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Quarterly Voice of the Retired Detroit Police and Fire Fighters *Volume 147, Fall, 2021*

PRESIDENT

Don Taylor

As summer came to an end, the Covid virus continued to hang around. I think most of us believe the virus and the accompanying restrictions would have been long gone by now. The Association is attempting to return to as normal an operation as possible, but each day we continue to wonder what new restrictions may be put in place or re-implemented that may restrict our operation. We also continue to look into new locations for our west side General meetings. All remaining General meetings for 2021 will be held at the east side location, American Polish Century Club on Maple Lane.

It is open enrollment time again and when you have received your package be sure to open it and read the enclosed material. If you do not want to make any changes and just continue the same benefits you currently have, you do not need to take any action. If you have questions give the office a call.

Healthcare open enrollment meetings will be held; Thursday October 28, from 10AM to 2PM American Polish Century Club 33204 Maple Lane Sterling Heights, MI and Thursday November 11 from 10AM to 2PM, Burton Manor 27777 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI

The first Healthcare open enrollment meeting on Oct 28th will be recorded and posted on the RDPFFA website within a couple of days following the meeting, so if you are not able to make one of the meetings you may want to view it on the video and photo website (rdpffa.smugmug.com).

We continue to monitor legislation at both the State and Federal level, and we will weigh in to either be in support or against whenever necessary to protect or improve or benefits. There are numerous pieces of legislation in Lansing regarding public employee pensions, CCW and healthcare. Some would be an improvement and others would take away some of the benefits we currently have. With the current makeup of the legislature there has not been much movement on any of these pieces of legislation. Next year 2022 is the end of the current legislated session, and this is when a lot of controversial pieces of legislation are pushed through. We will be watching to make sure nothing sneaks through that could have an impact on our members.

The Association is considering holding additional events for the membership, one may include returning to the Las Vegas event, and another one in consideration would be holding an event at the FireKeepers Casino in Battle Creek. So let us know if you would be interested in attending one of these, or if you have additional ideas for events and locations.

That's it for now; hope to see you at our currently scheduled events.

Upcoming General Membership Meetings

November 4, 2021 • December 2, 2021
March 3, 2022

(No January or February 2022 meeting!)

All meetings are currently held at:

American Polish Century Club
33204 Maple Lane • Sterling Heights, MI • 7 PM

VICE PRESIDENT

Gregory Trozak

Another summer is in the books and we hope everyone enjoyed it with family and friends. The monthly meetings have resumed and will continue to be held on the first Thursday of November, December 2021 and April and May in 2022. The November and December meetings will be held at the Polish Century Club and we are in the process of securing a west side location for the April meeting and any future west side meetings. The January and February meetings were canceled a few years ago due to attendance and weather concerns. So mark those busy calendars of yours with the dates and try to attend.

The Annual Picnic and June general meeting in Frankenmuth is still in the planning stages and the information will be posted hopefully by the first of the year so stay tuned.

I have been approached by several members asking about getting the annual Las Vegas trip back on the schedule. The numbers dropped substantially the last couple trips probably because of the end of the charter flights and group bookings. Also many members receive rewards for hotel stays and airline discounts and many of these rewards vary by dates and time of year. We would absolutely look into bringing the trip back if we could meet the numbers needed. I think the days of the evening dinner for 200 members and guests is over, but some sort of get together could be arranged if the numbers can be achieved. Mid-September or mid-October seemed to work in the past so we will use that time frame. So think about it and let me or the office know if you are interested in attending and what you think is the best time frame and we will see what we can come up with for 2022.

In the last issue of the UNITY I wrote about the annual pension increases on the August pension checks. At that time I wrote that the "old plan" fire members would not be receiving an increase, well after that printing the DFFA settled their contract and the pension system was able to include the increase in the August checks so all retirees did receive the annual increases. I'm sure some of you are still counting it out and looking for another corner under the mattress to stash it away. Just remember where it is and maybe use it should we be able to get a Vegas trip planned.

Those members or associate members who send in their annual dues, those mailing will be going out soon so keep an eye out for the renewal notices. Also you should have received the annual medical open enrolment packets. Open them up, read them carefully and make your decision. Remember if you do not want to make any changes do nothing and everything will remain the same.

