SUMMER 2021 – Getting Back to Normal

RETIRED STATE POLICE ASSOCIATION of Illinois President's Message

Here it is time for another newsletter. Looks like things are getting back to a new "normal". The North luncheon is set up for the 18th of May. That luncheon should be in our rear view mirror by the time this newsletter gets out. We are working on the Central luncheon to be held at the Island Bay Yacht Club in Springfield on July 8, 2021 at 11am. Please RSVP to me at 217-556-9555 or

to <u>delmarbuske@yahoo.com</u>. At this time we are limited to 50 people at that luncheon so **please get me the RSVP info.** The South luncheon and the Travel luncheon (central) have yet to be scheduled. Hope you all have a great summer.

Delmar

Upcoming Luncheons

2021 CENTRAL LUNCHEON Date: July 8, 2021 Time: 11:00 am Hosted by: President Delmar Buske Island Bay Yacht Club 76 Yacht Club Drive, Springfield <u>R. S. V. P. delmarbuske@yahoo.com</u> Or (217) 556-9555

2021 SOUTH LUNCHEON Date: T B D Time: 11:00 am Hosted by: 1st V-P Kelley Hulsey Location: T B D <u>R.S.V.P. (Text or Call) (618) 335-1462</u>

2021 ARIZONA PICNIC AS OF THIS NEWSLETTER, NO DATE HAS BEEN SET FOR A RESCHEDULED PICNIC

2021 CENTRAL TRAVEL LUNCHEON

Date: T B A Time: 11:00 am Hosted by: President Delmar Buske Location: Island Bay Yacht Club (tentative) <u>R. S. V. P. delmarbuske@yahoo.com</u> Or (217) 556-9555

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2022 OFFICER ELECTION

The RSPA By-Laws requires a changing of the guard every two years. At the October 2021 Central Travel Luncheon / Meeting, there will be a call for nominations. The positions are Treasurer, Secretary, and 2nd Vice President (central region).

Any RSPA member in good standing and interested is asked to submit written notice of their intent, position and qualifications, Written notice will be submitted to Acting Secretary Rich Martinez by email: rspaofil@gmail.com (martinezrichard@live.com), or by U. S. Mail (11024 Princess Ave, Chicago Ridge 60415). Nominations will also be received from the floor at the Central Travel Luncheon / Meeting. Nominees will be given an opportunity to speak at the meeting following the closing of nominations.

The RSPA members elected at the Central Meeting will assume their new duties on February 1, 2022. No Executive Board position is monetarily compensated, except for authorized RSPA business expenses.

RSPA EXECUTIVE BOARD

President: Delmar Buske 1st Vice President: Kelley Hulsey 2nd Vice President: Brian Williams Immediate Past President: Michael Burke Acting Secretary: Rich Martinez Treasurer: Rich Martinez Webmaster: Michael Oyer











The 2021 North Meeting / Luncheon was preceded by extending birthday wishes to retiree Michael Lindblad # 574. His daughter Julie and son Scott were on hand with a birthday cake to celebrate his 90th birthday.

Social distancing was afforded by the venue, masks were not required while seated.

Some members were unable to attend due to a memorial mass being held for Carmen Pignatiello.







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SURVIVING SPOUSES

The RSPA By-Laws defines a surviving spouse as, "the surviving spouse of a deceased retired and active ISP personnel."

When an RSPA member passes, his or her spouse is presented with retaining the deceased spouses' membership within the RSPA. The same benefits are afforded the surviving spouse as the member, but without cost. The surviving spouse is not required to pay dues. The spouse and a guest may attend any of the four in-state luncheons, the annual Florida picnic, and the annual Arizona picnic. The spouse simply completes a very short membership application, and returns it to the RSPA Secretary. The spouse may still receive the quarterly newsletter by U. S. mail, or email.

In the event an active, or retired ISP employee dies, the surviving spouse needs to complete the following:

Procedure and pertinent info. This information has been provided by SERS, and is current as of this newsletter:

Contact SERS - 217-785-7444, to report the death.

SERS will email or mail the application packet to the spouse.

SERS will require non-certified copies of death certificate, spouse birth certificate, marriage certificate, page 1 of most recent IRS 1040 tax form, etc.

SERS will notify the insurance department, which will start the life insurance claim (this must be applied for separately).

All spouse health/dental insurance will be reinstated retroactively (if previously covered) once everything is received and processed. New cards will be issued within 2 weeks of SERS processing

SHOULD I MOVE?

There appears to be a renewed exodus from Illinois, but how does someone choose where to move? Florida currently houses many of our retirees, some part-time, many full time. Arizona is another destination for our retirees. Presently, it seems that Tennessee is the current favorite for our "younger" retirees.

