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Our Presidents Message: Daniel Farrell



Ever since I was a little kid, as far back as I can remember, I wanted to be what my father was a NYC cop. He joined the department in 1946, after having served in the U.S. Army during WWII. My father actually wanted to be a Fireman but my mother didn't want him to be, so he became a cop. When I was born in 1959 my father was the rank of Lieutenant.

I remember being asked in first grade of school what I wanted to be when I grew up? I proudly said a NYC cop. My dad was within ear shot and he yelled, "Oh no he

doesn't!" My dad retired as a Deputy Inspector in 1975, just before the layoffs.

After my dad retired, we moved down to Virginia due to my dad getting a job in the Federal Government. After moving to Virginia I attended the university of Richmond. Upon graduating from the University of Richmond, I moved back home in Northern Virginia and started working in sales. I worked for the Xerox corporation and then Sharp Electronics selling to the Federal Government. I was extremely proud of my father and the position he had held as a NYC officer. But after moving to Virginia my chances of joining the NYPD didn't seem like a viable option. During this time my parents had moved back to NY and settled in Garden City on Long Island.

While living and working with friends in Northern Va. I started searching for other jobs. I would discuss my job hunting with my dad, when we would talk on the phone, and it was during one of these calls that he reluctantly informed me that the NYPD was hiring. He asked if I was interested, and I said yes. He sent me the application and I filled it out and sent it in. I would fly up and spend the day for the medical exam and whatever else was needed. When I told people in Virginia that I was hoping to become a NYC cop, they thought I was nuts. (I guess I was.). I was hoping that I would get in the July class of 1985 but my number wasn't called. I finally received the call during the holidays of 1985. I was to be sworn in on Thursday January 9, 1986 with approximately 1500 of my closest friends. It was on that date that I started to live my dream. I was part of The Greatest Police Department in the World.

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I worked with some of the greatest cops, detectives and bosses that ever existed on our planet. During my 20+ year career I proudly wore the uniform. I entered as a Patrol Officer, then Detective, and lastly a Sergeant. (Couldn't pass the Lt's exam.)

Most of my career was in Manhattan with a short assignment to Queens T.N.T. When I Graduated I was assigned to NSU 3, then MTN Pct, OCCB Tech Services (TARU), the 9th Pct, and finally the Chief of Patrols Office(Patrol Services Bureau).

During my 20 + years I was able to experine many wonderful events including working Liberty Weekend right out of the Academy, working numerous parades, marathons, conventions, playoff games, World Series, concerts, New Year's Eve in Times Square, and sadly responding to the events of September 11, 2001

9/11 was a sad and tragic day for me and not one of my best experiences. But again, it showcased the heroism of the men and women of our department. It showed to the public what we did each and every day during that event that we can work on a grander scale.

I reached my 20th anniversary in 2006. My father-in-law, who owned a fencing company in Florida, invited me to join the family business. In May 2006, I retired from my dream job and relocated to South Florida. One of my first actions was joining the Broward 10-13 club, which connected me with other fellow officers who shared my similar experiences. This helped me feel more comfortable in a new environment where I knew almost no one and reduced my stress while "Living the Dream in Paradise."

Hope you enjoyed learning a little about my life and dreams. Hope to see you at our next meeting. Tuesday 3/4/25 at the Moose Lodge in Tamarac. I hope to start the meeting at 7 or shortly thereafter. Come earlier so you can get something to eat and drink. If you're new, introduce yourself, we don't bite. We'd all like to meet and hear your story.

The Club will be celebrating St Patrick's Day on Saturday 3/8/25. We will be marching in the Ft. Lauderdale St Patrick's Day Parade along with members of the NYPD Emerald Society Pipe and Drum band. It's always a great time and we hope to have our tent so we can all hang out after marching so we can socialize and enjoy the day's activities.

Fidelis Ad Mortem

Daniel G. Farrell President of the Broward County 10-13 Club

Broward County, Florida MEMBERSHIP DUES

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MEMBERSHIP 2025

Membership dues for 2025 are due. Annual dues are \$40 for renewal Dues for new members \$45 (That includes your annual dues of \$40.00 plus \$5.00 initiation/reinstatement fee).