I will close this article by saying safe travels to all the snow birds heading to a warmer climate and please

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Al Grant

The Retired Detroit Police and Fire Fighters Association prints a publication titled the "Unity" and sends a copy to the membership, approximately 5,200 are distributed. Today we represent everyone in matters concerning pension, hospitalization, and insurance. I frequently make a request to our members and readers to submit suggestions regarding our dwindling membership with ways to move forward with our challenge.

Contained within the quarterly magazine is a prepared "Remembrance and Thank You" list of supporters, who have contributed generously to our Association, many of them are repeat donors who want their loved ones recognized. In addition, a "Members Letters" section is provided for supporters to take the time to jot down their thoughts and send them to us for printing. All supporters' letters and notes are respectably read, the generous donations are appreciated and members who take the time with a note are taken seriously.

I would like to address a number of suggestions submitted, beginning with increasing the annual dues to our Association. Regularly when reporting finances, I recite an accounting of income and expenses; the Association's outflows are always higher than revenue taken in. This short fall is resolved by regularly transferring invested assets to pay for the expenditures. Logically, the need to increase dues is a sound idea, though, the RDPFFA Officers and Board of Directors have reviewed this issue and determined with the amount of our assets, professionally invested, this is not the time for an increase in dues.

At the Thursday, September 2, 2021, General Membership Meeting, I recognized the substantial donation made by the Cowell Family Trust to our Association. I made a comment in jest for members to consider, although not completely out of the realm of possibility, that circumstances with your portfolio could have similar results placing the RDPFFA as a beneficiary. Earlier this year prior to the Cowell Trust donation, Loren Wagner "Daddy Wags", was forward thinking and investigating a proposal making the Association a recipient of a planned investment. John M. Tsampikou made a number of suggestions: such as expanding membership eligibility, printing an eligibility list and allowing family members to join. Emery Esse sent a written communication to the Association stating that he feels only members should receive the updates. Also, he suggests sending non-members a letter recapping what the Association is doing for all Police and Fire retirees. I have singled out a few members who took the time to suggest proposals and recommendations, I give my sincere appreciation.

A common suggestion is to publish a non-member list. So, to keep our records up to date for notification purposes, the Association will do a Retiree Roster Update, a list of Fire and Police retirees who are currently non-members of the Association. A list was printed in Volume 130, Summer 2017, and Volume 140, Winter 2020. A list will again be published at some point in 2022.

Finally, there are many member ideas that could take pages to publicize but I have listed only a few. Be assured that all thoughts submitted will never be ignored. Your encouragement and support are the driving force that motivates us in the RDPFFA office to continue to represent survivors and beneficiaries as we do.

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE

For your information and the Associations benefit, it is important that when your summer/winter address changes, we are notified in advance of the move and again when you are returning to your home address. That way we can keep you current. We don't want to lose you in the process.

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think about all of us with a rake or shovel in our hands while you tan all those golden wrinkled bodies. Also all the Veterans out there look for the VFW and American Legion info in the UNITY and if you are not a member please consider joining, we need the members. And as always if you have any issues, concerns, problems or just want to say hi give the office a call and most of all remember it is a whole different world out there so be careful and stay safe.

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ASSOCIATION CALENDAR OF EVENTS* Updated!

General Membership Meeting Schedule

AMERICAN POLISH CENTURY CLUB

33204 Maple Lane - Sterling Heights, MI - 7 PM

Nov 4 • Dec 2 • March 3, 2022

Please Note: These dates are tentative and are subject to revision.

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1st Tuesday of the month

Time: 1:00 P.M.

See Column for Location

Snowbirds Of Michigan*

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Snowbirds

Dan Zemaitis

Greetings from Northern Michigan!

I'm sorry to say that we lost another Snowbird member – John Soncrant, Our thoughts and prayers go out to John's family.

At our August meeting we actually had 2 anniversary celebrations – Dave & Melanie Pauch and Al & Diane Bickford and Al also celebrated a birthday, we all sang and congratulated them.

50 / 50 winners were Mike Kniaz, Carolyn Wood and Joann Cherry. Joann is moving to Florida – Good Luck on your new home.

