

# RSPA NEWS



Retired Master Sergeant Don Fornear  
# 739 with his original issued flintlock  
rifle at the South Luncheon

**29th ANNUAL - DISTRICT 04  
ALL STATE POLICE CHRISTMAS PARTY  
AND HOLIDAY REUNION**

Thursday, December 27, 2018 at  
11:30 am

Johnson—Phelps VFW Post,  
9514 South 52nd Ave, Oak Lawn,  
IL

\$30.00 per person (in advance  
please)

Includes: 3 hour Open Bar, Buffet  
style luncheon  
(3 meats & 4 side dishes, coffee)

R.S.V.P.—

Mike Burke (708) 423-5892  
[mb2bfishin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mb2bfishin@sbcglobal.net)

(We need a head count and pay for the food in advance.  
If you plan to attend, please send your check for \$30.00  
payable to

Michael Burke,  
8751 South 52nd Ave, Oak Lawn, IL 60453.  
**PLEASE RESPOND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

**ALL I.S.P. ARE WELCOME**



## To Our Newest RSPA Members

**SEPTEMBER** ALBERT GALLATIN

GREGORY MILLER

RON MORECRAFT

ROSS SCHULTZE

**OCTOBER** DAVE HAGE

BOB NEUMAN

DIANE HESTER

## Florida Picnic Location Change

The location of the Florida picnic has changed, as  
the pavilion in Cape Coral has been torn down.  
The new location will be:

**The Shell Factory and Nature Park at  
Captain Fishbones Restaurant  
2787 N Tamiami Trail  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
Thursday February 21, 2019  
11:00 am**

There are several luncheon options which must be  
ordered in advance. Choices are: Pulled Pork Sand-  
wich & Fries \*\* House Salad w/grilled chicken \*\*  
Open Faced Turkey Sandwich with mashed potatoes  
\*\* BBQ Baby Back Ribs & Fries

Contact Tom Schneider at [bandstent@gmail.com](mailto:bandstent@gmail.com)

# Illinois State Police Pipes and Drums—

Lessons for new pipers and drummers have begun. Previous musical experience is NOT necessary, only a desire to learn. This invitation is open to all Illinois State Police employees and retirees.

To get started, contact Kevin Park at 217-524-6902 or email [Pipes\\_Drums@isp.state.il.us](mailto:Pipes_Drums@isp.state.il.us).

Additional information can be found at: <http://www.isp.state.il.us/aboutisp/pipes.cfm>



## Upcoming Luncheons

### FLORIDA PICNIC / MEETING

Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 11:00 am

Hosted by: Tom Schneider (309) 255-0999

### WE HAVE A LOCATION CHANGE

THE SHELL FACTORY and NATURE PARK  
2787 North Tamiami Trail, N. Fort Myers, FL

R.S.V.P. [bandstent@gmail.com](mailto:bandstent@gmail.com)  
RSVP with your choice of meal (page 1)

### FOUNTAIN HILLS, ARIZONA PICNIC

Wednesday March 13, 2019 11:00 - 3:00

Hosted by: Kevin Shaughnessy

American Legion Post # 58

16837 E. Parkview Ave, Fountain Hills, AZ

R.S.V.P. [kevinshaughnessy@comcast.net](mailto:kevinshaughnessy@comcast.net)

### NORTHERN LUNCHEON / MEETING 2019

Shriners Medinah Center.

550 Shriners Drive, Addison, IL

Hosted by: Michael Burke (708) 423-5892

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 11:00 am

R.S.V.P. [mb2bfishin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mb2bfishin@sbcglobal.net)

### CENTRAL LUNCHEON / MEETING

Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 11:00 am

Hosted by: Delmar Buske (217) 556-9555

Island Bay Yacht Club

76 Yacht Club Drive, Springfield, IL

R.S.V.P. [delmarbuske@yahoo.com](mailto:delmarbuske@yahoo.com)

### SOUTH LUNCHEON / MEETING

Hosted by: Kelley Hulsey

## American Legion Post 1922



ATTENTION ACTIVE & RETIRED

ISP ARMED FORCES VETERANS

“COME JOIN US”!

Are You A U.S. Veteran? And Currently An Active  
Or Retired ISP Officer?

Are You Currently A Member Of An  
American Legion Post?

