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Association President's Message

Welcome to the 55th Annual Awards Banquet of the National / Massachusetts Italian American Police Officer's Association



Dear Friends,

Welcome to the National/Massachusetts Association of Italian American Police Officers 55th Annual Awards Banquet. The Association is a Fraternal Organization that promotes both our Italian Heritage and the mission of all those serving in Law Enforcement. As in past years we are recognizing heroic and selfless actions of Law Enforcement Professionals and Public Servants.

This year we are honoring members of the Middlesex Sheriff's Office, a local police officer and a former police commissioner. The awardees have distinguished themselves through acts of courage and exemplary public service.

Despite the folks we honor today and everyday, large numbers of police officers are feeling under siege and underappreciated. These are the same officers that were feted as heroes after the events of 9/11 and that captured the Boston Marathon Bombers. These are the same people that run towards trouble as others run away, that walk tiers grossly outnumbered and without weapons. That is why it is incumbent on organizations like ours to shine a light on the good works done by the folks in law enforcement every day in many ways.

Finally, we continue to support other police associations, provide \$500.00 dollar scholarships to the children of our members and contribute to other charities. I want to thank all of you for your continued support and thanks to all our financial supporters without which we could not continue our efforts in promoting the positive aspects of law enforcement. Be careful out there.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Gabriella, President

Superintendent Middlesex Sheriff's Office [Ret.]



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55th Annual Awards Banquet Head Table

Commissioner William G. Gross Boston Police Department [Ret.]

Superintendent Frank Mancini Boston Police Department [Ret.]

Chief John DiFava MIT Police Department

Chief James A. DiGianvittorio Middleton Police Department [Ret.]

Detective M.Michael Giacoppo Cambridge Police Department [Ret.]

Chief Robert J. Ferullo Jr. Woburn Police Department [Ret.]

Superintendent Martin J. Gabriella Middlesex Sheriff's Office [Ret.]



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55th Annual Awards Banquet Program

Master of Ceremonies John DiFava

Italian National Anthem Caryn Russo

National Anthem Caryn Russo

Posting of the Colors & Pledge of Allegiance MSO Honor Guard

Welcome Remarks Martin Gabriella

Presentation of Scholarships John DiFava

Presentation of Retiree Awards John DiFava

Law Enforcement Medal of Valor Officer Martin Gabriella

Sean Mullin, Middlesex Sheriff's Office

Posthumous Medal of Valor Officer Robert Ferullo

Manny Familia, Worcester Police Department

Marconi Award ~ Amoroso Cefalo Martin Gabriella Special Sheriff, Middlesex Sheriff's Office

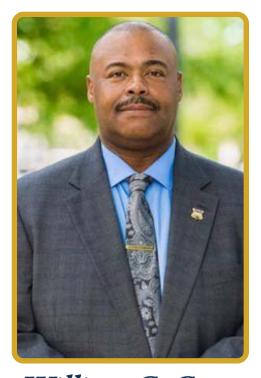
St. Michael's Award ~ Police Commisioner William Gross Frank Mancini

Boston Police Department [Ret.]



The Order of Saint Michael the Archangel This will attest that







William G. Gross

Police Commissioner
Boston Police Department [Ret.]

Has been designated a Knight of Michael the Archangel with all the rights, privileges, titles and honors that pertain in this office as

Grand Knight of the Order

and is inducted into the Knighthood by reason of an act of bravery or service to their community so outstanding that it merits the respect and admiration of the Honorable Order of Saint Michael the Archangel.

Through this act, as a Good Samaritan, the Knight designated shall be deemed the respect and admiration of the honors bestowed upon said person.

Awarded this 6th day of October, 2023 by **The Massachusetts Association of Italian American Police Officers, Inc.**Martin Gabriella, President



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William G. Gross

Police Commissioner, Boston Police Department [Ret.]

William G. Gross is the 42nd Police Commissioner of the City of Boston. He has served the people of Boston for 37 years. After joining the department in 1983 as a Boston Police Cadet, he graduated from the Boston Police Academy in 1985. He spent years as a patrol officer, patrolling the many neighborhoods of Boston. He was also assigned to the Youth Violence Strike Force and the Drug Control Unit, as well as being an Instructor at the Boston Police Academy. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2004 and rated Sergeant-Detective in 2006. The majority of his supervisory years were spent serving the neighborhoods of the Dorchester section of the city.

