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COUNTY COMMANDERS REPORT

WILLIAM HARMS, COMMANDER

The Mid-Winter conference, is now behind us. The "Hospitality" room, was run by all three Counties and the 10th Division. My thanks go out to the "Nassau Bartenders", Frank Colon, Ned Johnson and Ed Aulman, and to all those who assisted in making it a great time for all that attended. It was nice to see the Division and the Counties working hand—in-hand, to make it the success that it was.

THE "FOUR CHAPLAINS" ceremony held February 3rd, at the Temple Judea of Manhasset, was another success, with standing room only. A surprise guest was a survivor of the Dorchester and also a relative of Chaplain Goode. Many thanks go to Chaplain Bob Pachas and Judge Advocate Bill Baxter, PCC, for all their work, and to Ken Cadieux for putting the program together. Lest I forget the County and Auxiliary Color Guards for their participation.

The next important meeting, will be "Hill Day". A chance, for those going to meet and express their thoughts, as to what is happening in our State and communities, to our elected officials. If you have the opportunity to go, please do so.

As you are all aware, the County meeting for February, was cancelled due to the weather conditions. Hope to see everyone at the next meeting in March.

Membership is coming in slowly, with six (6) Posts at or above 100%, however there are eleven (11) Posts that are below 85%. Currently we are short 780 members for the County to obtain 100%. Let's go out after the members that haven't paid. Remember they are delinquent!! "LET'S MAKE NASSAU GREAT IN 2007-2008!"

FIRST DIVISION REPORT

GUS LANZO, COMMANDER

We held our Division Meeting in February and I was disappointed in the turn out. We had a good discussion and muck good information was offered by the attendees. Get your membership up to date and contact

those late payers. The First Division is only 295 away from 100%. We can do it with your help. If your Post needs any help please contact me at 678-3392.

SECOND DIVISION REPORT

ANY BOOTH, COMMANDER - 731-6421

The Second Division is at 90.1 % and currently in third place in the county. We still need 225 more renewals to make 100%. I know that we can do it if we put a little extra effort into it. Congratulations to the Hempstead Post for getting over 100%.

The 2nd division caucus to nominate candidates for county office for 2008-2009 will be held at the Levittown Post on Wednesday, April 9, 2008 at 8 PM. Mark your calendars and be sure to send your post delegates.

We still have nine posts in the division who have not paid for their PUFL's. Get the money into the County Treasurer. \$1.00 per PUFL on your roster.

THIRD DIVISION REPORT

Joe Glovack, Commander

Attention:

Change in the date of Third Division Caucus!! It will be held on Wednesday night, APRIL 2, 2008 @ 8 P.M., Plainview Post 1812(Upstairs).

Please have your nominations ready!! We had a really good showing for our Division Meeting—on Membership, held on Jan. 23, 2008. It was a nice and pleasant evening and we had some interesting discussions. At the time of the meeting our 3rd Div. was leading the county in membership renewals. Bravo to You All!!

Let me take this opportunity to wish all Posts in the County a very Happy Passover and Easter. And don't forget on Monday, March 17th, we are all IRISH!!!

Best wishes, Joe O' Glovack.

IN GOD WE STILL TRUST!! & WE ARE ONE NATION UNDER GOD!!

CHILDREN and YOUTH REPORT

At this time I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Post that made their donation for the Easter Party during the month of February, they are: Edwin Welch Jr. 1132, Lynbrook Post 335, Malvern Post 44, Cathedral Post 1087, Floral Park Post 334, Archie McCord Post 86, Carle Place Post 1718, Howard A. Van Wagner Post 962, Nassau Police Post 1050 and Quentin Roosevelt Post 4.

I thank you very much and I assure you that your monetary gift is greatly appreciated and will go along way, toward making this year's Easter Party successful.

Ladies and Gentlemen, time is running out and I still need help from the Posts that have not given. Please make your checks payable to the American Legion Nassau County Committee, Earmarked Children and Youth, mail to me Willibe Wilson 37 Continental Place Glen Cove, N.Y. 11342-2948.

Time and place for the Easter Party is March 29th at 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Glen Cove Boys & Girls Club, 113 Glen Cove Avenue Glen Cove.

