January, 2019

December marked the passing of an era of sorts in Little Silver. Former Councilman Loren Rabon passed away. Mr. Rabon, a former U.S. Marine, served his town and community in many other capacities as well, and will be missed. We extend our condolences to his family, especially to his wife, Linda, who still lives here in town.

In addition, councilman David Gilmour's 17-year tenure on the governing body came to an end in December. Mr. Gilmour served as council presidents and as liaison to every committee, commission and board during his time on the council. A passionate defender of the taxpayer, Mr. Gilmour could be counted on to deliver an informed opinion without bias or animus, and will be sorely missed. We will continue to call on his experience and expertise, and Mr. Gilmour will continue to serve on the Fire Police.

Both Mr. Gilmour and Sgt. Martin Scherzinger were honored at the December 17 council meeting. Officer Marty retired in December after spending 29 years on the LSPD - his entire career. Through his leadership in the DARE (now LEAD) program in our schools, Officer Marty was known to every student and highly respected for his ability to help educate them about the dangers of drugs, alcohol and violence.

In 2013, Sergeant Scherzinger was selected as New Jersey's top DARE officer, nominated for his willingness to go beyond the classroom instruction, including his many years accompanying the 7th grade class on its Camp Bernie trips. If you see Officer Marty or Councilman Gilmour around town, please thank them for their years of service, and for helping to make the borough the wonderful place it is.