In 2008 he was appointed to the Command Staff as a Deputy Superintendent and promoted to the rank of Superintendent in 2012, assuming the role of Night Commander overseeing police services citywide. In January 2014, he was appointed by Mayor Martin J. Walsh and Police Commissioner William Evans to the position of Superintendent-in-Chief, the first African American Chief to hold the rank in the history of the Boston Police Department.

Throughout his career he has cultivated and maintained a strong connection with the community. He often could be found on the front lines; interacting with community activists, grieving families, clergy, neighbors, even protesters; treating everyone with respect and dignity. He strongly believes that "if you want change, you have to be the change", a philosophy he models for the community and the members of the police department.

He has been awarded numerous Departmental awards for bravery and meritorious service and several Governor's Citations; the Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Award; the United States Attorney's Boston Offices' award For Outstanding Dedicated Service to the Survivors of the Boston Marathon Bombing during the Trial of United States vs Dzhokhar Tsarnaev; the Department of Justice Investigative Achievement Award and was named one of Boston's 100 Most Influential People of Color. In June 2018, marking the 50th anniversary of the passing of Robert F. Kennedy, he was presented the Robert F. Kennedy "Embracing the Legacy" Award. This award recognizes those who work tirelessly to carry on the legacy of the late Senator by raising awareness and fighting against societal injustice and inequity that affect children and families.

Commissioner Gross is also affiliated with groups that are important to him both on a professional and personal level, such as the Massachusetts Major Cities Chiefs Association, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company and the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. of Eastern Massachusetts. He also sits on the Advisory Boards for Boston Center for Youth and Families, the George Lewis Ruffin Society and the Special Olympics of Massachusetts.

On August 6, 2018, William G. Gross was sworn in by Mayor Martin J. Walsh, again, breaking down barriers by becoming the first person of color to hold the Police Commissioner's position in the City of Boston. "I am honored and humbled to be sworn in as the Police Commissioner of the best police department in the country. Delivering and building on our community policing model is one of my main priorities. We will work collaboratively to reduce crime and violence in our neighborhoods while supporting and lifting up our youth."

GRAND KNIGHTS OF THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



1983	Honorable John A. Volpe Honorable Norman Knight	Governor, Commonwealth of Massachusetts President 100 Club
1984	Honorable Francis X. Bellotti	Massachusetts Attorney General
1985	Honorable George W. Bush Honorable Lillian D'Ambrosio Milgroom Eminence Bernard Cardinal Law	Vice President of the United States of America First Justice, Chelsea Court Archbishop of Boston
1986	Honorable Michael S. Dukakis Honorable Scott Harshbarger Honorable A. David Mazzone	Governor, Commonwealth of Massachusetts District Attorney, Middlesex County Justice, United States Federal District Court
1987	Honorable John A. Pino	Justice, Boston Municipal District Court
1988	Honorable Charles H. Perenick	Clerk Magistrate, Concord District Court
1989	Honorable Joseph V. Ferrino Dr. John R. Silber	Presiding Justice, East Boston District Court President, Boston University
1990	Joseph V. Saia, Jr,	Superintendent, Boston Police Department
1991	Honorable James Danforth Quayle Honorable A. Paul Cellucci	Vice President of the United States of America Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts
1992	Honorable Thomas C. Rapone	Secretary of Public Safety of Massachusetts
1993	Joseph V. Saia Sr - Leo J. Gulinello Anthony J. Narciso - Albert Malaguti	Massachusetts Italian American Police Officers Association Founders
1994	Captain Joseph C. Saccardo Honorable Roberto Falaschi	Massachusetts State Police Consul General of Italy
1995	Honorable Thomas M. Menino	Mayor of Boston
1996	Honorable Angelo Scaccia	Massachusetts State Representative
1997	Honorable Kathleen M. O'Toole	Massachusetts Secretary of Public Safety
1998	Colonel John DiFava	Massachusetts State Police
1999	Captain Charles J. Cellucci	Boston Police Department
2000	Honorable A. Joseph DeNucci	Auditor, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
2001	Philip M. Vitti M. Michael Giacoppo	Deputy Superintendent, Boston Police Detective, Cambridge Police (Ret.)
2002	Salvatore Balsamo	Chairman, TAC Worldwide Companies
2003	Pamela Donnaruma	Publisher and Editor, Post-Gazette
2004	Reverend Arthur J. DePeitro Special Agent Joseph D. Pistone	Chaplain, IAPOA Federal Bureau of Investigation (Ret.)
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GRAND KNIGHTS OF THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



