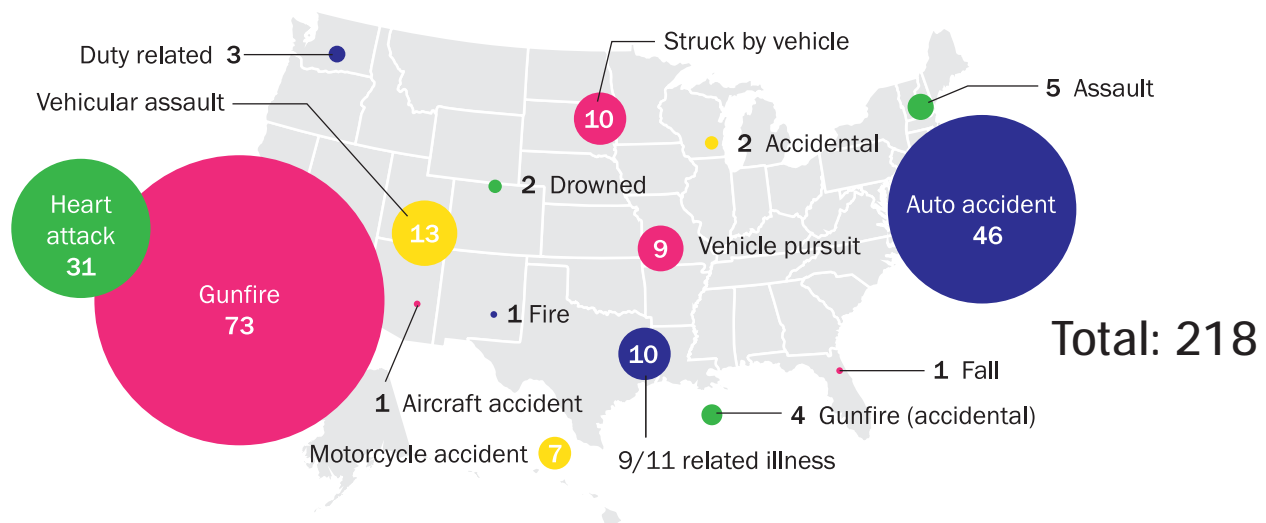
During that same period, 2,639, have been involved in fatal encounters with the police.

The vast majority of these encounters were not the least bit controversial. While many involved an exchange of gunfire during crimes in progress, others included suspects being involved in vehicular accidents while fleeing the police, taking their own lives, or experiencing medical problems during an arrest or while in police custody.

It is indisputable that given the number of annual encounters between the police and the public, the number of people who pass away is very small. Of those who do, even fewer are even remotely questionable.

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Between January 2014 and mid-September 2015, the following line of duty deaths were reported throughout the United States:



What is also indisputable is the amount of police officers who lose their lives in the performance of their duties each year. They die in a multitude of ways, but always while taking police action.

These men and women lived by the same core values that cops everywhere possess. They embodied great courage, character, commitment and compassion. For them, police work was not just a vocation, it was a true calling.

Long after we leave the job, and even if we embark on second careers, we will always describe ourselves as retired police officers or, more specifically, former NYPD members. It is a badge of honor that should bring immense pride to us all.

Police officers are very resilient. We go about our business providing public service and saving people's lives on a daily basis, without any fanfare or aggrandizement. Across the country, we engage in millions of daily interactions with the public a year.

By virtue of our dangerous vocation, we should expect to receive the benefit of the doubt in controversial incidents—at least until facts that support alternative theories are revealed through fair, intensive and conclusive investigations.

No profession is held more accountable or to a higher standard than policing. Our job has the potential to be controversial. We don't ask much of anyone, and the only thing we expect is to be treated fairly by the public, as well as the leadership of our own departments and public and elected officials.

Although we live in troubled times, we are not the source of the problems. Racism and classism are very real, but we are not the culprits. As sworn guardians of public safety, we do our job without any considerations toward those social components.

By any reasonable standard, the statistics, when viewed through an objective lens, bear that out. Even if the small amount of serious offenses the police have been accused of were true, when measured against the number of our daily interactions with the public they would be infinitesimal in scope.

Back in the early 1990s, more than 2,000 people per year—an average of 7 per day—were being murdered on the streets of New York City. Weak municipal leadership handcuffed the police and enabled criminals to run amok.

The police were finally allowed to perform the duties they were hired to do—which is initiate strategies to combat the crime scourge. The new strategy was based on proactive rather than reactive policing. It was brilliantly simplistic and extremely effective.

Police officers were assigned to areas where the most crimes were being committed. Rather than just respond to calls while standing on foot posts or patrolling sectors, they were encouraged to engage the public, question rowdy or suspicious youths, and check for active warrants.

It wasn't rocket science—it was basic policing at its very best. It was about the officers preventing crimes before they occurred by creating a ubiquitous presence and becoming immersed in the communities they were paid to protect. The results were astounding.

Crime decreased by record levels, with the number of homicide victims dropping from the thousands to the hundreds. Over the course of two decades, tens of thousands of lives were saved. That is inarguable.

### **Is weak and inept "leadership" really leadership at all?**

The minds of many people are fickle, and their memories are short. Mayor Bill de Blasio capitalized on the decrease in crime by acting as if it never occurred. During his campaign he devalued and demonized the police, the very people whose blood, sweat and tears enabled his progressive agenda to be viewed with any degree of credible optimism in the first place.

The dearth of leadership at the local, state and national levels makes it a most challenging time to be a police professional. It is not just happening here, it is happening everywhere. At the national level, President Obama is eager to establish relations with Cuba, but he has not addressed the fact that the former island paradise has provided political asylum to notorious cop killer Joanne Chesimard since the 1970s.



Joanne Chesimard has found safe haven under the Cuban flag.

Chesimard was the leader of an activist organization that was involved in domestic terrorism. She, and others, opened fire on New Jersey State Trooper Werner Foerster (pictured) when he pulled them over for a traffic violation in May 1973. As Trooper Foerster lay wounded on the ground, it was Chesimard who fired the fatal bullets into his head.

Chesimard was convicted and sentenced to life in prison. However, after several years, she escaped and made a beeline for Cuba where she has resided comfortably ever since.



President Obama is also trying to normalize relations with Iran, even though that rogue nation continues to illegally imprison 4 American citizens. For the purpose of this report, however, I will stick to issues directly related to the United States law enforcement community.

That said, you need not look beyond Baltimore, Maryland, to realize that in some instances the inmates are running the asylum.

### **Baltimore: A legal atrocity**

The death of 25-year-old Freddie Gray while in police custody in April 2015 is a glaring testament to the uneven playing field on which police officers now find themselves.

Despite there being photographic evidence of several officers treating Gray with apparent civility and professionalism, it was automatically assumed by the local prosecutor that the spinal injuries Gray incurred while in a transport van were either recklessly or purposefully inflicted upon him by 6 officers, some of whom were African American, others who were white.

In response to the racial and political firestorm that took shape as full-scale looting and rioting, Baltimore State Attorney Marilyn Mosby ordered the officers to be immediately arrested, long before anything more than a perfunctory investigation or even grand jury action had taken place. It was the prosecutorial equivalent to “shoot first and ask questions later.”

Although her actions reeking of the fetid stench of political expediency over any degree of common sense, decency or legality, Lt. Brian Rice, Sgt. Alicia White and Officers Caesar Goodson, Garrett Miller, Edward Nero and William Porter were arrested and paraded before the cameras as thugs with badges.



State Attorney Marilyn Mosby  
The Lurking Wolf

## **Baltimore Police Officers Under Arrest**



### **WHO'S NEXT?**

A grand jury has already opted to dismiss several of the counts that were overzealously charged by the prosecutor's office, and there are indications that the case is not nearly as strong as it has been made out to be.

Even if the outcome is favorable to the officers, the tumult they have been forced to experience by the prosecutor's guilty until proven innocent mindset is egregiously inexcusable.

Mosby was praised by many in the worldwide media for bringing swift and severe charges against the officers. She glowed with righteous indignation when she stated that “the unrest had nothing to do with my decision to charge. I just followed where the facts led.”

Really? Let's take a look at some facts that were strategically omitted:

New information has revealed that Gray, whose criminal record included 18 arrests, had previously engaged in “crash for cash” scams in which he tried to injure himself in order to obtain financial settlements. These explosive allegations were never mentioned or addressed by Mosby even though she was aware of them.

And Mosby insisted that she was a lifelong supporter of law enforcement, proudly boasting that she came from five generations of police officers and saying that “law enforcement is pretty much instilled within my being.”

What she did not say was that her mother, a former Boston police officer, violated the department's drug abuse policy in 2006 and spent 45 days in rehab. When she again violated the policy, she was allowed to resign rather than be fired in February 2008.

And there is more!

Her father, also a police officer, was fired from the same department in 1991 amid accusations that he and his partner were robbing drug dealers at gunpoint. And her uncle was canned from the Boston PD in 2001 after testing positive for cocaine.

What family legacy was she upholding?

Is it possible she harbored resentment towards the police for reasons related to her family's transgressions?

"To the youth of the city, I will seek justice on your behalf," she righteously asserted at a press conference. "Our time is now."

Who exactly she was addressing when she said "our" is anyone's guess. Was it the youths who were setting fires, hurling rocks through windows, looting businesses, overturning cars, and committing violent assaults?

Was it the young sons and daughters of hardworking business owners who saw their life's work destroyed by emboldened youths who had received the tacit support of local government through Mosby's inflammatory words and premature arrests of law enforcement personnel?

Perhaps it was the young brothers and sisters, sons and daughters, or nephews and nieces of the more than 220 people that have been murdered in Baltimore from January through early September 2015?

Amid all of the chaos, violence and anarchy in the streets, Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake spoke publicly about giving "space" to the rioters and the looters, whose sole intention was destruction and civil disobedience.



Mayor Stephanie Rawlings Blake:  
Lacking Leadership

Standing before a throng of cameras, she proclaimed, "We also gave those who wish to destroy space to do that as well." (**This is not a misprint**).

She then explained how difficult it was to maintain "the very delicate balance" between the right to protest and the safety of police officers.

The mayor could not turn to her police commissioner, Anthony W. Batts, a career law enforcement professional, because she had ordered him to stand down while the city burned.



Police Commissioner Anthony Batts:  
An Empty Suit

Batts, being the "good" soldier that he is, followed a blatantly unlawful and immoral order and did what he was told at the expense of the law-abiding public he had taken an oath to serve and protect.

There comes a time in everyone's life when people must make tough decisions, regardless of the consequences. As a career lawman, Batts knew the score. Or at least he should have.

To do nothing as the city burned and people died was cowardly, perhaps even treasonous. In photographs a uniformed Batts has an imposing physical presence, although it is now apparent that his chest full of medals was affixed to an empty suit.