Note: Current years dues are to be paid by January 31^{st,} 2025.. Members who fail to pay their dues by January 31st shall be dropped from the rolls and forfeit all rights and privileges of membership. NOTE THE \$5 DOLLAR FEE WILL BE WAIVED UNTIL THE MEETING

Any person, who failed to pay by the due date, will be treated as a new member, at the new member enrollment cost of \$45.00

If you are a current member, please simply mail a check for \$40 to the address below. If you are not a member and would like to become a member, please complete the application by clicking the link below and mail to the club at:

NYPD BROWARD 10-13 CLUB INC. P.O. Box 970911 Coconut Creek, FL 33097 Telephone (954) 977-3880

DO NOT MAIL THE DUES TO ANY OTHER ADDRESS EXCEPT THE ABOVE.

You may pay your club dues with Zelle, check, or cash at the meeting. Zelle payments can be sent by our club email, **nypdbroward1013@gmail.com**

You can also download a copy of the application by clicking this link: <u>APPLICATION</u> bring it to our next regular meeting with payment.

All checks shall be made out too: NYPD BROWARD 10-13 CLUB INC.

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KEVIN P MORAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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KEVIN P.MORAN - MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

- Scholarship Applicants must either be the child or grandchild of a member who is in good standing of • the club. If relative is deceased, he/she must have been a member in good standing at the time of his/her death.
- Applicant must be a graduate of High School, senior class of the prior school year.
- Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited College for the upcoming school year •
- Applicant will submit a 250-word essay on "Why they are deserving of the Kevin P. Moran • Memorial Scholarship."
- Certified copy of most recent transcript must be received from the applicant's school. •
- Applicant will submit a list of hours and location of community service served. •

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NYC Mayor Adams new bid to get corruption case tossed alleges misconduct by prosecutors who quit in protest

Mayor Adams moved Wednesday to get <u>his public corruption case</u> permanently dismissed, trying a different tack as a judge considers a highly controversial motion from the Justice Department to throw it out so Adams can aid the Trump administration's hard-line deportation agenda.

In a new motion, Adams' attorneys Alex Spiro and William Burck alleged that "the government's conduct has destroyed whatever presumption of innocence Mayor Adams had left," referring to disclosures by former Interim Manhattan U.S. Attorney Danielle Sassoon, who recently resigned instead of following orders from the Justice Department to abandon the historic prosecution.

Before quitting, Sassoon, a veteran prosecutor and registered Republican, told U.S. Attorney General Pam Bondi in an internal letter that Adams should face more charges for attempting to cover up his crimes from the FBI. She alleged the dismissal deal between Adams and the Trump administration <u>amounted to a "quid pro quo" that would wipe his slate clean</u> in exchange for giving President Trump free rein to carry out deportations in the nation's largest sanctuary city.

Then, one of the lead prosecutors handling the case who resigned shortly after Sassoon, former Assistant U.S. Attorney Hagan Scotten, in his resignation letter said the Justice Department would <u>need to find another "fool" or "coward"</u> to ask the court to discard the case. The dismissal bid prompting the slate of resignations was ultimately filed by <u>Trump's acting No. 2 at</u> <u>the Justice Department, Emil Bove</u>, after Sassoon, Scotten and five other department staffers quit. It was based on a need for Adams to aid the president's crackdown on undocumented immigration unimpeded, among other reasons those who resigned called baseless. The motion maintained the Justice Department's right to revisit the case "without prejudice" after this year's mayoral election — meaning that it could be refiled — sparking concerns Adams would be beholden to Trump's deportation agenda. Adams' attorneys called Scotten's letter "unhinged" and the allegations by Sassoon "wildly inflammatory and false" and said their widely reported correspondence had "turbocharged the prejudice to Mayor Adams."

"Simply put, the government's conduct has destroyed whatever presumption of innocence Mayor Adams had left," they wrote. "The most appropriate recourse is to dismiss this case now and do so with prejudice. That is true based on this latest leak alone and independent of the fact that the government itself wants nothing to do with these meritless charges and has moved to dismiss them."

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The prospect of the case going away temporarily while Adams, in effect, hands Trump the keys to the city has led to calls for the mayor's removal from office and allegations he's sacrificing the city's immigrant communities to save his own skin. Prominent legal scholars and former high-ranking Justice Department officials have asked Manhattan Federal Judge Dale Ho to closely scrutinize the deal.