2005	Honorable Robert "Ted" Tomasone	Clerk Magistrate
2006	Honorable Robert E. Travaglini	93rd President of the Massachusetts State Senate
2008	Honorable Gerard T. Leone, Jr.	Middlesex County District Attorney
2010	Honorable James V. DiPaola	Sheriff Middlesex County
2011	Honorable Peter W. Agnes, Jr.	Justice Massachusetts Superior Court
2012	Honorable Salvatore Paterna	Clerk Magistrate Deham District Court
2013	Honorable John Granara	Special Sheriff Middlesex County
2015	Honorable Robert A. DeLeo	Speaker of the House of Representatives
2016	Lawrence Lucchino	President & CEO Emeritus Boston Red Sox/Chairman Jimmy Fund
2017	Frank Mancini	Superintendent, Boston Police Department
2018	Bruce Tarr Nicholas Saggese	State Senator (First Essex and Middlesex District) Detective (Ret.), Boston Police Department
2019	Robert J. Ferullo Jr. Robert E. Anthony	Chief (Ret.), Woburn Police Department Patrolman/Historian, Boston Police Department
2021	James A. DiGianvittorio Martin J. Gabriella	Chief, Middleton Police Department [Ret.] Superintendent, Middlesex Sheriff's Office
2022	Peter J. Koutoujian Steven A. Mazzie	Sheriff, Middlesex Sheriff's Office Police Chief, Everett Police Department
2023	William G. Gross	Police Commissioner, Boston Police Department





Law Enforcement Medal of Valor This will attest that



Sean Mullin Officer Middlesex Sheriff's Office

The Medal of Valor is presented for outstanding acts of bravery or perilous risk to life and for performing in the line of duty in such a manner as to reflect courage and dedication in their performance of professionalism as a Law Enforcement Officer

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Law Enforcment Medal of Valor

On Christmas Eve 2022, Officer Sean Mullin smelled burning plastic as he loaded his children into a family vehicle outside their home. After handing his children off to the care of his wife, Mullin went in search of the source. He canvassed the neighborhood and found a mobile home fully engulfed in flames with several propane tanks leaning up against the side. Mullin charged a neighbor to call 911 while he determined if the home was occupied.

As Mullin approached the blaze wearing just a short-sleeve shirt, the propane tanks began to explode from the heat and the roof blew off in flames. Mullin searched the trailer looking for a means of entry and he discovered the owner standing in the frame of a side door. The elderly man's winter coat was melting from the flames and he suffered burns on his beard, face, and body while trying to retrieve his belongings from the blaze.

Balancing the urgent need to escape with the man's obvious physical limitations, Mullin led his neighbor a short distance away from the home where he and another neighbor convinced the homeowner to leave everything behind for his safety. In this stressful and personally traumatic moment, Mullin guided the man to safety. For his bravery and swift action without regard to his personal safety Officer Mullin is award the Medal of Valor.



Posthumous Medal of Valor This will attest that



Manny Familia Officer Worcester Police Department

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Posthumous Medal of Valor

Emmanuel "Manny" Familia was born in La Vega, Dominican Republic, February 23, 1983. He came to Worcester, MA as a young boy attended Worcester Pubic Schools and graduated from Doherty Memorial High School. He began his career as a police officer at Quinsigamond Community College and subsequently joined the Clark University Police Department. In 2016 he became a City of Worcester Police Officer. At Worcester P.D. he became a member of the Tactical Patrol Force, Crisis Intervention Team, Crisis Negotiator, Recruitment Officer and was training to join the SWAT Team.

On June 4, 2021 at 1:35 p.m. calls came in reporting several teenagers struggling in the water at Green Hill Park. Five Worcester Police Officers, including Officer Familia, saw a boy struggling in the pond and without regard to their personal safety rushed into the water. Two of the youths were successfully brought to the shore. At this point the Officers notice that one of the boys and Officer Familia was missing. Divers located Officer Familia at 2:28 p.m. emergency responders began life saving efforts at the scene. Officer Familia was taken to UMASS Medical where he succumbed to his injuries. At 3:25 p.m. the missing 14-year-old was found by divers taken to the hospital where he was pronounced dead. Officer Familia gave his life in the service of his community in a selfless act of valor.

Officer Familia leaves behind his wife of 22 years Jennifer [Cruz] Familia, two children, son Jovan E. and daughter Jayla A. Familia, his parents, two brothers, their wife's, a sister and many nieces, nephews and colleagues.