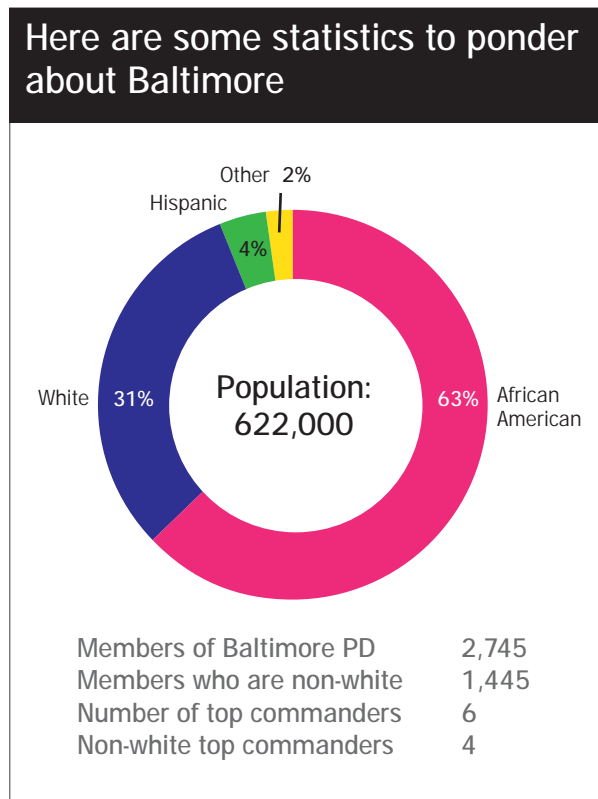
Like their NYPD counterparts, the Baltimore Police Department is dealing with an unprecedented rise in murders, but they feel as handcuffed as we do to take the proactive actions required to at least try and alleviate the bloodshed.

Given recent incidents such as the attack on police headquarters in Dallas and the seemingly endless unprovoked attacks on police officers, one would hope there would be greater support from people who are guilty of the same prejudicial thoughts and behaviors toward cops that they accuse us of having toward the public.

### **Is it cultural & ethnic racism or simply prejudice against the police?**

Many people erroneously assume that the perceived racial discord between the police and the public is a clear-cut case of black versus white. However, a perusal of some startling Baltimore statistics make clear that the anti-police rhetoric knows no bounds.

In many cases, the chasm between the police and the public is so large, it is actually a case of black (and white alike) versus blue:



It is obvious that Baltimore is not only a racially diverse department, but also reflective of the demographics of its population. More than 60 percent of the captains and above are from ethnic minorities. Still, the problems that are blamed solely on race in other municipalities such as New York still plague Maryland's largest city.

Former Commissioner Batts was recruited from Oakland, California, to participate in a police reform program run by the Department of Justice under the Obama administration.

Much like what Mayor de Blasio is doing in New York, the goal was to “decriminalize” many quality of life offenses. Batts disbanded the Violent Crimes Impact Section, and he invited community leaders to participate on promotion boards for all candidates seeking the position of captain or above.

He also added an Office of Internal Oversight to the Professional Standards and Accountability Bureau, which was specifically created to investigate police brutality. He has since been unceremoniously fired, scapegoated for the debacle following the death of Freddie Gray even though he was acting on the orders of his superiors.

Since the Gray incident, murders and shootings have skyrocketed in Baltimore. In 2014, the city experienced 211 homicides. As of the beginning of September 2015, there was more than 220. The Baltimore murder rate is 35 per 100,000 people, while the New York rate is 2.5 per 100,000.

If New York, with a population of 8.4 million compared to 620,000 in Baltimore, had the same murder rate, we would have experienced nearly 2,900 homicides already this year.

### Meanwhile in New York

It seems that Mayor de Blasio is trying his hardest to not learn from the mistakes of others. Although he resided in New York 20 years ago, he seems to have forgotten what a frightening place we lived and worked in.

More importantly, he seems committed to enabling those bad old days to return by casting aspersions against the very people—the police—who brought New York back from the brink of extinction.

Where do I begin?

There are the inane stop and frisk policies, civil liabilities associated with honest mistakes in the performance of one's duties, body cameras to record all of our actions—as if the public isn't already recording and critiquing our actions enough on social networking sites.

We can't forget the mayor's grand social experiment that entitles legions of homeless people to set up camp wherever they please and use areas of public conveyance as their personal latrines.

The mayor assures us that such unseemly activities as public urination and defecation, squeegee people and scantily clad or naked women and other cartoon characters shaking down passersby and tourists in Times Square and near Ground Zero are problems that are being looked in the city he seems to view as a utopian, free-spirited paradise.

Mayor de Blasio, along with his progressive ilk, seem to find fault in everything police do. Moreover, they offer no viable solutions, which is why they were elected in the first place.

### SBA Solutions

#### City Council & Peek-a-Boo

As the deterioration of the quality of life in New York City continues to spiral out of control, the City Council, as is its custom, continues to do nothing. Members love to talk about accountability, but where is their accountability related to the scores of homeless people, many of them mentally unstable, encamped on city streets, soliciting money from passing motorists on streets and highways, aggressively panhandling, and using the streets as public restrooms?

The SBA established Peek-a-Boo NYC in an effort to illuminate the reduction in the quality of life for all New Yorkers by the inaction of this inept, incompetent and disinterested City Council and mayoral administration.

The campaign was in no way meant to demean or dehumanize the homeless. If anything, its goal was to assist them by forcing the mayor and City Council to recognize the problem and offer some semblance of a solution.



When we were contacted by one family member who believed she recognized her brother as one of the homeless people we chronicled, we did not coldly or callously ignore her concerns. We actually dispatched an SBA board member, as well as a retired detective and social worker to accompany family members to search for the man. We are happy to report that he was subsequently located and put back in touch with his family.

Let's hold the public officials accountable for their districts as much as they hold us accountable for our actions, as they should. All readers are urged to send photos of homeless people, criminal activity, public urination, panhandling, squeegee people, and open drug deals to the SBA at: [peekaboo@sbanyc.org](mailto:peekaboo@sbanyc.org).

For more information and photos related to Peek-a-Boo, see page 11.

### **Minority Athletes Networking**

The SBA partnered with the Minority Athletes Networking (MAN), a 501 c3 non-profit organization founded by New York Giants greats George Martin, Harry Carson and Ron Johnson, and the Newark Police Department, to host its 13th annual youth football and cheerleading camp on August 18 at MetLife Stadium.

Hundreds of inner city boys and girls between the ages of 7 to 14 experienced a healthy and positive recreational clinic that supported the organizational mantra "Building Character from the Inside Out."

MAN's mission is to make positive impacts on inner city youths by bringing education, social and workforce development opportunities to these communities.

In other words, offering real solutions to real problems. Scores of SBA volunteers, including many board officers and retirees, were on hand for this most worthwhile event. And you can be sure, we will be back next year and in the years after that.

For photos of this event, go to page 10.

### **Telling it like it is**

Earlier this year, I traveled to Washington, D.C. and Dallas, Texas, where I met with, among others,

Dr. Alveda King, the niece of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and Dr. Ben Carson, a 2016 Republican presidential candidate.

I had the privilege of speaking before them at a high-impact symposium and leadership coalition in Dallas. These men and women are not just talking the talk, they are offering viable solutions to long-standing problems.

Dr. Carson grew up amid poverty in an inner city. He said he saw "bullets, death and drugs" in the same places where he played tag. When 2 cousins died on the streets, he believed that too was his destiny.

Dr. Carson was saved from oblivion by a loving and caring mother, as well as a library card which he says opened his eyes and his mind to educational opportunities. As I have been saying for years, education is tantamount to success in any endeavor. It is the most viable pathway to success for anyone—from anywhere or any background.

Dr. Carson admits that rogue police officers sometimes take black lives, but it is done one at a time. It is not the police who should be feared, he asserts, it is young black men who are killing each other in unprecedented numbers.

And, he adds, it is the bureaucratic ineffectiveness of the public school system that he believes has destroyed generations of black lives.

Black lives matter, just like all lives matter. It is time to stop the rhetoric and stand up for something. I applaud Dr. Carson for taking such a stand, especially in these racially discordant times.

### **Blue Christmas**

For the second straight year the SBA sponsored Blue Christmas, which brought much-needed cheer to poorer families during the holiday season.

The SBA provided over 1,300 newly purchased or donated gifts to nearly 300 families throughout the 5 boroughs. The entire program is a tribute to all the men and women of the NYPD.

We have so far partnered with the Newark Police Department in this lofty endeavor, which we hope to take nationwide very soon.

Once again, a real-life solution was provided rather than endless progressive rhetoric that passes for politics by our inept and weak elected leadership.

### **Wounded Warrior Project**

We have great respect for the Wounded Warrior Project and have reached out to them to offer our assistance in supporting injured and homeless veterans.

These men and women have already given so much of themselves to our country, we owe them a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid. We will do whatever we can to assist them.

On the last weekend of August, the organization held its second New York Wounded Veteran Run, which

was established to help returning veterans with financial needs not provided by the government.

This year's ride was to benefit United States Marine Corps Sgt. Eddie Ryan, who was severely injured during his third deployment to Iraq. He is not only wheelchair-bound, he is also afflicted with a severe loss of brain function.



NYPD Sgt. Jay Garcia of Highway 5 led traffic control duties for all of the riders throughout the run. In doing so, he was instrumental in facilitating a most worthwhile cause in a safe and effective manner.

### Moving forward

The SBA has vowed to offer real-life solutions to very complex problems. We realize we have to unite people rather than disengage them. This must be done not only for the good of our city, but the salvation of our nation.

On pages 18 to 20 you will see the faces of all of the police officers throughout the United States and Puerto Rico who have died by gunfire between January 2014 and early September 2015. They were the victims of the same atrocities that are occurring daily to scores of young men and women in our inner cities.

However, because the social paradigm has become so convoluted, it is the police who have become the bad guys in a twisted morality play that defies any logical explanation. Despite the rhetoric, which is perhaps louder than at any time in history, we are the good guys. We always have been, and we always will be despite the protestations of people or groups with an axe to grind.

As police officers we are used to overcoming obstacles and accepting criticism. We have a strong work ethic, and we lead by example. We fight crime while on-duty, as well as off-duty.

### Vice President Biden “gets it”

It is important to reprint in its entirety the eulogy given by Vice President Joe Biden at the funeral for Det. Rafael Ramos, who along with his partner, Det. Wenjian Liu, was assassinated in December 2014.

I commend VP Biden for “getting it” and for providing words that were truly inspirational. Here is what he had to say on the day of Det. Ramos’s service. Adding to the sadness was the fact that Det. Ramos was scheduled to be ordained a minister a few hours after he was killed.

*When you patrol the streets of New York, you circle the Earth; a six-story walk-up, apartment towers, aromas of a million kitchens continuing thousands of traditions; streets full of silence, streets bursting with hundreds languages—whispering. Laughing. Shouting.*

*An intimidating city. A city of others. A city of labels and borders and seemingly unbridgeable gaps, a city constantly grappling with issues as old as the nation and as new as the morning headlines.*

*Yet in every neighborhood in this great city, this most alive of all cities, this chaotic miracle stands as a beacon to the world in no small part because of the sacrifices that the New York Police Department makes every single day.*

*So when an assassin’s bullet targeted two officers, it targeted this city and it touched the soul of the entire nation—a city where the son of a Chinese immigrant shared a patrol with a Hispanic minister in training; a city where a single ride on a subway brings you into contact with more people, more lives than many people in this country will encounter in an entire lifetime; a city that educated a young college student with a mother from Kansas and a father from Kenya who would one day stand before the nation and declare: This is not a black America or a white America or a Latino America or an Asian America; this is the United States of America.*

*And for those of us who are not New Yorkers, we look at you in awe because this is the united city of New York as well; a city that rose as one to confront two of the greatest disasters of this century—one from the evils of terrorism on 9/11 and one from the fury of nature in Superstorm Sandy.*

*This is a city of courage and character, having faced and overcome the toughest challenges and I’m absolutely confident as you are that spirit is still alive and well in this city. And I’m absolutely confident it will guide you in the days and weeks ahead.*

*I believe that this great police force, and this incredibly diverse city can and will show the nation how to bridge any divide. You’ve done it before. And you will do it again. Because, to paraphrase the words of William Allen White, you are not afraid of tomorrow, because you’ve seen yesterday and because you love today.*

—Vice President Joe Biden  
December 27, 2014

## In the Proper Perspective

Sgt. George Fountoulakis of the Special Victims Child Abuse Squad sent in this beautiful photo of him and his daughter, Anna, who entered the world on May 5, 2015.