At our September meeting we had our election of Officers – John Wood was elected President, Bob Haderer Vice President, Cindy Rem Treasurer and Dan Zemaitis Secretary – Thank you all for continuing in office.

Guests that attended were Retired Police Officer Frank Horan from Evidence Tech Unit and Sue Burkhalter – Mike Kniaz friend. Don & Cindy Rem celebrated their Anniversary even though Cindy is convalescing from surgery. We wish you the best of health.

Thanks to Melanie Pauch who continues to keep us updated on changes affecting Veterans Benefits and Health issues.

50 / 50 winners: Sue Burkhalter, Robin Mueller, Don Rem and Al Bickford

October Birthdays: Donna Andrizzi and Bob Haderer

November Birthdays: Pat Somborski, Della Rozanski and John Wood

December Birthdays: Dennis Flanigan, Joann Cherry and Ted Ponik

Happy Birthday to all and any I missed

Note! Our last meeting of 2021 will be October 10th at 1:00 at Fred's of Roscommon – all are welcome – The members voted to cancel the November 14th meeting. The first meeting of 2022 will be May 15th @ 1:00 p.m.

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Members Letters

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Janet M. Brown
Howell, MI

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Thelma Rothfuss
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Sam and Paulette Lucido
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Dear Association members, I just passed my 35th year anniversary of retirement in May. I congratulate the Board Members for all of your combined efforts. Please accept this small token in honor of Bob Dooley & Bob Bradford.

Roger & Lyn Brooks
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Dear Sir & Madam, Please use this donation as you see fit and thanks for all you do.

Bert Mull
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Dear Sir(s), I want to thank Chet RDPFF Association for intervening on my behalf with Priority Health. I had made half dozen calls and wrote an appeal (which they say they never received). Although the matter won't be settled until September 5, 2021, Priority will not make a decision until then. Had I waited until Jan 2, 2021, instead of December 30, 2021, I wouldn't have had this problem. This contribution is for any fund needing it most.

Jerome & Della Rozanski
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Jim & Debbie Watt
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Greetings from my adopted state of Arkansas. Hard to believe that it will be 39 years next month that I retired from the Detroit Fire Department to live in Mtn. Home, Ar. I knew that it was time. I want to thank all in the Retired Assn. for all you have done for us retirees. This enclosed check is to be used for any purposes that come up. This is in memory of my best buddy Josephine (Jo) Ryan, 11-12-12 and my oldest son John (Tim) 5-10-16.

John T. Ryan
Mtn. Home, AR

Keep up the fantastic work that you do. Thanks for looking out for us. Use this check where it can do the most good.

Bob Collinash
Van Buren Twp., MI

Please accept the enclosed donation in memory of my wife Betty. She passed away June 16, 2021 from Parkinson's.

Dale M. Eising D.F.D.
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Ron & Mary Sexton
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Thank you to RDPFFA for all you do for us. Please accept this in appreciation and in remembrance of my husband Morris Gekiere. Use this check wherever it's needed.

Georgette Gekiere
Bushnell, FL

Please accept this donation in memory of my husband Edmund Knittel who passed away February 5, 2021.

Nina Knittel
Plymouth, MI

Members Letters *(continued)*

Please accept this donation in honor (and memory) of my friend, Hilda Fumerola, and thank you for all you do every day to keep us safe.

Lesley & William (DPD) Petersen
Livonia, MI

RDPFFA, We the members of the Assn would be done for, pension wise, without your efforts. Non-member "Dead Beats" think about that! Use this where needed.

Den & Mag Barton
Caseville, MI

Please accept this donation in memory of Edward Tumey DFD and Jack Bowron DPD. And a special thanks to Chet Opolski for being there for all of us.

Fred & Jackie Nazar
Sturgeon Bay, WI

Please accept this donation in memory of our mother, Hilda Fumerola (Bill, Ret. DPD) a charter member of Detroit Police Officer Wives Association. Thank you for watching and assisting her after our fathers passing. Use as needed.