I received two Children & Youth Forms for the County Awards. One of the questions on the form is did you submit a report to the department and in parenthesis 1 have (Con. Form) which I should have stated that it stands for Consolidated Post Report Form, which we haven't received yet. I discarded the two envelopes before I coded the forms and I have no idea who sent them. So will someone from the two Posts that submitted their Children and Youth Form for the County Awards call me, please.

Before you know it will be time to fill out the Consolidated Post Report Form. Plus a Form For judging the Nassau County Children & Youth Awards, NOW is the time to record your Children & Youth activities

Willibe Wilson, PCC Children & Youth Chairman



Fricis Paberzs (center) celebrates his 99th Birthday with friends from the Port Washington Post #509.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM THE COUNTY OFFICERS !

"HOMELAND SECURITY"

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC CHAIRMAN

Each Post should have an appointed Chairman for Homeland Security and Civil Preparedness. This name should have been forwarded to the Department Headquarters (attn: Barbara Kerr).

First, the post should check with local officials to see if they have an emergency/disaster plan in place. Ask how your post can help. Volunteer the use of the post building in emergency or disaster situations. Get member of the post to attend CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) training. This training is 20 hours and they must attend all sessions. Many posts in Nassau and Suffolk have had this training. I am requesting that each County Chairman let me know what their counties are doing, please have the report to me at least one week before the scheduled district meeting. Local volunteers are necessary for the hardest and longest part of any terrorist attack, or natural disaster, the recovery phase. Local volunteer know how the area was before the attack or disaster and they know the best ways around any blockage of roads or other obstacles. Volunteers should only take on jobs or tasks that they are qualified to do, this way the risk of someone being hurt or worst is minimized.

Homeland Security is not only about Terrorism, it covers disasters such as, floods, hurricanes, train derailments, fire, snowstorms etc. The posts and CERT personnel can be a tremendous help in times of emergency. The cornerstone of preparedness and prevention is AWARENESS for all hazards. It requires everyone's help. The skills, training and education that veterans have make your observations and involvement even more critical. Watch for suspicious activity...if you see something, say something.

Terrorism has many formal definitions. In most it involves illegal activity, including use of force or violence directed against the civilian population. It is intended to coerce or intimidate a government or civilian populations or noncombatants in furtherance of terrorist political/social objectives. Terrorism can be domestic, international, state-sponsored or loosely affiliated. The bottom line is "ALWAYS BE ALERT AND IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING".

LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

Arlene Howard, PCC

I Received donations from Department Vice Commander John Cook and Past County Commander Thomas Holmes. Please keep those donations coming in. Remember all I ask is a \$1.00 a member.

SUPPORT FOR TROOPS ON ACTIVE DUTY

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

If anyone knows of a service person in Iraq or Afghanistan please contact me with the name and address and I will send items to them. I shipped two (2) packages to service members whose names and addresses were supplied to me by Joe Slattery. I have shipped the following to the 3-17 CAV in February Five boxes of items I received packed in shoe boxes by the Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf. These items were given to the Robert Spittel Post 1285 and I handled the shipment. Later I packaged up seven (7) boxers of items I received from PCC Ken Cadieux. I just about wiped his stock out and I would like to transfer \$500 from Family Support to Rehabilitation so they can purchase more items. PCC Ken Cadieux gets the money to buy the items from the Rehabilitation program.

The unit has been in Iraq for about nine (9) months and they are on a fifteen (15) tour. I will be looking for another unit to adopt. The packages must be addressed to an individual and that person then distributes the items.

BOYS STATE PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

I have received the packets for Boys State and have notified all the posts via letter. The letter stated Boys State would run 27 June to 3 July which is what the packets stated. I amended the bus contract and the morning I mailed a signed revised contract I received a correction from the Department that the corrected dates were 28 June to 3 July. I called the bus company and had them revise the contract back to the original date. Our quota has been changed to 30 boys vice 40 boys so packets will be given out on a first come basis. I will accept names of alternates as I maybe able to get additional slots. Don't wait as the packets are going fast. I must receive the check (\$350 per boy) before I give you the packet(s).