“In honor of Police Week, and for all the men and women who defend our city and want to come home to their children every day, I am attaching a photo of my newborn baby girl,” wrote Sgt. Fountoulakis.

All of us in the law enforcement community owe Sgt. Fountoulakis a debt of great gratitude, not only for putting what is most important in all of our lives into



perspective, but for making it so easy to see and understand.

Thank you, Sgt. Fountoulakis. It won't be long before young Anna tells you that you are the greatest father in the world. She is a very lucky girl, and you are a wise and fortunate man who we are proud to have among our ranks.

## We are the good guys

Please keep all of our fallen heroes in your hearts. While thinking about them, don't forget the Baltimore officers who battled the rioters, as well as those who were so quickly arrested before the evidence was even disseminated.

While there is no shortage of injustices in this world, true leaders are guided by their conscience and a keen sense of morality, not the twisted logic they employ while ruining the lives of others, all in the name of political expediency and at the expense of the very ideals they are supposed to uphold.

More than anything else, remember that we are the good guys. Don't ever forget that.

Faternally,

*Ed Mullins*

Ed Mullins  
President





Former New York Giants great George Martin instructs the volunteers

## BUILDING CHARACTER FROM THE INSIDE OUT



The theme of the day



The cheerleaders got plenty of practice



SBA Sgt-at-Arms John Dorst gives a pointer to a participant

## 2015 YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADER CAMP



SBA board officers and directors served as volunteers

AUGUST 18, 2015 METLIFE STADIUM EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ



Future wide receiver





## PEEK-A-BOO, WE SEE YOU TOO!

Is this really the New York City we all love? How is this allowed to happen? Call Your City Council Representative, ask them—"What are they going to do about these issues?"

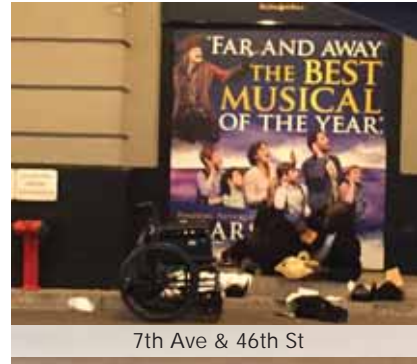
To view a list of NYC Council Members and the districts they serve go to [peekaboonyc.org](http://peekaboonyc.org)



15th St & Union Sq



Q Train



7th Ave & 46th St



28th St & Park Ave



Astor Place & 3rd Ave



Pitkin & Bradford, 73rd Pct



Sunset Park, Bklyn



Voorhies Ave, Bklyn



1 Train to South Ferry



40th St & Broadway



86th St & Lexington



127th St & Lenox



# IN THE LINE OF DUTY

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**O**n May 2, then PO Brian Moore of the 105 Precinct and his partner, both of whom were in plainclothes and an unmarked auto, were questioning a suspicious man they had observed fidgeting with his waist band. The man responded by pulling a .38 caliber weapon and shooting PO Moore in the face at point blank range. The 25-year-old officer was rushed to the hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries 2 days later.

PO Moore was posthumously promoted to the rank of detective first grade and issued Shield No. 9002 by Police Commissioner William J. Bratton.

The 9000 shield series was begun by the commissioner after the shooting deaths of Dets. Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos in December 2014. They were presented with shield numbers 9100 and 9101.

"I hope the 9000 series never sees another," said Commissioner Bratton, his voice cracking with emotion at Det. Moore's funeral, which was attended by nearly 27,000 people, including police officers from around the nation.

"But that is an idle hope," continued Commissioner Bratton. "We are the police. Det. Brian Moore knew it, and so do we all."



DET. BRIAN MOORE  
1989-2015



Det. Moore was appointed to the NYPD in 2010 and had already amassed 150 arrests. He followed many family members, including his father Raymond and his uncle Ronald, both of whom are retired sergeants, into the NYPD.

Raymond served the department from 1982 to 2002, and retired from the Warrant Division. Ronald served from 1973 to 1993, and retired from Patrol Borough Brooklyn South.



"Brian was enhancing a great family legacy," said SBA President Ed Mullins. "He had really distinguished himself in a very short time. He exhibited all of the great qualities that a young officer must possess.

"He was very mature and understood the nature and the dangers of the job, but was nonetheless extremely active. His passing leaves a tremendous void, and the SBA will always be there for his wonderful family."

Besides his father, Det. Moore is also survived by his mother Irene, sister Christina, and a large extended family.

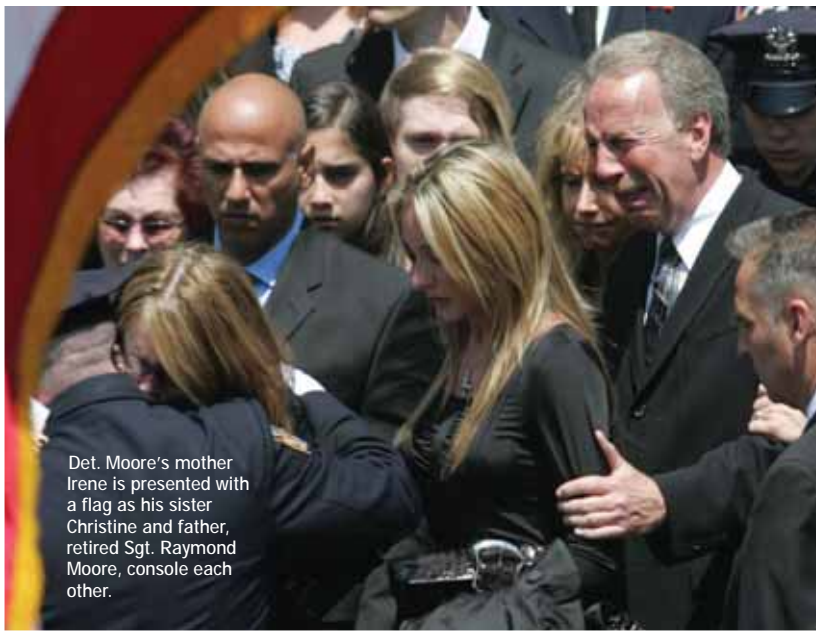
On July 23, the City Council voted to rename the corner of 222 Street and 92 Road in Queens Village "Detective 1st Grade Brian Moore Way."

And, on August 16, Raymond Moore, who along with his late son Brian were passionate Baltimore Orioles fans, met with former players at a White Plains memorabilia show. Among those signing a jersey provided by the SBA and a 24" x 30" inch photo prepared by the NYPD Photo Unit was Hall of Famers Brooks Robinson and Cal Ripken Jr., as well as Eddie Murray and Scott McGregor.

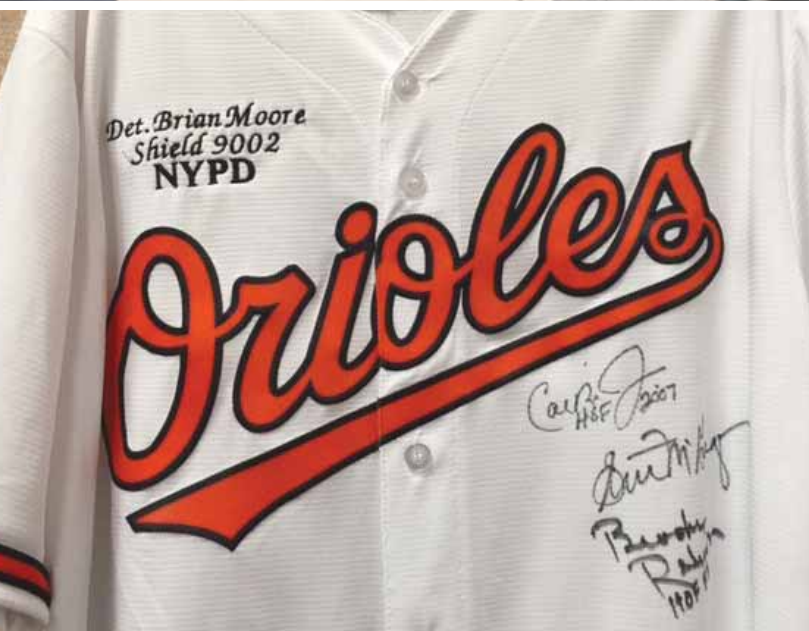
Special thanks to JP's Sports, Rock Solid Promotions, Marathon Embroidery of Philadelphia and retired Sgt. Mark Kobner for making this happen.



SBA Vice President Bob Ganley (right) departs the services with retired Det. Mike Zotto



Det. Moore's mother Irene is presented with a flag as his sister Christine and father, retired Sgt. Raymond Moore, console each other.



Retired Sgt. Raymond Moore and his nephew, PO Tim Moore, with Brooks Robinson, a Hall of Fame infielder for the Baltimore Orioles.

# Medal Day 2015

As their friends, colleagues and loved ones looked on with immense pride, 7 active, retired, former or deceased SBA members were honored for their gallantry and dedication to duty at the NYPD's annual Medal Day ceremony on June 9. Two deceased members were posthumously presented with the Distinguished Service Medal, while 2 members, one of whom is now a lieutenant, received the Police Combat Cross, and 3 others were bestowed with the Medal for Valor.

The Distinguished Service Medal, which was first awarded in October 2008, is the NYPD version of the United States Armed Forces Distinguished Service Medal. It is conferred upon the family of a member of the service who succumbed to illness associated with exceptional duty, performed with great responsibility, under unusual hazard or demand, to the City of New York.

The Police Combat Cross, which is the department's second highest award, is granted to "members of the service who have successfully and intelligently performed an act of extraordinary heroism, while engaged in personal combat with an armed adversary under circumstances of imminent personal hazard to life."

Since 1934, when the award was first established, over 300 members, all of whom displayed extraordinary bravery under the most perilous of circumstances, have been bestowed with this honor.

The Medal for Valor is "conferred upon police officers for acts of outstanding personal bravery intelligently performed in the line of duty and at imminent personal hazard to life under circumstances evincing a disregard of personal consequences."

## DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL RECIPIENTS



**Sgt. Paul M. Ferrara**  
**110 Precinct**

Sgt. Ferrara was appointed to the NYPD in June 1992, and began his career in the 81 Precinct. He was promoted to sergeant in February 2006, and was an active member assigned to the 110 Precinct when

he passed away from 9/11 related ailments on August 28, 2014.

Sgt. Ferrara had made more than 30 arrests, and had been recognized for Excellent Police Duty. He is survived by his wife Kerrie; son Paul; and parents Nick and Diane.



**Sgt. Donald O'Leary Jr.**  
**Transit Bureau, District 11**

Sgt. O'Leary was appointed to the NYPD in June 1992. He began his career in the 42 Precinct and also served in the Applicant Processing Division, Transit Bureau Special Operations Division, and the 7

Precinct. He was promoted to sergeant in February 2003.

Sgt. O'Leary had made over 150 arrests and was recognized many times for Excellent Police Duty and Meritorious Police Duty. He was also the recipient of a Commendation.

