



# Manasota 10-13 News

"AN ORGANIZATION OF RETIRED NEW YORK CITY POLICE OFFICERS OF ALL RANKS"

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## THE NEXT MEETING

SEPTEMBER ISSUE 2021

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> 2021, 6 PM

FOP LODGE #3, SARASOTA

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### GREETINGS MANASOTA 1013 CLUB MEMBERS

Hope all our members and their families have been keeping themselves well through this unprecedented COVID 19 pandemic. Please take whatever precautions you think best. By now all members and their families should have been vaccinated.

We are also in unprecedented times as the "City" is mandating a change in our health care coverage, 1/01/22. All retirees and future retirees will be taken off Medicare or other Medicare plans they now have and be switched to Medicare Advantage Plan. The new plan is a combination of Blue Cross/Blue Shield and Emblem Health called the "Alliance". Your free coverage will be gone unless you accept this inferior (my opinion) plan. You will now have an annual deductible and office visit co-pays and other changes like pre approval for certain procedures. You can opt out and pay \$191.00 per person, per month to keep your present plan. We will be meeting with other "City" retiree groups to ascertain the feasibility of legal action. More on the fund raising efforts after our President's meeting, 10/02/21.

10-13 Scholarship Raffle Tickets will be sold at the meeting, only \$10.00 per ticket. Winner receives a \$600.00 Sig MS 365 Handgun. Let's help the college bound girls/guys with this needed fund raiser.

Be safe, stay well, Fraternally, Tony.



Anthony

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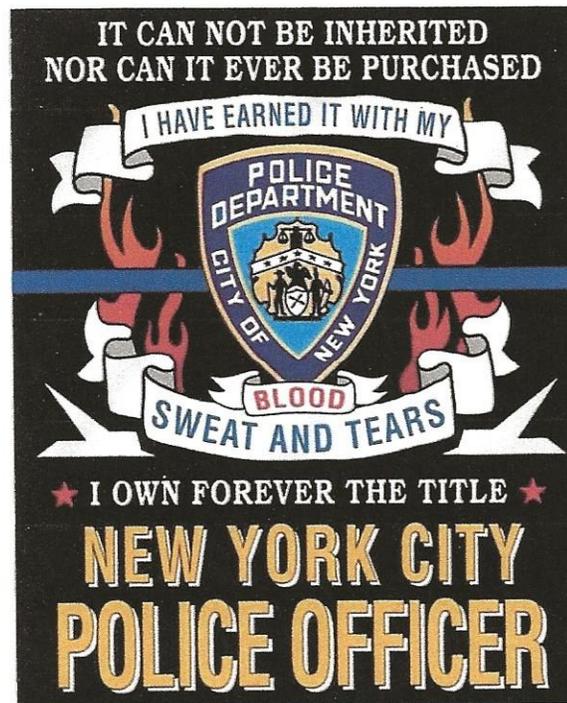
**From:** Anthony <tjmarone@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2021 11:18 AM  
**To:** Anthony "Tony" Marone \* \*\*  
**Subject:** FW: Agenda for September 14th, 2021 Manasota 10-13 Club Meeting  
**Importance:** High

**MANASOTA 10-13 CLUB AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 MEETING**

**\*\*\*PLEASE WEAR FACE MASKS AT THE MEETING IF YOU'RE NOT VACCINATED.\*\*\***  
**PLEASE, NO CARD PLAYING UNTIL THE MEETING IS ADJOURNED.**

- Prayer/moment of silence
- Pledge to the flag
- Call to order
- Determination of Quorum
- Reading/Approval of last meeting's minutes. (In monthly e-mailed Club's Newsletter along with this agenda.)
  
- Guest Speaker
  - None scheduled for this meeting
  
- Committee Reports
  - President's Report
  - Vice President's Report
  - Treasurer's Report – Reading/approval of Report
  - Health & Welfare Report
  - Secretary's Report
  - Sgt-at-Arms/Quartermaster's Report
  
- Old Business
  - New 10-13 Club License Plates (specially made) are in stock and for sale for \$10.00 each.
  - Manasota 10-13 Club POLO Shirts now in stock embroidered on blue shirt for only \$25.00. Also have blue or gray "T" Shirts with 10-13 white shield for \$10.00. See Sgt-at-Arms/Quartermaster Tim Van Schultz, 941-232-9823.
  
- New Business
  - **SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE, \$10.00 PER TICKET – SIG MS 365 HANDGUN. Drawing 10/02/21.**
  - Latest Medicare Change over by City information in newsletter. Discussion will take place at the next 10-13 President's meeting 10/02/21. Aetna guest speaker will be attending.
  - Web master vendor Sara Welch has submitted her 1<sup>st</sup> draft for the new Website. The Board will be making final changes within the next month.
  - Newsletter Editor-in-Chief needed.

- Collier County 10-13 Club running their 1<sup>st</sup> annual golf tournament in Naples to raise funds for Cancer Research and their Club functions. Sign-up forms in this newsletter, four-some's needed.
- Good of the Order
  - Comments from the membership/items to be added. (Attendees).
  - 50/50 winners announced at end of meeting. (Tim).
- Sick & Distressed
  - Sy Bonarti recuperating from back surgery.
  - Wishing Tom DeMange a speedy recovery from broken foot/ankle.
  - Prayers requested for Gary Gorman our 1 PP Messenger (ID Card renewals)
- Adjournment
  - Motion to adjoin and seconded at this time needed to close Meeting.



## MANASOTA 10-13 CLUB MINUTES JUNE 8TH, 2021

### **I. CALL TO ORDER:**

President Tony Marone called to order the meeting of the MANSOTA 10-13 CLUB held at the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge # 3 Sarasota, at 7:30 pm.

### **II. ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, PRAYER**

The following board members were present: A Quorum was met.

President- Tony Marone

Vice President- Lee Reeves

Treasurer- Joe Timmons

Secretary- Reenie Ram

24 additional members were in attendance.

Pledge and prayer was led by Lee Reeves.

### **III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:**

Paul Redecha made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting and was 2nd by Henrietta Lange, approved.

#### **Guest Speakers:**

None scheduled for this meeting.

### **IV. COMMITEE REPORTS:**

#### **President's Report:**

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2021, FOOD SERVED AT 6PM, GAVEL 7PM. No meetings will be held during the months of July & August.**

The By-Laws for the Manasota 10-13 Club were brought up for a vote at the last meeting on March 16th, 2021 and a vote was put forth in front of the membership but based on the existing by-laws this was done in error. As per the by-laws, the vote needs 2/3rds to be passed by the membership and will be cast in a secret written ballot. Associate members are not entitled to vote on this issue.

