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**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

Dear Members,

Our 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Dance is just 7 weeks away. It will be held on Sat. June 23, 2018 at Leonard’s Palazzo located at 555 Northern Blvd, Great Neck, NY 11201. Please be aware that this year’s affair will be held on Saturday evening at 6pm and not on Friday as we usually do. This new day and time was made to encourage our members to attend this important event. We especially hope to see our former Honorees in attendance to support The Columbia Association at this time of the year. I look forward to hearing from you.

I’m sure our members & friends have taken notice that The Columbia Association has the least expensive ticket price for any of our affairs! It’s only \$95 for our Annual Dinner Dance that is being held on a Sat. night. Other organizations are charging \$125 - \$150 a person for a week day affair.

We are asking our members & friends to support us in our endeavors by attending our functions.

**70<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL DINNER DANCE.....**to be held at Leonard’s Palazzo located at 555 Northern Blvd, Great Neck, NY 11201. The Honorees for this year’s event are:

**Louis Carducci, Jr:** Assistant Director Border Security New York Field Office  
**Michael S. Limb:** Executive Chairman Asian American Council

Cocktail Hour – 6pm to 7pm Dinner & Dancing – 7pm to 11pm Donations - \$95 per person

Please make checks payable to The Columbia Association of U.S. Customs.

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For further info please call Phil Maddalena at 516-791-2958 or email philmaddalena@hotmail.com.

**RETIREEES.....**CBPO JFK – **John Cook, Tom White, Richard Quan, Gil Abrams, Bob Felt, Bob Cicero.** SUPV CBPO JFK – **James Dennington, Juan Cancino.** ENTRY SPEC JFK – **Rosadine Jasper & Maria Ramirez.** CBP TECH JFK – **Mike Simmons & Maria Golja.** **Frank Festa** of FJC Security. **Janet Orla** (CBPO) ret 1/2018. **Wayne Biondi** (retired as Port Director) Dulles International Airport. **Bob Olthoff**, Trade Compliance Program Officer (HQ – reporting to JFK).

**DECEASED.....****Jimmy Collado** (CBPO JFK) passed away 1/3/18...**Joe Rau** (ret Director Regulatory Audit JFK) passed away Jan 14, 2018. Joe was a Lifetime Member of The Columbia Association and a true friend, especially to me in my duties as the President. He was always available to help me with our financial questions and assisted The Columbia Association in acquiring our tax ID number. God Bless you Joe and thank you for being a great friend. I miss you pal!...**Teresa LoBello**, Mother of **Russ LoBello** (Deputy Chief NWK) passed away at 89 years young on Jan 8, 2018...If it wasn’t for Facebook, I wouldn’t have known that **Chris Pacifico**, the father of **Pat Pacifico** (former President of The Columbia Association & Special Agent Deceased) and **Paulette Pacifico** (ret CBPO JFK) passed away Jan 18. I know Paulette adored her Dad & visited him regularly in FL where he resided with Paulette’s sister...**Ralph Vacchiano, Sr** (NWK) passed away on 12/31/17...**Pia Casquarelli** (ret Exec Secty JFK) passed away on 3/23/18. Pia battled Alzheimer disease for a number of years. She was a joy to know. I miss you beautiful...**Ruth Knight Norwood** (ret Insp JFK) passed away recently. Please pray for all our deceased. God Bless all.

**CHATTER....** **Norman Finfer** (ret Imp Spec JFK) returned from FL vacation golf with **Bob Rainer** (ret Supv JFK)...**Linda Vercillo** (ret Insp FL) moved to Ormond Beach, FL...happy to hear from **Pat Kenneally** (CBPO JFK). Pat wrote to say he lost his Columbia Association membership card in a house fire in 2015 and would like a replacement. "The prettiest card out there", his words. Will do Pat!...**Eddie Klein** (ret NISA NYC) on a Caribbean Cruise to celebrate his recovery from his hip replacement. Very happy to hear from **Keturah Holley** (Imp Spec), my old friend from Bldg #80 JFK. Keturah emailed me to compliment my picture in our Feb Newsletter. I can't repeat what she said about me. (I would blush!!)...I enjoy sending our Newsletter to our Broker friends & enjoy their replies. **Joe Cozza!!** Thanks for the compliment of our last Newsletter...**Jerry Monaco** (ret Asst Director JFK) also send his congrats on the Newsletter...talked to **Jack Russo** (ret Sr Insp NWK). Jack's doing well! He works as a Checker of the Docks & also promoting Doo Wop Shows in NJ...**Luccio Ricci** (ret Reg Audit) sends greetings to all his friends at Customs & Homeland Security. He has retired as a teacher in NJ and is now looking for other activities for the future. Thanks for your dues Lucci...Did you know that the old TWA Terminal at JFK is now a World Class Hotel? It is slated to officially open in 2019. It will be called the TWA Hotel Futuristic TWA Flight Center. The builders state that the lobby will be the largest Hotel lobby in the World!! I gotta see that!...looking for a job at JFK? Go online at WWW.Airportstaffer.com. Minimum pay is \$19 per hour. No one asked but JFK employs over 50,000 employees...**Dom Calise** (ret Dep Chief NWK) celebrated his son **Dom Calise Jr's** wedding to **Jessica Savarese** on Apr 22, 2018. **Dom & wife, Joann** also celebrated 34 years of marriage on Apr 28...**Sal Calise** (CBP OIT JFK) the brother of Dom, has also been busy. In Feb Sal was made Acting Field Technology Supv for the Office of Information Technology in JFK Airport. In March he was unanimously elected President of The Bergen Beach Brooklyn Civic Association. All this while serving as Trustee in his St. Bernard's KofC Council. Bravo and Good Luck, Pal!...**All replies to the Newsletter are welcome.**

Fraternally,

*Phil*

Philip Maddalena  
President



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**70<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner & Dance**

**Saturday, June 23, 2018**

*honoring*

**Louis A. Carducci, Jr.**

Assistant Director, Border Security  
New York Field Office

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**Michael S. Limb**

Executive Chairman  
Asian American Council

**Man of the Year**

To be held at:

**Leonard's Palazzo**

555 Northern Boulevard  
Great Neck, NY 11201  
516-487-7900



Cocktail Hour 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Dinner & Dancing 7:00pm – 11:00pm

**Donations: \$95.00 per person**

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