On Friday, Ho <u>appointed an independent attorney to prepare adversarial arguments in the</u> <u>matter</u> and to research what would happen if he refused to rubber-stamp it after hearing from Bove and Spiro in court, who argued for the same cause.

The Wednesday request from Adams's lawyers asked that the judge move beyond the current legal questions he's grappling with and dismiss the case outright with prejudice, leaving no possibility for it to be brought again in the future.

In the political fallout over the dismissal motion, four of Adams' deputy mayors resigned, and Gov. Hochul, facing pressure to remove him, announced new "ethics guardrails" that would curtail his powers and ramp up oversight of his office.

Adams, 64, <u>has pleaded not guilty to five counts</u>, carrying up to 45 years in prison, alleging he traded his political influence to wealthy foreign businessmen in or with ties to the Turkish government for some 10 years.

The indictment accuses him of soliciting illegal campaign donations from his benefactors, starting around 2018, when he decided to run for mayor, money funneled through U.S. citizens and maximized with taxpayer dollars through the city's public matching funds program. Adams allegedly repaid his debts by pulling strings for his benefactors, including meddling in a Manhattan skyscraper's fire safety regulations to placate Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

During a Wednesday morning appearance on Fox 5, Adams repeated his claim that the Justice Department had been politically "weaponized" under the Biden administration when asked about his new effort to toss the case. He has repeatedly claimed that the case was brought in retaliation for his criticisms of President Joe Biden's handling of the migrant crisis, a position at odds with the fact the feds' criminal probe into his fundraising and relationships with foreign actors began months before he became mayor.

"I think Alex [Spiro] has done a great job of really lifting up what our arguments have been, and the current attorney general has been clear that [the allegations against Adams] were weak at best," the mayor said.

"We knew what happened here when I stood up for New Yorkers, this was the byproduct of that, and we're gonna let the justice system continue its process."

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Trump reverses cuts to 9/11 first responder health program following bipartisan outcry

NEW YORK (WABC) -- Cuts to the federal program that administers aid to September 11th emergency workers and others have been reversed.

Both Democratic Sen. Charles Schumer and Republican Rep. Nicole Malliotakis made the announcement in separate statements Thursday night.

"We just received confirmation from the White House that there will be no cuts to staffing at the World Trade Center Healthcare Program and research grants related to 9/11 illnesses," Malliotakis posted on social media.

The World Trade Center Health Program's 90-member staff was reduced by about 20%, with 16 probationary staff members who oversee and administer the program being fired and others taking buyouts.

The cuts were made beginning late last week as part of Elon Musk's so-called Department of Government Efficiency, or DOGE, cutting spending and eliminating jobs across a wide swath of federal agencies.

Senators Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand fired off a letter Monday, demanding the cuts be restored.

Republicans representing districts in the New York City region joined the dissent Wednesday, in a rare rebuke to the Trump Administration.

The seven House Republicans urged Trump "as a native New Yorker who lived in New York City as it recovered from the 9/11 terrorist attacks" to reverse the cuts to the World Trade Center Health Program and rehire staff members who were fired several days ago.

They said they want to cut government waste, but do it strategically and without "unintended consequences."

The program not only works to help 9/11 first responders, it also covers civilians and surviors.

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NYPD LOWERS COLLEGE REQUIREMNETS AMIID HIRING CRISIS.

NEW YORK CITY (PIX11) – In the wake of a hiring crisis, the NYPD is reducing its college credit requirement and reinstating physical tests for new recruits, <u>Commissioner Jessica</u> <u>Tisch</u> announced Wednesday.

Now, police recruits will only need 24 college credits to enter the Police Academy – down from the previous requirement of 60 credits with a minimum 2.0 GPA. To graduate from CUNY schools, students need to complete 120 college credits.

The previous 60-credit requirement disqualified 29% of NYPD applicants in 2023, Tisch said.

At the same time, the academy will now count for more college credits. Finishing the sixmonth course is equivalent to 45 college credits, up from the previous 36, based on an assessment by the National College Credit Recommendation Service, Tisch said. The department will emphasize its focus on a "physically fit force" by reinstating a running test. Recruits will be required to run 1.5 miles in under 14 minutes and 21 seconds.