Consider Joining Your Very Own

Illinois State Police American Legion Post #1922

For Further Information On Membership

Contact Delmar Buske 217/556-9555

Limey Nargelenas 217/553-6664

## SAVE THE DATE

### Northern Election Meeting / Luncheon

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

Shriners Medinah Center, Addison, IL

2nd Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer are  
up for election

## UPDATED NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

March 1, 2019  
June 1, 2019  
September 1, 2019  
December 1, 2019







## President's Message

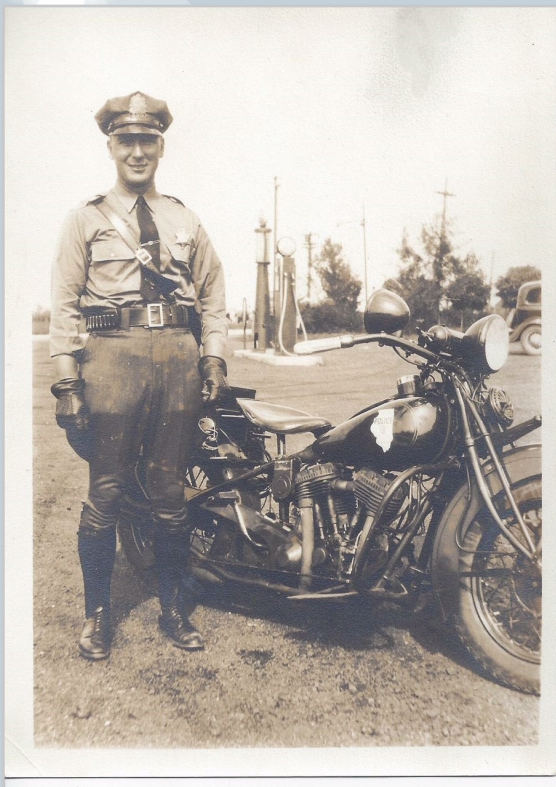


When I was "elected" to the position of 2nd Vice-President; then President Michael Stavola advised me to start looking for a replacement for my position. Nearly five years of the six year commitment has expired. We will have an election On October 15, 2019 at the Northern Travel Meeting; Shriners Medinah Center, Addison, IL. The organizational positions up for election are: 2nd Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Each position is a two year term; with the elected 2nd Vice-President moving up to 1st Vice-President for a two year term, and then advancing to President for a two year term

If you have an interest in serving in either of these capacities, please let me know. I can explain the duties of these volunteer positions.

Again, the election will be October 15, 2019; with the terms commencing February 1, 2020.

## In The Spotlight



Could this be?

Trooper Howard Manuel and his  
1947 Indian motorcycle

Retired Carbondale Fire Chief, Steve McBride, came across this photo of his Dad and the District 13 Pistol Team.

Back row: Roger Draves, Claude Wright, Joe Ginter, and Tom McBride

Front Row: Larry Beal (?), and Kenny Jones





I have entered my 59th consecutive year in the field of Law Enforcement. I am currently working 3 days a week at State Police, District 15 for Captain Robert Meeder; on two murder cases. Additionally, I work 2 days a week at the Niles Police Department for Police Chief Luis Tigera; on in-depth special investigations, and also, every other week for the Lockport Police Department for Police Chief Terry Lemming; currently on a double homicide.

I continue to stay active with the Illinois State Police Honor Guard Unit, assisting the new ISPHGU Commander Lieutenant Jim Harris.

I am enjoying my time being back at District 15, it's not picking up the radio, or doing one's traffic; it is all high tech stuff, but I get by. Niles P. D. and Lockport P. D. are the same, and I do my very best there as well.

Respectfully,  
Retired Captain Donald Norton

## THE RSPA HONORS THESE MEN AND WOMEN:

Master Sergeant Roger Draves # 479	CC 16	12/31/1986
Lieutenant Harold Nelson # 485	CC 16	12/31/1987
Sergeant Charles Scott # 487	CC 16	12/31/1985
Trooper Mike Cernovich # 494	CC 17	12/31/1985
Trooper Norman Determan # 495	CC 17	12/31/1985
Trooper Willis Fleer Jr # 496	CC 17	12/31/1986
Trooper Gene Mehrtens # 501	CC 17	09/30/1983
Trooper Alfred Lane # 510	CC 21	12/31/1980
James Napoleon, Admin Assistant	D-03	12/31/1991
Blanche Marbold		01/31/1989
S / A Captain Earl Boyer # 514	CC 18	12/31/1985
Master Sergeant Robert Capelli # 517	CC 18	12/31/1988
Trooper Donald Donahue # 521	CC 18	10/31/1985
Theodore Elzerman,	D F S	06/30/1995
Sergeant James Fowler # 522	CC 18	01/08/1985
Trooper Albert Hamilton # 523	CC 18	03/31/1986
Sergeant Robert Holem # 525	CC 18	12/31/1984
Trooper Elmer Lehr # 527	CC 18	12/31/1984
Billy Genaust, Office Assistant	D-12	12/31/1992
Florence Genaust,	D-12	02/28/1996
Master Sergeant Charles Mahan # 528	CC 18	06/30/1984
Master Sergeant Frederick Richter # 536	CC 18	11/30/1986
Lieutenant William Ritter # 537	CC 18	12/31/1989
Trooper Francis Smith # 539	CC 18	12/31/1986
Trooper Richard Tarr # 541	CC 18	12/31/1984
Lieutenant John Vojtesak # 548	CC 19	12/31/1986
Special Agent I Harold Andrews Jr # 550	CC 19	06/30/1986
Trooper Clifford Dean # 556	CC 19	03/31/1984
Master Sergeant Richard Luczak # 575	CC 19	10/31/1984