Terry Fumerola
& Karen Fumerola-Goodsmith
Macomb, MI

Thanks for another fine retiree's picnic at Frankenmuth, great seeing old friends. Looking forward to a mask-less fall and winter and good hunting to all. Please use the donation as you wish in memory of two old #6er's Police Officers Ted Jozefowicz and John Hangstefer

Dan & Diane Budz
Dearborn Hts., MI

Dear Sir, I would like to thank all of the Officers and Board Members of the RDPFFA for your efforts on behalf of the members. It is greatly appreciated. Please accept this donation in memory of John Hangstefer, a great guy taken way to soon.

Jim & Sandy Purrington
Whitmore Lake, MI

Enclosed, please find a memorial contribution in memory of Lynn Robert Pokorski.

Dale & Freida Daniels
Caro, MI

Please use this check wherever needed, maybe buy Chet lunch for explaining the HRA to the 300 or so that didn't understand.

Paul & Edlynn Rehn
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Hello friends, Please accept this donation in loving memory of Lynn Pokorski. Please let his wife know we made a contribution to your Association. Thank you for all you do for "we the people". Keep safe out there.

Aly & Buddy Shanks

Please accept this donation in memory of Edward P. Cooney (FEO Engine 52/Ladder31). Thank you for all you do for the retired members & their families. You are greatly appreciated.

Betty Cooney and
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Please accept this enclosed donation in memory of my husband Sgt. William Larsen who passed away Sept 16, 2020. He loved his job.

Dolores Larsen
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Enclosed is a donation in memory of Lynn R. Pokorski. To all of you, thank you so much for your service.

Dianne Milazzo
Saginaw, MI

Thank you for always being there to answer questions and make explanations.

Eileen Foley
Clay, MI

Dear RDPFFA, Enclosed please find a check to be used where most needed. Given in memory of 2 of "Detroit's' Finest", P.O. Ted H. Banach and P.O. William G. Migora. R.I.P.

Thank you for all you do for all of us retirees.

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In Remembrance of Norman Lippitt

Judge Norman Lippitt

Died on Monday, July 26, 2021

For 17 years, until 1984, Lippitt was the lead counsel for the Detroit Police Officers Association, defending cops in high-profile cases. Before that, he was a Wayne County assistant prosecutor. His private practice as a criminal lawyer thrived, but then-Governor James Blanchard appointed him to the Oakland County Circuit Court bench in 1985. In 1988 he gave up his gavel and returned to private practice, where he focused primality on commercial cases. He eventually founded the Birmingham law firm Hyman Lippitt, and later Lippitt O'Keefe in Birmingham.

Lippitt O'Keefe Gornbein, PLLC, a supporter of the Retired Detroit Police and Fire Fighters Association with an Ad in our quarterly magazine "Unity", represented the RDPFFA retirees in the city of Detroit, Chapter 9 bankruptcy on July 18, 2013. Legal Counsel for the RDPFFA was Brian O'Keefe assisted by Ryan C. Plecha

In Remembrance and Thank You Judge Norman Lippitt

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Recently, the RDPFFA received a bequest from a deceased member who wanted to leave a legacy for his fellow brothers and sisters. The bequest helps preserve the Association and allows us to serve our members more fully. We asked Leon LaBrecque, JD, CPA, CFP®, CFA from our advisory firm Sequoia Financial Group, about the financial aspects of making donations to the Association.

Can I make a gift to RDPFFA? Yes, anyone can donate to the RDPFFA. RDPFFA is an IRS-approved §501(c)(4) organization, which means RDPFFA is a tax-free 'social welfare' group.

Are gifts to the RDPFFA tax-deductible? Gifts to a §501(c)(4) are not tax-deductible for income tax purposes. However, making a gift of an asset that has appreciated will remove the capital gains from taxes. For example, if you owned a stock that had gone up in value, you would not pay the income taxes on the capital gains on the stock, The RDPFFA can then sell the stock tax-free and apply the funds to their mission.

Can I leave a bequest to the RDPFFA in my Will or Trust? Yes. You can clearly bequeath assets to the RDPFFA in your Will or Trust. RDPFFA has an attorney who will provide the language for your document or modify your document for a very modest fee.