Executive Board meeting was held on April 27th, 2021 to discuss and vote on the amendment regarding the wording in the existing by-laws for "life membership" status.

Discussion was held in reference to this matter and at the this meeting on June 8th, 2021 the vote will be brought forth to the membership for a vote. There will also be a vote on those who are eligible for life membership as well as the life membership definition possibly being replaced in the current by-laws.

The existing Webpage needs to be updated and right now we can hire a woman Sara Welch who charges \$50 a month to updated the page. I will send her an email to request her services for one year and we will be charged a one-time design fee of \$250 in addition.

We have added 83 new members since 2015 and hopefully they can start attending meetings and some of our activities when we are able to get back to doing them since start of COVID-19.



**V. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Membership applications are in the newsletter, please actively recruit new members.
- B. Polo Shirts are available for \$25 and T-shirts are \$10 for gray and \$15 for white and blue with 5 color logos, see Quartermaster Tim Van Schultz, 941-232-9832.
- C. Members of the 10-13 club with expired ID cards get the benefit of receiving them through the mail. As of now the COVID-19 has caused delays.
- D. To place a business card ad in the 10-13 Newsletter for the calendar year 2021, please make a \$35.00 check out to Manasota 10-13 Club, mail actual business card and check to Joe Timmons, 1036 Marlin Lakes Circle Apt. # 1418, Sarasota, FL 34232  
**\*\*\*PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR SPONSORS!\*\*\***
- E. Need to update any changes to your personal information with Joe Timmons when appropriate. **MOST IMPORTANT:** We need everyone's' DOB, Appointment Date and Retirement Date on file. Forms are available at the meetings, please turn them in to Treasurer Joe Timmons.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. We are having a dinner cruise on June 25th, 2021 at Marina Jack 2 Pier for \$50.00 PP that includes tax and tip. We currently have 32 people going and they need to arrive at the pier by 6:15-6:30 as boarding is at 7pm. You will need masks to enter and exit the boat. Anyone that needs to pay at the dock must bring cash or check, no credit cards please.
- B. Vote #1 for Life Membership nomination of Lance Eisenger. The votes were counted and 2/3's needed to pass (2/3 of 28 members present to vote is 19) Secret ballot - **Motion carried.**
- C. Vote #2 for Life Membership nomination of Edward Murray. The votes were counted and 2/3's needed to pass (2/3 of 28 members present to vote is 19) Secret ballot - **Motion carried.**
- D. Vote #3 for Life Membership nomination of Richard O'Brien. The votes were counted and 2/3's needed to pass (2/3 of 28 members present to vote is 19) Secret ballot - **Motion carried.**
- E. Vote for the revision of the By-Laws of the Manasota 10-13 Club, Inc. Article II - Membership sub section D, Life Members as read at last meeting and this current meeting. The votes were counted and 2/3's needed to pass (2/3 of 28 members present to vote is 19) Secret ballot - **Motion not carried.**

- F. Vote #4 for Life Membership nomination of Richard Macklin. The votes were counted and 2/3's needed to pass (2/3 of 28 members present to vote is 19) Secret ballot - **Motion carried.**
- G. With all secret ballots casted for all five voting issues, a motion to pass 28 members yes and 0 no. **Motions passed as they were voted on in section B, C, D and F. Section E did not pass.**
- H. Tony Marone brought up the resolution in Condemnation of the appointment of a felon who killed a police officer to a committee who makes recommendations for the reform of a police department. Resolution was mailed to Governor Cuomo & Mayor of Ithaca, NY.

Whereas, Governor Cuomo, the Governor of the State of New York, did issue Executive order number 203, which required that local governments within the State that operate police agencies, to review their public safety policies and prepare a report on their plans to address the needs of the communities served by such police agencies and to ensure that fairness and legitimacy in addressing racial bias and disproportionate policing of communities of color, with a directive to respond to the Governor by April 1st, 2021. And whereas, in response to the Governor's order, the Mayor of the City of Ithaca in union with the Executive Officer of Tomkins County, both of New York State, did form a committee to accomplish the mandates of the Governor's order. And Whereas, the Mayor of Ithaca, et al, unconstrained by the Governor of NY, did appoint one, Richard Rivera, male Hispanic, a felon and parolee, convicted of the brutal murder, execution style, of Police Officer Robert Walsh of the Police Department of the City of New York, during the commission of an attempted robbery at a bar and grill in Queens county, New York, on January 12th, 1981. And whereas the family of the slain officer did publicly express their complete shock and anguish that the man who murdered their father could be trusted to create police reform. And whereas the members of the Manasota 10-13 Club, agree with the sentiments expressed by the members of Police Officer Walsh's family and further, we protest the vile way in which this appointment disrespects and dishonors, not only the memory of Police Officer Walsh, but is an absolute insult to all our honored dead who gave their lives for the protection of the people they served in New York, throughout America and, indeed, throughout the civilized world.

Now, therefore be it Resolved that we, the members of the Manasota 10-13 Club assembled at the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Club on the 11th day of May in the Year of Our Lord, 2021, do utterly condemn not only those who made this unwanted, unwise, and unwarranted appointment, but we also strongly express our complete disapproval of the Governor's failure to monitor the members appointed to the committee and his failure to place any constraints on those responsible for making the appointment. And be it further resolved that we, the members of the aforesaid Club, do reject the counterfeit expressions of remorse by the perpetrator, or any excusal of his behavior based on his youthful age of sixteen years at the time of occurrence of the murder of Police Officer Walsh.

- I. LEOSA HR 218 qualifications on Tuesday June 15th, 2021 at 10:00 am we will meet at the Sheriff's Office parking lot and proceed to the Manatee Gun and Archery Range at 1805 Logue Road, Myakka City, FL 34251 off State road 64 to shoot. This is for Manatee County residents only. You can proceed directly to the range and meet us at 11:00 am if you choose. Be sure to bring a holster and ammo.

J Possible Fall picnic for October during a Sunday of that month. More to follow at the September meeting.

K The Club would like to welcome our new members Linda and George Duquette, both of the NYPD.

**VII. SICK AND DESTRESSED:**

Please continue your prayers for all of our recovering members to return to good health. Tom DeMange is recovering from a broken foot/ankle and is in a non-weight bearing cast.

**VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

A. 50/50 Raffle was conducted, 1st prize of \$30 to Linda Duquette and gave \$10 back to the club, 2nd prize of \$20 to Tony Maggio and gave it back to the club, and last 3rd prize of \$10 to Tony Marone and gave it back to the club.