The NYPD's uniformed police headcount hit a 20-year high in 2000, reaching 40,285 uniformed members. The force has since dropped to 33,475, according to city data.

Tisch has made it a priority to increase the number of uniformed officers during her tenure, she said.

Emily Rahhal is a digital reporter who has covered New York City since 2023

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ICE arrests irate Haitian gang member, murder and rape suspects in Boston: 'F-k Trump, Biden forever!'

Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers hit the ground running this week, arresting multiple violent offenders in sanctuary cities, including a hostile Haitian alleged gang member with a lengthy rap sheet who said he's "not going back to Haiti" and raged "F-k Trump, Biden forever!"

ICE officers in Boston made eight noteworthy arrests, including multiple MS-13 gang members, murder and rape suspects and the Haitian alleged gang member, with at least 17 recent convictions, according to Fox News, who rode along with ICE for the arrests. There was also at least one "collateral" arrest where ICE took an illegal immigrant who wasn't their initial target into custody, with the arrest in Boston being of an MS-13 gang member who had been released by the sanctuary city on Tuesday. As ICE Boston was arresting one illegal immigrant, Fox News reported hearing a woman yell out "thank you!" to the agents.

Some of the arrests were also <u>Red Notices</u>, fulfilling requests from other law enforcement agencies to find and arrest a suspect. Border Czar Tom Homan warned collateral arrests would be commonplace, especially in sanctuary cities.

"When we find the bad guy, there's probably others. Others that are in the United States illegally. They may not be a criminal priority but we're not walking away from them," he said. The arrests come as Trump's administration quickly moves to launch the mass deportation operation he vowed to fulfill during his presidency — a stark shift from former President Joe Biden's border policies that welcomed some 8 million people in the US illegally. On Tuesday, Trump's first full day in office, federal officials <u>nabbed more than 300 illegal migrant</u> criminals in Boston, Denver, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Seattle Washington, DC, and Miami to hold them for deportation, administration officials said. This week's deportations are just the start of what Homan has promised will be a renewed effort to boot 700,000 illegal migrants who have committed crimes from the US — meaning sanctuary cities will not be spared. Earlier this week, Homan said ICE officers have a "target sheet" of migrants with criminal records who they're looking to arrest and deport. The Trump Administration is taking strict measures to seal off the southern border from illegal entries. Border Patrol officers have now been blocked from releasing illegal migrants into the country, Homeland Security sources told The Post Meanwhile, Trump is also preparing to send 10,000 troops to the border as part of his order for the US military to secure the nation's borders.

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City retirees win in court again, as Adams vows to press on

The court ruling is another blow to Mayor Eric Adams and municipal union leaders who want to move retired city workers onto privately-managed health insurance plans. The retired New York City civil servants fighting to keep their traditional Medicare won their biggest court battle yet thanks to a ruling by the state's highest court on Tuesday. In its unanimous decision, the state Court of Appeals ruled that the "City must pay – up to the statutory cap – for each health insurance plan that it offers employees and retirees." The court ruling blocks the city's plan to stop paying for retirees' traditional Medicare coverage in order to force them onto a Medicare Advantage plan managed by private insurer Aetna.

The decision represents a major blow to both Mayor Eric Adams and leaders of municipal unions, who have backed the switch to Aetna's Medicare Advantage plans despite vocal opposition from retired city workers.

During former Mayor Bill de Blasio's administration, the Municipal Labor Committee – dominated by the city's largest public unions, including the United Federation of Teachers, DC 37 and Teamsters 237 – signed off on a plan to migrate the city's 250,000 retired civil servants onto a Medicare Advantage Plan. Its boosters said the switch would save the city \$600 million a year – though retirees dispute that number – and the windfall would be used to fund raises for active workers. In effect, this pitted the interests of the active workforce against retirees.

In response, a group of retirees sued the city to try to stop the plan. They have since won a number of legal victories.

"The City's plan to defund retiree healthcare has now been analyzed by 13 different judges across all three levels of the state judiciary. Every single judge – all 13 of them – have concluded that the City's plan is unlawful," said Marianne Pizzitola, a retired FDNY EMT and the president of the NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees. "We once again call on the City and the Municipal Labor Committee to end their ruthless and unlawful campaign to deprive retired municipal workers of the healthcare benefits they earned."

