



March 3, 2006

James J. Binns, Esquire  
925 Harvest Drive  
Blue Bell, PA 19422

Dear Mr. Binns:

I am in receipt of your letter of February 15 regarding the Hero Scholarship Fund.

The reason for our discontinuance of the show is that it was originally established in 1954 as a city function and operation. Since 1994 we have been forced to operate the show simply because there was no city backing. Hence, we have been operating as a "one man Director of Operations."

Further, we cannot continue to lay out the money necessary to fund the show each year by becoming the producers as well. Therefore, it was decided to continue fund raising through other sources in order to continue our mission; that of providing college scholarships for the children of police officers and firefighters killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty.

The Fund continues to be operated by a Board consisting of the executive and scholarship committees as described in my letter to the directors as of January 22, 2006.

In accordance with your request, we will have a copy of our financial statement prepared by Heffler, Radetich & Saitta sent to you.

On a personal note, I have been associated with the Fund since 1962 and president since 1994.

Our Board would be happy to work with responsible agencies dedicated to the welfare of police officers and firefighters, as we continue to be and in accordance with our by-laws.

I trust this gives you background on the Fund and our Board.

Very truly yours,

  
Ruth A. Sliwinski  
President

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