



Hector J. Grazio, Jr., Chairman

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**2021 DUES:** New membership cards and window decals have been sent to all who have sent in their dues payments. If you have mailed in your dues and have not received your membership card and decal, call RTA immediately. If you have not sent in your dues, **now** would be a good time. There is no deadline or penalty for renewing after December, but please send your dues in as soon as possible. If you have a personal or financial situation, please contact RTA and accommodations can be arranged. I want to thank and welcome back all those former members who have rejoined. Those former members who may want to rejoin, there is no penalty fee. Just pay \$250 and you will be reinstated as a member in good standing.

**ANNUAL FLORIDA BRUNCH:**

Due to Covid-19 the 2020 Brunch was cancelled. This year, I will not be going to Florida due to Health issues with my wife. I would suggest if anyone wanted to have a informal luncheon, I would recommend The Cypress Woods Golf course, 3525 Northbrooke Drive, Naples, FL. The cost is approximately \$30 per person.

**\*\*\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*\*\*** There is a **dress code** at this Club. **NO** Jeans, tee shirts or cargo pants or cargo shorts. **Dress Shorts are acceptable and shirts must have a collar and tucked in.**

**RTA WEBSITE REMINDER:**

RTA Member Jim Tzitzon is the Website Manager and he constantly updates the site as needed. Please tell retired troopers who do not belong to the RTA about the website. Jim keeps current with events, and most death notices. If you have not checked it out, do so, I am sure you will be impressed. Website: [www.msp-rta.org](http://www.msp-rta.org).

**NOTE:** If anyone tries to contact me in an emergency and I am not available, Contact Jim Tzitzon @ 978-771-7937(cell) and leave a message. He more than likely will be able to help you. If he cannot solve your problem, he will contact me and I will get back to you ASAP.

## **HR-218 Qualifications**

The annual qualifications will be held on Wednesday May 5, 2021 and Wednesday June 16, 2021. Qualifications will be held at the Lowell Sportsmen's Club in North Chelmsford, MA. Further information time and cost will be posted in the April newsletter.

**This is for RTA members only.**

## **NEWSLETTER SENT ELECTRONICALLY**

In the December 2020 Newsletter we stated a/o the February 2021 Newsletter we were going to send the Newsletter via Email. If you have not sent RTA your Email address please do it ASAP.

**There were numerous calls from members who do not have Email.** We assured them that they would receive their newsletter via US Mail !!!! By having the majority of our members on Email, we are able to communicate with them immediately on issues that require immediate attention. I.E. Regulation Changes to Police policies. Etc.

**As I have said in the past, there is "Strength in numbers" If we are going to be successful, we need everyone on board. The more members the RTA has, the better bargaining position we will be in.**

Respectfully,

Hector Grazio, Chairman