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IN MEMORIAM:

ASSISTANT CHIEF RICHARD BEVERLY AND CHIEF RENZO FERRARI



RICHARD BEVERLY



RENZO FERRARI

The "Sanitation family" recently lost two well-loved members. Assistant Chief Richard Beverly and Chief Renzo Ferrari. They will, however, live on in the memories of their families and the memories of those who worked alongside them.

In February, Assistant Chief Beverly, Queens East Borough Command, suffered a massive heart attack and died in his home. He was 51. Assistant Chief Beverly is survived by his wife, Angelique, and his two sons, Richard James, 13, and Christopher Wendall, 11.

Chief Beverly began his career with the Department in 1987 as a Sanitation Worker. He steadily rose through the ranks, including Supervisor of the Bronx District 6 Garage, General Superintendent Level I of the Brooklyn South District 17 Garage, and his last assignment as Borough Chief for Queens East Borough Command, where he was responsible for all Department operations for the entire eastern section of Queens.

In June, Chief Ferrari, Chief of the Bureau Operations Office, succumbed to complications from a brave battle with cancer. He was 54. Chief Ferrari is survived by his wife Carmen, and his two children, David, 19, and Olivia, 17.

Chief Ferrari began his career with the Department in 1979 as a Sanitation Worker assigned to Manhattan District 8 Garage, and steadily rose through the ranks, including as Supervisor of the Queens West District 5 Garage, General Superintendent Level I at Brooklyn North Borough Command, and his last assignment as a three-star Chief.

Full Inspector's funerals were arranged for both Chiefs and were attended by hundreds of DSNY uniformed members and civilian colleagues.

SANITATION UNVEILS NEW FUEL EFFICIENT HYBRID COLLECTION TRUCKS



Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, Commissioner Doherty, vehicle manufacturers, and 'green' technology experts recently announced the next step in a greener, cleaner New York City with the showcasing of three new first-of-a-kind DSNY refuse collection trucks and one diesel-hybrid electric rack truck that utilize some of the most environmentally friendly technologies available today.

The collection vehicles and the rack truck are the first in the country. The Mack TerraPro Low Entry model refuse truck is the first parallel hybrid-electric diesel truck in the country designed specifically for Class 8 heavy-duty applications, and meets the EPA 2010 emission regulations. The Crane Carrier Corporation is providing DSNY with a Bosch Rexroth Hydrostatic Regenerative Braking (HRB) parallel hydraulic system and an ISE hybrid-electric collection truck. The Kenworth T370 diesel-electric hybrid truck is the first medium duty hybrid truck to enter service in DSNY's fleet. The vehicles were also shown nationally in June at the Waste Expo 2009 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mayor Bloomberg said "The Sanitation Department, one of our most essential city agencies, picks up over 11,000 tons of garbage and recycling per day and helps keep this city clean and safe. New York City is a city of 'firsts' and these rugged vehicles no doubt continue that tradition. These vehicles are a testament to the Department's core mission by not only being the tools of the Department's 'trade,' but also having the potential to drastically reduce truck emissions, decrease fuel consumption, and decrease truck noise in order to accomplish the Department's vital mission. A cleaner, and 'greener', collection truck will be a boon to improving the city's and our nation's environment."

Commissioner Doherty said "The Department is proud to be the first city in the country to utilize these state-of-the-art hybrid vehicles. Environmentally friendly vehicles such as these enable us to clean 'the Big Apple' twofold each and every day and contribute to the 'greening' of our city. New York's Strongest can also be known as New York's Cleanest, thanks to the tireless efforts of Deputy Commissioner Rocky DiRico and Spiro Kattan, whose Support Services can be counted on to keep the Department moving."

DEPARTMENT RECEIVES AWARD FOR SAVANT APPLICATION



Shown, center, is Deputy Commissioner Lorenzo Cipollina, Bureau of Financial Management and Administration, with his staff.

The Department has received an award from the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DoITT) for **“Best Wireless Project”** for the Sanitation Automatic Vehicle Analysis and Tracking (SAVANT) application. This system enhances operational efficiency and augments the City’s ability to better utilize resources in emergencies. SAVANT relies on in-vehicle Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) and Global Positioning Systems (GPS) technologies to collect data about vehicle maintenance and route operations, with NYCWiN-supported cellular modems transmitting this data back to an intelligent, back-end system.

The launch of SAVANT also advances Mayor Bloomberg’s initiative to implement AVL/GPS technologies on City vehicles. This application is also an example of successful utilization of NYCWiN, which supports the mobile connectivity required on all parts of DSNY routes throughout the five boroughs.

SUMMER EVENTS HONORING DSNY

Thanks to some good fortune and even better luck, we’ve got a busy schedule for the next two months in the way of DSNY recognition special events.

Saturday, August 8th – The Brooklyn Cyclones minor league baseball team in Coney Island, as part of the Municipal Credit Union’s Civil Servant Night Series, will be honoring the DSNY before their game, which starts at 1800 hrs. We will have the first pitch, our DSNY Honor Guard present the colors, our Ceremonial Unit singer perform the National Anthem, the DSNY Emerald Society Pipes and Drums perform on the field, have the Cyclones wear DSNY baseball caps, staff an informational table to distribute recycling/anti-litter materials, showcase a piece of vintage DSNY equipment outside the front gates, have the DSNY name/logo flashed on the scoreboard during the game, etc. And, there may be a special guest appearance by former Mets closer John Franco, whose late Dad was a member of New York’s Strongest. Tickets are \$10 to \$13 and can be purchased directly from the Cyclones by calling (718) 382-2619 or emailing joyce@brooklyncyclones.com.