To all Convention Committee Members: The next
Convention meeting will be held :

Date: Tuesday, April 8th Time: 8 p. m.
Place: Plainview Post #1812, 115 Southern Parkway
Plainview NY Phone #931-7030

A lot was accomplished at our last meeting. If possible, all awards will be given out at the Friday night session. The voting for the new County Officers will be held on Saturday morning and the Installation dinner will be held on Saturday night at the Williston Post #144. More information will be forthcoming. If you need to contact me my phone # is 938-1373. Arlene Howard, PCC

Legionnaire of the Year

Joseph P. Slattery Jr., PCC Chairman 516-433-4227
docjoepc@yahoo.com

I want to take this opportunity to commend the Post Commanders and Post Adjutants that submitted their Post Legionnaires for consideration in our County level "Legionnaire of the Year Program for 2007-2008".

WOW—I'm pleased to report that we have so many dedicated Post Legionnaires that are involved in our Posts and Communities.

You can be assured that the judges for this year's selection will have a tough time selecting, from all of these truly dedicated Legionnaires that were nominated, just one for this years honor.

Truly every one of those nominated brings great pride to their Post and themselves.

They ALL are winners in my book. The selected nominee will be announced and recognized at the County Convention in June. In the mean time, the judging will be done and one will be selected. The unannounced Legionnaire will be submitted to the 10th. District for consideration at the District level.

Start now for next year. Continue that Post Level Legionnaire of the Year Program and award that special "Legionnaire of the Year" silver pin and let him or her know what they do for your Post is appreciated. We have the duty to recognize and honor those that build on the foundation of our Post structure. The County Program builds on your Post Program.

As Bob says—"you need to be in it, to win it."

Thank you Legionnaires. The deadline is March 1st, 2008.

CELL PHONE COLLECTION PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

I received a check for \$46.80 and I asked to treasurer to split it between the NEF and the Legacy Scholarship \$23.40 and \$23.40 respectively. I shipped 110 cell phones (103 which I received from the Town of Hempstead), the procession information is we will be receiving \$75.15 for these phones). I picked up another 28 phones from the Town of Hempstead when I went for a photo op with Town Supervisor Kate Murray. I have 43 phones at my home and with the ones I have collected tonight will be shipped out on Monday. Bring the cell phones to the county meeting or if you have a large amount I will come to you to get them.

WINAL Rehab Report

Arlene Howard, PCC, Chairman

According to the Center for Women Veterans a full continuum of comprehensive medical services including health promotion and disease prevention, primary care, women's gender-specific health care such as mammography, acute medical/surgery, telephone triage, emergency and substance abuse treatment, rehabilitation and long term health care are available to women veterans at the VA Medical Centers.

If you are interested in receiving any of these services contact the VA Medical Center at Northport and ask for the Women Veteran Program Manager. She will help you coordinate all the services you need.

Women Veterans are also eligible for burial in a VA Cemetery. Our dear friend, Shirley Graven, passed away January 26, 2008. She was buried in the VA Cemetery in Pinelawn with full Military honors. Having served in the US Air Force two members of the US Air Force were present to fold the flag and present it to her sons. May she rest in peace.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

JAMES T. RANDLE - 516-270 3876

IN DECEMBER I INTRODUCED MYSELF AT THE COUNTY MEETING AND IN THE "LEGIONNAIRE". THE LEGION YEAR IS MORE THAN HALF OVER. I HOPE THE POST'S HISTORIANS ARE PUTTING TOGETHER THEIR POST NARRATIVE OR SCRAPBOOKS OR PICTORIAL HISTORY. CALL ME I CAN HELP OR IF THERE IS ANY QUESTION. THIS YEAR THE NASSAU COUNTY CONVENTION IS JUNE 6 (D-DAY) AND 7, 2008. THE BOOKS ARE TO BE FROM MAY 2007 THROUGH APRIL 2008. I HOPE I CAN SET A DATE FOR RECEIVING THE BOOKS BY MAY 17 ARMED FORCES DAY THAT DATE IS NOT SET.