B. Thanks to Tony Marone and Joe Timmons for volunteering to clean and sanitize the the FOP building for our meeting to keep us all safe and healthy.

C. Thanks to Joe Timmons for getting us the pizza for our meeting.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

Tony Maggio made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Sy Bonarti and approved by the members. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm



MANASOTA 10-13 CLUB MEETING DATES - 2021 (TENTATIVE)

- ✓ ~~TUESDAY, MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>, St. Patrick's Day, corned beef, cabbage & trimmings \$10.00 pp, 6:00 PM, Gavel 7:30 PM. (combined meeting with FOP Lodge #3).~~
- ✓ ~~SUNDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>, PICNIC CANCELLED - NO MEETING THIS MONTH.~~
- ✓ ~~TUESDAY, MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>, Food at 6:00 PM, Gavel 7:00 PM.~~
- ✓ ~~TUESDAY, JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>, Food at 6:00 PM, Gavel 7:00 PM.~~
- ✓ ~~JULY - NO MEETING HELD.~~
- ✓ ~~AUGUST - NO MEETING HELD.~~

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, October Fest, Brats & trimmings. Food 6:00 PM, Gavel 7:00 PM.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, Columbus Day, Spaghetti & meatballs. Food 6:00 PM, Gavel 7:00 PM.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> Thanksgiving, Turkey & trimmings, \$10.00 pp, Food 6:00 PM, Gavel 7:30 PM. (combined meeting with FOP Lodge #3).

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> Christmas/Chanukah, Ham & trimmings, \$10.00 pp Food 6:00 PM, Gavel 7:30 PM. (combined meeting with FOP Lodge #3).





## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### MEMBERS

8/07<sup>TH</sup> WILLIAM LATHER

8/07<sup>TH</sup> JOHN SARDONE

8/08<sup>TH</sup> MARK MEYERS

8/09<sup>TH</sup> EDWAED MURRAY

8/09<sup>TH</sup> STEPHEN WALL

8/11<sup>TH</sup> JEFFREY BAILEY

8/12<sup>TH</sup> SELENE CONNORS

8/12<sup>TH</sup> GERARD IUCCI

9/02<sup>ND</sup> FRANK KEGEL

9/03<sup>RD</sup> MICKEY VISCO

9/04<sup>TH</sup> CHRISTOPHER TRAVIS

9/17<sup>TH</sup> ERIC PAGLIONE

9/19<sup>TH</sup> THOMAS DeMANGE

9/19<sup>TH</sup> WILLIAM GLOFKE

9/20<sup>TH</sup> PETER ABBOTT

9/23<sup>RD</sup> ED MALLOY

9/29<sup>TH</sup> JAMES SHEA

9/29<sup>TH</sup> JAMES MESSIER

10/01<sup>ST</sup> CLAUDIA BRATHWAITE

10/01<sup>ST</sup> MIKE FRASSETTI

10/03<sup>RD</sup> PAUL TEKNUS

10/11<sup>TH</sup> STEVEN MISITI

10/13<sup>TH</sup> WALLY TRAVIS

10/16<sup>TH</sup> RALPH ARGIENTO

10/21<sup>ST</sup> ANDY KING

10/21<sup>ST</sup> THOMAS TATARIAN

10/29<sup>TH</sup> KENNETH KLEINLEIN

10/29<sup>TH</sup> SAL BRAJUHA

10/30<sup>TH</sup> TONY MARONE

### SPOUSE

8/02<sup>ND</sup> BERNICE CASTELLANOS

8/07<sup>TH</sup> EILEEN ADLER

8/08<sup>TH</sup> PATRICIA FEUER

8/10<sup>TH</sup> DONNA CALIGURI

8/18<sup>TH</sup> NANCY RISBANO

8/23<sup>RD</sup> DENISE PAGOAGA

9/07<sup>TH</sup> KATHLEEN KING

9/19<sup>TH</sup> WILLIAM GLOFFKE

9/22<sup>ND</sup> MARGARET TATARIAN

9/26<sup>TH</sup> DONNA VAN RIPER

10/02<sup>ND</sup> ANN MULLIGAN

10/07<sup>TH</sup> PING LEE

10/09<sup>TH</sup> DENISE GUTMANN

10/19<sup>TH</sup> EDITH EDMONDS

10/23<sup>RD</sup> DEBBIE KOURAKOS

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 8/08<sup>TH</sup> MANNING & EDITH EDMONDS  
8/13<sup>TH</sup> THOMAS & MARGARET TATARIAN  
8/20<sup>TH</sup> STANLEY & JUDITH PLANTY  
9/03<sup>RD</sup> VICTOR & MARY ROHE  
9/03<sup>RD</sup> JEFF & BELLANIRE ROSENBLATT  
9/06<sup>TH</sup> ERIC & DESIRAY LASCHKE  
9/07<sup>TH</sup> CHARLES & MIA CONNORS  
9/12<sup>TH</sup> EDWARD & HELEN MURRAY  
9/12<sup>TH</sup> PAUL & JEANNETTE REDECHA  
9/12<sup>TH</sup> ANDY & DOREEN PFEIFFER  
9/12<sup>TH</sup> GENE & BARBARA BARATTINI  
9/14<sup>TH</sup> SAM & DEBBIE KOURAKOS  
9/14<sup>TH</sup> MARK MEYERS & SUSAN MORAVSKY  
9/17<sup>TH</sup> ROBERT & MIRIAM POWELL  
9/22<sup>ND</sup> ANDY & KATKLEEN KING  
9/27<sup>TH</sup> DENISE FLYNN & FRANCINE VITIELLO  
10/03<sup>RD</sup> TONY & JOHANNA MARONE  
10/07<sup>TH</sup> ARNOLD & MIMI KELLY RING  
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BOOSTER DONATIONS - 2021 - THANK YOU!

WILLIAM GIGANTE - \$100.00

WALLY TRAVIS - \$40.00

ARNIE RING - \$25.00

# WE NEED YOUR HELP

We would like to update our files. Please complete this form and return to Louis Lebron as soon as possible. This information is for the use of the Manasota 10-13 Club only. Thank you.