He retired in May 2013 and passed away from 9/11 related ailments on March 26, 2014. He is survived by his wife Maria; mother Margarite; sisters Joyce and Sharon; and nephews Daniel, Christopher, David Jr., and Shane.



The Ferrara family and friend with SBA Treasurer Paul Capotosto, Brooklyn South Director Ed Small and Chief of Department James P. O'Neill

## POLICE COMBAT CROSS RECIPIENTS



**Lt. Jordan Brofsky**  
**Brooklyn South Gang Squad**

In the wee hours of April 1, 2011, then Sgt. Brofsky and 2 police officers from the 60 Precinct Anti-Crime Unit observed a vehicle that matched the description of one involved in 2 recent gang-related shootings. While Sgt. Brofsky was requesting additional backup units to respond, 3 men exited the still-moving vehicle and fled in different directions.

As Sgt. Brofsky gave chase to one of the men, the subject drew a firearm, turned toward his pursuer, and opened fire. Sgt. Brofsky returned fire and chased the gunman into a building, where he was soon arrested and his 9mm weapon was recovered. It was later determined that the suspects had committed an armed robbery in the 72 Precinct earlier that evening.



### **Ret. Sgt. Felix Clark** **Patrol Borough Brooklyn North**

Around midnight on January 1, 2002, now retired Sgt. Clark and then PO Jaime Arroyo of the PBBN Street Crime Unit were on plainclothes patrol in the 73 Precinct. While watching a large crowd in front of a public housing complex, they saw a man raise a firearm above his head and fire into the air.

As the officers took cover behind a metal sculpture, they observed 2 more armed men fire their weapons in similar fashion. With their shields displayed, the officers approached the gunmen, all 3 of whom fired upon the officers.

Because of imminent danger to others, the officers initially held their fire, but returned fire when they were more safely able to do so. They then chased the 3 gunmen, one of whom had been wounded, into a building where they encountered 2 additional armed men who also opened fire on them.

After a blazing gun battle, 3 of the suspects were arrested at the scene while a fourth was apprehended at a later date. PO Arroyo suffered injuries to his face and neck from glass that had been shattered by the gunfire.



Ret. Sgt. Felix Clark and his family with Brooklyn South Director Ed Small and Treasurer Paul Capotosto.



Sgt. Patrick Quigley and his family with SBA board officers.

## **MEDAL FOR VALOR RECIPIENTS**



### **Sgt. Cornelius Clancy** **Drug Enforcement Task Force**

On January 8, 2014, Sgt. Clancy and a detective stopped a vehicle in the 26 Precinct as part of an ongoing investigation involving narcotics trafficking, home invasions, armed robberies and

weapons possession.

As they approached the vehicle a man exited and pointed a .40 caliber firearm at Sgt. Clancy. Both officers immediately drew and discharged their weapons, resulting in the gunman being wounded.

As backup arrived, the remaining subjects were apprehended and a search of the vehicle resulted in the recovery of an AK-47 assault rifle, a shotgun, tactical gloves, flex cuffs and ski masks.



### **Sgt. Eric Florio** **Intel Crime**

On the evening of June 19, 2012, then PO Florio and 2 other members of the Manhattan Gang Squad were on patrol in an unmarked auto in the 23 Precinct. They observed a known violent gang

member run towards rival gang members while pulling a revolver from his waist band and firing toward the group.

As PO Florio exited the vehicle the man pointed his weapon at him, which resulted in the officer discharging his firearm. During the ensuing quarter-mile foot pursuit through a public housing complex, several more shots were fired.

PO Florio was eventually able to apprehend the gunman without any injuries being incurred by anyone. He also recovered the man's revolver at the scene.



### **Sgt. Patrick Quigley** **Intel Crime**

On the evening of September 20, 2012, Sgt. Quigley was serving as the field intelligence officer during an anti-prostitution operation in the 76 Precinct. Upon receiving

word that a car containing 4 men had solicited a female undercover officer, Sgt. Quigley and 2 officers maneuvered their vehicle to prevent the auto from leaving the scene.

All 4 occupants exited the vehicle, and 2 were immediately apprehended. Sgt. Quigley apprehended a third suspect, and began assisting other officers in trying to subdue the fourth man who was violently resisting arrest.

When that man pulled a handgun and pointed it at the officers, Sgt. Quigley drew his weapon, fired one shot, and mortally wounded the armed adversary.

# 106<sup>th</sup> Annual Heroism Awards Event

The SBA's 106th annual Heroism Awards Event was held in Queens on Thursday, April 9. As always, it was dedicated to Sgts. John Coughlin, Michael Curtin, Rodney Gillis and Timothy Roy, all of whom lost their lives responding to the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. This year's emcee was longtime broadcast journalist and Fox News host Geraldo Rivera.

Heroism Awards recognize individuals and organizations from the public and private sector who have worked or are working toward advancing the ideals of our great nation.

## THIS YEAR'S HONOREES WERE:

**Det. First Grade Dennis Guerra, PSA 1** (*posthumously*) On April 6, 2014, then PO Dennis Guerra and his partner, PO Rosa Rodriguez of the Housing Bureau's PSA 1 in Brooklyn, responded to a fire on an upper floor of a residential building. As they alerted residents, they were overcome by smoke and rushed to the hospital, where the 38-year-old Guerra succumbed to his injuries 3 days later. PO Rodriguez, the 36-year-old mother of 4, was hospitalized for many weeks. PO Guerra, the married father of 4 children, was posthumously promoted to the rank of detective first grade, the same rank his father Denitor had attained with the NYPD.



The family of Det. Dennis Guerra

**Dets. First Grade Wenjian Liu & Rafael Ramos, 84 Precinct** (*posthumously*) On December 20, 2014, then POs Wenjian Liu, 32, and Rafael Ramos, 40, of the 84 Precinct were detailed to the 79 Precinct where there had been an upsurge in crime. While sitting in a marked department vehicle, they were ambushed and executed by a man who had traveled from Baltimore, Maryland, with the sole intention of assassinating police officers. Both were posthumously promoted to the rank of detective first grade.

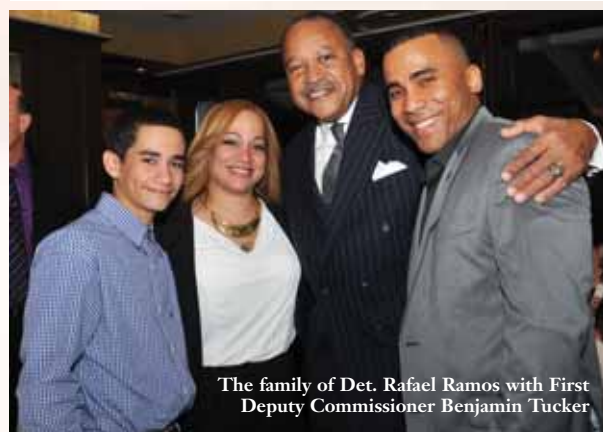


The family of Det. Wenjian Liu

Det. Liu emigrated from his native China to the United States in 1994. Det. Ramos was a deeply religious man who was killed on the same day he was set to become a chaplain at the Christ Tabernacle Church in Queens. He was posthumously appointed to the position of Police Chaplain of the 84 Precinct by Commissioner William J. Bratton. Det. Liu is survived by his wife and parents. Det. Ramos's survivors include his wife and 2 sons.

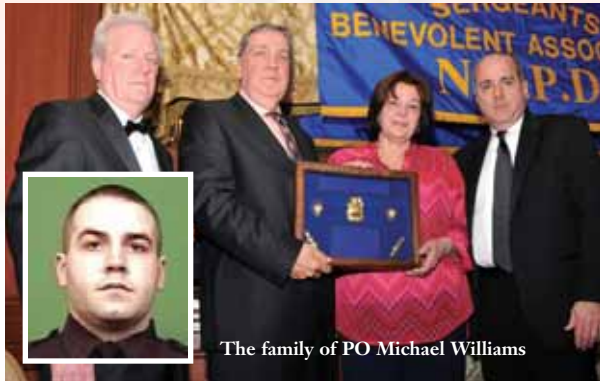


The family of Det. Rafael Ramos



The family of Det. Rafael Ramos with First Deputy Commissioner Benjamin Tucker

**PO Michael Williams, 47 Precinct** (*posthumously*) On September 21, 2014, rookie PO Michael Williams, 25, of the 47 Precinct lost his life in the line of duty when he was ejected from the rear of a police vehicle that struck a barrier in the Bronx. The vehicle contained 9 officers who were headed to a detail at the United Nations. PO Williams had followed his father, also named Michael, into the law enforcement profession. The elder Michael had been a police officer in upstate Carmel, New York, for 32 years.



The family of PO Michael Williams

**PO Daniel Faulkner, Philadelphia Police Department** (*posthumously*) PO Faulkner was appointed to the Philadelphia Police Department in 1975. While attempting to make an arrest during a traffic stop on December 9, 1981, the suspect's brother ran from across the street and shot PO Faulkner in the back. PO Faulkner managed to return fire, but was mortally wounded after being shot 4 more times. Despite being convicted and sentenced to death, the gunman has inexplicably managed to garner the support of numerous activist celebrities who deemed him a political prisoner and have rallied for his freedom.



PO Tom Hoban of the Philadelphia PD accepts the Heroism Award on behalf of the Faulkner family

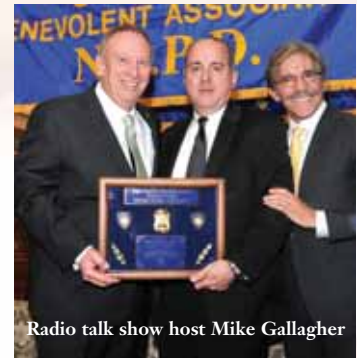
**Robin Hayes** With the entire nation in mourning after the ambush executions of Dets. Liu and Ramos, Mr. Hayes, the CEO of Jet Blue Airways, offered to fly 2 representatives from every law enforcement agency along its nationwide route to their funerals, which were held on separate dates. This was an incredible act of kindness, thoughtfulness and humanitarianism during a particularly challenging time for



Capt. Loretta Kennedy accepts the Heroism Award on behalf of Robin Hayes, CEO of Jet Blue Airways

the nationwide law enforcement community in general, and the NYPD in particular.

**Mike Gallagher** The host of a nationally syndicated radio show can be heard locally between 9:00 and 11:00 am on 970, The Answer (AM Radio). He is also a regularly featured political commentator on Fox News. His philanthropic endeavors include Gallagher's Army: The Mike Gallagher Show Charitable Foundation, which supports the families of American military personnel, and the Fallen Officer Fund, which raises monies for the family members of police officers who have lost their lives in the performance of their duties.



Radio talk show host Mike Gallagher

**Stephen P. Younger** As a Partner at Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler, LLP, Mr. Younger was instrumental in the SBA's three successful lawsuits against the city for violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), which resulted in the organization recouping over \$35 million for its members.



Attorney Stephen P. Younger

**Savannah Solis** The 10-year-old from Tyler, Texas, could not sit idly by after hearing of the ambush executions of Dets. Liu and Ramos. She took the time to write 200 cards to NYPD officers, as well as hundreds of other cards to Texas police personnel, to thank them for their daily commitment to public safety. The cards helped boost the morale of NYPD officers during some of the darkest days in department history. Despite residing 1,500 miles from New York, Ms. Solis was there for us during our time of great need.