Immediately following the game, there will be a special event at the night spot, Peggy O’Neill’s, located right at KeySpan Park (and owned by a DSNY employee), that will include performances by live bands featuring DSNY employees.

Sunday, August 16th – The DSNY Family Day outing will be held at our Floyd Bennett Field training center in Brooklyn. First Deputy Commissioner Michael A. Bimonte’s office is handling the details of this wonderful family event featuring good food,

good music and a great way for our extended DSNY ‘family’ to gather together with their family and with their co-workers’ families for a fabulous Sunday.

Thursday, August 27th – The Staten Island Yankees minor league baseball team will host a ‘Salute to Sanitation’ night at their ballpark, Richmond County Bank Ballpark. The game begins at 1900 hrs and there will be a full fireworks show right after the game ends featuring a stunning view of the lower Manhattan skyline as the backdrop. Tickets are \$16 each, and include ‘all-you-can-eat’ freshly grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches, soda and water, plus some other special surprises. Tickets are available directly from the SI Yankees by calling (718) 313-1335, Monday through Friday, 10 AM to 5 PM, or emailing tsheridan@siyanks.com. A night of good baseball, good and plentiful food and a fireworks extravaganza!!! Wow!

And then on **Wednesday, September 16th**, there will be a battle of the bands, called ‘The Battle of the Strongest,’ at the Highline Ballroom in Manhattan, sponsored by Longwalk Entertainment, the same organization that ran similar events for the Police and Fire Departments over the last two years. Bands featuring DSNY employees will be auditioned and will face off at the event for a grand prize. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of tickets to the event, handled by Longwalk Entertainment, will benefit the Cooley’s Anemia Foundation, a charity near and dear to the DSNY. A Department message and posters will soon be distributed throughout DSNY commands. By the way, bands can perform any type of music and will be judged by a panel of entertainment personalities and by audience participation.

BROOKLYN GARAGE NAMED FOR FALLEN SANITATION WORKER ALFRED G. TIMMONS

The Department has renamed the Brooklyn North 2 Garage the “**Alfred G. Timmons Garage**” after Sanitation Worker Alfred G. Timmons, who died of a massive heart attack while on duty on August 16, 2000. He was 50 years old.

“Sanitation Worker Timmons was beloved and appreciated not only by his family members, but also his fellow coworkers from Brooklyn North District 2,” said Commissioner Doherty. “His dedication to keep this city safe and clean was well known and appreciated by everyone who knew him. Alfred may no longer be with us, but he touched many lives while he was here. The renaming of the district garage in his honor is a fitting tribute to an exemplary man.”

Collectors Items

Congrats...to winners of the Department’s Employees’ Suggestion Program Awards... to David Callery, promoted to General Superintendent Level III, BOO...Jack Ryan, promoted to General Superintendent Level II, Queens East Borough Command...to Ellen Covas, promoted to Director, Capital Budget, Bureau of Planning and Budget...to Deputy Commissioner Harry Szarpanski, Bureau of Long Term Export (LTE) and Walter Czwartacky, Director of Special Projects, LTE, for winning the 2009 Sloan Public Service Award for their role in the city’s Solid Waste Management Plan...to Rita Brackeen, Department Advocate, a recipient of the 2009 Breaking Barriers Award, for hiring intern, Gregory Shteynberg, a client of VISIONS Employment Services that aids employers in hiring those who are blind or visually impaired...to District Superintendent Christopher Abbate, Manhattan District 1 Garage, for receiving the Alliance for Downtown New York’s Exceptional Service Award...to Nicole Turso, daughter of Deputy Commissioner Vito A. Turso, Bureau of Public Information and Community Affairs, on her election as the first student member representative of the Board of Directors of the prestigious New York Press Club, Inc. Nicole will earn her master’s degree in journalism this year from the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism. She’s interning at NY 1’s ‘Road to City Hall’ this summer.

Thank you...to Michael Bruno, Jr., Supervisor, Lot Cleaning, his family, and all who participated in the 5th Annual New York City Walk Now for Autism on June 14th... to everyone who participated in the 12th Annual Michael Hanly Memorial Run on June 14th... To all Department employees who donated over 3,200 pints of blood last year, making the DSNY one of the top city agencies to give blood. The Department has received an award from the New York Blood Center for its outstanding achievements in blood donations. A special thanks particularly to Levada Rice, Clerical Associate III, Central Repair Shop, for her outstanding coordination of DSNY blood drives over many years.

Condolences...to the family of the late Frank Sisto, retired Deputy Commissioner for Operations and past President of Local 444, Sanitation Officers Association.

Ground Zero workers...retired General Superintendent Level I Sal Annerino reports from Florida that any DSNY personnel who worked at ‘Ground Zero’ (a.k.a. World Trade Center) may be eligible for free medication related to medical problems contracted from working at the site. Contact Logistics Health Incorporated at (877) 498-2911.

Sanitation Worker Timmons began his career with the Department on October 2, 1989 and was assigned for his entire career to Brooklyn North District 2. Aside from his work with the DSNY, Sanitation Worker Timmons also was involved in keeping his neighborhood safe, as well as being a skilled sketch artist, and a lover of fine arts.



Commissioner Doherty, surrounded by the Timmons family, unveils the plaque renaming BKN2 the “ Alfred G. Timmons Garage”.

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