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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



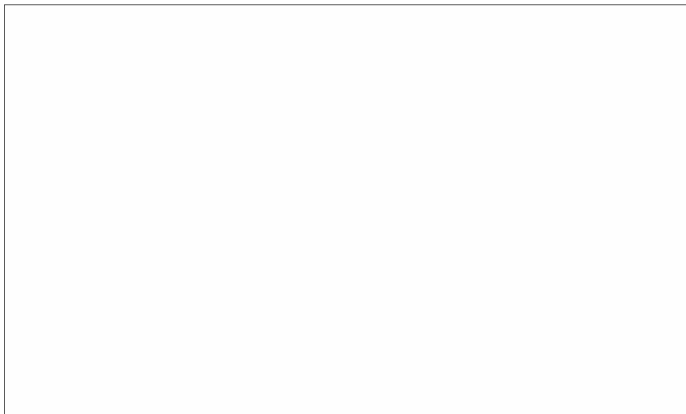
HE'S A SURVIVOR: Vinny Galluzzo, an old friend and a new FOP member really fits that definition. At age 64 he just completed the Disney Half Marathon. That may be no big deal to some, but consider this. Vinny has undergone two open heart surgeries and has survived stage 3 colon cancer. Now it seems like a big deal. He lives in Powder Springs, Georgia and considers himself a very blessed and lucky man. I guess we can't

argue with that. **HE PUT HIS MONEY WHERE HIS MOUTH IS:** While visiting the Veterans Plaza in East Meadow's Eisenhower Park member **Bill Thomas**, a Korean War vet, noticed that there were no war memorials dedicated to African-Americans. Well most of us would probably piss and moan and complain to who ever would listen, but not Bill. He took \$2500 of his own money and had erected a beautiful black granite monument that

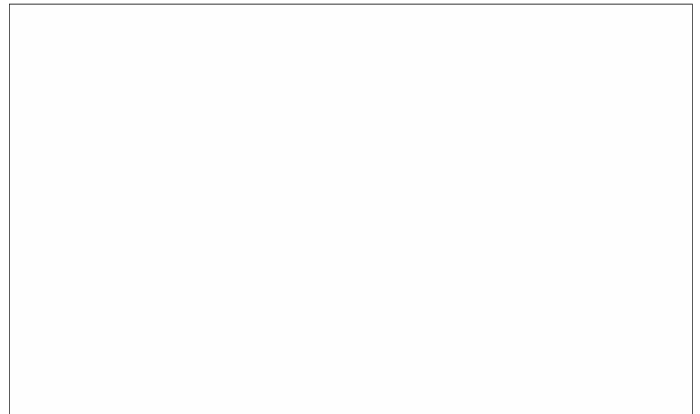
now stands in the Plaza. We are proud of you Bill, you're a class act. **I'M FEELING THE PRESSURE:** Those who know me could never say that I have a swelled head both literally or figuratively. But with **Jim Tuller's** appointment to Commanding Officer of Manhattan South things might change. Now with our members **A.C. Nelson** and **A.C. Tuller**, Housing Cops are running the largest and most prestigious Patrol Boroughs in the

city. By the way I was also Chief Tuller's instructor in the Police Academy. My head is starting to hurt! **AND SPEAKING OF THE P.A.** Another member, this is starting to sound redundant, **Deputy Chief George Anderson** is now the C.O. of the Police Academy. No I didn't teach him but I still think I need a larger hat. **LUNCH:** It's hard to believe but it's Luncheon time already. See flyer for place, date and time.

Andy



Our Last Luncheon - left to right: Tim Motto, President Lodge #69, Ella Washington, Pat Cirincione, Tom Johnson, State Executive VP, Andy Melillo, our President, and Wanda Washington.



Another Photo From Luncheon - left to right: Bill Caldwell, Ed Walker, Chief Charles Kammerdener, Jim Frye, Dewey Fong, and Lou Ciavarella.