Not giving up

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Despite this latest legal setback, the Adams administration has no plans to give up on its strategy to force retired city workers off of Medicare and onto privately-managed Medicare Advantage plans. In a statement, City Hall Deputy Press Secretary Liz Garcia pointed to related litigation that is still pending.

"While we are disappointed in the court's decision today, we will continue to pursue the Medicare Advantage plan – which would improve upon retirees' current health plan and save hundreds of millions of dollars annually – and await the court's next decision in the coming year," Garcia said. There are actually two remaining cases, one concerning millions of dollars in copays paid by city retirees that they are looking to recover and a second challenging the Adams administration's attempt to narrow retirees' options for health care, which would leave them with no choice but to switch to the new Medicare Advantage plans. Adams wasn't always a supporter of Medicare Advantage. As a candidate for mayor in 2021, Adams said that he was "really troubled" by the de Blasio administration's plan to switch retirees onto Medicare Advantage.

"When you start talking about cuts in health care, they're my cuts," Adams said at a campaign event in the Bronx, according to the <u>Daily News</u>. "I know what people are going through, and so we're going to take a close examination of this because it's going to traumatize our retirees. Some of the stories I'm hearing about increases in payments, you're on a fixed income – this is devastating."

Once he became mayor, though, Adams changed his tune. In February 2022, he announced his support for the switch to Medicare Advantage, which he said was "the product of many months of negotiations between the city and the Municipal Labor Committee" and would provide "new and enhanced benefits" to retirees.

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MEDICARE ENROLLMENT

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Information and Update: \$15 copays to resume January 1, 2025 for the Emblem Health-GHI portion of the GHI/Anthem Senior Care Plan

Senior Care members—As you may know, \$15 copays for the EmblemHealth-GHI portion of the GHI/Anthem Senior Care Plan were previously suspended by court order. Now, in accordance with a more recent court order, \$15 copays will resume on January 1, 2025.

Senior Care members will receive a new ID card before January 1, 2025.

As of January 1, 2025, Senior Care members will be required to pay a \$15 copayment each time they use the health services listed below:

- Primary Care Physician Office Visits: \$15 Copayment
- Specialist Office Visit: \$15 Copayment
- Allergy testing/injections: \$15 Copayment
- X-rays: \$15 Copayment
- Laboratory tests: \$15 Copayment
- Complex diagnostic and radiology services: \$15 Copayment
- Radiation therapy: \$15 Copayment
- Urgent Care Services: \$15 Copayment
- Emergency Care (Professional Component): \$15 Copayment
- Mental Health Care (Outpatient): \$15 Copayment
- Substance Use Disorder Services (Outpatient): \$15 Copayment
- Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy: \$15 Copayment
- Cardiac Rehabilitation: \$15 Copayment
- Pulmonary Rehabilitation: \$15 Copayment
- Chiropractic Care: \$15 Copayment
- Podiatry Care: \$15 Copayment
- Vision Care: \$15 Copayment

If a Senior Care member uses multiple health services subject to a \$15 copay, the copay is limited to one copay of \$15 per provider per date of service.

Please note, that Senior Care members are responsible for the annual Medicare Part B deductible and \$50 GHI Senior Care deductible.

For questions, please call the EmblemHealth Customer Service phone number on the Senior Care member ID card.

See letter from EmblemHealth: <u>\$15 Copay Letter</u>

Visit the <u>Plans & Rates</u> page of the Health Benefits Program wesbite to review other City's health plan options for Medicare eligible retirees and their Medicare eligible dependents.

CLICK HERE NYC OFFICE OF LABOR RELATIONS HEALTH BENEFITS FOR RETIREES

NYC Health Benefits Program 40 Rector Street - 3rd Floor New York, NY 10006

Coverage for those not eligible for Medicare Part A can be provided under certain health plans. Under this non-Medicare eligible coverage, you continue to receive the same hospital benefits as persons not yet age 65.

If you are living outside the USA or its territories, Medicare benefits are not available. Under this non-Medicare eligible coverage, you continue to receive the same hospital and/or medical benefits as persons not yet age 65. If you do not join and/or do not continue to pay for Medicare Part B however, you will be subject to penalties if you return to the USA and attempt to enroll.