## Manasota 10-13 Club member information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street address \_\_\_\_\_ Unit or apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Florida telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ Northern telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Work # \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday <sup>Inc.</sup> ~~no~~ year \_\_\_\_\_ Date appointed to NYPD (include year) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of retirement (include year) \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Last command \_\_\_\_\_ S.S./Pension #: \_\_\_\_\_

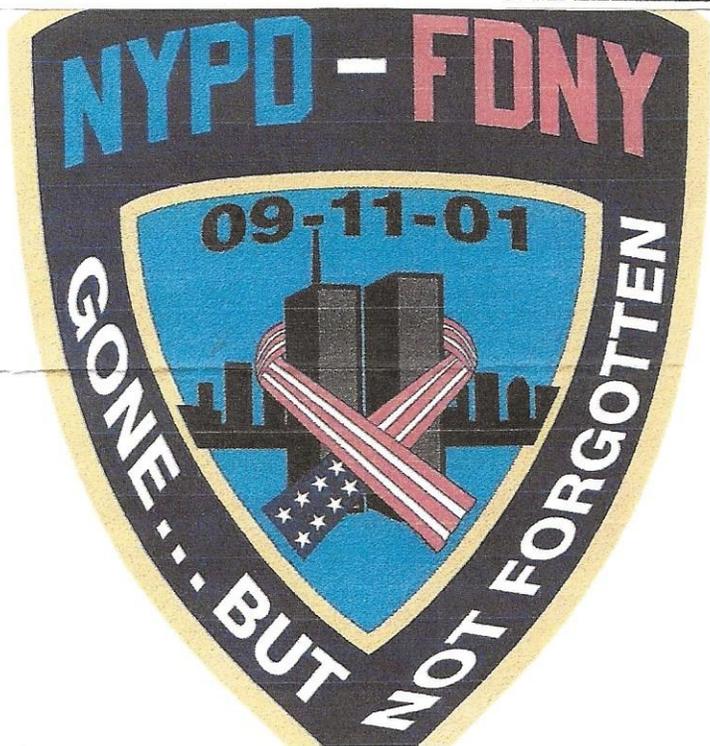
Next of Kin (Name, Address, Telephone) \_\_\_\_\_

Present marital status \_\_\_\_\_ If married, anniversary date (no year) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse birthday (no year) \_\_\_\_\_ Year joined Club \_\_\_\_\_

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_ MALE ( ) FEMALE ( )

HOME PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

WEDDING DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE'S DOB \_\_\_\_\_ (NO YR.)

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_ LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

TAX # \_\_\_\_\_ APPOINTMENT DATE \_\_\_\_\_ RETIREMENT DATE \_\_\_\_\_

RETIREMENT MODE: SERVICE ( ) ORDINARY DISABILITY ( ) ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY ( ) VESTED ( )

LAST COMMAND \_\_\_\_\_ LAST RANK HELD \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUS COMMANDS \_\_\_\_\_

I declare my desire for membership in the Manasota 10-13 Club, Inc. I will submit my membership fee and regularly subscribe my renewal fee by the 1<sup>ST</sup> of March each year to remain a member in good standing. I attest that I am a bona fide honorably retired Law Enforcement Officer.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATED \_\_\_\_\_

Make Check Payable To: Manasota 10-13 Club, Inc.

Mail check & copy of NYPD ID Card to Treasurer,

**Joe Timmons**

1036 Marlin Lakes Circle,  
Apt.1418, Sarasota, FL  
34232

**MEMBERSHIP FEE IS \$30.00**

**LATE RENEWAL FEE  
AFTER 2/28, \$40.00.**





# N.Y.P.D Collier County 10-13 Club First Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, October 2nd, 2021 - 0815 hrs.

(Please arrive by 7:30 a.m.)

**Cypress Woods Golf & Country Club, 3525 Northbrooke Drive, Naples, FL 34119**

Format is a 4-person Scramble (128 players MAX)  
**(PROPER GOLF ATTIRE IS MANDATORY – NO BLUE JEANS!!)**

\$125.00 PP prior to 08/02/21 (\$145.00 PP after 08/02/21)

Price includes golf w/cart, closet to pin, longest drive contest, a tournament gift & Lunch and beverages on the course.

**Proceeds to benefit**

**Collier County 10-13 Club, Collier County 100 Club & Cancer Alliance of Naples**

Questions? Contact Ray Cabral (239) 293-8571, Ron Nihill (203) 592-8730,  
Kevin Dolan (239) 269-8582 or Mike Dougherty (917) 609-3104

Mail your completed reservation form, along with payment, to:

Ellen Kosciusko

4587 Chippendale Drive, Naples, Florida 34112

(PLEASE make checks payable to: **Collier County 10-13 Club**)

**DONATIONS OF RAFFLE PRIZES ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

Player #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cancer Alliance of Naples was formed in 2002 with a group of volunteers to help our neighbors and friends through the most difficult times anyone can imagine. These volunteers saw a grave need in our community to offer assistance to cancer-stricken families and individuals whose lives were being turned upside down financially and emotionally and forced to make life changing medical decisions as well as dealing with mounting pressures of everyday living expenses. Cancer Alliance of Naples helps survivors, and their families pay rent, so family won't be evicted, pay utilities so they won't be turned off, pay for food for nourishment or car payments so 'they won't be repossessed. Our goal is to help families get on with their lives while they fight for theirs. Cancer Alliance of Naples is where patients throughout Collier and Lee County can feel welcome and support. Cancer Alliance is here to help when there is nowhere else to turn.

#### Collier County 100 Club

Collier County 100 Club was incorporated in 1985 and is part of an organization that has existed for many years throughout the country providing immediate financial support to the families of fallen officers. Over time the Collier County 100 club broadened their mission to include all first responders in Collier County to not only include the Collier County Sheriff's Office, but the various police and fire departments and emergency medical services, as well as the Florida Highway Patrol and the Florida Wildlife Officers serving Collier County. Besides their mission to providing immediate financial support to the families of falling first responders the club also financially assist first responders and their families in times of tragedy. This was to acknowledge the many financial burdens placed on first responders by tragedies other than line of duty deaths.



Ken Kleinlein

**PHONY ORDER CONFIRMATION SCAM**

Received this from my sister-in-law Tracey who lives in Washington State in response to last month's Crime Scene.

Excellent crime scene.

I have noticed a common email scam lately. It says it's a "confirmation" about my order. It has come from Target, Amazon, Walmart, and several other entities I have ordered from. It says there was a problem processing my original order and it asks me to confirm the order by putting in my address, bank account information, and username and password.

I know this is a scam but I can imagine that many people fall for it. Lately, I have also gotten several emails saying that my order has been CONFIRMED and I am being charged X amount of dollars. It says "if you did not place his order, click here and we will refund your money to your account", and naturally, it asks for my account info, user name and password.

It blows my mind that probably a third of the emails I receive in a week are this type of scams. It's awful.

**My response to Tracey:**

The Phony Order scams are all over the place! You know it is a scam so do some other folks. They usually check with the entity that allegedly sent the communication.

Here is a reasonably new con I received using Comcast/Xfinity that requested my username and password among other things to register for the adjustment.

