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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

(This message is written by Alan Berkowitz, Bob Long and Martin)

Summer is approaching and the political atmosphere in NYC is heating up as if we were sitting on the FDR watching a fireworks display from the barges on the East River. Corruption allegations are knocking on the door of Gracie Mansion and 1 PP. The media is reporting that corruption is alive and well in NYC. What a surprise.

The Medicare Part "B" reimbursement will be deposited directly into your savings or checking account which is on file with the pension bureau. Usually the paper check arrives in August but, with the new change, the check will be direct deposited into your account in June. Remember, the City New York pays the Medicare Part "B" reimbursement one year in the rear. The payment in June is for the year 2015. If you need more information come to a meeting or call the office at 954-977-3880 and ask for Frank Orefice or Becky Tooley. New York City must be saving hundreds of thousands of dollars by eliminating the mailing of a check. No envelope, No Check and No postage.

In the last contract agreement between the city and the police and fire unions, the city agreed to lobby Albany and have police officers and firefighters hired after July 1, 2009 would be eligible for 3/4's if they were injured in the line of duty? Did the governor even sign legislation granting these officers 3/4s

WELCOME and congratulations to our newest, Vice President, Daniel Farrell! Dan was elected, unanimously by the membership, to fulfill the position for the rest of this year. Alan Berkowitz, then, agreed to be a board director when asked by the board and the President. Thank you for remaining with us. The next two meetings are May 3rd and June 7th. Members should offer some ideas for next year (starting in Sept) for Speakers topics and events they'd like to have at future meetings. Bring up and talk about your war stories, in front of the membership, at meetings. Don't just sit and eat, get back involved!! Exchanges of experiences and information are part of why we belong to 10-13. Hope to see you at the next meeting. No meetings in July and August.

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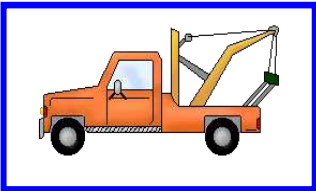




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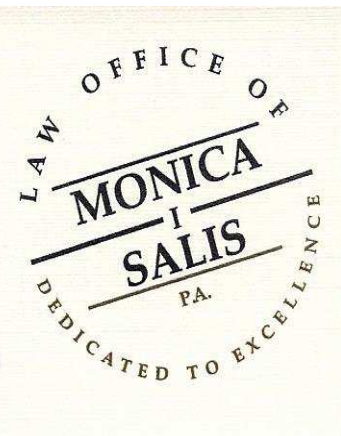


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NYPD response times faster thanks to smartphone program...

By Amanda Woods

April 22, 2016 3:31 am

The NYPD's new smartphone program has helped officers respond to crimes in progress about a minute quicker than they were able to this time last year, a data official for the department said Thursday evening.

Jessica Tisch, the Department's Deputy Commissioner of Information Technology, said that the devices — equipped with a specialized 911 app — are at least partially responsible for a 12 percent dip in response times, compared with the first three months of last year.

"The 911 taker will take the call, he or she will type the information into our system and instead of waiting for the information to go out over dispatch, over police radio, it will go direct to the smartphones of our officers in the area, and what we've seen is a corresponding reduction in response times," Tisch told Errol Lewis on NY1's "Inside City Hall."

The NYPD finished rolling out these specialized smart phones to its officers this past week, she said.

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Lawyers ready appeals in Liang case

By Emily Saul

April 20th, 2016 11:51 pm

Former NYPD Officer Peter Liang, who dodged prison time for fatally shooting an unarmed man, must now determine how to spend his 800 hours of community service as lawyers on both sides of the case begin their appeals.

Brooklyn Supreme Court Justice Danny Chun sentenced Liang Tuesday to the community service and five years of probation after downgrading the ex-cop's conviction from second-degree manslaughter to criminally negligent homicide for the shooting of Akai Gurley in November 2014.

While Liang's defense team has vowed an appeal since the February conviction, prosecutors with the Brooklyn DA's Office announced Tuesday that they will now appeal Chun's unilateral decision to reduce the charges.

If an appellate court reverses Chun's judgment on the charges, it would land Liang back in court to again face sentencing.

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Times Square Spider-Man busted for being a jerk to tourist

By Jasmin Rosa and Daniel Prendergast

April 21, 2016 11:59 pm

Even Daily Bugle editor J. Jonah Jameson doesn't take Spider-Man as seriously as this phalanx of nine NYPD officers, who converged on the scene to arrest a Times Square panhandler.

The web-slinger had allegedly teamed up with a man dressed as Batman villain The Penguin to strong-arm some hapless tourists into forking over \$40 for a photo.

The victims had offered the duo \$20 after posing for the pic at about 1 p.m. on Seventh Avenue near East 45th Street. Spidey (Oscar Rodriguez, 32) and Penguin (Yamil Morales, 39) allegedly balked at the tip, leading to an argument that drew the mob of officers.