If you are eligible for Medicare Part B as a retiree but did not file with Social Security during their enrollment period (January through March) or prior to your 65th birthday, you will receive supplemental medical coverage only, and only through GHI/EBCBS Senior Care.

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Medicare Enrollment

You must notify the Health Benefits Program in writing immediately upon receipt of your or your dependent's Medicare card. Include the following information: a copy of the Medicare card and birth dates for yourself and spouse, retirement date, pension number and pension system, name of health plan, and name of union welfare fund.

If your plan does not provide coverage for Medicare enrollees, you will have the opportunity to transfer to another plan that does.

Once the Health Benefits Program is notified that you are covered by Medicare, deductions from your pension check will be adjusted, if applicable. The Health Benefits Program will then notify your health plan that you are enrolled in Medicare so that your benefits can be adjusted. If you are Medicare-eligible and are enrolling in an HMO you must complete an additional application which you must obtain directly from the HMO.

Medicare and Retiring Employees

At retirement, employees who have chosen Medicare as their primary plan or whose dependents have not been covered on their plan because their spouse/domestic partner elected Medicare as the primary plan may re-enroll in the city health benefits program. This is done by completing a Health Benefits Application and submitting it to their agency health benefits, payroll, or personnel office. Also at retirement, Medicare-eligible employees for whom the City Health Benefits Program had provided primary coverage are permitted to change health plans effective on the same date as their retiree health coverage

The necessary forms for Medicare Part B reimbursement and IRMAA can be found by clicking the link below.

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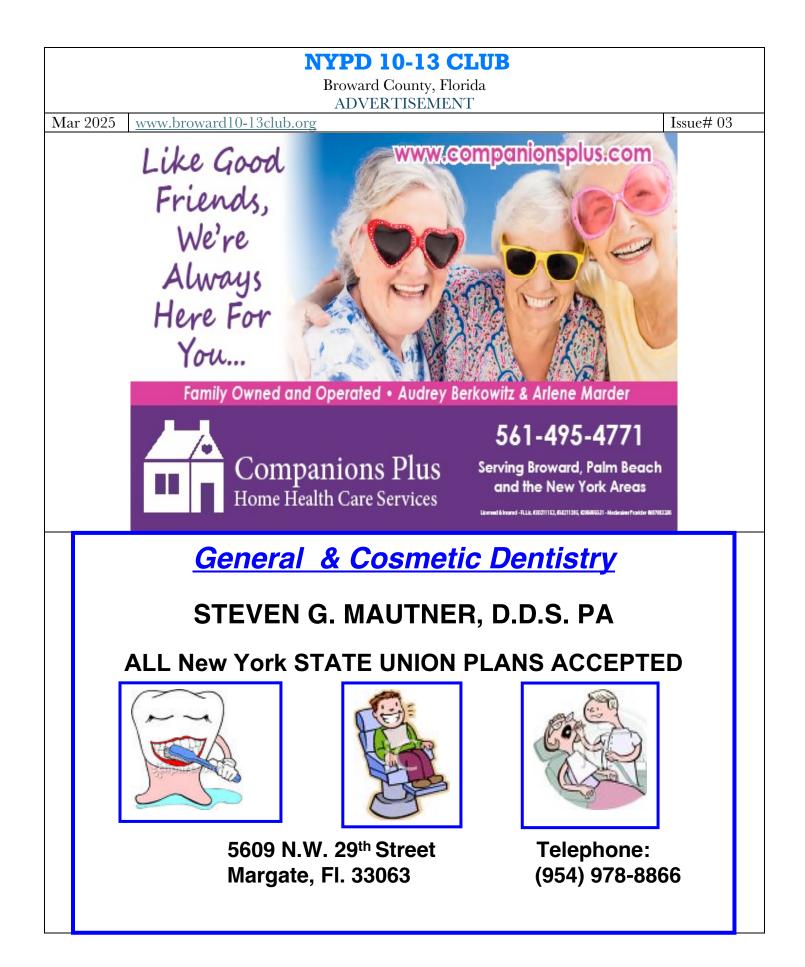
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