Savannah Solis

# ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL

On these pages are photos of the police officers of various ranks from throughout the United States and Puerto Rico who lost their lives to gunfire in the line of duty between January 2014 and mid-September 2015. The following poem, whose author is unknown, is dedicated to them all. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers and never forget that whichever way the social and political winds flow, we are the Good Guys. Always have been, and always will be:

## I'M JUST LIKE YOU

—*Author Unknown*

I have been where you fear to be;  
I have seen what you fear to see;  
I have done what you fear to do;  
All these things I have done for you.

I am the one you lean upon,  
The one you cast your scorn upon,  
The one you bring your troubles to,  
All these things I have been for you.

The one you ask to stand apart,  
The one you feel should have no heart,

The one you call the “man in blue”;  
But I am a person, just like you.

And through the years, I have come to see  
That I am not what you ask of me.  
So take this badge, take this gun;  
Will you take it?—Will anyone?

And when you watch a person die  
And hear a battered baby cry,  
Then do you think that you can be  
All these things you ask of me?

“ALL LOST THEIR LIVES TO GUNFIRE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES, AND THE AFTERMATHS OF THEIR DEATHS HAVE LEFT INSURMOUNTABLE HEARTBREAK THAT WILL NEVER CEASE.”

—ED MULLINS, SBA PRESIDENT



Officer Jason Crisp,  
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture



Agent Carlos Rivera-Vega,  
Puerto Rico



Sgt. Cory Wride,  
Utah County  
Sheriff's Office



Deputy Sheriff  
Jonathan Scott Pine,  
Orange County, FL



Det. John Hobbs,  
Phoenix, AZ



Agent  
Joaquin Correa-Ortega,  
Puerto Rico



Deputy Sheriff  
Ricky Del Florentino,  
Mendocino County, CA



PO Robert German,  
Windermere, FL



Master-at-Arms  
Mark Mayo,  
U.S. Navy Security Forces



PO Alexander Thalmann,  
New Bern, NC



PO David Smith,  
Johnson County, NY



Trooper Gabriel Rich,  
Alaska State Troopers



Sgt. Patrick “Scott” Johnson,  
Alaska State Troopers



Det. Charles Dinwiddle,  
Killeen, TX



Ptl. Stephen Arkell,  
Brentwood, NH



Deputy Sheriff  
Michael Seversen,  
Polk County, WI



PO Jair Cabrera,  
Salt River Tribal Police, AZ



PO Brian Jones,  
Norfolk, VA



PO Kevin Jordan,  
Griffin, GA



PO Alyn Beck,  
Las Vegas, NV



PO Igor Soldo,  
Las Vegas, NV



Chief of Police Lee Dixon,  
Little River, TX



Deputy Sheriff  
Allen Bares Jr.,  
Vermilion Parish, LA



Officer Perry Renn,  
Indianapolis, IN



Ptl. Jeffrey Westerfield,  
Gary, IN



Det. Melvin Santiago,  
Jersey City, NJ



PO Scott Patrick,  
Mendota Heights, MN



Chief of Police  
Michael Pimentel,  
Elmhurst, TX



Agent  
Geniel Amaro-Fantauzzi,  
Puerto Rico



PO Daryl Pierson,  
Rochester, NY



Ptl. Nickolaus Schultz,  
Merrillville, IN



Cpl. Jason Harwood,  
Topeka, KS



Deputy Sheriff  
Joseph Matsukovic,  
Charleston County, SC



Cpl. Bryon Keith Dickson II,  
Pennsylvania State Police



Sgt. Michael Joe Naylor,  
Midland County, TX



Inv. Michael Davis Jr.,  
Pacer County, CA



PO Shaun Diamond,  
Pomona, CA



Deputy Sheriff  
Danny Oliver,  
Sacramento, CA



Deputy Sheriff  
Matthew Chism,  
Cedar County, MO



PO Justin Winebrenner,  
Akron, OH



Agent  
Edwin Roman-Acevedo,  
Puerto Rico



PO Tyler Jacob Stewart,  
Flagstaff, AZ



Deputy Sheriff  
Michael Norris,  
Monroe County, GA



Deputy Sheriff  
Christopher Smith,  
Leon County, FL



PO Charles Kondak,  
Tarpon Springs, FL



Det. Rafael Ramos,  
NYPD



Det. Wenjian Liu,  
NYPD



Det. Terence Green,  
Fulton County, GA



PO Robert Wilson III,  
Philadelphia, PA



U.S. Marshal Josie Wells



PO Alex Yazzie,  
Navajo Division of  
Public Safety, AZ



PO Michael Johnson,  
San Jose, CA



Trooper Trevor Casper,  
Wisconsin State Patrol



Det. Brian Moore,  
NYPD



Sgt. Greg Moore,  
Coeur d'Alene, ID



PO Liquori Tate,  
Hattiesburg, MS



PO Benjamin Deen,  
Hattiesburg, MS



Reserve Deputy  
Sonny Smith,  
Johnson County, AR



Det. Kerrie Orozco,  
Omaha, NE



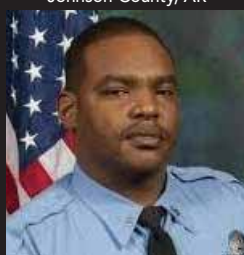
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Housing Authority,  
New Orleans, LA



Officer Gregg "Nigel" Benner,  
Rio Rancho, NM



PO Sonny Kim,  
Cincinnati, OH



PO Daryle Holloway,  
New Orleans, LA



Sgt. Scott Lunger,  
Hayward, CA



Sgt. Sean Bolton,  
Memphis, TN



Officer Thomas LaValley,  
Shreveport, LA



Deputy Sheriff Carl Howell,  
Carson City, NV



Trooper Steven Vincent,  
LA State Police



PO Henry Nelson,  
Sunset, LA



Deputy Sheriff  
Darren Goforth,  
Harris County, TX



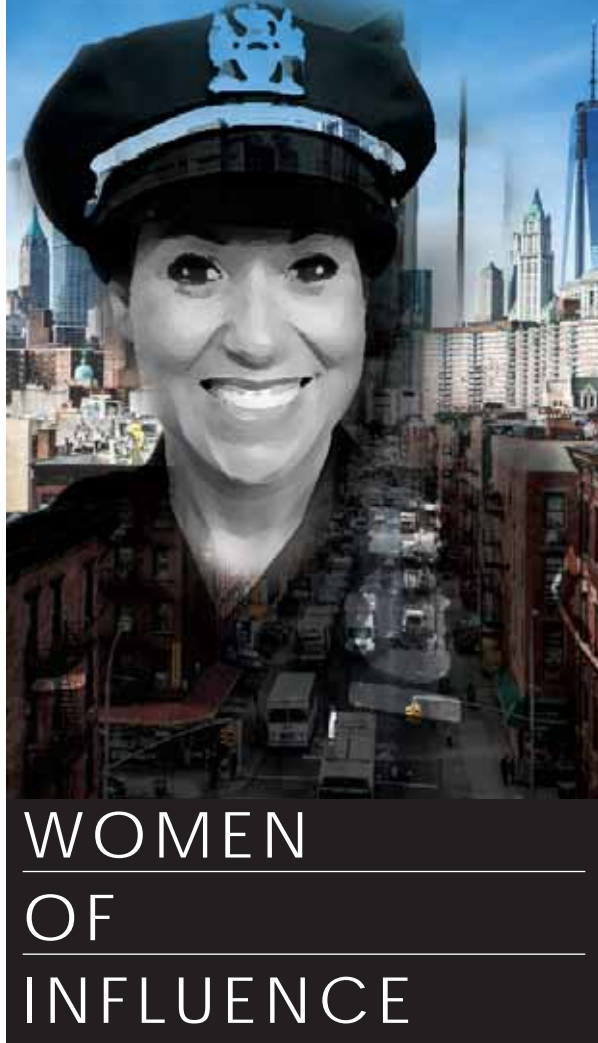
Lt. Charles "Joe" Gliniewicz,  
Lake County, IL



Trooper Joseph Ponder,  
Kentucky State Police



Deputy Sheriff  
Dwight Maness,  
McHenry County, IL



**T**he SBA held its first annual Women of Influence luncheon in Brooklyn on March 12. Ten active or retired female sergeants were recognized for their many notable achievements, including those involving their law enforcement duties, educational accomplishments, charitable endeavors, and familial roles.

“A few generations ago, the idea of women on patrol was an alien concept,” said SBA President Ed Mullins. “Today, female police officers of all ranks have revolutionized the law enforcement profession on every level.

“It has been a long road—and not always an easy one—but the contributions of women in every vocation and societal role has made the world a better place. We have female NYPD sergeants from every walk of life and background imaginable. Their determination and commitment is limitless and awe-inspiring, and they are all most worthy of this recognition.”

The recipients were recommended for this honor by friends, family members and colleagues. The SBA is already accepting applications for next year’s event.

Anyone who wants to recommend an active or retired female sergeant for this prestigious honor should write a short synopsis and forward it by e-mail to SBA Recording Secretary Vincent Vallelong at: [vvallelong@sbany.org](mailto:vvallelong@sbany.org). Vincent can also be reached by phone at 212-226-2180.

## THE 2015 HONOREES WERE:

### SGT. NORA AHMED, TRANSIT BUREAU



Sgt. Ahmed was appointed to the NYPD in 1994. At the inception of the Counterterrorism Division in 2002, she was assigned there as the only female Arab linguist. She has since worked in undercover capacities with various state and federal agencies

in cases with local and global implications.

After being promoted to sergeant in 2009, Ahmed was assigned to the Transit Bureau where she is now a training sergeant and facilitator for the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People program. In addition, she is a member of the Hostage Negotiation Team.

Ahmed has over 20 years of service with the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves, and is an adjunct professor at Empire State College where she teaches Multicultural Diversity and Emergency Management.

She is also a co-founder of Hope, Love and Light, a non-profit organization dedicated to domestic violence victims. After a recent terrorist attack in Paris, France, where a female law enforcement officer was killed, Ahmed represented the NYPD at the funeral, not only as a member of the law enforcement community, but as a woman, a Muslim and an Arab.

### SGT. DIANE BROWN, 46 PRECINCT



Sgt. Brown has been described by colleagues as a great supervisor and an invaluable resource to the department. She was instrumental in initiating the Vision Zero Initiative in her precinct. Her voice was recorded in both English and Spanish to highlight the dangerous driving program to the public.

Brown has led the charge in getting scores of officers trained in the use of Naloxone, which is utilized to counteract drug overdoses, and she is her precinct’s Counterterrorism liaison. She also earned a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from Pace University and a master’s degree from Marist College.

When asked to describe Brown’s skills as a police professional, one of her colleagues at the 46 Precinct said, “Sgt. Brown is not only up to the task, she hits it out of the park every time.”

**SGT. ROXANA CONCEPCION, APPLICANT PROCESSING DIVISION**

Sgt. Concepcion first became a mother at the age of 15, resulting in many challenges for her and her family. She remained committed to fulfilling her longtime dream of becoming a police officer, and was appointed to the NYPD in 2000 and promoted to sergeant in 2009.

Along the way she has published a short story and a book of poems, is active with the Virtuous Women Ministry in Bayside, Queens, and volunteers at the Anchor House drug rehabilitation center in Brooklyn.

Concepcion has also spoken to many teenage girls at churches and conferences throughout the years. Now a mother of 2, she humbly describes herself as a “work in progress.”

What is indisputable, however, is the immeasurable hope she gives to young people by virtue of her honesty, integrity, transparency and willingness to listen, learn and advise.