106 ROSE LANE
NEW HYDE PARK N.Y. 11040
E-MAIL ADDRESS: Leftymom48@msn.com

TO FUTURE COMMANDERS

AS HISTORIAN FOR WILLISTON POST 144 I WAS ASKED TO TAKE ON THE COUNTY HISTORIAN FOR ROGER EASTMAN. HE HAD THE POST FOR SEVEN YEARS. I'M STILL FEELING MY WAY, I'M GETTING TO KNOW COUNTY COMMANDER BILL HARMS. A THOUGHT FOR THE FUTURE; AS AN OFFICER MOVES UP THE CHAIRS AND BECOMES COUNTY COMMANDER THAT HE SHOULD THINK OF THEIR POST HISTORIAN TO BE THEIR COUNTY HISTORIAN HE WOULD BE A GOOD CANDIDATE BECAUSE THEY HAVE WORKED TOGETHER.

REHAB REPORT

FRANK COLON, JR. CHAIRMAN - 516-766-6563

Our February visit was handled by Co-chairman Stu McKinney with great success. I would like to thank the following posts for taking part: Young Simmons #1765, Cathedral #1087, Manhasset #304 and North Bellmore #1749, assisted by Boy Scout Troop #577. I would like to reiterate what I said at the County meeting that all organizations are welcome to attend our visits: Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, Boy Scout and Girl Scouts - come one, come all!!

Next up for the March 8th 1:30PM visit are:

N. Hyde Park Ernie Pyle #1085,
Andrew Fatscher #854,
Lynbrook #335,
James Brengal #456,
Charles Fowler #160
Williston #144.

Please remember your \$50 donation if you do attend and \$100 donation if you cannot. These donations are imperative to defray the cost of the toiletry packages put together by Ken Cadieux, PCC and myself. Also, if you cannot attend, please let me know in advance at my home number above.

MEMBERSHIP

FRANK COLON, JR. - 516-766-6563

As I stated at the County meeting, we have about 15-20 posts who are just single digits away from achieving 100% membership! Any Posts needing assistance please let me know so the County can do everything it can to make reaching 100% happen for you.

If you have not paid your PUFL's to the County, please send them ASAP to Bob Robesch, County Treasurer. Next month I will contact those Posts who have not paid their PUFL's.



HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE

Hawaii – Airmen of the base honor guard here prepare to place memorial wreaths during the ceremony commemorating the 63rd anniversary of the attack on Hickam Field on Dec. 7, 1941. The Airmen (from left) are Senior Airmen Jodi Asprer, April Bonaparte and Leslie Ocasio-Gonzalez, and Airman 1st Class Jennifer Kincaid. U.S. Air Force photo by Mysti Bicoy

NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION
 Membership totals @ Feb. 19, 2008