What kind of assets can I donate to the RDPFFA? Obviously, you can make a cash donation. Gifts and bequests can also include stocks, mutual funds, and ETFs. There are ways to make other assets work as well: crypto currency (for example, bitcoin), real estate (which would be sold) can also be donated. If you are considering a gift of an unconventional property, it's best to contact the RDPFFA staff first. You cannot donate from an IRA to the RDPFFA, but you have many options for leaving a legacy to the RDPFFA. Gifting an appreciated asset during your lifetime benefit you by saving capital gains taxes. Life insurance can also be used to make a donation, you would simply change the beneficiary designation.

If I want to donate, what do I do next? If you'd like to make a cash donation, simply make the check payable to the RDPFFA and send it to the Association directly. If you would like to donate stock or a trades security, let the Association know and they can arrange to transfer the security to a brokerage account. To make a bequest in your Will or Trust, there is simple language that can be added to your documents, but you will need the assistance of an attorney. You have myriad options available to you to create a lasting legacy for the RDPFFA, your gift can create a positive impact in the lives of your brothers and sisters, and the communities they serve.

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20th Anniversary Commemoration of 9/11 and Michigan Fallen Heroes Memorial Ceremony

Saturday, September 11, 2021

A Memorial Ceremony was held on Saturday, September 11, 2021 Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of 9/11 and to honor Michigan Fallen Firefighters and Officers. The event was held at the Michigan Fallen Heroes Memorial, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, MI. New Names of Michigan's Heroes from Police and Fire were added to the wall. The service was opened by Master of Ceremonies Evrod Cassimy, a Local 4 News Anchor. Following the opening ceremonies, the Fallen Officer Remembrance and the Reading of Names was presented.

For more information about the memorial or to see additional pictures of the memorial service, visit www.michiganfallenheroes.com!

IN MEMORIAM

Once again, we call the roll and acknowledge those friends and associates who have left us since our last publication. It is hard to let go of good friends but it is easy to remember the good times we shared and realize that now they rest in peace.

May 2021

Name	Rank	Dept.	Appointed	Retired	Date of Death	Age
Covington, Lawrence	P.O.	Police	2-7-94	9-2-04	5-29-21	51

June 2021

Name	Rank	Dept.	Appointed	Retired	Date of Death	Age
Roberts, Kelly	FEO	Fire	7-30-56	7-30-81	6-25-21	86

July 2021

Name	Rank	Dept.	Appointed	Retired	Date of Death	Age
Camper, Arleatha	P.O.	Police			7-31-21	
Cross, Darryl	Corp.	Police	4-27-98	Died Active	7-8-21	47
Gleason, Edward	Sgt.	Police	10-3-55	1-21-83	7-26-21	89
Moore, Curtis	Sgt.	Police	3-3-61	1-27-87	7-5-21	83
Newton, John	P.O.	Police	3-23-70	2-4-92	7-15-21	73
Passage, Michael	Lt.	Police	1-3-72	5-19-06	7-25-21	72
Patuano, Larry	P.O.	Police	12-28-70	7-8-00	7-19-21	75
Reichlin, Louis	P.O	Police	1-24-72	2-15-79	7-24-21	73
Skotzke, Eugene	P.O.	Police	9-8-69	6-13-87	7-24-21	82
Tate, William	P.O.	Police	12-17-81	2-12-07	7-1-21	74
Wood, James	P.O.	Police	7-14-69	7-19-85	7-13-21	78
Burt, Patrick	Sgt.	Fire	11-15-99	5-28-21	7-21-21	47
Dombrowski, Francis	Lt.	Fire	3-3-92	Died Active	7-5-21	55