**Comcast/Xfinity**

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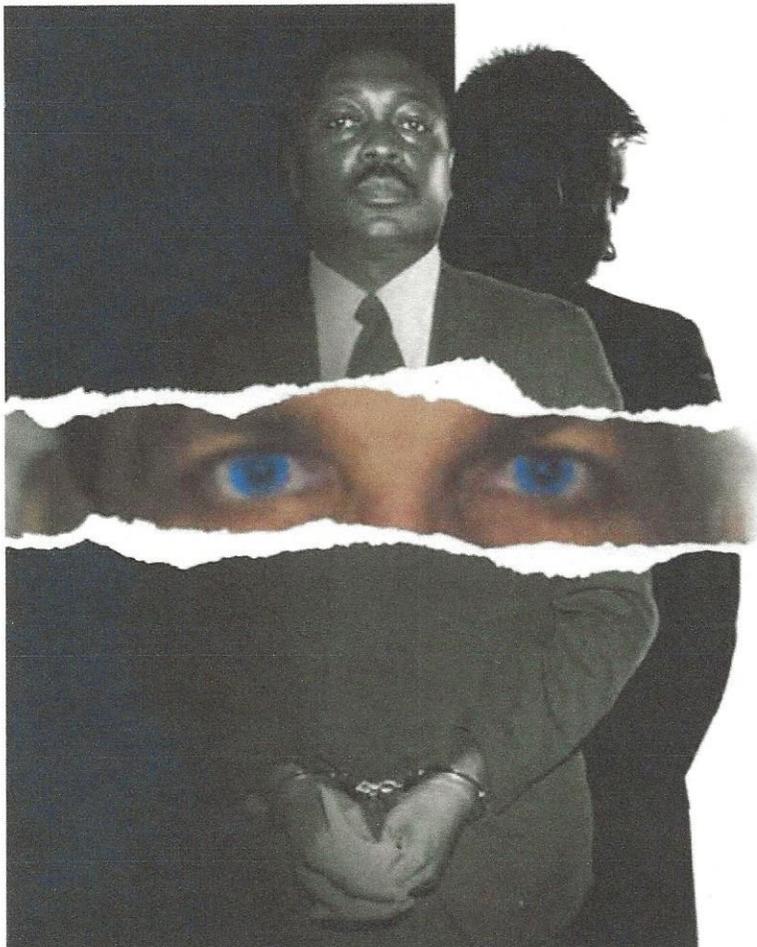
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Ken is a former detective with the NYPD special frauds squad coordinating with federal, state, and local law enforcement, and accredited security firms, on matters of crime prevention and public information.



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Dear Retiree:

We are proud to announce that starting in January 1, 2022, the City of New York and the Municipal Labor Committee have agreed to implement a Medicare Advantage program for all City retirees and their eligible dependents age 65 and over. The new program will be called the **NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan** and be provided by an Alliance between Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield and EmblemHealth. The NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan will provide comprehensive **premium-free** health coverage to retirees.

A Medicare Advantage program replaces both traditional Medicare and a Medicare supplement plan with a single integrated program administered by an insurer approved by Medicare. The Plan must follow Medicare rules and provide all benefits provided by Medicare. The NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan is rated four stars by Medicare for its excellent quality. All retirees will still be eligible for the Medicare Part B premium reimbursement by the City.

The NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan will allow retirees and their eligible dependents to keep their current doctors and hospitals. The vast majority of Senior Care providers are within the Alliance network. The Alliance has committed to working with those providers currently out-of-network so that they will understand that they will receive the same payment currently received by in-network providers to assure their acceptance. The Plan is a national program so it covers retirees and their eligible dependents in any State or US territory in which they work or reside and when they travel.

All retirees and their eligible dependents will automatically be enrolled in the NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan. Retirees who do not wish to be enrolled in the new Plan, effective January 1, 2022, will have the ability to opt-out and remain in their current retiree health plan. To remain in their current health plan, retirees will have to pay an additional plan premium, the specifics for which will be determined in August, and available on the Health Benefits Program website at <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/summaryofplans/health-ratechart.page>.

Retirees will receive an enrollment guide containing information on the NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan, along with an FAQ and a plan comparison chart. The enrollment guide will provide a detailed benefits summary of the new Plan, along with the Medicare Part D prescription drug rider. The enrollment guide will also include an opt-out form for those retirees that do not wish to be enrolled in the new Plan.

**For further information, please contact the NYC Medicare Advantage Plus Plan dedicated telephone number at 1-833-325-1190, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.**

We know that the change may seem daunting but we will endeavor to make the transition as easy as possible. In conjunction with the Alliance, we plan to have an extensive education program in the summer and early fall that will include virtual and in-person meetings, mailings and outreach calls to every one of our approximately 250,000 retirees.

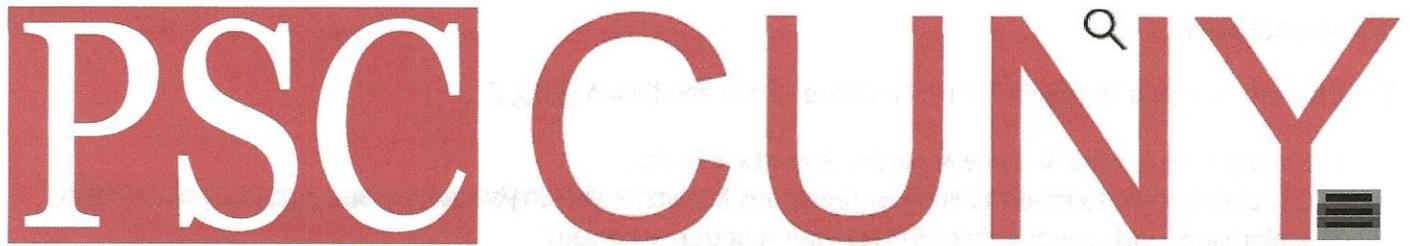
Thank you for your service to the City.

