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County Commanders Final Report

Many thanks to all of you, in this my last week as your County Commander. Without your help, cooperation and participation this year would not have been the success that it was. We filled rooms as we celebrated Installations, Law and Order nights, 92nd Year Post Anniversaries, Oratorical Sessions, County, Department and National functions. We raised money, gathered material goods and donated our time and energies to take care of Veterans, their families and our children and youth. The only thing we did not do well was retaining our membership, a disappointment to be worked on in the coming years.

I would also like to thank all of you for the courtesies that you showed to the county staff and our spouses. And finally, thanks to you for all your prayers as I was recovering from my illness.

Ned Johnson, Commander

1ST DIVISION COMMANDER

Gus Lanzo 678-3392

MY CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO STEPPED UP TO RUN FOR COUNTY OFFICE. I KNOW WE CAN GET BACK ON TRACK. I'M ONLY SORRY I CAN'T BE A PART OF THE PROGRAM DUE TO A HEALTH PROBLEM.

MY THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED AND SUPPORTED THE FIRST DIVISION WHILE I WAS YOUR VICE COMMANDER. IT WAS TRULY AN HONOR TO WORK FOR ALL VETERANS WITH YOUR HELP AND BE A PART OF THE TEAM. WE ACCOMPLISHED MUCH AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO A LOT MORE WITH YOUR HELP.

SUPPORT YOUR NEW DIVISION COMMANDER AND LET'S GET THAT MEMBERSHIP BACK UP TO 100% FOR ALL POSTS.

2ND DIVISION COMMANDER

Lincoln Parsons, Commander-378-7607

I wish to thank everyone that helped me get through this past year, without your help I could not have completed a well done job.

It was a pleasure visiting the Post's and meeting so many dedicated Legionnaires and their families, they made me feel very welcome.

I wish to thank all of you for your cards, phone calls, visits and prayers during my recent illness. I am on the road to recovery and I look forward to again being a part of the County Staff.

To those moving up and those who stepped up to fill the open positions, I wish you all the best of luck and any help I can give.

My special thanks to all those in the Second Division, it was a pleasure to serve as your Commander.

THIRD DIVISION COMMANDER

James Barton - 484-4471

This will be my last report as Third Division Commander. The past 2 years have been a great experience, and the visitations, installations and Post dinners were always enjoyable.

I will miss working with the County representatives I have had the pleasure of working with these past 2 years. I will be working closely with your incoming Third Division Commander, Ms. Louise McCann. I hope to see a strong showing of support for Louise, as I am sure she will be an outstanding Division Commander. Thank you to all for your support.

Membership Officer's Report

Joe Reale

There are still seven weeks to go before our Department Convention, and that leaves plenty of time to get those last minute renewals, reinstatements, transfers, delinquents and New Members into the Largest Wartime Veterans organization...OUR AMERICAN LEGION.

Twenty-two Posts are within ten or less to reach one hundred percent. Fifteen Posts need between ten and twenty to reach the same 100%. If we could accomplish this, in the next few weeks, we would have forty-six out of a possible 54 Posts at 100%.

We only have a few weeks to turn around this situation, but it is not an impossible case. It will require the work of all the Post Commanders, Membership Officers, and each individual to make this happen.

WINAL REPORT

Arlene Howard, PCC

Remember Women Veterans are eligible for the same VA benefits as male veterans so make sure you contact the VA and register for your benefits especially your health care benefits.

If you need to replace your military records, use Standard Form 180, Request Pertaining to Military Records. You may get this form at a VA regional office or from the website www.va.gov/forms.

NASSAU COUNTY DIRECTORY

Ken Cadieux, PCC

We are getting ready to do the mailing of the "Directory White Sheet". The information on this sheet is used to produce the Nassau Legion Directory.

Please fill out the form as soon as possible and mail back to me. If we do not receive the information your Post will not be listed in the new directory. Kindly PRINT the information as some letter are hard to make out and that's how errors are made.

The DEADLINE for the information requested will be AUGUST 15 TH. With a target date to have the Directories for the August Meeting of the County . If you do not receive a form contact me at 536-3796.

SUPPORT FOR TROOPS ON ACTIVE DUTY

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

Since the County Meeting in April 2010, I shipped out only one package. I will be shipping out approximate 10 boxes next week. The program Books for Soldiers did not have any activity this month but the women setting up the packages for shipping has about 15 boxes ready for next week. My total shipping next week will be about 20 to 25 boxes.20 packages. If you know someone over in Iraq or Afghanistan please provide me their address. A lot of the names I now have are coming home so new names would be appreciated. Last meeting I was forward 5 names and they will be getting boxes soon.