Guglielmo Marconi Distinguished Service Award

Presented Posthumously In Memoriam and Honor of

Guglielmo Marconi

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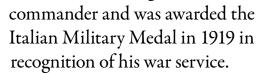


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Guglielmo Marconi Bologna, Italy

Born in Bologna, Italy, in 1874, Guglielmo Marconi was a Nobel Prize-winning physicist and inventor credited with the groundbreaking work necessary for all future radio technology. Through his experiments in wireless telegraphy, Marconi developed the first effective system of radio communication. In 1899, he founded the Marconi Telegraph

Company. In 1901, he successfully sent wireless signals across the Atlantic Ocean, disproving the dominant belief of the Earth's curvature affecting transmission. Marconi shared with Karl Braun the 1909 Nobel Prize in Physics. Marconi also held several positions in the Italian Army and Navy during World War I, starting the war as a lieutenant in 1914, finishing as a naval











Guglielmo Marconi Distinguished Service Award Presented to



Amoroso Cefalo Special Sheriff Middlesex Sheriff's Office

The Guglielmo Marconi Distinguished Service Award is presented to an individual who has distinguished themselves with honors for outstanding contributions in the field of Public Community Service.

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Guglielmo Marconi Distinguished Service Award

Special Sheriff Amoroso Cefalo has served as a leader within the Middlesex Sheriff's Officer for nearly two decades. He has been a trusted advisor under two sheriff's administrations, rising in the ranks of the MSO from working in the Fiscal Department through senior roles in both Human Resources and Legal. He served as the MSO's first Chief Administrative Officer and was appointed Special Sheriff in 2022.

In close coordination with Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian, Special Sheriff Cefalo oversees a full-service law enforcement agency with nearly 700 employees and an annual budget over \$75 million. The Special Sheriff manages a wide portfolio of responsibilities ranging from facility operations, internal investigations, legal, fiscal, and human resources. His efforts to improve employee wellness and engagement have been recognized by internal and external stakeholders of the MSO as a signature accomplishment during his time as the second in command.

Special Sheriff Cefalo also served as a Selectman for the town of Wakefield from 2002 to 2005, and maintains his community involvement through organizations across the Commonwealth.

Special Sheriff Cefalo graduated cum laude from Colgate University and magna cum laude from the New England School of Law where he earned his juris doctorate. He is the proud son of Italian immigrants and the loving father of three children.



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55th Annual Awards Banquet Retirees

Joseph Pepicelli Everett Police Department 26 years



Henry E. Spognardi	1971	Leo T. Gulinello	1999
Anthony L. Scavongelli	1974	Joseph V. Saia, Sr.	1999
Gerald A. Deluca	1976	John A. DiNapoli	1999
Andrew Zambella, Jr.	1977	Marline Orlandi	2000
Genovino G. Schiavo	1978	E. Roger Ciampa	2000
Louis F. Pucillo	1978	Lillian D'Ambrosio Milgroom	2001
Sabastian J. Bruno	1979	John V. Nee	2001
Ralph Scopa, Jr.	1980	Paul C. Morris	2001
Albert P. Orlandino	1980	William J. Murphy	2001
Frank DiLuige	1980	Edwin R. Chiampa	2002
Nicholas Minichello	1980	Anthony V. Graziano, Sr.	2002
Joseph G. Gemellard	1980	John Carbone	2002
Frank J. Bono	1981	Jerry Langone	2002
Vitto DiCicco	1982	Robert Comoletti	2002
Albert R. Fiore	1982	David B. Balfour	2003
Stanley F. Konapacka	1982	James I. Hartigan	2004
Stephen S. Sciuto, Jr.	1983	James Iozzo	2004
Edward R. Maffie	1985	Francis R. Pilleri	2005
Joseph A. Conforti	1985	Robert Lungo	2005
Steven Smith	1986	Ralph Greer	2005
John DeRienzo, Sr.	1986	John Gallucci	2005
Anthony L. Pontensa	1986	Arthur DiPaola	2006
Francis C. Mandarano, Sr.	1987	Carmine N. Puopolo	2006
Joseph Monaco	1987	Rev. John Crispo	2007
Anthony J. Settino	1988	Frederick F. Quatirucci	2007
Nicholas Maffeo	1989	John J. Narciso	2007
Thomas F. Coughlin	1989	Donald DeSantis	2008
Dominic A. Procopio	1989	Salvatore F. Morteo	2008
Angelo DiBari	1990	Dale C. Jenkens	2009
Louis Andella	1991	Anthony M. Narciso	2010
Charles Ciampa	1991	James V. DiPaola	2010
Angelo J. Malvone	1992	Joseph A. Vellante	2011
John Cappletti	1992	John R. O'Donovan	2012
Ferdinand A. Carangelo	1993	Joseph Cherubino	2012
Nicholas F. Richards	1993	Charles Shea	2012
John B. LeClair	1994	Argeo Paul Cellucci	2013
Frank Powers	1994	Gerald A. Deluca	2013
Brian Imbaro	1994	George Desrochers	2013
Arthur Bragg	1995	Ernest D'Amato	2014
Dominic R. Scalese	1996	Felix Giacoppo	2015
Robert Marchionda	1996	John Franzone	2015
Joseph J. Vacirca	1996	O'Neil LeBlanc	2016
Michael Minichino	1997	Salvatore Balsamo	2018
Carmen Nevano	1997	Michael Ferazzi	2018
John Carrozza		John Renzullo	
Paul R. Moulton	1997	Richard Monti	2020
Salvatore Pellechia	1997	Dominic J. Mulattieri	2021
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George Colarullo	1998		
Santo V. Imprescia	1998		