In our Summer and Fall issues, we continued our salute to ISP Employees who are still with us. I missed a whole group of Retirees between # 471 and # 570. My humblest apologies. Allow me to correct my error.

The listed date is the date of their retirement. Many of the listed men and women are RSPA Members.

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS





# LOOK WHO'S RETIRED



## AUGUST

Sara Anderson, Forensic Scientist 3  
Robert Libman, Public Service Administrator  
Karen Pena, Office Assistant  
Marla Spangler, Forensic Scientist 3

Master Sergeant Patrick Frazier # 4749, Zone 04 Narcotics  
Captain Brian Ley # 4347, Medicaid Fraud  
Sergeant William Stevens # 4534, District 02

**If you are in contact with any of the listed retirees, please ask if they would consider joining the Retired State Police Association. Contact your Executive Board**

[rspaofil@gmail.com](mailto:rspaofil@gmail.com)

## SEPTEMBER

Sandra Bjekich, Office Assistant  
Denise Ann Hanley, Forensic Scientist 3  
Rita McCluskey, Truck Weighing Inspector  
George Thompson, Truck Weighing Inspector  
Terri Wysocki, Field Specialist 2

Sr Master Trooper Patricia Clendenny # 4488, D 09  
Sr Master Trooper Demetrio Torres # 4536, D 02

**We will always remember Honorary Lifetime President Bill Hamilton.**



Credit Freezes are now free with the Credit Bureaus

As part of the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act enacted earlier this year, it is now free for consumers to freeze and unfreeze their credit file with all of the major national credit bureaus including Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. A credit freeze blocks identity thieves and others from looking at private details in your consumer credit history. Once the freeze is in place, potential creditors will be unable to view or pull your credit file unless you affirmatively unfreeze or thaw it beforehand.

Having a credit freeze in place does nothing to prevent you from using existing lines of credit you may already have such as a credit card or a home equity loan. To file a credit freeze you must contact each of the credit bureaus either online, by phone, or by mail. Visit the three major credit bureaus online at [www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com), [www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com), and [www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com) to find contact information and for step by step instructions on how to place the credit freezes.

If you have any questions about this you may contact ISPFCU at 800-255-0886.

## REMINDER:

In order to continue receiving this fun, and fact filled newsletter; please let us know:  
**if you changed your mailing address, and / or e-mail address.**

**Drop us a note at: [rspaofil@gmail.com](mailto:rspaofil@gmail.com)**

**If you pay your annual dues by check, it's not too early to send your check in now. Please consider paying more than one year in advance.**

**Thank you,  
Your Treasurer**



If you know of someone who could use a bit of Sunshine in their life, please drop us a note at [rspaofil@gmail.com](mailto:rspaofil@gmail.com)



Original group formed in 1959 under the title Bureau of Special Investigations. Sitting left to right: Major John Stuper, Superintendent William H. Morris, Lieutenant Emil Toffant. Standing left to right:

Troopers Michael Frankovich, Albert Bertagnoli, Leroy Sisk, Carl Raisins, Dave Pearson, John Matulis, and Sergeant W. T. Hall.

In 1950 Governor Stevenson decided to utilize the Illinois State Police in the investigation and suppression of gambling in Illinois. Captain Toffant (then Trooper), W. T. Hall (then Trooper), Lieutenant Paul Wells (deceased), Captain Joseph Sanders (then Trooper), and Sergeant Jack Jones were assigned to the Assistant Director of Public Safety, Mr. Thomas Brennen.

For several years they conducted preliminary investigations

into gambling activities and coordinated raids, utilizing uniform Troopers throughout the state.

