

Delaware State Police Museum and Educational Center




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From the Director's Desk

Major Kevin P. McDerby (Ret.) 411



The Memorial Wall at the Delaware State Police Museum has a dedication plaque that, in part, states - "Memorialized here are the Troopers who made the ultimate sacrifice while preserving our **UNALIENABLE RIGHTS TO LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS** as set forth in the Declaration of Independence." Our fellow Troopers gave all while upholding the principles of that Declaration and the Constitution of the United States.

The Declaration concludes with the following, "With a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor." I truly believe that, although unsaid, Troopers make that same pledge to each other.

As you see --- there is a mention of Divine Providence in the Declaration of Independence. Our nation was founded on Judeo-Christian values. The newsletter for this quarter includes the month of December. It is the month that Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ and people of Jewish faith celebrate Hanukkah. My wish for everyone is for you to have a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a safe and blessed Holiday Season.

Stay safe and keep the faith in that Divine Providence and in each other.

Kevin

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Delaware State Police
Museum website



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From the Archives



Ride Mile A Minute On Errand Of Mercy

10/19/1924

Highway Policemen Carry Instrument to Dover in 45 minutes.

To save the life of a child who was slowly choking to death with diphtheria Highway Policemen Carpenter and Ritter made a run from the office to Dr. W. O. LaMotte to Dover with a life saving tube yesterday in 45 minutes.

Yesterday morning a call was received from the office of Dr. Middlerose in Dover that unless the tube was obtained the child would die. He suggested that it be obtained from Dr. LaMotte and brought to him as soon as possible. Although this was out of their line of work the two policemen got busy and in one hour and fifteen minutes from the time the message was received the men were at the doctor's office.

The ride was an exciting one. Tooting the horns on their motorcycles to warn all vehicles of their approach and to make known that they wanted the right of way the men sped along at the rate of a mile a minute. Sometimes their speed exceeded this and other times they were compelled to slacken their speed because of the congestion of traffic. However, they arrived in time to save the child's life.



Prisoners Kneel In Prayer When Captured

12/29/1924

Garmock And Smolka Held On Charge Of Transporting Liquor

State Troopers Ray and Sullivan while at Station No. 1 on Penny Hill, late Saturday night, arrested Joseph Garmock and Konstanty Smolka on a charge of transporting liquor, and seized a keg containing about 15 gallons of alleged liquor, and a Ford truck. A third man, said to be the driver of the car, escaped through a corn field. When arraigned before Magistrate Jones this morning both men were held on \$500 bail for the General Sessions Court.

Ray and Sullivan first noticed the truck proceeding along the Philadelphia pike toward the station with only one headlight burning. After ordering the driver to stop, the car continued for nearly a hundred yards. The two troopers arrived just as one of the men jumped a fence and darted across the field. Ray gave chase.

Sullivan proceeded to search the machine and when he opened the door both Smolka and Garmock toppled on him. The three men rolled from the roadside into a ditch and when Sullivan recovered his bearings, he said, both his prisoners was kneeling in front of him praying.



**Dedicated
Selfless
Proud**



In Memoriam

*Our Fallen Heroes
Lest we Forget*

**Paul H. Sherman
1909 - 1945**



October 16, 1945



**Francis Ryan
1891 - 1922**



October 17, 1922



**Robert A. Paris
1935 - 1963**



October 17, 1963

**James D. Orvis
1916 - 1950**



November 17, 1950





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In Memorium

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**David B. Pulling
1956 - 1987**



November 18, 1987



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mark your calendar for our upcoming events



Dedication Ceremony



Watch for the announcement of a dedication ceremony of a black granite bench in the Memorial Brick Garden. The bench is being installed in the garden in honor of our deceased chaplain, **Reverend Colonel Oscar H. Frundt**.



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

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We're up to 796 likes - just a few more to reach our goal!

<http://www.baritetees.net/delaware-state-police-museum/>

**NEW Online Store
featured items**



Delaware State Police Museum L/S Oxford Delaware State Police Museum S/S Polo Delaware State Police Museum S/S Tee Delaware State Police Museum Windbreaker



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2nd Annual DSP Museum Christmas Apple Raffle



See page 7 for details



DSP Museum Christmas Ornaments



See page 8 for details

DSP Museum Limited Edition Challenge Coin

Price reduced from \$18.00 to \$15.00 - this quarter only!

The badge is in your choice of **gold** or **silver**
More info...Call Kevin McDerby

302-739-7700



Your purchase goes to support the DSP Museum.
Thank you!



“Looking Back...”

do you have old photographs you'd like to share; then email or send them to the Museum Director.

Building a Legacy



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2nd Annual DSP Museum Christmas Apple Raffle

The 2015 Christmas Raffle is for a \$600.00 gift card for in-store or online Apple shopping. Use the gift card as you wish.

Below are a few examples of Apple products:



← iPad Air --- starting at \$399.00

iPhone— starting at \$199.00→



← Apple Watch--- starting at \$549.00

iPod Nano--- starting at \$149.00→



← iPod Shuffle--- \$49.00

Again this year there will only be **100** tickets sold for
\$20.00 each.

Contact Kevin McDerby at the DSP Museum for a ticket.

kevin.mcderby@state.de.us or 739-7700

If you reserve a ticket and send the payment, you will be sent an electronic copy of your ticket.



DSP MUSEUM CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

THE ORNAMENTS ARE DESIGNED FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE PROUD TO BE A PART OF THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE FAMILY AND WANT TO BE ABLE TO GIVE A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT TO YOURSELF, A FAMILY MEMBER OR A FRIEND .

THE DSP MUSEUM IS OFFERING BRASS AND GLASS CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS AS WELL AS DISPLAY STANDS.

THE PRICE:

BRASS-	\$22.00 (GIFT BOXED)
GLASS-	\$15.00 (BOXED)
STAND-	\$4.00



BRASS



GLASS



BACK OF GLASS
ORNAMENT



STAND

THERE ARE ONLY 100 OF EACH ORNAMENT. THE SAME DESIGNS WILL NOT BE REPEATED.

CONTACT KEVIN McDERBY AT THE MUSEUM TO RESERVE AN ORNAMENT(S). SHIPPING ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE AT USPS RATES.

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Postage rates listed on page 9



CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT POSTAGE

I hope this makes sense:

Minimum Postage--	\$5.95
Examples:	
1 Glass Ornament--	\$5.95
1 Glass Ornament with up to 6 Brass Ornaments--	\$5.95
1 Glass Ornament with up to 4 Brass Ornaments w/stands--	\$5.95
Up to 10 Brass Ornaments--	\$5.95
Up to 7 Brass Ornaments w/stands--	\$5.95
Up to 4 Glass Ornaments with up to 3 Brass Ornaments w/stands--	\$12.65
Up to 3 Glass Ornaments with up to 5 Brass Ornaments w/stands--	\$12.65
Over 4 Glass Ornaments--	\$17.90