Sincerely,



Renee Campion  
Commissioner





## What's Happening to Retiree Healthcare

Top slideshow:

[See key links below.](#)

### LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CHANGE IN RETIREE HEALTHCARE TO MEDICARE ADVANTAGE

- [Click here for FAQs compiled by the NYC Office of Labor Relations, \(https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/ma-faqs-08-19-21.pdf\)](https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/ma-faqs-08-19-21.pdf)
- [Click here for a NYC Office of Labor Relations webpage on retiree healthcare benefits. \(https://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/retiree/health-retiree-responsibilities-assistance.page\)](https://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/retiree/health-retiree-responsibilities-assistance.page)
- For additional information about the new Plan that isn't provided in the FAQs, you can call the special call center at [1-833-325-1190 \(tel:1-833-325-1190\)](tel:1-833-325-1190), Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- [Video of Alliance Information Session for PSC Retirees on July 27, 2021 \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/alliance-information-session-psc-retirees-72721\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/alliance-information-session-psc-retirees-72721)
- If PSC retirees have a question about the Medicare Advantage plan not addressed by the links or contacts above, one can report it by clicking [here \(https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions\)](https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions).
- [FAQs from the PSC/CUNY Welfare Fund \(http://psccunywf.org/nyc-hbp-medicare-advantage-faqs.aspx\)](http://psccunywf.org/nyc-hbp-medicare-advantage-faqs.aspx)
- [Letter from James Davis to Retirees on Healthcare Options \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/letter-james-davis-retirees-healthcare-options\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/letter-james-davis-retirees-healthcare-options)

### MLC VOTES TO MOVE RETIREE HEALTHCARE TO MEDICARE ADVANTAGE

On Wednesday, July 14, the Municipal Labor Committee (MLC) voted to approve a contract with the NYC Office of Labor Relations (OLR) to move city retirees, including CUNY retirees, from traditional Medicare with supplemental city insurance to a privatized Medicare Advantage plan. The transition would take effect on **January 1, 2022**. The PSC cast a "NO" vote.

The Medicare Advantage vendor is Alliance, a partnership of Empire BlueCross BlueShield and Emblem Health.

Members can choose to go into the Medicare Advantage plan or stay with traditional Medicare but would have to pay for their own Medigap insurance. Retirees 65 years and older will automatically be enrolled in the new Medicare Advantage Plus program effective **January 1, 2022**, unless they **affirmatively opt out**. The retiree chapter, to put it charitably, is most unhappy that the City and MLC chose that the default for Medicare eligible retirees would be automatic enrollment in the Medicare Advantage plan.

You can choose to remain on your current senior care plan by opting out of the NYC Medicare Advantage Plus plan during the opt-out period between September 1 - October 15, but you will have to pay a premium of \$191.57 a month per person and it will have co-pays (plus an additional \$2.83 a month if you purchase the 365

day hospital rider)

The City will continue to reimburse for Medicare Part B and IRMAA **ONLY IF:**

- One signs up for the Alliance Medicare Advantage plan;
- OR, one chooses to enroll in and pay premiums for one of the City's health plans, including the current senior care (with a premium of \$191.57 per month per person).

The changes in NYC retiree healthcare benefits raise lots of questions for our members and for all municipal retirees. The NYC Office of Labor Relations (OLR) has posted a page with **FAQs** (<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/ma-faqs-08-19-21.pdf>) and the vendor, Alliance, has established a toll free call center for queries.

- **[NYC Office of Labor Relations FAQs on Retiree Healthcare Transition](https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/ma-faqs-08-19-21.pdf)** (<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/ma-faqs-08-19-21.pdf>)
- **[NYC Office of Labor Relations Chart Comparing Medicare Advantage Plan and Senior Care](https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/plan-design-comparison-07-24-21.pdf)** (<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/plan-design-comparison-07-24-21.pdf>)
- **Alliance Call Center: [1-833-325-1190](tel:1-833-325-1190)** (tel:1-833-325-1190)
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- **[Alliance PowerPoint Presentation to Forum for PSC Members on 7/27/21 \(as a PDF\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/PSC_CUNY_7.27.21.Final_.pdf)** ([https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/PSC\\_CUNY\\_7.27.21.Final\\_.pdf](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/PSC_CUNY_7.27.21.Final_.pdf))
- **[FAQs from the PSC/CUNY Welfare Fund](http://pscunywf.org/nyc-hbp-medicare-advantage-faqs.aspx)** (<http://pscunywf.org/nyc-hbp-medicare-advantage-faqs.aspx>)
- **[Letter from James Davis, PSC President, to Retirees on Thier Healthcare Options](https://www.psc-cuny.org/letter-james-davis-retirees-healthcare-options)** (<https://www.psc-cuny.org/letter-james-davis-retirees-healthcare-options>)

We will monitor this information for accuracy and will seek answers from the City and vendor for any questions not currently addressed.

Right now, the PSC is trying to figure out what we know, and maybe more importantly, what we do not know and need to find out so that we can present affected members with up-to-date, information that we can independently verify.

**[Questions about NYC's Transition to the Medicare Advantage Plus Plan](https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions)** (<https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions>). If you have questions about the Medicare Advantage plan that are not addressed by the links we have provided, click **[here](https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions)** (<https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions>). We will forward your question to the appropriate person at the Empire BlueCross BlueShield/Emblem Health Alliance.

On Tuesday, July 27, the PSC set up the first of hopefully several meetings with the vendor, Alliance, where members had the opportunity to ask questions. **[Here is a video](https://www.psc-cuny.org/alliance-information-session-psc-retirees-72721)** (<https://www.psc-cuny.org/alliance-information-session-psc-retirees-72721>) of that meeting.

For the past three months, the PSC has raised serious concerns about the closed nature of the process, urging more transparency from the MLC and calling on it to seek savings through alternative means, such as working with other unions to contain skyrocketing hospital costs.

At its April 15th meeting, by unanimous vote, the PSC Delegate Assembly supported a call for a moratorium on negotiations about the change to a Medicare Advantage plan until PSC members have the information necessary to assess the matter.

The union urged the MLC to ensure sufficient time for members to review any proposal before representatives vote on it and promised to schedule an online forum for PSC members when information was made available about any Medicare Advantage plan the MLC is considering for approval. That forum, with close to 800 people attending, took place on Tuesday, July 13. (A video of the forum is available [here](https://www.psc-cuny.org/video-july-13-forum) (<https://www.psc-cuny.org/video-july-13-forum>).)

Before the forum, PSC President James Davis stated:

“The MLC’s vote on approval is being held just six days after the proposal was made available to leaders of the MLC unions, an inadequate review period. The PSC would like to hear in advance of Wednesday’s vote from interested members of our bargaining unit - current or future retirees - about the proposed Medicare Advantage Plan, a group plan developed by Emblem/GHI/Anthem. We have been asking many questions of the MLC, and we’re sure you will have your own. Information provided by the MLC is available here: [Intro](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.Introduction.pdf) ([https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path\\_to\\_Preserve.Benefits.Introduction.pdf](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.Introduction.pdf)), [Strategic plan](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.Strategic.Plan.pdf) ([https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path\\_to\\_Preserve.Benefits.Strategic.Plan.pdf](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.Strategic.Plan.pdf)), [Comparison](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.MA_SC.Comparison.pdf) ([https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path\\_to\\_Preserve.Benefits.MA\\_SC.Comparison.pdf](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.MA_SC.Comparison.pdf)).”

