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NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUAY 3, 2021

TIME: 7:30 PM. DOORS WILL BE OPEN 7:00 PM

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President's Message

Greetings All. This past month has brought sad news with the passing of several members of the 10-13 family. Nick Miele, who many of you may not know, was the Chief Operating Officer of our National 10-13 and was vital to the day to day operation of our association. Nick will be sorely missed. Lou Lebron, board member of the Manasota 10-13 club also passed recently. Long time Palm Beach 10-13 Member and retired Sergeant Harry Morse died suddenly last month. Harry was a frequent fixture at our meetings and will be missed. Out thoughts and prayers go out to all the families of our departed brothers. John Caparosa, President PBC 10-13 Club.



Secretary's Report

Minutes of the PBC 10-13 meeting on WED 1/06/21

Meeting called to order at 1935.

John Caparosa opened the meeting with the pledge and a prayer.

Treasurer report by Leo Itzkowitz - asked if anyone present knew elderly club member John Anderson as his newsletter has been returned by USPS and his phone is disconnected. Stated that there were still 22 unpaid members and 1 unpaid Associate member. Advised of the upgrade to the FOP HR-218 insurance that it now includes CCW insurance for the annual premium of \$75.00

In lieu of speaker Paul Caccomo of United Tax, VP Mark Mekler read Caccomo's script regarding 2020 tax filing and advised that Caccomo donated two \$30 gift cards to the club (which were raffled off after the 50/50). Mekler also distributed United Tax literature with info for 2020 IRS filings.

Bobby Leupp spoke regarding his position as a Town of Hypoluxo Council Member running for reelection.

President John Caparosa spoke - relayed information from our National COO Nick Miele: ID Card renewal / gave dates that the messenger will be on vacation later this month, advised of the next 10-13 president's meeting on February 27, 2021 in Sarasota, FL, advised that Health Insurance for Life is now available for survivors of MOS's family, advised that after retiree death there are no more Medicare reimbursements.

The 50/50 drawing was for two \$20 prizes. Winners Mark Mekler, and Cheryl Stone both gave their winnings back to the club.

The drawing for the two \$30 gift certificates from Paul Caccomo - winners: Bill Staudenmaier for DADA Restaurant, Bobby Leupp for Dubliner

John Caparosa made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by all. Submitted by Gordon Nash, Secretary









Shooting, homicide surge came after 'reforms' NY's leaders said would cut crime

In March 2019, Gov. Andrew Cuomo, alongside House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, took a victory lap after the Empire State passed its "red-flag" gun law, meant to facilitate the confiscation of firearms from people deemed a risk to themselves or others.

"Something has to be done, because we are literally losing human life" to gun violence, the governor said.

The measure doesn't seem to have helped. In 2018, before the red-flag law was enacted, the number of shooting victims in New York City was at its lowest since 2002. Two years later, the city saw almost 1,000 more shootings than the year the red-flag law took effect.

The number of shooting victims in 2020 more than doubled. One would have to go back many decades to have even a chance at finding a year in which the city's gun violence rose so dramatically. John Jay College professor Peter Moskos, a national expert on policing and criminal justice, has produced a striking graphic -depiction of New York's shooting increase, showing an ominously steep -looking spike for 2020 that utterly dwarfs the minor increases of previous years.

The <u>spike in shooting victims</u> drove a 41 percent year-over-year increase in the city's homicides in 2020, which jumped to 462. That increase could easily have been higher, given the number of shooting victims.

Gotham hasn't seen a single-year homicide spike even close to this number since the late 1960s. Over the next 25 years, murders regularly surpassed 1,000 annually, peaking in 1990 at 2,245. When the governor celebrated the passage of the red-flag law, he invoked mass shootings of the sort seen at Sandy Hook and Parkland. But those kinds of mass killings, perpetrated by mentally deranged individuals, are relatively rare and do not reflect the reality of New York's homicide problem — a sizable portion of which is gang-related.

A month after the red-flag announcement, the state Legislature passed bail and discovery "reforms" that put more pretrial defendants on the streets and drastically raised the transaction costs of criminal prosecutions.

In June 2020, Cuomo signed the 10-bill "Say Their Name" reform-agenda package into law. These reforms came on top of others -undertaken at the local level in recent years, highlighting an -apparent incongruity between legislative priorities and the concern for gun violence often -expressed by the governor and his allies south of Albany.

Many of these reform efforts have been pursued, to varying -degrees, in the name of racial justice. Critics of police and the broader criminal-justice system often rest their cases on racial disparities in criminal-enforcement statistics with respect to measures like arrests, stops and incarceration rates.

Less attention is paid to the even starker disparities in the NYPD's crime reports, which show that blacks and Latinos have accounted for at least 95 percent of shooting victims since at least 2008. Just as black and Latino residents suffer the most from the city's gun violence, they disproportionately benefited from the sharp, sustained decline in serious violent crime that began in the mid-1990s and continued through 2018.