Both men were handcuffed and thrown into a police van.

They were charged with aggressive panhandling, cops said.

The bust came the same day Mayor Bill de Blasio signed a bill to regulate where costumed characters can operate in Times Square to curtail aggressive behavior, which some say is getting worse.

"I've been here for four or five months and I've seen some stuff at least three times," said Invictus employee Anthony Boyd, 23.

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De Blasio has no one to blame but himself for what happens next

By Bob McManus

April 10th, 2016 12:22 am

So now [Preet Bharara has cast a gimlet eye on Bill de Blasio's campaign fund-raising.](#)

Which comes as no surprise. If de Blasio isn't running one of the gamiest administrations since Tammany's sachems were pulling the strings at City Hall, it isn't for lack of trying.

But not to worry.

As mayoral operative Dan Levitan says: "We are fully confident that the campaign has conducted itself legally and appropriately at all times."

"And if it turns out that it hasn't," de Blasio himself quickly added, "it's all on the campaign and I didn't know anything about it. It makes me so mad when things like this just happen."

Ha ha. Only kidding about the Blas part.

For the time being, anyhow. Because if there is any pattern to the de Blasio incumbency, it is this: Bad news, of which there is more every day, is always somebody else's fault.

The negative headlines last week about his [near-shutdown of construction on the city's third water tunnel](#), he says, are the result of "miscommunication" — not the inexcusable slowdown itself.

Just as the city's decision to allow campaign-contributing developers to flip a Lower East Side nursing home for condo construction happened without the mayor's knowledge.

“It makes me livid that this happened in one of the agencies of my administration,” declared de Blasio (for real). “This just should not have happened, and there will certainly be consequences.”

And there may well be, but probably not of the sort that the Blas had in mind.

Indeed, given Bharara’s performance to date — Shelly Silver and Dean Skelos go before federal judges for sentencing Wednesday — the prosecutor’s interest in de Blasio can only be stirring mayoral nightmares.

The Post’s Jamie Schram and Larry Celona reported Saturday that Bharara has opened a probe of deep-pocketed real-estate developers allegedly involved in the city’s expanding NYPD scandal — which, actually, could turn out to be a twofer for Preet, and double trouble for de Blasio.

Certainly, *de Blasio’s brainchild Campaign for One New York* will get a look. That’s the independent, unaccountable not-for-profit slush fund that harvested more than \$5 million from folks with business before the city before the mayor moved to shut it down late last month.

It has all been legal, or so the mayor has insisted.

But, again, Bharara appears to be setting himself up to be the final arbiter. Which, again, must be sending shivers down the mayoral spine. The prosecutor, after all, has made a career out of busting not-for-profit fraud.

This time de Blasio may have no one to blame but himself.

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PBA President Pat Lynch slams NYPD for disciplining cop who told motorist Mayor de Blasio 'wants us to give out summonses'

BY THOMAS TRACY



181ELVIS VIA YOUTUBE

An NYPD cop was videotaped telling a motorist that Mayor de Blasio wants cops to give out summonses.

Hey Bill, don't smack a cop for doing your dirty work!

The head of the city's police union blasted the NYPD for disciplining a Bronx cop who was videotaped telling a motorist that Mayor de Blasio "wants us to give out summonses" — claiming Tuesday the officer was "speaking the truth." Pat Lynch, the president of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, said suspending the 46th Precinct beat cop was "a colossal politically motivated overreaction by the department."

The cop — who has not been identified — faces charges of conduct unbecoming for an officer after he was caught on camera blaming de Blasio for the traffic summons he gave a motorist.

"Mayor de Blasio wants us to give out summonses, OK? All right? I don't know if you voted for him or not," the unidentified cop told the driver as he handed over the summons in the 11-second clip. "I wouldn't have voted for him because this is what he wants, he wants us to give out summonses."

The driver getting the ticket did not appear angry — and seemed to understand the cop's apparent plight.

"I understand," the driver said. "It's a hard job." Pat Lynch, the president of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, said suspending the 46th Precinct beat cop was "a colossal politically motivated overreaction by the department."

"Vision Zero limits officers' discretion to issue warnings and puts further pressure on them to issue summonses, subjecting New Yorkers to expensive summonses that many cannot afford to pay," Lynch said. "(It's) an effort to save lives that boils down to police officers enforcing traffic laws. Suspending a police officer for speaking the truth about the reality of Vision Zero is a colossal politically motivated overreaction by the department."

"He didn't use any profanity or anything, but if you are going to hand out a ticket just do it. Don't give a ticket out and then blame it on someone else."

Calls to the NYPD and City Hall for comment were not immediately returned.

Under Vision Zero, the number of traffic-related fatalities fell to 231 in 2015 from 257 in 2014 — a drop of about 10% officials said.

Mayor de Blasio said 2015 was the safest on city streets since 1910 — and credited his Vision Zero initiative, which aims to eventually reduce traffic-related fatalities to zero.