**RETIRED SGT. DONNA DENATALE**

Retired Sgt. DeNatale became a police officer for many reasons, but one reason stands out to her adult children more than any other. Someone had told DeNatale that she could not do it, so she set out to prove them wrong.



ed herself while working closely with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and conducting numerous Women in Policing seminars. She retired from the Office of the Deputy Commissioner of Training.

Whenever anyone in her family was faced with adversity, DeNatale would offer encouragement and support, as well as 2 phrases that drove her 3 children crazy: “Oh yes, I can” or “Oh yes, you can.”

Although she is now retired, DeNatale provides proof that when you commit yourself to hard work, there is nothing that cannot be accomplished.



**SGT. DAWN GAVIN, TRANSIT BUREAU**

Prior to becoming an NYPD member in 1999, Sgt. Gavin earned a bachelor's degree from New York University and taught children with disabilities in the city school system.

She also earned advanced degrees from Teacher's College at Columbia University and the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and completed 60 credits toward her doctorate.

Now assigned to the Transit Bureau, Gavin teaches a departmental course on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People and is an adjunct professor at Manhattan College.



Besides being the single mother of a 7-year-old son, Gavin fosters a young child who she hopes to adopt.

Gavin and her son also volunteer with Hart to the Homebound at their local library, where they deliver books to infirm elderly people who cannot leave their residences.

**RETIRED SGT. RACHEL MARONI**

Retired Sgt. Maroni served the NYPD from 1985 to 2005. As a sergeant during the 9/11 attacks, she spent months working in and around Ground Zero.

After retiring from the 19 Precinct, she has been a mother to her 4 sons, one of whom has special needs. She also graduated with honors from Nyack College with a degree in public administration.

Maroni then decided to study nursing, with the intention of working with children with special needs. While in nursing school, she volunteered to serve the poor in the jungles of Nicaragua with the Global Health Outreach Network.

Maroni is now a registered nurse in the pediatric intensive care unit of a Westchester County hospital, as well as a Sunday school teacher at her local church. She is married to retired Sgt. Gary Maroni.



### SGT. KARYN McCORMACK, 47 PRECINCT

Sgt. McCormack was appointed to the NYPD in 2002, and promoted to sergeant in 2013. Currently assigned to the 47 Precinct, she is enriching a long family legacy of public service.

Both her father and grandfather were NYPD sergeants, and her husband Peter is the SBA Director for the Detective Bureau.

Karyn, who is the mother of 2 daughters and a son, has many notable accomplishments during her stellar career.

She is a recipient of the Retired Detective Association's Award for grateful appreciation and outstanding service, a member of the Police-women's Endowment Association, and a recipient of the Irish Echo Top 50 Law Enforcement Award for America's Most Distinguished Law and Order Leaders.



### RETIRED SGT. MAUREEN MURPHY

Sgt. Murphy, who served the NYPD from 1986 to 2011, was drawn to police work by her father, retired NYPD detective Joseph Firth.

While assigned to the 100 Precinct in 2001, she was voted into the position of SBA delegate. She became the first ever SBA board member in 2002, when she was elected to the position of Recording Secretary.

In that capacity she was a trustee to the Health and Welfare Fund, Annuity Fund, Scholarship Fund, and the Widows and Children's Fund.

In addition, she was Chairperson of the Sergeant of the Month committee, as well as a member of the Contract Negotiations Committee.

A mother of 2 children, Murphy is a recipient of the Ellis Island Medal of Honor and the Bronx Elks Club Award for Outstanding Community Service. She has also been honored by the Policewomen's Endowment Association as a Woman of the Year.



### SGT. MARY ANN POLANCO, 76 PRECINCT

Sgt. Polanco was appointed to the NYPD in 1995, and promoted to sergeant in 2005. She has been the SBA delegate in the 76 Precinct for several years.

Sgt. Polanco and her husband William, who is also an active sergeant and an SBA delegate in the Highway District, have 2 children, but Mary Ann still finds the time to volunteer at her local parish by reading to pre-school children.

In addition, she coaches CYO sports at her church parish and coordinates the blood drive in her precinct.



### SGT. MARIANELA TEJADA, JOINT TERRORIST TASK FORCE

Sgt. Tejada was appointed to the NYPD in 1997, and promoted to sergeant in 2006. She has a hard-earned and well-deserved reputation for dependability, loyalty and compassion for people both young and old, and a commitment to her role as a guardian of public safety.

Sgt. Tejada was recommended for this honor by scores of colleagues and family members, all of whom lauded her for her boundless commitment and dedication to public service and the policing profession.



## WOMEN WHO PAVED THE WAY

### RET. DEPUTY CHIEF GERTRUDE SCHIMMEL

Today's Women of Influence were themselves greatly influenced by those who came before them and refused to stay silent, even when promotional avenues were continually closed to them for many decades.

When Gertrude Schimmel joined the NYPD in 1940, she was assigned to the Policewomen's Bureau. At that time, policewomen occasionally worked in dangerous undercover gambling, narcotics or organized crime investigations, but they mostly served as precinct matrons and juvenile officers.

According to Theresa Melchionne, a former commanding officer of the Policewomen's Bureau who later taught at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, the thought of women supervising patrolmen was inconceivable at the time.



In 1961, after many years of frustration, the indefatigable Schimmel and another female officer, Felicia Shpritzer, sued the city for the right to take promotional examinations. They were not victorious the first time around, but later won their case in the Court of Appeals.

In 1965, they became the department's first female sergeants. Two years later, they were both promoted to lieutenant, becoming the first women to hold that rank as well. Schimmel would eventually rise to the rank of deputy chief in 1978 before retiring in 1981.

Schimmel and Shpritzer were instrumental in paving the way for women to enter the patrol force in 1973, when the titles of "patrolman" and "policewoman" were officially changed to the more gender-neutral "police officer."

Schimmel passed away at the age of 96 in May 2015.

At the time of her death, Police Commissioner William J. Bratton remarked, "Gertrude was a real trend-setter who not only broke a very significant glass ceiling many years ago, but smashed through it."

### SGT. PAT HOLMES

Another female trailblazer was Sgt. Pat Holmes, who was appointed to the NYPD in June 1962, retired as a sergeant in October 1983, and passed away in October 2013.

For many years she worked in undercover capacities, and she and a female partner were the first women to make arrests in the Port Authority Bus Terminal. Another time, they made a felony arrest inside a Brooklyn movie theater.

It was as the Vice President of the Policewomen's Endowment Association (PEA) that Holmes made her most indelible impression in a world where she, and other women, were not warmly welcomed.

Known for being fiercely individualistic, intelligent, optimistic and determined, she never allowed social norms to get in the way of social progress.

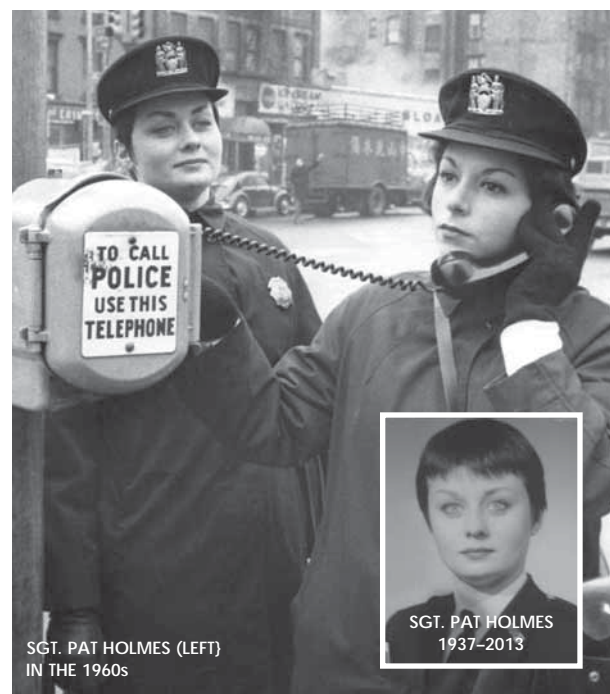
As an executive board member on the PEA, she filed numerous lawsuits that enabled women to more easily take promotional exams, and was also instrumental in the title of "police officer" replacing its previous gender-based designations.

"My wife was a remarkable woman," said Fred Holmes, himself a retired sergeant and a longtime SBA delegate who served the NYPD from 1964 to 1997.

"She and I both took a lot of flak in the early days; her for being a cop and me for being married to one. We had been together since 1953, and the changes during that time were tremendous."

The Holmes family legacy lives on in the NYPD. Their daughter, PO Tricia Galvin, is an 18-year veteran assigned to the 17 Precinct. She is married to Deputy Inspector Matthew Galvin.

Holmes's niece, Angela Buchanan, is employed by the SBA Health and Welfare Office.





# Proud to Be an SBA Member & Friend

## SBA Scholarship Fund

The SBA Scholarship Fund distributed \$52,500 to 21 recipients at the May delegate meeting. Eligible candidates must be a dependent of an active of Lifetime member who have yet to attend college. The monies are raised through donations and the sale of SBA cards.

Recipients are the 20 applicants with the highest SAT scores. Each winner receives an SBA award, as well as check for \$2,500. There are also 2 privately donated scholarships.

For more information, contact Citywide Secretary and Scholarship Chairman Vincent Guida at phone 212-226-2180 or by e-mail at: [vguida@sbany.org](mailto:vguida@sbany.org). This year's recipients are:

Recipient/College	Parent
Bruno, Gabriella/ Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	John Bruno
Daly, Laura/Penn State	Michael Daly
Finnelli, Kristina/Stony Brook	Donald Finnelli
Geritano, Anthony/Yale	Widy Geritano
Harnos, Steven/Purdue	Frank Harnos
Houvenner, Tyler/Binghamton	Donald Houvenner
Johnston, Hannah/Temple	Scott Johnston
Kenny, Casey/Louisiana State	Michael Kenny
Kim, Damian/Yale	Brian Kim
Laburda, Jessica/University of Pennsylvania	George Laburda
Link, Allison/Stony Brook	Corey Link
Meacham, Aaliyah/University of Pennsylvania	Michael Meacham
McGovern, Leah/Manhattan	Roger McGovern



Michael Peralta will be attending Fordham University.

Recipient/College	Parent
McInerney, William/Binghamton	Brian McInerney
Meurlin, Jason/Stony Brook	Thomas Meurlin
Morrissey, Stephanie/Buffalo	Stephen Morrissey
Peralta, Michael/Fordham	Edgar Peralta
Peruggia, Michael/Davidson	Michael Peruggia
Schrynemakers, Andrew/Vassar	John Schrynemakers
Watson, Eleanor/Baruch	Kevin Watson
Weiss, Amanda/ Rochester Institute of Technology	Jeffrey Weiss
<b>Recipient of the annual Sgt. Frances Haimeck-Mladinich Memorial Scholarship</b>	
Thomas Marrone/SUNY Oneonta	Ellen Marrone
<b>Recipient of the annual Bo-Mat Creations Scholarship</b>	
Tyler Warren/College of St. Rose	Edward Warren



Lt. James  
Koutroumanos and  
Sgt. Lauren Foster  
on graduation day  
at Harvard

## NYPD Scholarship Program

Active Sgt. Lauren Foster received an NYPD scholarship to Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, from which she graduated in May with a Master's in Public Administration.

Sgt. Foster attended Harvard along with Lt. James Koutroumanos, who also earned the department scholarship.

A San Diego native, Sgt. Foster came to New York to attend Fordham University where she earned undergraduate degrees in economics and business. She later attended Brooklyn Law School, interned at the NYPD, and graduated in 2005.