Meanwhile, the PSC put out a press release on Monday, July 12 entitled [PSC Call for Postponement of Upcoming Municipal Labor Committee Vote on Changes to Retiree Health Insurance](https://www.psc-cuny.org/news-events/psc-call-postponement-upcoming-municipal-labor-committee-vote-changes-retiree-health) (<https://www.psc-cuny.org/news-events/psc-call-postponement-upcoming-municipal-labor-committee-vote-changes-retiree-health>). Click [here](https://www.psc-cuny.org/news-events/psc-call-postponement-upcoming-municipal-labor-committee-vote-changes-retiree-health) (<https://www.psc-cuny.org/news-events/psc-call-postponement-upcoming-municipal-labor-committee-vote-changes-retiree-health>) to read it.

The press release quotes PSC President James Davis making the case to postpone the MLC vote:

“Our members are deeply troubled by the MLC’s rush to vote on this proposal. Five days is not enough time to consult on such a consequential decision. Although the MLC agreed to work with the City on healthcare savings measures in 2015 and 2018, this vote to seek savings through the retiree medical plan comes at a time when the City can well afford to pursue alternatives. This austerity measure opens the door to further cost-cutting and diminished benefits in future contracts.”

“We are concerned by the closed nature of the negotiations. Municipal retirees should have a chance to review the agreement and engage with their representatives to the MLC before a vote. MLC unions have not been provided with a copy of the contract with the proposed vendor.”



The PSC's motion to postpone was defeated.

Subsequently, three healthcare unions (Committee of Interns and Residents, Doctors' Council and New York State Nurses Association) voted "no" on the Medicare Advantage motion together with the PSC and a fifth union, the Sergeants Benevolent Association. The vote was weighted by union membership, but even without a weighted ballot, it would have carried by a large margin.

### ADVOCATING FOR MEMBERS' HEALTHCARE:

Together, with thousands of other municipal retirees, we delayed the MLC vote and undoubtedly influenced the proposed Medicare Advantage plan. But we did NOT stop it. Our voices on this still need to be heard. Below is a record of the retirees chapter advocacy work on this issue from March through the summer.

**THE PETITION.** PSC retirees worked with the Council of Municipal Retiree Organizations (COMRO) on mobilizing municipal retirees in response to the move to Medicare Advantage. COMRO has an online petition addressed to the mayor and the MLC entitled "Preserve Medicare Part B for NYC Retirees." As of 8/2 it had over 25,800 signatures. The more signatures gathered, the stronger the impact. Actives ("retirees in training") as well as retirees need to endorse this petition. To view the petition and add your name, [click here.](#)

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Deva Sanders

**June 30 March and Rally.** On the hottest day of the year, PSC retirees and future retirees joined retirees and future retirees from across the municipal workforce for a rally at Bowling Green and march to City Hall. Several hundred marched, including a few with canes and walkers -- "summer soldiers" in blistering heat demanding that the MLC and OLR call for a moratorium in negotiations, make their deliberations transparent and listen to the voices of the 250,000 municipal retirees affected. There were stops at unions along the march route (UFT and

PSC) and the NYC Office of Labor Relations Two PSC retirees were among the speakers -- Eileen Moran and Nancy Romer. Here is a [short video \(https://youtu.be/s2SaR0ikJTw\)](https://youtu.be/s2SaR0ikJTw) of the march and rally.



Dave Sanders

**FORUM: THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 7 PM. City to Retirees: Private Health Care — Take It or Leave It!** More than 650 people attended this webinar. The NY Metro Chapter of Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP) presented a program examining the proposed move of municipal retirees from traditional Medicare to a private, for profit, Medicare Advantage Plan. The forum reached out to municipal retirees, but it also took the story to a much wider audience. There was analysis by health care professionals and economists and a report on pushback by NYC retirees. PSC retirees played a prominent role in the program.

There was also a roadmap presented of future actions and pushback against NYC/MLC proposed healthcare moves. Here is a link to a video of the forum:

<https://vimeo.com/565806450> (<https://vimeo.com/565806450>)

**HOW DO WE STOP THE MOVE OF MUNICIPAL RETIREES TO MEDICARE ADVANTAGE?** More than 600 attendees participated in a meeting on **Thursday, June 24** via Zoom. Panelists representing a cross-section of NYC retirees and unions discussed actions we can take in opposition to the proposed move of municipal retirees from traditional Medicare to a private, for-profit, Medicare Advantage Plan. There was a robust question and answer period with lots of suggestions about how we can push back. The webinar was hosted by the NY StateWide Senior Action Council. Once again, PSC retirees played an important role in the program.

**TWO NEWSLETTERS WITH REPORTING AND ANALYSIS ON THE ISSUE:** Check out the April and May issues of our newsletter, *Turning The Page*:

- [May 2021 \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/May2021TTP.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/May2021TTP.pdf)
- [April 2021 \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/April21RetireeNL.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/April21RetireeNL.pdf)

**TWO CHAPTER MEETINGS ON THIS ISSUE:** The chapter devoted two meetings to the MLC proposal to move retiree healthcare to Medical Advantage and our response. **Both meetings were recorded.** Click below to see the Videos:

- [April 5th Meeting \(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOReog6RQ1o\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOReog6RQ1o)
- [May 3rd Meeting \(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8PFaKfPrs6o\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8PFaKfPrs6o),

**THE APRIL 5TH MEETING:** 320 retirees attended. We invited two key people to discuss this and answer questions: PSC President **Barbara Bowen**, who is on the MLC Steering Committee, and **Donna Costa**, Executive Director of the PSC/CUNY Welfare Fund and a member of an MLC committee assessing the two Medicare Advantage finalists for an RFP issued by the city. **Len Rodberg**, Professor Emeritus from Queens College, a prominent advocate for single-payer healthcare and a PSC retiree, presented a brief history of Medicare Advantage as a privatized, for profit version of Medicare (which of course raises lots of questions.) Click [HERE \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/RodbergMASlides.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/RodbergMASlides.pdf) for a PDF of the PowerPoint slides Prof. Rodberg used in his presentation.

There is a full recording of the Zoom meeting. Click [HERE \(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOReog6RQ1o\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOReog6RQ1o) for the link.

At the beginning of the meeting, a statement of urgent concern, unanimously endorsed by the Retiree Chapter Executive Committee, was read. It is available [here \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/UrgentConcernStatement.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/UrgentConcernStatement.pdf).