2007 - 2008

DIV	POST	#	DEPT			ACTUAL			PUFL			LAST	
			2007	2008 goal	Incr	2008	%	Pending	2008	\$ PAID \$	NEW	Trans	
1	EAST ROCKAWAY	958	105	107	2	152	142.06%	45	14		13	02/04/08	
1	J. FRANKLIN BELL	81	7	9	2	11	122.22%	2	0	1.00	4	01/09/08	
1	LYNBROOK	335	35	37	2	39	105.41%	2	23	23.00	5	10/01/07	
1	OCEANSIDE MEMORIAL	1246	144	146	2	143	97.95%	(3)	2	2.00	12	02/04/08	
1	MERRICK	1282	158	160	2	155	96.88%	(5)	9	9.00	8	02/03/08	
1	EDWIN WELCH, JR.	1132	189	191	2	174	91.10%	(17)	9		2	02/05/08	
1	ANDREW FATSCHER	854	263	265	2	238	89.81%	(27)	28		4	02/03/08	
1	BELLMORE	948	122	124	2	111	89.52%	(13)	10	10.00	3	02/05/08	
1	MASSAQUA	1066	562	564	2	503	89.18%	(61)	29	26.00	7	02/03/08	
1	MALVERNE	44	156	158	2	140	88.61%	(18)	14	14.00	2	01/23/08	
1	LAWRENCE-CEDARHURST	339	99	101	2	89	88.12%	(12)	7			02/03/08	
1	WANTAGH	1273	300	302	2	261	86.42%	(41)	19		1	02/03/08	
1	ROCKVILLE CENTRE	303	132	134	2	115	85.82%	(19)	2			02/04/08	
1	BALDWIN	246	311	313	2	264	84.35%	(49)	33	33.00	5	01/23/08	
1	VICTOR MURTHA	972	100	102	2	86	84.31%	(16)	17		4	02/05/08	
1	ISLAND PARK	1029	67	69	2	57	82.61%	(12)	2			11/26/07	
1	ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL	1051	30	32	2	26	81.25%	(6)	7			02/03/08	
1	DEMOTT CARMAN	536	7	9	2	0	0.00%	(9)	0			06/19/07	
1ST DIVISION TOTALS			2787	2823	36	2564	90.83%	(259)	225	\$118.00	70		
2	HEMPSTEAD	390	121	123	2	125	101.63%	2	16		4	02/05/08	
2	NORTH BELLMORE	1749	165	167	2	159	95.21%	(8)	10	10.00	11	01/23/08	
2	ROBERT VAN COTT	1139	42	44	2	41	93.18%	(3)	1	1.00	1	01/23/08	
2	NEW HYDE PARK-ERNIE PYLE	1089	181	183	2	168	91.80%	(15)	20	20.00		02/03/08	
2	AVIATORS POST	743	116	118	2	108	91.53%	(10)	24	24.00	4	02/03/08	
2	CATHEDRAL	1087	136	138	2	127	92.03%	(11)	7	7.00	2	02/05/08	
2	FLORAL PARK	334	169	171	2	156	91.23%	(15)	13		3	01/05/08	
2	UNIONDALE	1487	55	57	2	52	91.23%	(5)	10			02/05/08	
2	GOMILLION-CAMPBELL	1488	36	38	2	34	89.47%	(4)	3		1	02/15/08	
2	WILLIAM CLINTON STORY	342	97	99	2	88	88.89%	(11)	5		2	02/03/08	
2	LEVITTOWN	1711	350	352	2	312	88.64%	(40)	27	28.00	2	02/03/08	
2	ELMONT	1033	263	265	2	232	87.55%	(33)	28	29.00	7	01/23/08	
2	JOE MURPHY	1957	30	32	2	28	87.50%	(4)	0			10/31/07	
2	WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER	265	142	144	2	125	86.81%	(19)	10		1	02/03/08	
2	EAST MEADOW MEMORIAL	1082	172	174	2	149	85.63%	(25)	20		1	02/05/08	
2	HUGH.C. NEWMAN III MEMORIAL	449	63	65	2	55	84.62%	(10)	2			01/23/08	
2	FRANKLIN SQUARE	1014	81	83	2	69	83.13%	(14)	9		1	01/03/08	
2ND DIVISION TOTALS			2219	2253	34	2028	90.01%	(225)	205	\$119.00	40		
3	CHARLES A. FOWLER, JR.	160	86	88	2	89	101.14%	1	14		10	02/03/08	
3	YOUNG-SIMMONS	1765	56	58	2	58	100.00%	0	7	7.00	3	02/03/08	
3	JAMES F. BRENGEL	456	70	72	2	71	98.61%	(1)	1			10/19/07	
3	ROBERT H. SPITTEL	1285	125	127	2	125	98.43%	(2)	12	15.00	11	02/03/08	
3	WILLISTON	144	379	381	2	362	95.01%	(19)	19	19.00	5	02/03/08	
3	QUENTIN ROOSEVELT	4	165	167	2	158	94.61%	(9)	22	22.00	1	02/05/08	
3	PLAINVIEW	1812	274	276	2	260	94.20%	(16)	19	19.00	2	02/03/08	
3	PORT WASHINGTON	509	82	84	2	79	94.05%	(5)	9		2	01/08/08	
3	WILLIAM J. LONGUET	101	61	63	2	58	92.06%	(5)	10	10.00	2	02/03/08	
3	GLENWOOD LANDING	336	270	272	2	249	91.54%	(23)	15	15.00		02/03/08	
3	CARLE PLACE	1718	126	128	2	117	91.41%	(11)	4			02/05/08	
3	CHARLES WAGNER	421	156	158	2	140	88.61%	(18)	9	9.00		01/05/08	
3	EUGENE S. SMITH	175	172	174	2	154	88.51%	(20)	15		2	02/03/08	
3	HOWARD VAN WAGNER	962	88	90	2	77	85.56%	(13)	8		3	02/03/08	
3	GLEN COVE	76	81	83	2	71	85.54%	(12)	19			02/03/08	
3	NASSAU COUNTY POLICE	1050	212	214	2	183	85.51%	(31)	27		3	01/08/08	
3	ARCHIE McCORD	86	95	97	2	82	84.54%	(15)	9	9.00	3	01/05/08	
3	NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL	1861	31	33	2	27	81.82%	(6)	3	3.00	1	01/03/08	
3	MINEOLA MEMORIAL	349	55	57	2	45	78.95%	(12)	11	11.00		02/05/08	
3	MANHASSET	304	241	243	2	164	67.49%	(79)	18	18.00		01/09/08	
3RD DIVISION TOTALS			2825	2865	40	2569	89.67%	(296)	251	\$157.00	48		
FIRST DIVISION			2787	2823	36	2564	90.83%	(259)	225	118.00	70		
SECOND DIVISION			2219	2253	34	2028	90.01%	(225)	205	119.00	40		
THIRD DIVISION			2825	2865	40	2569	89.67%	(296)	251	157.00	48		
COUNTY OVERALL			7831	7941	110	7161	90.18%	(780)	681	\$394.00	158		