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National Conference

The FOP National Conference will be held from August 12th - 16th, 2007, in Louisville, Kentucky. At that time we will elect our entire National FOP Executive Board. These will be the men and women who will lead us for the next 2 years. Our lodge is one of the largest in the state, and as such we are entitled to 11 delegates. Several Executive Board members have indicated that they would like to represent us as delegates at this conference, however, there are several delegate positions still available to the membership. It is important that we fill all these positions. NYS has proven to be one of the most powerful states in the FOP because we bring a large number of delegates to each conference. Candidates for office actively elicit our support. In the past our support has helped many to win the position they sought. They know without us, winning would have been difficult,

and in some cases, they may not have won at all. With this said you can see why we want to fill all of our delegate slots - in numbers there is strength! Any ACTIVE member, in good standing for the last six months, wishing to be considered for a delegate position can appear at the Spring Luncheon meeting scheduled for May 9th at Riccardo's (see flyer for details), or send the lodge a letter indicating his/her desire to be considered. The letter should be submitted to FOP Lodge #997, 5 Rita Crescent, Commack, NY, 11725, by no later than Monday, May 7th, 2007. All delegates will officially be elected at the May 9th luncheon. For those considering becoming a delegate I have included the following information: A. We will be staying at the Executive Inn hotel in Louisville - the cost is approximately \$130 per night, tax included. B. Air fare ranges from \$200 - \$300 round trip, based on your airline and departure

location. Check with your airline of choice for their fares. C. The distance from the NY area is approx. 800 miles (about 12 hours driving time) for anyone wishing to drive. D. The February issue of the National FOP Journal has conference information on page #11. If you don't have the Journal, you can review it on the FOP website, www.fop.net. E. Visit the Louisville Visitor's Guide at www.gotolouisville.com for info on attractions in the Louisville area. Further, I will provide additional info to our delegates after they are selected. You may feel that it is early to start preparing for a conference that is scheduled for August; however, I can assure you that it is not. By the time you make your travel and hotel arrangements, it will be time to go. In addition to the business of the FOP, there is a lot of things to see and do in Louisville - we should have a great time. Any questions, call me, or I'll see you at the luncheon. Fraternally, Pat

For more information and news on what's happening with the FOP visit the following websites:

National FOP
www.fop.net
State FOP
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FOP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - URGENT!!!

Information related to the NYS FOP Scholarship Program was included in the Fall/Winter 2006-07 edition of the Badge magazine. As a reminder for our Members I have included the pertinent information below. "If you have a child who is completing his/her eighth year of school and entering the ninth year or a high school senior who is planning on continuing his/her education in some

form, they will be eligible for one of our Awards (you may have more than one child eligible). Recipients will be chosen by lottery drawing in the beginning of May. The awards will be presented at the Scholarship Awards Dinner in June. Winners will be notified by telephone. VERY IMPORTANT - ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 30TH, 2007, TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE DRAW-

ING. Even though it doesn't say so in the application, you must include a copy of S.A.T. scores or Letter of Acceptance from a college. There's not much time, but you should have already had this information from the Badge. The application is in the Badge, and may also be obtained from the FOP web site at www.NYSFOP.org and may be FAXed directly to FOP HQ at (516) 433 4473. Good luck - Pat

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NEW MEMBERS

- George Dunham
- Richard J. Aalbue
- Carmen Murphy
- Sherry Levan-Nichols
- Francis Pitone
- Linda Pitone
- Stephen Kerins
- Paul W. DeVore
- Timothy L. Nickels
- John J. Viscusi
- Vincent (Jim) Galluzzo
- Leonard Macaluso
- John McSweeney
- Elton Mohammad
- Sheldon K. Dixon
- Erik Mahany
- Richard Clark
- Roy Bennett
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- Chu Chung Fong
- Tommy Fong
- Chung Tai Mui
- Tumkur Bhuvaneshwar
- Dik K. Fong
- Mark Mkwanzazi
- Renee Farrell

TO ALL OUR NEW MEMBERS WE SAY, "WELCOME ABOARD"!!!

PERSONNEL ORDERS

TRANSFERS

AC James Tuller* to
CO Patrol Boro Manhattan
South

DC George Anderson* to
CO Police Academy

PROMOTION

Gary Strebel to Deputy
Chief

To all of our former HPD
personnel

we say,
CONGRATULATIONS"
and **"GOOD LUCK"**.

