

December 7, 2005

President's Report

Good morning. Please join in a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. The invocation will be given by Lou Giampaglia, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Alfonse D'Amato, managing director of Park Strategies will speak to us about the lobbying/legislative services his organization can offer NYSCOPBA.

We continue to strive in all of our attempts to accomplish all that we can for the Membership and since our last Executive Assembly we have had 6 sessions of the hearings in regard to the Binding Arbitration Process: October 3 and 4, November 8, 9, 29, 30 and today, December 7 and tomorrow December 8 and the following day. I will give you a brief overview and as promised from the beginning of this process, we will continue to keep you apprised of our progress through updates on NYSCOPBA's website and steward mailings.

Following September's Executive Assembly we have:

- ? attended the Attica Memorial on September 13th**
- ? been present, in Utica, for the Riot Bill signing on September 14th**
- ? attended the Watertown Correctional Facility picket on October 6th**
- ? met with several Department heads for the Law Enforcement group**
- ? had numerous meetings negotiating Article 5, which was resolved and we were awarded ALL of our EOL days in arrears**
- ? met with the Department regarding Article 8, Expedited Disciplinary Arbitration**
- ? on October 18th toured Clinton Correctional Facility**
- ? requested on November 9th that Great Meadow Correctional Facility be locked down for a frisk**

- ? negotiated the temporary sergeants' issues on November 10th. Please read the proposal.
- ? attended a Veterans' Day service on November 11th at Coxsackie Correctional Facility
- ? on Saturday, November 12th, attended a meeting for the Law Enforcement group
- ? attended a Mid-Hudson regional meeting on December 1st
- ? taken part in impact negotiations regarding video cameras in S-Blocks, Directive 4059, Emergency Response
- ? resolved the lunch box issue
- ? scheduled a Statewide Labor Management Meeting for January 24, 2006

Again, we continue to do our utmost for our members.

Thank you.