Sgt. Foster was appointed to the NYPD in January 2006, and promoted to sergeant in August 2011. She is now assigned to the Office of the Chief of Department, where she will oversee the Cease Fire program.

## Capitol Hill

SBA Vice President Bob Ganley and Transit Bureau Director Reginald McGraw recently traveled to Washington, D.C. to attend a U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee Meeting on Health before the Energy and Commerce Committee.

This was the first meeting to examine the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Re-authorization Act. Sgt. McGraw is pictured here with Congressman Peter King of Long Island.



## Man of the Year

The Fraternal Order of Police and the NYPD Honor Legion both honored SBA President Ed Mullins as their Man of the Year at their annual galas. The FOP event was held on April 16, and the Honor Legion affair was held on June 4. Mullins was recognized for his many accomplishments and high visibility during the chaos and tumult of the past year.



“Mr. Mullins has stood tall and spoken for all NYPD members during very difficult times,” said Oscar Hernandez, who has been president of the Honor Legion since 2010. “He is an outstanding individual, and fine representative of union labor.”

## Minority Athletes Networking

At its 26th annual dinner gala on June 2, the Minority Athletes Networking organization (MAN) recognized SBA President Ed Mullins and Newark Police Lt. Gary Vickers with its Unsung Hero Award.

Also honored was Tom Coughlin, the head coach of the New York Giants, who received the Sportsman of the Year Award.

Mullins and Vickers were lauded for their solution-based strategies to deal with the strife that is plaguing our nation and standing in the way of social progress for many people.

“MAN is proud to honor 2 outstanding police officers who exemplify the very definition of to serve and protect,” said George Martin, the co-founder and executive director of MAN, and the tri-captain of the 1986 Super Bowl champion New York Giants.

“Bridging the seemingly cavernous divide between communities and law enforcement is an absolute necessity,” he continued. “And MAN is exceedingly proud to lead the charge of social change, as we all strive to co-exist in this fragile social ecosystem of humanity. Together, we can all continue to make a difference.”



*Lt. Gary Vickers and Ed Mullins with their Unsung Hero Awards. In the center is Mullins's son, Matthew.*



*Ed Mullins and George Martin*

## Free Screenings

For more than a year, film, theater and entertainment publicists have been providing free passes for SBA members and their families to advance screenings and viewings of new movies and events.



More recent offerings include the movies “Black Mass,” “Sicario,” “Self/Less,” “San Andreas,” “Max,” “Run All Night,” “Hot Pursuit” and “Batkid Begins,” as well as the Disney Live “Three Classic Fairy Tales” at The Theater at Madison Square Garden and Monster Jam Path of Destruction at MetLife Stadium.

As soon as the tickets are received, a notice is immediately posted on the SBA web site and distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis. They go quickly, so check often, and act quickly.



## 100 Years

On May 20, retired Sgt. Harold Tate, who just celebrated his 100th birthday, helped turn out the third platoon at the 113 Precinct. He was accompanied by Florine, his beloved wife of 64 years, his niece Aneesha Jacko, and Ms. Jacko's mother Marguerite Chester, who is a cousin of Tate.

Ms. Jacko had approached Community Affairs Sgt. Joanne Gonzalez about recognizing her uncle's milestone birthday. When she mentioned it to Deputy Inspector Frederick J. Grover, the commanding officer of the 113 Precinct, he insisted on a celebration and recognition ceremony at the command.

Among those present was Assistant Chief David P. Barrere, the commanding officer of Patrol Borough Queens South, who made Tate an honorary borough commander.

Retired Sgt. Tate has had quite a storied life and career. Born in Jacksonville, Florida, in 1915, he served in the Philippines and Japan while in the U.S. Army during World War II. His numerous medals include the Philippines Liberation Ribbon, American Service Medal, and the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal.

He joined the NYPD in November 1942, and was promoted to sergeant in August 1959. As a patrolman in October 1952, Tate overtook and disarmed a man who had just robbed a tavern at 2011 Seventh Avenue in the 32 Precinct.

In April 1960, he received a Commendation when he and Patrolman Martin O'Grady arrested 3 men who had just committed an armed robbery at 505 Park Avenue in the 17 Precinct.



*Sgt. Harold Tate in the early 1960s*

He is believed to be one of the first African American members of the NYPD to be promoted to sergeant.

After retiring from the NYPD in 1966, he operated Tate's Liquor Store in Brooklyn for many years. His wife was a longtime nurse at Harlem Hospital.

"Harold Tate is the salt of the earth," said SBA Sergeant-at-Arms John Dorst. "He served our country and our city with great distinction. He has been married for 64 years, and he has resided in Jamaica, Queens, for over 80 years. He is a wonderful, classy man, old school and rock solid."



*SBA board members and other NYPD personnel celebrate retired Sgt. Tate's 100th birthday*

## Blue Lives Matter

In the aftermath of the executions of Dets. Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos in December 2014, Sgt. Joseph Imperatrice of the 7 Precinct and several colleagues launched a charity that raises funds and promotes goodwill for the families of ailing and deceased officers.

Blue Lives Matter, which produces and sells wristbands and other clothing, has already arranged for members of the Liu and Ramos families to throw out the first pitch at a Brooklyn Cyclones baseball game in August.

It has also raised \$12,000 for the family of Det. Brian Moore, and helped defray the astronomical medical expenses for the daughter of an MTA worker who is battling cerebral palsy.

"Police officers and the communities they serve should be working together," said Sgt. Imperatrice, who joined the NYPD in January 2006 and was promoted to sergeant in August 2011.

"The support Blue Lives Matter is getting from the law enforcement community and the private sector has been phenomenal. We are now known far beyond New York because we are here to help. If the children of a police officer never had the opportunity to go to Disneyland, for example, we want to provide them that opportunity."

For more information log onto: [www.bluelivesmatternyc.org](http://www.bluelivesmatternyc.org).



*Sgt. Joe Imperatrice, founder of Blue Lives Matter*  
*Photo: Courtesy of NY Post*

### Transit Medal Day

Transit Borough Brooklyn held its annual Medal Day on April 10. Six sergeants were recognized as Supervisors of the Year by Chief Joseph Fox (third from right) and Assistant Chief Vincent Coogan (second from left).

Among those in attendance was SBA Marshal Joe Quinn (fourth from right).

The honorees were (left–right): Sgts. Gerald Esposito; TD 34; Edward Smith, TB IRT; Hector Suero, Transit Kings Task Force; Daniel Cecchetti, TD 33; Reginald McGraw, TD 30, who is also the SBA Transit Director; and Jason Bolger, TD 32.



### More NYPD Medal Day

In addition to the 7 active, retired or deceased sergeants that were honored at the NYPD Medal Day ceremony on June 9 (see page 14), Unit Citations were presented to 10 commands. Among those recognized were the 46 Detective Squad and Transit District 20.

In the photo on the left below, Sgt. Frederick Bedford, a former delegate, holds the Unit Citation for the 46 Detective Squad. Standing alongside him is SBA Brooklyn South Director Ed Small and Treasurer Paul Capotosto.

In the photo on the right, Sgt. Jon Stueckenschneider, Deputy Inspector Michael A. Telfer, and Sgt. Leon Fergus proudly display their citation for Transit District 20.



### Spartan Race

Using the name “Transit Anti-Crime Finest” and vowing to leave no man or woman behind, several members of Transit District 4 and other commands, as well as civilian participants, recently completed a grueling Spartan Race where they tested their endurance, strength, and perseverance over 15 miles and 52 obstacles.

The team consisted of (left to right): Sgt. Clyde Jasmin; POs Xavier Gonzalez and Lauren Rivera; Glenda Sanchez; Sgt. Andrew Chin of the 114 Precinct; PO Ying-Yin Yu; and Giancarlo Alvarez.



Participating in this immensely challenging event has become part of District 4’s annual “Staying Fit” tradition. Congratulations to Sgt. Chin and Ms. Sanchez for finishing the Spartan Trifecta, where they successfully completed 3 separate grueling races, totaling 30 miles and 87 obstacles within one calendar year.

## A Shredding Affair

The 19 Precinct Community Council once again hosted a public shredding event on May 4. A shredding truck was dispatched to the precinct by the Quartermaster Section, and a ton of documents was destroyed.

“We have performed this service in several boroughs, and the biggest turnout is always in the 19 Precinct,” said Sgt. Charles Ott of the Quartermaster Section (QMS).

“It is a good program, not only because members of the public get to safely destroy sensitive documents, but it also fosters goodwill between the police and the public.”

Pictured (left to right): PO James Madigan, QMS; Sgts. Anthony Nuccio, George Brown and Kevin O'Donnell of the 19 Precinct; and PO Alex Alvarado, QMS.



## In Loving Memory

Retired Sgt. John J. Monks Jr. served the NYPD from 1959 to 1979. His beloved son, John J. Monks III, passed away in September 1994 at the age of 34. His father recently published a book of poems in loving memory of John III.

One poem, entitled “Farewell...Young Eddie Byrne,” recalls the execution of PO Edward Byrne, 22, of the 103 Precinct, who was ambushed and executed while guarding a drug witness in February 1988. PO Byrne’s father, the late Matt Byrne, was a retired NYPD lieutenant.

*Matt Byrne’s son was still a rookie  
Buried in a blue uniform still new  
Felled by drug dealers bullets  
At just twenty years and two.*

The first verse of “My Son” describes the author’s anguish, even decades after the passing of his namesake, who left this world much too early:

*You are with me in my dreams my son  
Though nightmares come with mornings light  
For as I wake the pain begins  
So I go through days awaiting night*

As you read these poems, please consider all of the blessings in your own lives and take a moment to say a prayer or think about all of those who are suffering from the loss or impending loss of loved ones.



## Sgt. Keisha Ward

On page 43 of the last edition of Frontline, Sgt. Keisha Ward, who heads the Citizens Police Academy, was misidentified. We apologize for the error, and thank her for her graciousness, as well as her steadfast commitment to the NYPD and the SBA.



## Cop & Coach

In June, retired Sgt. Pat Duffy, who served the NYPD from July 1983 to August 1994, officially stepped down as the head varsity baseball coach at Stepinac High School in Yonkers. When Duffy took over the team in 2005, it had an abysmal 1-26 record. Under his stewardship, he amassed a 205-113 record.

During his tenure, Duffy spearheaded many fundraisers, including one that raised \$2 million to have a new state of the art Sprinturf Field installed at the school in 2012.

Athletic Director Mike O'Donnell said Duffy did an “unbelievable job” as “the heart and soul of the baseball program” and will be sorely missed.