Commander Johnson, I thank you for this appointment.

CELL PHONE COLLECTION PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

I shipped out 3 boxes of phones and accessories which totalled approx 130 cell phones. I am awaiting word from the recycling center to see what their value is. I picked up phones from Nassau Cty Veterans Service Agency and will be going to the Town of Hempstead (Town Hall and Levittown Hall) to pick up what they have. I need 50 phones to make a shipment. The money we receive is split between the Legacy Memorial Scholarship and the NEF. Keep collecting cell phones and bring the cell phones to the county meeting or if you have a large amount I will come to you to get them. A large amount is 25 or more, make it worthwhile for me to drive to where ever you may be. Your other option is to drop them off at my home.

Commander Johnson, I thank you for this appointment

LAW & ORDER

Lincoln Parsons, Chairman

I wish to thank all of the Post's who held Law & Order Programs. I was fortunate enough to be able to attend most of them. This is a great program and it is a way of thanking our hard working Law Enforcement Officers. I hope that next year more Post's will participate.



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COUNTY MEETINGS

All Advisory Meetings will be held on Friday's at 7:15 pm. followed by the County Meeting at 8 PM at the Hempstead Post #390 160 Marvin Avenue, Hempstead, NY 11550 486-9532

MEETING SCHEDULE

2010

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| Friday | July | 23 | Executive |
| Friday | August | 27 | Executive |
| Friday | September | 24 | General |
| Friday | October | 22 | Executive |
| Friday | November | 19 | Executive |
| Friday | December | 17 | General |

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| Friday | January | 28 | Executive |
| Friday | February | 25 | Executive |
| Friday | March | 25 | General |
| Friday | April | 29 | Executive |
| Friday | May | 27 | Executive |

The Meeting in June will be the Nassau County Convention at Levittown Hall in Hicksville, June 3 & 4

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED

Other Important Dates

2011

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| JAN | 20-23 | MIDWINTER CONFERENCE ALBANY |
| JULY | 13-17 | DEPARTMENT CONVENTION, BINGHAMTON |

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR
SAVE THESE
DATES !**



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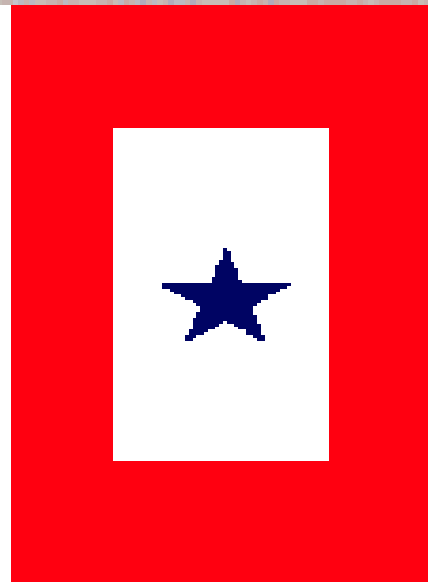
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TO ALL WHO HAVE STEPPED FORWARD TO FILL THE COMMITTEE POSITIONS FOR THE 2010-2011 YEAR.



REMEMBER OUR TROOPS

**“HOMELAND SECURITY”
REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC CHAIRMAN**

Each Month I stand up here and read off about steps to take during disasters and terrorist attacks. I end my report with “IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING”. A very good example of this is the aborted attack in Times Square. Two street vendors saw something and said something, their alertness helped abort a possible disaster. The terrorist was clumsy and failed but the two vendors alerted the police to help clear the area and eventually catch the terrorist. Both these vendors were Veterans of the Vietnam War and one belongs to the American Legion. So, as I say in every report, “IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING”.

Commander Johnson, I thank you for this appointment.

**BOYS STATE PROGRAM
REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC**

There are 51 boys going to Boys State this year. They will depart on Sunday 27 June 2010 at 6 A.M. (start signing in at 5 A.M.) and return on 2 July 2010 at about 2 P.M. The bus will leave and return to the Williston Post #144. On June 10, 2010 there will be an orientation at the Williston post #144 at 8 P.M. Post Commanders and Boys State Chairmen are invited. There will be group picture taken of the boys and they should get their copy by the time the bus departs. I want to thank all the Posts that stepped up and sponsored boys, this has been the largest group we have sent to date. I want to thank Commander Johnson for the appointment.

LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP FUND REPORT

Arlene Howard, PCC Chairman

If you remember I mention last year about putting a box on the table at your meetings so that your members can drop in their \$1.00 or whatever contribution they would like to make to the Legacy Scholarship Fund? If you did so your Post should have a nice donation to make to the Legacy Fund.

You can send your donations in a Post check made out to the Nassau County Committee earmarked Legacy Scholarship Fund to Arlene Howard 42 Jersey Street, Hicksville NY 11801-2435.

On behalf of the children of those in our Armed Forces who were killed after 9/11. I thank you.

LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR

JOSEPH P. SLATTERY, Jr. PCC, CHAIRMAN

Our Legionnaire of the year Program continues to build on the Post Program This years candidates continue to be outstanding. Our dedicated Legionnaires in their home communities have done so much.

To all Post Legionnaires of the year 2009-2010.. We thank you for your dedication and service. Your family, friends and Post are very proud of you. Everyone nominated could have been chosen. The judges had another tough time selecting only one of you. All of the Post Legionnaires of the year are invited the Saturday Session of the Convention, one of you will be announced and presented with the distinguished title - “Nassau County Legionnaire of The Year” 2009 - 2010.

The Commander will make that presentation to you.

All Past County Legionnaires of The Year will be asked to participate in your Honor. It is important that you attend the Convention Presentation.

Start your Post Program in July so that you have a candidate in next years program. Remember -
-- YOU NEED TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT !

The Posts that participated this year are:

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| MALVERNE POST | 44 |
| WILLISTON POST | 144 |
| CHARLES A. FOWLER | 160 |
| BALDWIN | 246 |
| FLORAL PARK | 334 |
| CHARLES WAGNER | 421 |
| ELMONT | 1033 |
| MASSAPEQUA | 1066 |
| CATHEDRAL | 1087 |
| EDWIN WELCH, JR. | 1132 |
| OCEANSIDE MEMORIAL | 1246 |
| MERRICK | 1282 |
| WANTAGH | 1273 |
| NORTH BELLMORE | 1749 |
| PLAINVIEW | 1812 |

SEE YOU AT THE CONVENTION

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PAST COUNTY COMMANDER
ROBERT "TOM" RIORDAN HONORED

AT A CEREMONY IN ALBANY ON TUESDAY JUNE 1, 2010 PAST COMMANDER RIORDAN WAS INDUCTED TO THE NEW YORK STATE SENATE'S "VETERANS HALL OF FAME ALONG WITH OTHER HONOREES FROM AROUND NEW YORK STATE. HE WAS SPONSORED BY SENATOR FUCHILLO FOR THIS HONOR FOR HIS WORK WITH VETERANS.



OR CURRENT RESIDENT

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| June | 4 | COUNTY CONVENTION LEVITTOWN HALL - 8 PM |
| | 5 | COUNTY CONVENTION RESUMES 9 AM - ELECTION OF OFFICERS |
| | 5 | INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS - WILLISTON POST 144 |
| | 6 | D - DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG |
| | 10 | BOYS STATE ORIENTATION MEETING WILLISTON POST 8 PM |
| | 14 | FLAG DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG |
| | 20 | FATHERS DAY - REMEMBER DAD ! |
| | 21 | SUMMER BEGINS |
| | 26 | NEW NAMES BEING ADDED - WALLS OF HONOR - EISENHOWER PARK 10 AM. |
| | 27 | BOYS STATERS LEAVE WILLISTON POST 144 AT 6 AM ! |
| July | 2 | BOYS STATERS RETURN TO WILLISTON POST APPROX. 2 PM |
| | 4 | INDEPENDENCE DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG ! |
| | 23 | COUNTY MEETINGS AT HEMPSTEAD POST ADVISORY 7:15 PM |
| | | COUNTY MEETING 8 pm |

EDITORS NOTE: WE HAVE BEEN GETTING GOOD PRESS COVERAGE LATELY AND WE SHOULD KEEP IT UP. LET'S GET MORE OF WHAT WE DO FOR VETERANS INTO THE PRESS SO THAT THE PUBLIC WILL KNOW THAT WE ARE STILL AROUND AND ACTIVE.

THE WEB SITE IS BEING UP DATED AND WILL HAVE A LOT MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO ALL VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES - REMEMBER TO VISIT IT AND GIVE ME YOUR COMMENTS. nassaulegion.org