As New York's criminal-justice reformers have prevailed politically, many of the city's most vulnerable precincts have grown less safe. Perhaps the growing number of victims is a red flag that the governor and his fellow reformers will have to heed.

Cuomo stops NYC's attempt to get NYPD into first COVID vaccine group

NYC's second bid to provide the NYPD with thousands of COVID vaccinations was in tatters Wednesday after the governor shut down City Hall's attempt to move cops up in line by labeling them as medical first responders.

Cops were told less than six hours after Mayor Bill de Blasio announced a plan Wednesday morning to get 25,000 shots in officers' arms in the coming week that the vaccine would not be available for members of service.

"At this time, COVID-19 vaccinations are not available for members of the service. Members will be updated on any developments regarding the department's COVID-19 vaccination roll-out," an NYPD administration email sent out just after 4 p.m.

The boondoggle, which caused frustration and confusion for the more than 35,000 uniformed cops, is the latest chapter of the months-long pandemic power struggle between the mayor and governor.

City Hall says they still plan to move forward with the vaccination of officers who are trained EMTs Thursday — but could not provide details about how that would be done as police unions told members that plans to distribute jabs at Floyd Bennett Field had been kiboshed.

The ambitious plan to vaccinate more than 70 percent of the force hinged on categorizing NYPD officers as EMS providers because they administer basic medical care on the job.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo shot down the plan in the hours after de Blasio's press conference, saying "police who are not health care workers are not yet eligible."

State guidelines allow for any cops who are trained EMS providers, such as emergency medical technicians or paramedics, are eligible for the vaccine.

When City Hall was asked after the announcement how cops qualified, despite state guidance, a spokeswoman said, "These are officers who are on the ground, providing essential services – think CPR, administering Narcan, or responding to a 911 call."

Police are part of Phases 1B, which includes firefighters and New Yorkers above the age of 75, according to a spokesman for the governor's office, Peter Ajemian.

"Yes, we will follow the law and prioritize frontline hero nurses and doctors who run our critical hospitals and have been anxiously awaiting the chance to be vaccinated, plus EMS/EMT," said Ajemian responding to de Blasio's spokesman's call on Twitter for the state to loosen restrictions on NYC's vaccine rollout.

"It's simple. We have the doses, let's put it in their arms and help them save lives," City Hall spokesman Bill Neidhardt tweeted.

The Detectives Endowment Association put the blame on Gov. Cuomo in a message to its members.

"Governor Cuomo, once again, canceled any COVID vaccine rollout to the NYPD."

Lou Turco, the president of the Lieutenants Benevolent Association, fired back at the state for not including cops in the first group.

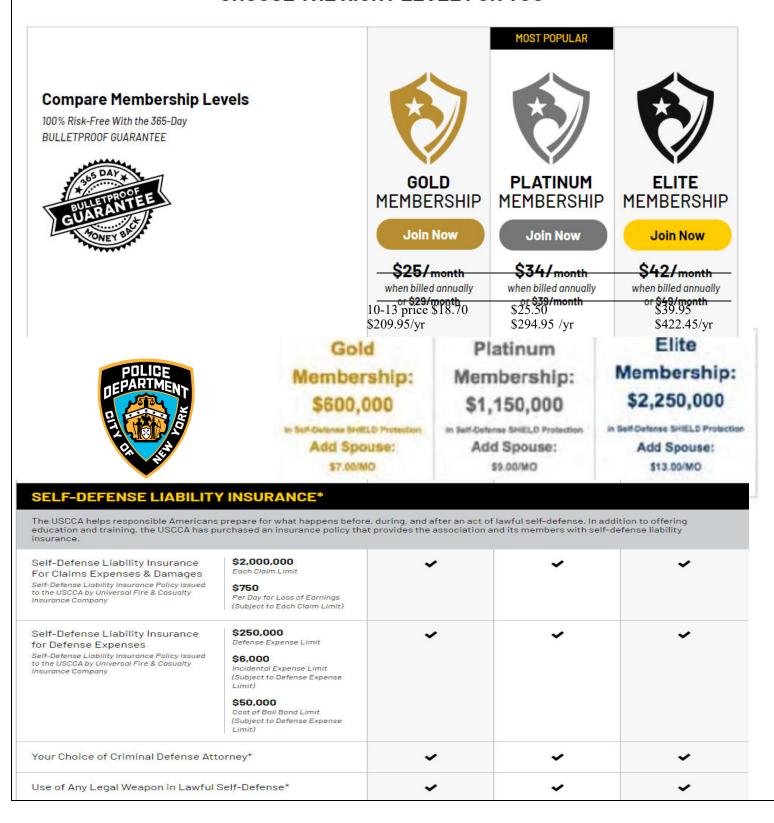
"We went to work every day," Turco said. "Obviously, there's an importance to us. When are they getting to us? I think this all falls on the state. The state is the one deciding who gets it and when they get it."

This was the second false start for NYPD to distribute the vaccination to its ranks. Cops were previously told by Commissioner Dermot Shea last month they'd be receiving the vaccine, but that rollout was delayed by the state's supply chain.

