FALL 2021— Finding Our New Normal

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RETIRED STATE POLICE ASSOCIATION of Illinois

President's Message

Here it is, time for another newsletter. Seems like the time is flying by. First of all, the Safety, Law and Order Committee of the Illinois American Legion would like to thank the members of the RSPA for their donation to the Youth Police School. Our school in June was a challenge but very successful. We had a good group of ISP Troopers and other agency personnel with ISP Sergeant December Melville as our coordinator.

Looking forward to the travel luncheon at the Island Bay Yacht Club in Springfield on September 9^{th} , and the South dinner on October 22^{nd} at the Mt. Vernon Airport at 6pm.

Hope you all have a great Autumn,

Delmar

Upcoming Luncheons

2021 CENTRAL TRAVEL LUNCHEON

Date: Thursday, September 9, 2021

Time: 11:00 am

Hosted by: President Delmar Buske

Location: Island Bay Yacht Club 76 Yacht Club Drive, Springfield

R. S. V. P. delmarbuske@yahoo.com

Or (217) 556-9555

2021 SOUTH DINNER

Date: Friday, October 22, 2021

Time: 6:00 pm

Hosted by: 1st V-P Kelley Hulsey

Location: Bonnie's Café, 100 Aviation

Dr, Mt Vernon (airport)

R.S.V.P. (Text or Call) (618) 335-1462

2022 Florida Picnic

Date: Wednesday, February 16, 2022

Time: 11:00 am

Hosted by: Karen & Tom Schneider Location: Shell Factory & Nature Park

North Fort Myers, FL

R.S.V.P. bandstent@gmail.com or

(309) 255-0999

2021 ARIZONA PICNIC HAS BEEN CANCELLED

2022 OFFICER ELECTION

At the September 9, 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

Website: rspaofil.org Email: rspaofil@gmail.com





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

And please remember to hold our brothers and sisters in our prayers. If you are in 06/27/2021 - Retired District 4 / Chicago Lieutenant Dan Ryan # 2290 said goodbye to his wife of many years. Her obituary partially reads:

KAY "KAYDEE" RYAN age 64 years a 36 year Downers Grove resident. Beloved wife for 43 years of Dan Ryan; loving youngest daughter of the late Raymond and the late Pearl Listermann; dear sister of Kathleen (Ronald) Esposito and Karen (Michael) Paladino; caring sister-in-law of Dennis (Diane) Ryan Jr., Diane Broz, Deborah (Charles) Michalek, Donna Ryan and Della DeSonia; cherished aunt of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, especially of Carey Ryan.

Michele A. Heindel, 72, of Freeport, IL passed away June 25, 2021 in Freeport. Michele was the daughter of the late Lt. Robert Heindel #106, the sister of Sgt. Tony Heindel #3222 (Ret.) and the aunt of Trooper Philip Behnke #7096.

She was born June 20, 1949 in Monroe, Wisconsin to Robert S. and Crescence I. (Niemeyer) Heindel. Michele was raised in Stockton, Illinois and was a 1967 graduate of Stockton High School. She went on to study at Clarke

College graduating in 1971 with a Bachelors in Art and minors in English and Art History.

Michele was a Graphic Designer for two newspapers, Honeywell, and retired from M45 Marketing in 2007. She was a talented painter and crafter. Michele had fond memories of her foreign travels, especially to Ireland. She enjoyed going to flea markets and garage sales and collecting antiques for many years.

Michele is survived by her brother, Anthony (Jane) Heindel of Flippin, AR; nephew Christoffer (Haley) Lammer-Heindel of Dubuque, IA; niece Emily (Phillip) Behnke of

Pecatonica, IL; great nieces Iris Lammer-Heindel, and Delaney and Quinn Behnke; and great nephew Sullivan Lammer-Heindel.

Michele was preceded in death by her parents and infant brother, Stephen.

06/26/2021 - We last saw Barb and John Herbek at the FOP Retiree Picnic on June 23rd. Since then, Barb let us know she broke her arm, and John had to spend a couple of days in the hospital. Prayers to them both, and we hope to see them at a future RSPA meeting / luncheon.

We did not see them at the July Central Meeting. Hoping to see them in September at the Travel Meeting.

08/14/2021 - I learned another one of my classmates (CC 65) recently experienced a medical emergency back on July 31st. While tending to several family gravesites, my classmate "started to not feel well". While driving home, my classmate says that he / she continued to sweat profusely even though the air conditioning in the car was at full blast. As the hospital was on his / her way home, it was prudent to stop. Walking into the emergency room, my classmate was asked "what's wrong?" "I think I'm having a heart attack!"

Turns out, my classmate was correct. One artery was at 100% blocked, so a stint was put in, and there are plans to put in a second stint. Happy to say, my classmate continues to do well, is currently vertical, and still a member of Club 19.