Later, under Superintendent William H. Morris, Toffant, Hall, Albert Bertagnoli and Dave Pearson were used to conduct internal investigations. There were also many investigations which centered on tow truck operations, applicants, the Cook County nursing homes and other State agencies.

In February 1959 a Bureau of Special Investigations was created and assigned to Administration. Those selected at that time were Lieutenant Emil Toffant, Sergeant W. T. Hall, and Troopers Michael Frankovich, Albert Bertagnoli, Julius Luber, Leroy Sisk, Carl Raisins, Dave Pearson, John Matulis and Don Frayer.

The first meeting was conducted February 5, 1959, and it was decided this group would be a plain clothes unit and their titles would be that of "detective". All were assigned plain cars, and this was the time the designation "Ida" (I) was assigned to the mobile units as an initial for investigative cars.

A great deal of their work centered on prison guard appointments and investigations and requests received from other departments throughout the state.

Lieutenant Toffant was promoted to Captain in 1961 and reassigned to District 1. This was at a time when Captain Jones was being assigned as District 1 commander.

Sergeant Hall was appointed officer in charge of the section. Subsequently the name of the section was changed to Detective Section and the headquarters moved to the Armory Building. Sergeant Hall was later promoted to Captain and placed in charge of the section. He was succeeded in the Detective Section by Sergeant Bertagnoli.

Mr. John Newbold, former Agent, was appointed in charge of the section in April 1961 in a civilian capacity. The section was moved from Central to the basement of the Stationing at 623 Adams Street in the field.



Lieutenant Glen C. Fredrickson



Submitted by Tom Fedash





RSPA and ISP Family Members  
Who are gone, but Never Forgotten  
We hold them all in our Prayers

Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of  
GOD.

	RSPA / ISP MEMBERS			
Fleet Manager	JoAnn Freese	Code	D—16	05/05/2018
Master Trooper	James Kramer	547	D—01	05/16/2018
Telecomm Supervisor	George “Wally” Sandhagen	Code	D—10	08/24/2018
Sergeant	Floyd Blanks	3915	Unk	08/26/2018
Officer	Angelo Colon	9331	P S U	08/31/2018
Forensic Scientist	Thomas “Chip” Estep	Code	F S B	09/06/2018
Master Trooper	Paul Gordon Orr	1600	D—19	09/30/2018
Master Sergeant	Ronald Vedder	1300	D—06	10/15/2018



#### Deceased ISP Family

EOW	Deceased Name	Relation	ISP Employee	I D	Rank / Position	Status
08/18/2018	Michael Rudden	Father	Michael Rudden	6370	Trooper	D—01
08/26/2018	Barbara Dye	Wife	Calvin Dye Sr	1960	Master Sergeant	Z—06 Retired
	Barbara Dye	Step—Mother	Calvin Dye Jr	5615		D—11
08/30/2018	Lugene Willie Walker	Father	Genelle Jones	5686	Trooper	D—05
09/19/2018	Dolores Quattrochi	Mother	Paulette Quattrochi	Code		D—Chicago
	Dolores Quattrochi	Mother in Law	Jack Garcia	3617	Deputy Director	Retired
09/23/2018	Dorothy White	Mother	Will White		Master Sergeant	
09/23/2018	Mary Remelius	Mother	Terry Remelius	2479	Lt Colonel	Region 4 Retired
09/24/2018	Richard Hopping	Father	Stacey Kinter	4845	Sergeant	Zone 07
	Richard Hopping	Father in Law	Dick Kinter		Commander	D—19 Retired
09/30/2018	Valeria Nolen	Wife	Sam Nolen	349	Director	Retired
	Valeria Nolen	Mother	Brent Nolen			Inspections/Audits
	Valeria Nolen	Mother in Law	Kim Nolen			Public Info Office
10/14/2018	Gerald Zacheis	Father	Gerald Zacheis jr	5483	Sergeant	Crime Scene Svc
10/15/2018	MSgt Ronald Vedder	Father	Randy Vedder	3084	Master Sergeant	D—06
10/16/2018	Evelyn McCarthy	Mother	Kevin McCarthy		Video Surv. Supvr	D—15 Retired
10/16/2018	Thomas Likens	Father	Dan Likens	4788	Lieutenant	Zone—03
	Thomas Likens	Father	Kristen Swienton		Lieutenant	Bolingbrook P.D.
10/18/2018	Ruth Schneider	Mother	Tom Schneider	1428	Master Sergeant	D—14 Retired
	Ruth Schneider	Sister	Larry Scheufele	898	Deputy Director	Retired
10/28/2018	Melissa Inman	Wife	Michael Inman	3818	Master Sergeant	D—14 Retired

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