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2021 Medicare Rates

Medicare rate increases are typically announced late in the calendar year, so any Medicare cost changes effective for 2021 won't be announced until late in 2020.

In this guide, we take a look at Medicare rate increases from 2019 to 2020 to shed some light on what we might be able to expect for 2021 Medicare costs.

We also outline some 2021 Medicare cost projections based on the annual Medicare Trustees Report.

2021 Medicare Part B Cost Projections

Based on reporting from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the projected 2021 Medicare Part B premium is \$148.50 per month.

It's important to note that this figure only represents an estimate of 2021 Part B premiums. Actual 2021 premiums will be determined in the fall of 2020.

The standard Part B premium in 2020 is \$144.60 per month. That's an increase of \$9.10 from the 2019 Part B premium.

While most people pay the standard Part B premium, other beneficiaries may pay more if they had a higher reported income two years prior (2018).

The table below shows the additional amount these beneficiaries will pay in 2020 — called the Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount, or IRMAA — based on their reported 2018 income.

2018 Individual tax return	2018 Joint tax return	2018 Married and separate tax return	2020 Part B premium
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More than \$109,000 up to \$136,000	More than \$218,000 up to \$272,000	N/A	\$289.20
More than \$136,000 up to \$163,000	More than \$272,000 up to \$326,000	N/A	\$376.00
More than \$163,000 up to \$500,000	More than \$326,000 up to \$750,000	More than \$87,000 up to \$413,000	\$462.70
More \$500,000	More than \$750,000	More than \$413,000	\$491.60

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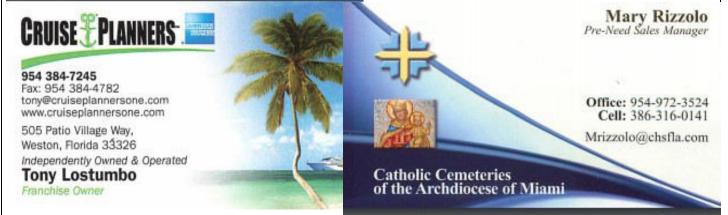
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NYPD enhances presence at high-profile spots in wake of Capitol riot

The NYPD is stepping up its presence around City Hall, Trump Tower, federal buildings and other high-profile locations following an FBI warning of more possible attacks like the <u>deadly US</u> Capitol riot, officials and sources said Thursday.

Times Square, Washington Square Park, the Trump International Hotel and federal courthouses are among the other spots seeing an enhanced NYPD footprint through at least Inauguration Day, according to a law-enforcement source familiar with an FBI memo sent Wednesday to the department. In a conference call held Thursday with reporters, John Miller, the NYPD's Deputy Commissioner of Intelligence and Counterterrorism, repeatedly stressed that the department was not aware of any specific, credible threats against the city, but said that a cautious approach was nevertheless wise. "I think you'll see additional police resources around City Hall between the 17th and the 20th," he said, in one example. "Not because we have specific intelligence or any information that there will be activity there, but out of an abundance of caution because I think during this time it is prudent to protect government installations and sensitive locations."

In addition to bolstering existing presences at high-profile locations across the city, cops will be prepared to roll out in response to any additional threats as they crop up, sources said.

At federal buildings, such as US courthouses, the Finest will augment standing ranks of federal guards, according to insiders.

The tightening of defense comes just over a week after supporters of President Trump mobbed the US Capitol building in Washington, DC in a fruitless but destructive attempt to prevent Congress' certification of Joe Biden's presidential election win.

The uprising left five people dead, including a Capitol Police officer.

In response, the FBI issued a nationwide bulletin warning authorities to be on heightened alert for armed demonstrations both in DC and at the capitols of all 50 states — with similar advisories since extended to the NYPD and other police departments across the country.

In addition to a more robust deployment at home, the NYPD is also sending <u>about 200 of its cops</u> down to DC to help police the inauguration.

Miller said Thursday that those Finest would be "deputized as federal law-enforcement officers" for the day.

He said that it was an unprecedented step for a nearly unprecedented time.

"We have never had Americans fighting Americans on the streets of the nation's capital or anything like that probably since the Civil War," he said.









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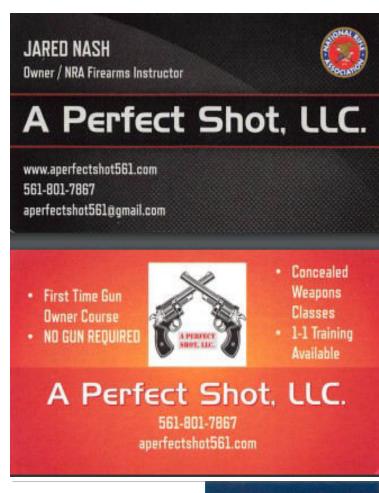
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Officer Rodriguez served with the New York City Police Department for 12 years and was assigned to the Auto Crime Division.



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