08/15/2021 - Another long time RSPA member let us know he will be unable to attend the Central Travel Meeting, as he will be traveling to the Mayo Clinic. **Prayers to all and their families.**



Our very own Webmaster, Mike Oyer, oversees and maintains the RSPA website. Did you know the RSPA has a website? We do, we can be found at: www.rspaofil.org

Mike does a great job keeping the site up to date with the most current information that becomes available. You can also find archived newsletters, meeting minutes, obituaries, etc.

With over 1,100 members, only about 500 are registered to access the website. If you think you might be interested, reach out to us at: rspaofil@gmail.com

If it has been a while, plan a visit to the website.

In addition, the RSPA uses an email service called "MAILCHIMP" to send out the quarterly newsletter. The "audience" count for the summer 2021 newsletter showed over 200 RSPA members "unsubscribed" from receiving the newsletter.

The newsletter is another way the RSPA has to keep in contact with our membership. Currently, about 65% of our membership receives the quarterly newsletter electronically.

As the 100 year anniversary draws closer; did you know, back in 1997, for the 75th anniversary, there was a debate on changing the ISP star? Fortunately, "tradition" won out, and while our I. D. numbers were later added, our star remains the same.

Of the more than 1,000 employees expressing their preference, 730 chose to stay with the traditional star; while 287 chose the "NOVA" design.



At the May North Meeting, a motion was passed to donate \$500.00 to sponsor a squad car in the annual "Five-O at the Dirty O" car race of police cars in Joliet; raising money for Illinois Special Olympics. Our RSPA logo was added twice to the car, and although our squad car came in 2nd place this year, it was the leader in sponsors, collecting over \$20,000.00 in sponsor fees for Special Olympics.







If you are one of the 150 + members who pay their annual membership dues by personal check, it is not too early to send your check in to your favorite RSPA treasurer.

If we have your email on file, we will send you an email reminder. Otherwise, you will get a postcard from your already overworked acting secretary, and a notice in the winter newsletter.

As treasurer, I track each year individually, so if you pay for several years in advance, you won't hear from me. If you choose to pay one year at a time, send your check in so you don't have to hear from me. If you are uncertain, shoot me an email: martinezrichard@live.com or rspaofil@gmail.com

Make your check payable to: RSPA of Illinois, and mail to RSPA, 11024 Princess Ave, Chicago Ridge, IL 60415-2145. Thank you, Rich Martinez. (Treasurer / Acting Secretary)

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JUN	STEVE WAGGONER # 3958	3
	JAMES DUFFIELD # 1817	
	RUSSELL PERKINS # 3969	

Lieutenant, District 11
Master Sergeant, District 1
Lieutenant, Zone 5

JUL LEIGH ANN MCDERMOTT

Public Svc Administrator

Look Who Has Retired

May	VICKI JO BRENNAN	Office Coordinator	12827	D. I. I.
	CATHERINE FASHINGBAUER	Sr Pub Svc Administrator	11569	DFI-Rockford
	DAVID TURNGREN	Forensic Scientist 3	12363	DFI—Joliet
	JASON LEWIS	Inspector	5459	
	TYRONE MCKNIGHT	Senior Master Trooper	4720	District Chicago
	MICHAEL MINNIEAR	Senior Inspector	4638	Zone 01
	JEFFREY ALAN OKON	Senior Master Trooper	4802	District Chicago
July	JEFFREY KNAUER	Public Svc Administrator	12136	DOO-INS
	JOHN MILLS	Storekeeper 3	19862	Comm Svc Bureau
	LISA MONTAGUE	Admin Assistant 1	10666	D-18
	MARC MOODY	Office Assistant	19973	Logistics
	ELIZABETH SMITH	Admin Assistant 1	14853	DFI - Spfld
	KERRI STEHLEY	Telecomm. Specialist	15929	D-13
	CRYSTAL WATSON	Sr Public Svc Administrator	14157	DFI-Joliet
	MELISSA UHLES	Senior Agent	4891	D. I. I.
	BRIAN ANDERSON	Captain	4752	D-20
	WILLIAM BARTOK JR	Master Sergeant	5328	RBG—E St Louis
	CHADD BRODY	Master Sergeant	4968	D-15
	PATRICK BURNS	Master Trooper	5664	D—15

Note: There are an additional 31 Sworn Officers who retired in July; to be listed in an upcoming newsletter



Use your ISPFCU Visa Platinum Rewards Credit Card for a chance to win \$5,000!

Keep your ISPFCU Visa Platinum Rewards Credit Card top of wallet for a chance to win \$5,000 to offset your monthly credit card purchases! Simply use your card on everyday purchases a minimum of four times per week from July 12th through October 31st in order to qualify for the drawing. Five participating eligible cardholders will be selected each month to win the prize. That's a total of 20 winners! Use your card four times every week and you'll increase your chances of winning! It's that easy!

Don't have an ISPFCU Visa Platinum Rewards Credit Card? No problem! You can apply online at www.ispfcu.org to start the process of getting one of these great cards in your hands today! For more information on the Credit Union Give Back Sweepstakes and to view the complete sweepstakes rules please visit www.cugivebacksweepstakes.com. If you have any questions, please call ISPFCU at 800-255-0886.