*Denotes Lodge Member

Florida Reunion

The **Second Annual HPD Florida Reunion** was held in Orlando this past February. The room was filled to capacity with 48 people in attendance. Next year we'll have to find a bigger room! The food was good and the conversation even better. The entertainment at the dinner consisted of a powerpoint presentation of the Housing Police, from the beginning to the end. There was a photo of an HPD class of 1952 and one of the last roll at PSA 2 as the HPD. There was also plenty in-between. Pete and Jeannie Dowling made a special trip from NY to be with us and others from

NY, Ray King and Bill Harrington happened to be in the neighborhood. It was great seeing them as well as all the others. In preparation of next years reunion, please find your old HPD photos that can be sent via e-mail and forward them to Gordon Nash at Gnash100@aol.com: Here are a list of the reunion attendees: **Alton Allen, Eugene Assencao, Roy Benett, Jim Delaney, Pete Dowling, George Dunham, Rod Giddens, Charles Guria, Bill Harrigan, Kevin Hourihan, Marvin Hunt, Roman Jamroznyk, Ray King, Jerry Long, Bill Mailard, Marty Miller, Mike Milore,, Joe Montali, Tommy (the Cat) Morris, Deborah Morris-Allen, Gordon Nash, Felipe Noguera, Mike Oquendo, Richie Ott, Ken Schaeffer, Lance Smith, James Stapelton, Frank Valenti, Dominick Vessar, James White, Ed Walker, Sylvester Cotto, Steve Weber**



Photo Left: From left to right: Tommy Morris, Ray King, Lance Smith, Marvin Hunt and Marty Miller



Photo Right Ken Schaeffer (left) and Jim Delaney



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 5th - NYS FOP Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial Ceremony - FOP HQ, Hicksville, NY.

May 9th - Lodge #997 Spring Luncheon - Riccardo's Catering Hall, Astoria, NY.

May 15th - Annual Law Enforcement Memorial Service - Washington, DC.

June 3rd - Annual Police Memorial Motorcycle Poker Run - East Islip, NY.

June 16th - FOP Day at Riverhead Raceway - Riverhead, NY.

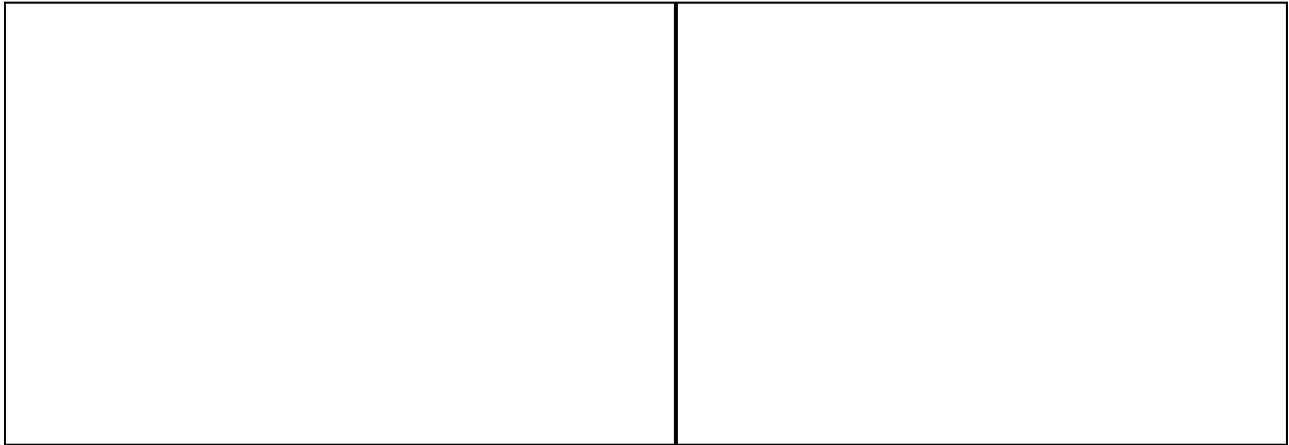
June 26th - Scholarship Night (time & place to be announced).

July 20th - NYS FOP Family Outing at Six Flags - Great Adventure, NJ.

August 12th - 16th - National FOP Biennial Conference - Louisville, KY.

For more information on State FOP, and National FOP events, visit nysfop.org

More Luncheon Photo's



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