Many other retirees have chosen Alabama, Georgia, Indiana, Nevada, Kentucky, Texas, Wisconsin; we have quite a few members residing on the east coast, and even in Wyoming and Idaho. Is it the climate? Not so sure. Is it because it is a non-taxing pension state? Arizona now taxes our pension. Some move to be closer to family, and many retirees have moved to be closer to their children and grandchildren. I believe, one retiree, moved to take a police chief's job in a state that gets a lot more snow than Chicago. I personally loved traveling through Montana, it is a gorgeous state. Would I want to move there? Eh! I would love to hear why our one member moved to Idaho. Another gorgeous, and usually forgotten state.

Rich Martinez

Spoke with Troopers Lodge 41 President; the repeal of the social security windfall elimination program is still on track, and may have even gained a little ground. Suffice to say, we have not been forgotten.

BOLO

We seem to have misplaced a few members; their e-mail and phone numbers are broken: Alfred Benton # 1246 - Roger Daniels # 3976 - Joseph Geiger # 54 - Robert Fisher # 1403 Jeffery Howery # 5293 - Willard Rowe # 1287 - Don Pabst # 1178



If you know of someone who could use a bit of Sunshine in their life, please drop us a note at <u>rspaofil@gmail.com</u>

And please remember to hold our brothers and sisters in our prayers. If you are in contact, reach out!



February

March

April

Reggie Johnson continues to recover from heart surgery, and is almost back to his old self (no pun intended). Reggie also attended the North luncheon and became one of our newest members. Please continue to keep Reggie and his family in your prayers.

Buddy Dixon was admitted to the hospital in March with chest pains. In true Buddy Dixon fashion, he was reffing a game, and while running up and down the field,; started to not feel well. Buddy finished the game, went to the hospital, and was admitted. He ultimately had heart surgery, and is still recuperating.

Reach out to Buddy, and please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

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		DANNY LAW # 2			Naster Sergeant, D—08	
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		DEBORAH MEY			Criminal Intel Analyst Sup	vr
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		CHARLES EINH REGYNOLD JO			rooper, District 12 Bergeant, River Boats	
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We will always remember Honorary Lifetime President Bill Hamilton.



The numbers 1922 and 2022 are synonymous with the ISP 100 year anniversary, but did you know; I. D. number 1922 was assigned to Master Sergeant Gary Lee Davis with CC-52, originally assigned to District 04. I. D. number 2022 was assigned to Trooper Marcus Harris with CC-54, originally assigned to District 17.

The Retired State Police Association made a \$500 donation to "Team ISP" at the 2021 Polar Plunge.

Benefitting Illinois Special Olympics.



THANK YOU

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE POLAR PLUNGE TEAM

RETIREE PICNIC

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2021 RAIN OR SHINE 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. TROOPERS LODGE #41 5880 S. SIXTH STREET R.D. ~ SPRINGFIELD, IL RSVPS APPRECIATED: 1-800-252-5634



ISPFCU Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the ISPFCU Annual Meeting on Friday, June 25, 2021. The meeting will be held at Troopers Lodge #41 located at 5880 South Sixth Street Road in Springfield, Illinois. The Annual Meeting is an occasion for management and elected officials to report to you, the member, about important issues such as our financial position, products and services, current business issues, accomplishments of the year 2020, and future plans and goals. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. and is open to all ISPFCU members. If you have any questions about the Annual Meeting please call ISPFCU at 800-255-0886. We look forward to seeing you there!



YOU CAN NOW ORDER YOUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY GLOCK !

It's been a long time coming, with technological, logistical, and a small amount of political hurdles, but TODAY is the day we open the gates.

Please read these important instructions.

You can click on the web address to go to the order form. This is called a JOTFORM, and we are using it because you will be asked for sensitive personal data, and JOTFORM allows this data to be encrypted for your security.

You will need to upload pictures of your Dept. ID, Driver's license and FOID card and payment will be by PayPal or credit or or debit card. YOUR device, be it Android or I phone or whatever PC, may have slightly different formats, and we do not know exactly what they will be just yet. You should NOT have to create a PayPal account, but can use paypal as a "Guest".

In order to avoid a huge influx, and possible problem, we ask that at least for the next few days, we break the orders down by the first letter of your last name. If you plan to order immediately, and your last name begins with A thru K, place your orders by May 25th. If your last name begins with L thru Z, place them after the 25th, but before the 30th. This is ONLY for those who want to order immediately, and hopefully will have no bearing after the 30th.

You will have until July 15th to get your order in, for those who procrastinate, gotta siphon funds from the household account without getting caught, or are the kind that likes to peddle something to buy something else. (me)

We do not have a "tech support line" so, check with your tech savvy kid, grandkid, niece or nephew!

