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President's Pen



Captain Gregory Sacco (Ret.) 150

I hope that all is well with our readers. We are into the second quarter of 2019 and have started the infrastructure work needed to make our Museum a more informative place for our visitors.

As you know, the Board voted to dedicate 2019 to a review of the entire Museum infrastructure with the goal of getting this 20 plus year old building in top shape. We are now far into our plan, starting with a major clean-up of the Museum's displays and surrounding areas.

Board members Ed Martin, Rich Foskey and Jason Sapp led a group of volunteers on a journey that resulted in cleaning areas inside display cabinets that hadn't been opened in years. The results are nothing short of spectacular. The three flags in the Memorial hallway have been moved, which has opened the view of the upstairs library. The old museum sign (replaced by our new EMC) was hung above the library entrance by Rich Foskey and Dave Weaver, assisted by a team of ten Academy Recruits. *It looks fantastic!!!* Thanks to Rich Foskey, the former sign looks brand new and is a wonderful addition.

Now the real work pertaining to upgrading our facility systems, has started. The Fire Suppression system needed new lines and a new compressor to ensure that the Museum is protected in case of a fire. We are using state of the art parts. That, plus replacing 5 HVAC units comes at great expense, but had to be done. Work is continuing in these areas as we identify and repair or replace needed units. With warm weather in place, the outside will be tackled as needed.

Steady progress is being made. Hopefully we can get a great deal completed before year's end. We will keep you informed in subsequent Newsletters.

That's a full plate for now so until next time, stay safe and well:

Greg

From the Executive Director's Desk Peggy L. Anderson



It appears that summer has descended upon us. Those steamy, hot days are great for doing something where it is nice and cool. Well, the Museum is a very **COOL** place to visit with our new air conditioning system. Come check it out – and bring a sweater!

Remember the stationary sign that was out front? With the guidance of retirees Rich Foskey & Dave Weaver, ten of the DSP Academy Recruits hoisted the sign up and attached it to the wall above the Library on the



second floor. And the "Coleman Stoops Annex" sign has been strategically placed over the hallway to the Annex. Just two more reasons to visit us this summer.

The summer months has the Museum busy with events happening each month. On July 20th the Delaware Antique Police Car Association's

Multi-Club "Cruise In" will be gathering at the Museum. The event is from 11am to 2pm and is



all about the camaraderie of those individuals that like antique cars. There will be food trucks, Crimestoppers, and a few various DSP displays to browse around. Rain date is August 3, 2019.

The Museum will be hosting their 5th Annual Summer Day Program on August 8, 2019. Children from DSP Uniform/Civilian Active/ Retired families will descend upon the HQ Complex for a day of demonstrations from such units as Aviation, Mounted Patrol and K-9 to name a few. This popular event fills quickly and will be a fun day for all attending.



On Saturday, September 7, 2019, the ARDSP will hold their Annual Picnic at the DSTA Pavilion starting at High Noon. The Museum will be having an Open House starting at 10:00 to allow those attending the Picnic a chance to visit us. Stop by and see what you have been missing.

In closing, I want to wish everyone a Safe and Happy 4th of July and a great summer filled with family and friends. But remember, stay safe out there – we want you around for a long time.



Honor ~ Valor ~ Service







The following events are taking place at the DSP Museum in the near future. **VOLUNTEER** assistance is needed for both. Please consider donating a portion of your day to make these events overwhelming success stories.

SATURDAY, JULY 20,2019; 1100 - 1400; help needed in setup and event coordination assistance: Sponsored by the "Delaware Antique Police Car Club", more than one-hundred (100) Antique Police Cars from the Mid-Atlantic Region expected. <u>Ten (10) personnel needed.</u>

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2019; 0800 - 1500; assistance needed to facilitate more than thirty (30) young guests of the "Annual Youth Day". Sponsored by the DSP Museum, provides youth with an overview of the Delaware State Police, Special Units, Lunch, and Museum Tour. Five (5) personnel needed.

Ed Martin will assist the Director in each event.

Please contact Ed, DSP Retired, at <u>efmartin88@gmail.com</u> / (302) 382-1736 (cell) / (302) 678-0512 (home) if you can assist during any portion of these times.





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Mark your calendar for our upcoming events

Museum Board of Directors' Meetings Tuesday - August 6th, 10:00 October 1st, 10:00 December 3rd, 10:00

Meetings are held at the Museum



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Memorial Brick Walk

Memorialize your service or those who supported you during your career. This is an excellent way of acknowledging your parents, spouse, sibling, children or another trooper. Show them that they are an important part of the DSP family and your life.

Memorial Brick - \$100.00







Dedicated Selfless Proud



In Memorium

Our Fallen Heroes Lest We Forget

Christopher Shea 1972 - 2004





William F. Mayer 1927 - 1955



August 1955



Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. Robert H. Bell 1942 - 1993







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In Memorium

Our Fallen Heroes Lest we Forget

Gerald T. Dowd 1962 - 1990

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September 11, 1990





Eugene B. Ellis 1926 - 1967



September 11, 1967

When we lose someone we love We must learn, not to live without them, but to live with the LOVE they left behind