August 2021

Name	Rank	Dept.	Appointed	Retired	Date of Death	Age
Biddle, Kahlil	CPL.	Police	5-12-97	Died Active	8-17-21	44
Craig, Diane	Lt.	Police	6-18-73	1-11-91	8-23-21	73
DiMaso, Anthony	P.O.	Police	12-23-74	9-8-93	8-14-21	71
Dorrell, Edgertt	Sgt.	Police	11-6-50	11-6-75	8-4-21	93
Landis, Raymond	P.O.	Police	8-10-64	6-19-83	8-14-21	82
Lemoncelli, Valentino	P.O.	Police	4-21-69	4-25-76	8-11-21	74
Lichonczak, Taras	Sgt.	Police	11-21-77	8-8-08	8-25-21	71
Lindberg, Ralph	P.O.	Police	3-11-61	4-1-86	8-2-21	85
McCarty, Daniel	Sgt.	Police	2-15-60	5-16-87	8-17-21	84
Nold, Daniel	Sgt.	Police	7-21-52	7-21-77	8-26-21	92
Porkorski, Lynn	P.O.	Police	9-18-72	1-6-98	8-17-21	72
Roberts, David	Sgt.	Police	4-28-76	10-24-91	8-31-21	79
Sanders, Albert	Lt.	Police	10-13-69	3-5-95	8-22-21	76
Scheuer, Nelson	P.O.	Police	9-11-72	7-15-00	8-6-21	77
Smith, Ralph L. Jr.	Sgt.	Police	5-12-97	Died Active	8-31-21	50
Ware, Garey	P.O.	Police	6-22-70	3-13-82	8-5-21	72
Wilson, Thomas	Lt.	Police	1-4-71	5-3-85	8-20-21	73
Hischke, Lon	FEO	Fire	10-31-66	8-24-01	8-30-21	79
Jaissle, Dennis	Sgt.	Fire	10-30-72	5-1-91	8-6-21	76
Lucero, Michael	Lt.	Fire	3-25-74	3-21-11	8-26-21	70
Price, Michael	FEO	Fire	9-12-77	12-26-11	8-29-21	69

IN MEMORIAM *(continued from page 14)*

September 2021

Name	Rank	Dept.	Appointed	Retired	Date of Death	Age
Bohn, Jimmy	P.O.	Police	10-16-72	8-29-86	9-13-21	72
Brown, Jack	P.O.	Police	8-1-50	7-23-81	9-11-21	94
Buckings, Bobby	P.O.	Police	10-21-68	1-22-90	9-15-21	74
Bullock, Robert	Dep Chief	Police	7-5-49	3-15-75	9-16-21	99
Burley, Edward	P.O.	Police	6-7-71	2-28-98	9-24-21	71
Day, Kenneth	Sgt.	Police	12-16-68	12-17-93	9-18-21	74
Hollins, Donald	Lt.	Police	10-7-85	6-1-15	9-24-21	61
Leary, Robert	Sgt.	Police	1-3-56	1-3-81	9-13-21	86
Lehotsky, Marilyn	Sgt.	Police	8-3-53	8-4-78		97
Mun, Percy	P.O.	Police	1-3-67	5-30-92	9-3-21	78
Wagner, Herman	Sgt.	Police	1-17-49	10-1-74	9-24-21	93
Wegehaupt, Dorothy	P.O.	Police	6-21-71	9-9-81	9-15-21	73
Willey, David	Sgt.	Police	11-18-63	11-24-88	9-16-21	81
Williams, James	P.O.	Police	2-19-73	2-19-99	9-15-21	79
Burt, Paul	FF	Fire	2-15-88	2-28-96	9-7-21	65
Cook, Jerry Jr.	Sgt.	Fire	1-22-73	6-6-98	9-15-21	78
DeSmet, Emiel	Lt.	Fire	9-12-55	4-13-81	9-8-21	93
Goldsmith, David	Lt.	Fire	10-18-65	4-18-91		82
Lecuyer, Dennis	Capt.	Fire	5-22-72	4-8-02	9-8-21	74
Orzech, Christopher	Capt.	Fire	6-17-91	Died Active	9-8-21	53
Raxter, Shayne	FF	Fire	4-9-01	Died Active	9-23-21	48
Wilson, Gerald	Bt. Chief	Fire	9-24-62	1-3-98	9-1-211	83

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Carol Curley

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It has been a busy year for us Silver Ladies too. There are family celebrations; those that we missed last year, vacations, short trips, and long cruises. Eating out is now more prevalent and enjoyable than it has been for over a year. Small towns have been having parades and festivals that more people are going out to see. Smiling at people is easier.

A lot of storms and trouble have been traveling around the U.S.A... I lost electric power at least three times this year. But fortunately, I have a generator that keeps my household alive during power outages. Seems like home repairs have swamped me this year more than normal too.

Our September birthday girl is Del Raska!

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