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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	E O W	YRS OF SVC
Trooper	William Lindsey	1323	Connie	D-50	05/10/2021	24
Sr Master Trooper	Donald Ray Ile	1101	Ruth	D-19	06/10/2021	27
Master Sergeant	Robert Hartley	1264	Marilyn	D-16	06/18/2021	27
Special Agent	Elroy Bublitz	1853	Christine		06/19/2021	28
Captain	Larry Gale Garbo	1121	(Carol Ann)	D-19	06/25/2021	27
Sr Master Trooper	Terry Vujakovich	1623	Karen	D-07	07/01/2021	29
Trooper	Reginald Fulks	458	Barbara	D-52	07/03/2021	27
Lieutenant	Daniel Carter	4840		D. I. I.	07/03/2021	
Master Trooper	Larry Siders	1080	Marcia	D-10	07/05/2021	26
Master Sergeant	Colin McClain	2552	Paula	D-10	07/19/2021	23
Trooper	Paul Kimble	3173			07/25/2021	
Senior Inspector	John "Steve" Gregurich	1405	Becky	D. O. O.	07/26/2021	35
Sr Master Trooper	Lawrence Drennen	1362	Delores	D-20	07/29/2021	25
Truck Weight Insp.	Phyllis Nelson	Code		D-05	08/15/2021	

Deceased ISP Family Members

Date of Passing	Deceased Name	Relation	ISP Employ- ee	I D	Rank / Position	District / Office
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
06/25/2021	Michele Heindel	Daughter	Robert Heindel	106	Lieutenant	D—16 EOW:
	Michele Heindel	Sister	Tony Heindel	3222	Sergeant	D—16 / CSS Retired
	Michele Heindel	Aunt	Philip Behnke	7096	Trooper	
06/27/2021	Kay "Kaydee" Ryan	Wife	Daniel Ryan	2290	Lieutenant	D-4 / Chgo—Retired
07/09/2021	Johnny Waterman	Father in Law	Mark Jackson	4442		
07/26/2021	Charles "Chuck" LoCoco	Father	Jason LoCoco	5021	Major	Chicago Command



EOW: 07/10/1930 - Trooper Robert J. McDonald - District 11 - 1 year service Killed during a pursuit on his (ISP) motorcycle

EOW: 09/11/1930 - Trooper Frank M. Schwartz - District 02 - 10 years service Died from injuries sustained in a (ISP) motorcycle crash

EOW: 11/19/1939 - Trooper Albert Cecil Brokmyer - District 13 - 7 years service Died after being shot while attempting the arrest of an individual for armed robbery

EOW: 04/21/1969 - Trooper Richard G. Warner # 667 - District 05 - 12 years service

Killed by a suicidal suspect who had been brought into HQ for investigative questioning



Illinois State Police Heritage Foundation Golf Tournament

Monday, September 20, 2021

Registration Deadline: Friday, September 10, 2021

First 124 Golfers

Edgewood Golf Club, 16497 Kennedy Road, Auburn, IL 62615

8:00 AM: Registration

- 10:00 AM Shotgun Start - 4-Person Scramble

- Play Rain or Shine

\$500.00 Raffle

50/50

Registration Fee: \$400.00/foursome or \$100.00 per person

Includes Green Fees, Cart, Lunch (starting at 11:00 AM), Dinner (3:15 PM), 3 Free Drink Tickets and Welcome Gift

Prizes For:

1st Place 4-Some Men; 1st Place 4-Some Women; 1st Place 4-Some Mixed; 1st Place 4-Some Seniors (60) Longest Drive - Men and Women Longest Putt - Men and Women **Straightest Drive**

Out-of-Town Golfers:

Baymont Inn & Suites Wyndham Springfield, 5871 S. 6th Street Frontage Road E, Springfield, IL 62703, 217/529-6655; Quality Inn & Suites, 3442 Freedom Drive, Springfield, IL 62704, 217/787-2250; Springhill Suites by Marriott Springfield Southwest, 3921 S. MacArthur Street, Springfield, IL 62711, 217/789-0000 (close to Scheels),; Route 66 Hotel & Conference Center, 625 E. St. Joseph Street, Springfield, IL 62703, 217/529-6626. Just a few suggestions for lodging. Your better rates are on line.

The ISPHF is recognized by the IRS as a Section 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation, and is registered in the

State of Illinois.)							
Registration Form							
Golfer #1:	Golfer #2:						
Golfer #3:	Golfer #4						
Team Contact's Name:							
Address:							
Phone:	e-mail:	W7.07.48.44					

Please return the Registration Form with your fee by September 10, 2021. Checks may be made payable to the ISP Heritage Foundation and sent to: ISP Heritage Foundation, P.O. Box 2210, Springfield, IL 62705-2210. If you have any questions, please contact ISPHF123@gmail.com or 217-525-1922.

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