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Dominic J. Santosuosso

William C. Murphy



Dear Saint Michael, our patron and heaven's glorious guardian who has rid God's celestial premises of all who are evil and undesirable; look upon us of your earthly forces with kindness, understanding and mercy.

Through your divine intercession, we ask the Lord that reason, common sense and strength prevail among us and that we be instilled with an unusual wisdom to both investigate and preserve, to discern and judge.

Make us as terrifying to our adversaries in the wicked underworld as we are kind to all among us who reflect

God's boundless good.

Help us to be impervious to all temptation and unyielding to all who break God's laws and ours.

Let our justice be swift and decisive.

In your triumph over Satan, dear St. Michael, you learned firsthand that a Police Officer's lot is indeed sad and exhausting. But your battle with the dark forces pleased God and your unwavering strength startled even Lucifer himself, leaving us inspired by the triumph of your might and your self control.

And when our duty on this earthly station is done and we meet at final muster to be graded according to our service and devotion, take us onto your heavenly force where our hearts will overflow with pride as we guard the throne of God as it was when we stood as sentinels in the community of humankind.





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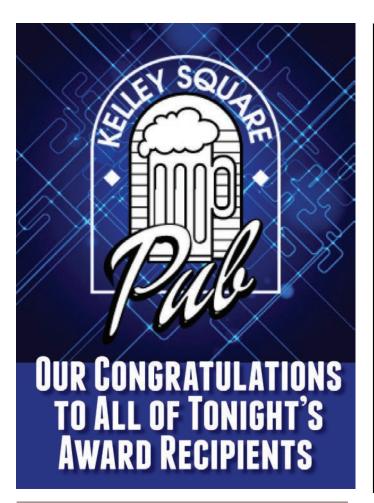
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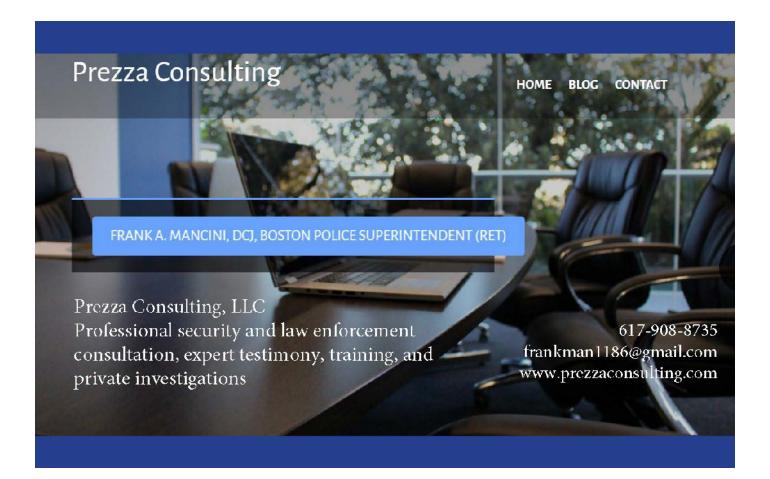
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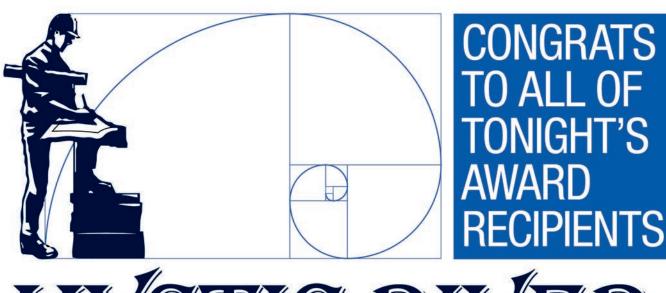
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