# Birth Announcements

Member	Child	Date of Birth
Abumalouh, Saher	Yousef	10/2/14
Alix, Joey	Antonio	1/26/15
Allen, Patrick	Patrick	3/3/15
Alston, Davon	Anaya	5/8/15
Baio, Michael	Vincenza	4/14/15
Belcastro, Joseph	Matto	8/5/15
Bennett, Jason	Chelsea	3/1/15
Bensimon, Daniel	Joseph	2/18/15
Blake, Kevin	Jack	1/28/15
Bonfanti, Anthony	Anthony & Christopher	7/15/15
Branzetti, Kevin	Peter	4/15/15
Breier, Natalie	Greyson	3/5/15
Brennan, Kevin	Kevin	6/29/15
Burckhard, Joseph	Kayla	6/8/15
Burke, Charles	Móira	4/12/15
Burzotta, Anthony	Marco	6/15/15
Butler, Gregory	Ryan	3/19/15
Byrd, Martha	George	5/13/15
Cabreja, Emmanuel	Eva	10/15/14
Cao, Viet	Robert	7/5/15
Castro-Marks, Dania	Emma	3/6/15
Catalano, Christopher	Samantha	3/15/15
Chernyak, Vladislav	Alexander	2/19/15
Chervil, Jeffrey	David	2/12/15
Cheung, William	Evan	7/14/15
Chin, Scott	Elliott	10/6/14
Chowdhury, Karam	Sarim	7/1/15
Ciota, Michael	Michael	1/21/15
Clarke, Harold	Annaliese	5/3/15
Cohn, Michael	Jonathan	4/13/15
Contreras, Tancred	Nicholas	6/4/15
Cotter, John	Emily	2/25/15
Cruz, Miguel	Miguel	6/19/15
Cuce, David	Jayson	6/27/15
Czerwinski, Marcin	Andrew	8/10/15
Dallemand, Daniel	Daniella	5/20/15
Daniels, Oswald	Olivia	6/3/15
DaSilva, Morgan	Morgan	7/8/15
Daverin, Henry	Baylie	7/15/13
Dede, Christopher	Liliana	7/28/15
Deen, Mohamed	Amber	4/2/15
Dillon, Timothy	Brady	1/25/15
Donnley, Drexel	Kelsie	9/22/14
Dubitsky, Ariel	Hannah	12/30/14
Dwyer, Michael	Caitlin	2/25/15
Faello, Joseph	Aidan	3/25/15
Famularo, Janelle	Marissa	2/25/15
Fastaia, Joseph	Jaxson	6/2/15
Field, Richard	Valerie	6/26/15
Flynn, John	Patrick & Sean	5/8/15
Fountoulakis, George	Anna	5/5/15
Fox, Brian	Connor	7/16/15
Fredrickson, Brian	Zelda	2/20/15
Gautreau, Anlu	David	3/10/15
Golden, Patrick	Thomas	8/5/14
Higgins, Kieran	Emily	6/2/15
Hill, Scott	Brayden	4/9/15
Hillman, Brian	Addison	7/3/15
Hinteman, Timothy	Joseph	3/22/15
Hoare, Kevin	Sheila	11/21/13
Hoare, Kevin	Kevin	6/29/15
Holmes, Lisa	Brayden	3/30/15
Honstetter, Sean	London	11/3/14
Ishaq, Bilal	Yusef	7/28/15
Isidore, Jean	Giovanni	5/23/15
Jablon, Jonathan	Jake	8/19/14
Jezsek, Kristopher	Kristopher	6/28/15
Johnson, Matthew	Benjamin & Henry	3/9/15
Keag, Maureen	Emanuelle	4/8/15
Khan, Mahbubur	Mikhail	2/11/15
King, John	John Jr.	5/4/15
Kinsella, Andrew	Evan	7/8/15
Klein, Kurwin	Renee	1/26/15
Korpolinski, Jason	Savannah	4/28/15

Member	Child	Date of Birth
Lamitola, Jason	Jake	4/3/15
Lau, Yui Tung	Tommy	6/10/15
Lee, Justin	Katherine	7/9/15
Leisengang, Edward	Connor	6/19/15
Lema, Wilson	Joel	4/7/15
Levy, Erez	Abigail	9/25/14
Lewis, Leron	Senai	4/9/15
Lilavois, Clifford	Dominick	5/20/15
Limage, Jennifer	Gabriella	6/5/15
Lloyd, Erica	Cameron	3/4/15
Lucas, Widler	Luke	6/14/15
Manto, Anthony	Jolene	6/17/15
Martinez, Carlos	Sophia	4/11/15
Matire, John	Skylar	6/29/15
Maturo, Russell	Gianna	4/10/15
McCabe, Terence	Ella & Julia	3/28/14
McNevin, John	Patrick	1/24/15
Melrose, William	Stella	9/13/14
Monkowski, Matthew	Rebecca	11/11/14
Moore III, James	Imani	3/3/15
Morabito, Robert	Dominick	5/13/15
Morgan, Casey	Jack	2/27/15
Muller, Christopher	MacKenzie	7/8/15
Murphy, Kevin	Owen	5/29/15
Naik, Naseer	Liyanna	12/22/14
Ng, Thomas	Scarlett	3/24/15
Nuez, Edwin	Edwin	6/29/13
Ofosu-Ameyaw, George	Starr	1/2/14
O'Keefe, Siobhan	Alyna	7/2/15
Olic, Jure	Kevin	3/30/15
O'Neill, Patrick	Breanna	8/20/15
Panetta, Anthony	Gianna	2/12/15
Parco, Thomas	Vincent	2/11/15
Peralta, Edgar	Dylan	2/22/14
Peralta, Erickson	Victoria	12/19/14
Perez, Vicente	Brandon	3/22/15
Picciano, Philip	Shane	6/19/15
Picone, Joel	Theodore	5/17/15
Pignataro, Matthew	Matthew	5/29/15
Pilla, Jason	Emersyn	2/19/15
Piscatella Jr., Joseph	Carter	8/10/15
Quigley, Patrick	Liana	2/21/15
Rezek, William	Dylan & Liam	5/11/15
Robson, Robert	Grace	3/8/15
Rosario, Mary	Anayah	2/17/14
Rothenbucher, Michael	Emily	6/7/15
Sanders, Jason	Jessie	4/6/15
Sawicki, Gerard	Brooke	5/25/15
Scocca, Paul	Jack	8/1/14
Semioli, Carmine	Luna	3/28/15
Sesack, William	Molly	1/14/15
Slattery, Timothy	Lillian	7/10/15
Socorro, Patrick	Isabella	2/24/15
Springer, Euborne	Abigail	12/5/14
St. Fort, Edouardo	Tristan	2/9/14
Strom, David	Makayla	3/27/15
Sun, Eric	Preston	4/6/15
Taylor, Robert	Nathan	1/1/15
Taylor, Sylvia	Preston	2/13/15
Tomao, Michael	Dominic	11/11/14
Treanor, Leslie	Ava	8/26/14
Treanor, Patrick	Ariana	4/21/15
Valand, Christopher	Gavin	7/6/15
Varriano, Dane	Dane	8/16/15
Vukic, Damir	Denis	3/7/15
Walsh, Dennis	Reagan	6/24/15
Weiner, Cory	MacKenzie & Zoey	3/11/15
Winiarz, Christopher	Matthew	7/6/15
Wolf, Jason	Max	4/21/15
Wong, Johnny	Philip	4/13/15
Wong, Wilem	Theodore	3/7/15

# In Memoriam

The SBA pays respects to the following members who have passed away. Notifications were received between February 2015 and September 2015. Any omissions will be published in the next issue.

## ACTIVE MEMBERS

Name	Appointed	Passed Away	Command
Benitez, Jose	07/20/06	03/10/15	DB Bronx
Fitzpatrick, James	04/30/91	04/12/15	84 Pct
Murnane, Francis	09/17/73	03/15/15	Major Case Sqd

## RETIRED MEMBERS

Name	Retired	Passed Away	Name	Retired	Passed Away
Abraham, George	11/04/74	03/11/15	Halpern, David	07/31/04	02/22/15
Arnold, Robert	11/03/90	04/29/15	Hargrove, James	07/05/81	05/05/15
Batjer, James	07/04/88	03/05/15	Hunter, Louis	06/30/93	03/15/15
Baumler, Carol	02/28/02	02/09/15	Kehoe, Owen	07/31/89	02/10/15
Biggin, James	12/31/86	09/05/15	Kuhn, Charles	07/30/04	08/15/15
Boll, Frederick	08/15/82	08/19/15	Lanuto, Robert	07/28/01	04/23/15
Bowman, Edward	10/08/86	05/26/15	Leonard, Robert	10/18/78	02/13/15
Brophy, Edward	07/03/82	08/15/15	Lutz, Kenneth	01/31/08	02/17/15
Brown, Thomas	05/17/90	04/09/15	Lynch, Carlton	07/05/89	03/28/15
Capece, Daniel	09/30/82	02/23/15	Lynch, Robert	02/08/91	03/17/15
Chaplin, Guy	04/02/71	10/09/14	Manos, William	02/20/90	04/30/15
Cohen, Irving	08/21/74	08/24/15	Maxwell, John	07/02/87	06/22/15
Collins, Dwight	05/16/05	02/12/15	McCarthy, Patrick	08/05/87	05/31/15
Cotter, Warren	12/05/79	06/08/15	McCready, Richard	01/04/94	03/26/15
Crowley, John	10/03/71	04/03/15	Muccio, Daniel	02/07/98	09/02/15
Cugell, Garrett	07/02/87	04/03/15	Pastore, John	09/18/73	05/29/15
Daniels, Frank	12/31/94	08/25/15	Peirce, Andrew	04/09/83	02/21/15
Delgado, James	08/06/06	03/07/15	Pensabene, John	05/11/76	05/30/15
Delpriori, Lawrence	06/20/80	02/05/15	Petry, Edward	10/30/76	02/08/15
Donnelly, Bruce	12/31/81	09/10/15	Porter, Philip	11/25/83	03/05/15
Dorans, Edward	12/22/75	02/19/15	Quigley, James	01/31/74	02/23/15
Duignan, Michael	05/10/79	03/18/15	Samrock, Walter	06/27/81	09/09/15
Ellis, John	10/23/79	05/06/15	Schoenecker, Henry	11/13/73	02/12/15
Evenson, James	09/03/77	08/01/15	Seubert, Anthony	10/12/78	03/21/15
Fallon, James	09/27/74	03/15/15	Taylor, William	03/18/76	07/22/15
Florkiewicz, John	07/07/83	06/21/15	Vredenburgh, Robert	11/29/82	08/06/15
Frasca, Joseph	04/12/79	06/02/15	Wedlock, Matthew	01/31/84	03/12/15
			Wild, Josef	05/11/79	07/12/15



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Association



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Police Reserve Association

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SBA Shield #



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Ladies / Mid-Size Watch (at right)

- 40mm Case NYSBA003 Limited Edition
- Swiss made calendar movement
- Retail Value \$445, **Member Price \$265**

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## **Annual SBA Car Raffle**

It is hard to believe that another summer has come to an end, and our children and grandchildren are back in school. This is also the time of year where we begin to sell tickets for the annual SBA Car Raffle.

Over the years the membership response to the raffle has been overwhelming, and it has enabled us to provide COBRA benefits to over 200 families of deceased members at no cost to them. Every member who participates in this program should feel a tremendous sense of pride for that.

This year's top prize will be 2016 Mercedes Benz CLA 250 (or \$15,000). We have changed our second prize to His & Hers Rolex Oyster Perpetual Datejust II 18 carat gold face watches, which have a retail price of more than \$19,000.

The third prize will be a 10-day Mediterranean cruise for two. Additional prizes include an Apple Mac Book Pro Laptop, Bose Home Theatre System, and a 60 inch Smart HD TV.

Tickets can be purchased at the SBA office, through the mail, or from all delegates and directors. Additional order forms are available on the SBA website: [www.sbanyc.org](http://www.sbanyc.org).

The drawing will be at the annual Delegate/Membership Holiday Luncheon on Friday, December 18, 2015, at Russo's on the Bay.

Please consider purchasing or selling a raffle ticket to support our widows, widowers and their children. Thank you for your continued support.

**2nd Prize  
His & Hers  
Rolex**



**3rd Prize  
Mediterranean  
Cruise**



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MacBook Pro Lap Top

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Raffle Ticket  
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Draw at the December Delegate Luncheon 12/18/15

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