At the conclusion of the meeting, the body passed the following resolution (93.5% to 6.5%):

As a matter of urgent concern, the Retiree Chapter of the Professional Staff Congress requests that the PSC seek a moratorium on any agreement between NYC and the Municipal Labor Committee to move retiree healthcare coverage from Medicare/Senior Care to Medicare Advantage.

Municipal retirees affected by the proposed changes to retiree coverage have not been provided adequate and timely information nor have they had opportunities to discuss and debate the controversies around Medicare Advantage plans, the personal effects of such a change and its policy implications.

On April 15th, The Delegate Assembly, the principal governing body of the Professional Staff Congress, voted unanimously (115 to 0) to support the chapter's call for a moratorium on consideration by NYC and MLC of any agreement to move retiree healthcare to a Medicare Advantage program.

(Click [HERE \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do) for a list of [possible actions \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do) we can take to push for a moratorium.)

**THE MAY 3RD MEETING:** The second half of this meeting, from 2 - 3:30 pm, focused on updates on the NYC/MLC negotiations on retirement health insurance and the organized response to these moves. There was a discussion of [possible actions \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do). The meeting was recorded. Click [here \(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8PFaKfPrs6o\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8PFaKfPrs6o) for a video.

**FACEBOOK PAGE:** A group of municipal retirees has set up a Facebook group -- "Preserve Medicare Parts A and B for NYC Retirees (PTPM)." You can access it [here \(https://www.facebook.com/groups/148958687340733\)](https://www.facebook.com/groups/148958687340733).

#### KEY LINKS:

- [Letter from James Davis, PSC President, Mailed to Retirees' Homes on Their Healthcare Options \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/letter-james-davis-retirees-healthcare-options\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/letter-james-davis-retirees-healthcare-options)
- [Video of Alliance Information Session for PSC Retirees on July 27, 2021 \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/alliance-](https://www.psc-cuny.org/alliance-)

[information-session-psc-retirees-72721\)](#)

- [Letter from PSC President James Davis on Updates and a Registration Link for 7/27 Information Meeting \(available to PSC members only\) \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/information-meeting-about-medicare-advantage-plan\)](#)
- [NYC Office of Labor Relations FAQs on Change in Retirees Healthcare \(https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/ma-faqs-08-19-21.pdf\)](#)
- Alliance Medicare Advantage Call Center: [1-833-325-1190 \(tel:1-833-325-1190\)](tel:1-833-325-1190)
- If PSC retirees have a question about the Medicare Advantage plan not addressed by the links or contacts above, one can report it by clicking [here \(https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions\)](https://psc-cuny.org/MedicareAdvantageQuestions).
- [Alliance PowerPoint Presentation to Forum for PSC Members on 7/27/21 \(as a PDF\) \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/PSC\\_CUNY\\_7.27.21.Final\\_.pdf\)](#)
- [Video of July 13 PSC-wide Forum before the MLC vote \(available only to PSC members\) \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/video-july-13-forum\)](#)
- [PSC Press Release: Call for Postponement of Upcoming Municipal Labor Committee Vote on Changes to Retiree Health Insurance \(https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.psc-cuny.org/news-events/psc-call-postponement-upcoming-municipal-labor-committee-vote-changes-retiree-health&source=gmail&ust=1626196553316000&usg=AFQjCNH8\\_kLUN3kqtzXNVSF9KXnAq0Sjfg\)](#)
- Three links provided by the MLC before its July 14 vote: [Intro \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path\\_to\\_Preserve.Benefits.Introduction.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.Introduction.pdf), [Strategic plan \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path\\_to\\_Preserve.Benefits.Strategic.Plan\\_.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.Strategic.Plan_.pdf), [Comparison \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path\\_to\\_Preserve.Benefits.MA\\_SC\\_.Comparison.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/MLC.Path_to_Preserve.Benefits.MA_SC_.Comparison.pdf).
- [FAQs from the PSC/CUNY Welfare Fund \(http://pscunywf.org/nyc-hbp-medicare-advantage-faqs.aspx\)](http://pscunywf.org/nyc-hbp-medicare-advantage-faqs.aspx)
- ["Stop the Medicare bait-and-switch: NYC is poised to harm its retirees" -- 8/13/21 NY Daily News Op/Ed by Len Rodberg \(https://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/ny-oped-stop-the-medicare-bait-and-switch-nyc-retirees-20210813-tjvtnjf3vbaermqb4x32cbw63e-story.html?fbclid=IwAR0gBK3nq7iVtbBKzduXmdN8OwnNYj8WPb1bkxuoynorZ7Z6WjVYGrzpOks\)](https://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/ny-oped-stop-the-medicare-bait-and-switch-nyc-retirees-20210813-tjvtnjf3vbaermqb4x32cbw63e-story.html?fbclid=IwAR0gBK3nq7iVtbBKzduXmdN8OwnNYj8WPb1bkxuoynorZ7Z6WjVYGrzpOks)
- [List of certified Medigap plans available in NY State \(https://www.dfs.ny.gov/consumers/health\\_insurance/supplement\\_plans\\_rates\)](https://www.dfs.ny.gov/consumers/health_insurance/supplement_plans_rates)
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- [May Newsletter \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/May2021TTP.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/May2021TTP.pdf)
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- [Petition for a Moratorium \(https://www.change.org/p/mayor-de-blasio-preserve-medicare-part-b-for-nyc-retirees?redirect=false\)](https://www.change.org/p/mayor-de-blasio-preserve-medicare-part-b-for-nyc-retirees?redirect=false)
- [Possible Actions: What We Can Do \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/what-we-can-do)
- [Len Rodberg's Slides on Medicare Advantage \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/RodbergMASlides.pdf\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/sites/default/files/RodbergMASlides.pdf)
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- [Video of June 17 Forum \(https://vimeo.com/565806450\)](https://vimeo.com/565806450)
- [Video of June 30 Rally and March \(https://youtu.be/s2SaR0ikJTww\)](https://youtu.be/s2SaR0ikJTww)

[Go back to the retirees main page \(https://www.psc-cuny.org/retirees\)](https://www.psc-cuny.org/retirees)

## Upcoming Events

### [#CUNYSafeReturn Press Conference](#)

Aug 24 2021 - 10:00am

### [Safety Net Committee](#)

Aug 24 2021 - 2:00pm to 4:00pm

### [PSC Closed for Labor Day](#)

Sep 6 2021 (All day)

### [Legislation Committee Meeting](#)

Sep 21 2021 - 6:30pm to 8:00pm

### [Delegate Assembly Meeting](#)

Sep 23 2021 - 6:30pm

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