You will need the password to access the page. It is NOT to be shared outside ISP SWORN be they active or retired.

The password is: ten32

These are blue line guns, which means you are limited to TWO guns per year through that program. WE are not keeping tabs on how many you buy, other than you can only order 2 guns per visit to the website. If you intend to buy 2, I would suggest you purchase them both on the same visit. It's entirely possible you would be unable to load your data on twice because of some software thing of which we are not aware. It's also possible that you might be able to order 1 and come back and order another one on a subsequent visit. Use that information as you see fit.

We do not know for 100% certain that we will get the serial number block we want, but we are doggedly pursuing it. There is a box on the form for a serial number "preference." If we DO get the numbers we want, it will be unlikely to get as high as MOST ID numbers, so list a car number or other number you prefer. ID numbers under 2000 MIGHT be reached. I will TRY to match up as many numbers as I can, but there will undoubtedly be duplications and some will NOT get what they want. This makes the recording and shipping process a great deal more complicated. If you don't get what you want, but your buddy does, kindly don't bust my chops. I considered not offering it at all because it has the potential to be such a headache, but since I will box and ship every one of these, I wanted to match up those that I can, to make the gun that much more special to you.

I have recently learned that the guns may begin shipping from GLOCK as soon as Sept. of this year, which means we could start shipping them out as soon as Oct. or Nov.

Finally, A special thanks to President Ron Cooley and Vice President Lt. John Thompson, of the ISP Heritage Foundation, who have made this possible by handling the administrative portion of this program. And thank you to everyone who has given input, support and or constructive critiques. It's been a long haul, but I see a light at the end of the tunnel...hopefully it isn't a muzzle flash!

Kelley Hulsey, 1st VP, Retired State Police Association.

https://form.jotform.com/ISPHF/glock

NOTE: Go to the above website (order form) to view photos of engravings



ISP and RSPA Family Members Who are gone, but Never Forgotten

We hold them all in our Prayers



	RSPA / ISP MEMBERS	I. D.	SPOUSE	AREA	EOW	YRS OF SVC
Sr Master Trooper	Ronald Towery	1738	Linda	D-19/13	01/22/2021	26
Captain	Anthony Hornyan	182		D-05	02/14/2021	27
Special Agent	Todd Damasky	3596	Julie	Z-01	02/21/2021	28
	Judd Harris	1652	Marcia	D-07	03/07/2021	
Trooper	Oscar Sanders Jr		Joyce		03/08/2021	
Major	Charles "Ed" Houghtby	178	(Joan)	D-50	03/11/2021	
Master Sergeant	Robert Webb Sr	291	Dory	D-08	03/11/2021	
Sr Master Trooper	Todd Hanneken	5213	Michelle	D-10	03/25/2021	20
Special Agent	Russell "Rusty" Biggs	4486	Sharon	R B G	03/26/2021	24
Special Agent	Timothy Hansen	4498		Z-04	03/27/2021	
Captain	Charles Yonikas	344	Mardy	D-50	04/04/2021	29
Inspector	Michael Cowling	2245		D-02	04/05/2021	20
Trooper	Dale Smith	860	Lavina	D-11	04/21/2021	27
Master Sergeant	Erich Westphal	3867	Brenda	D-09	04/25/2021	17
Master Sergeant	Earl Acup	1029	Dayna	D-50	05/04/2021	26
Trooper	William Lindsey	1323	Connie	D-50	05/10/2021	24

Deceased ISP Family Members

Date of Passing	Deceased Name	Relation	ISP Employee	I D	Rank / Position	District / Office
01/03/2021	Geoffrey C. Smith	Son	Connell "Fred" Smith Jr	1390	Colonel / Dep Dir	DFS&I Retired
02/01/2021	Henry Leroy Stroud	Husband	Karen (Tipsword) Stroud	3028	Master Sergeant	D-12 / EOW 01/13/2019
02/22/2021	Carmen Pignatiello	Father	Michael Pignatiello	4098	Sergeant	D—Chgo Retired
03/25/2021	Todd Hanneken	Son	Jerry Hanneken	2338	Sr Master Trooper	D—10 Retired
05/06/2021	Leonard Richard III	Son	Leonard Richard	3004	Master Sergeant	D—15 Retired
05/06/2021	Leonard Richard III	Nephew	Anthony Richard	3194	Master Sergeant	Retired

NOTE: Check your e-mail for upcoming information on purchasing a 100 year anniversary star, or routinely check the ISPHF website for upcoming purchase info.

If we do not have a current e-mail for you, would you consider updating the RSPA database. We do not share your e-mail, and will only contact you with important and time sensitive RSPA issues.

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