Membership is everyones job ! Get those late payers !

Veterans News, By Edward G. Aulman, Director Nassau County Veterans Service Agency

Flags for Memorial Day Graves

County Executive Thomas R. Suozzi has announced that veterans organizations wishing to place small American Flags on the graves of veterans on Memorial Day can secure those flags from the Veterans Service Agency. Although the Long Island National Cemetery in Farmingdale provides the majority of gravesite flags for Memorial Day observances a shortages of flags was reported last year and the cemetery expects to be short again this year. Veterans organizations wishing to secure flags for the honoring of veterans graves should send a letter stating how many flags are required to Edward G. Aulman, Director, Nassau County Veterans Service Agency 1425 Old Country Road, Building H, Plainview, NY 11803. Requests must be received by April 1, 2007.

OIF/OEF Veterans Benefit and Jobs Fair

The Cradle of Aviation, Charles Lindbergh Boulevard, East Garden City, NY will be the site of the three Benefit and Jobs Fairs in 2008. The first event will be held Monday, March 17, 2008 from 9 am to 1 pm. Representatives from the US Department of Veterans Affairs, VA Medical Center, New York State Departments of Labor and Veterans Affairs, Nassau Community College, MTA Long Island Bus, National Grid, and Long Island Jewish Health System and other employers will be there to advise, assist or hire veterans. Reservists, National Guard and active duty short timers are welcome.

Working for Nassau County

There are many Civil Service jobs available that you can acquire by taking a Civil Service examination. You can monitor these upcoming examinations by completing the following steps:

- 1) Access the website at www.nassaucountyny.gov
- 2) Click on the "Departments" Icon
- 3) Click on the "Civil Service Department" Icon
- 4) Click on "Upcoming Exams."

All the exams will be listed. Access and complete the test application if you qualify. Either print out (and mail or hand deliver) the test application from the website or go to Civil Service Headquarters located at 40 Main St. Hempstead - 2nd floor. The exams encompass multiple choice formats and they usually allot you 4-8 hours for the test. The exams are graded within 6 months. Usually, if you score within the top 5% of test takers, you will be considered (canvassed) from the list to go on an interview with the department that chose you. Disabled and non-disabled veterans who wish to use war time credits must claim these credits when filing an application.

The main contact number at Civil Service is 516-572-1882. You may call with any questions you may have regarding upcoming exams.

Gold Star Annuity

Parents who have lost a son or daughter in the current or previous wars who are residents of New York State and have an income less than \$20,800 (single)/\$28,000 (couple) are eligible for an annual annuity of \$500 per Gold Star Parent. The annuity is capped at \$1,000 per service member and the program is administered by the New York State Division of Veterans Affairs.

In order to be approved for the Gold Star Parent Annuity the applicant must complete and submit to the Division the following:

- Application Form
- Copy of previous years Federal Income Tax Return or a fully executed affirmation, which certifies that the applicant was not required to file a federal Tax Return
- Direct Deposit Form
- Evidence of Military Service of the Deceased Veteran
- Proof of NYS Residency.

Forms, information and assistance are available at the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency 516-572-8452.

Contracts for Disabled Veteran Businesses

Up to three set aside service disabled veteran owned indefinite delivery type environmental architect engineering service contracts worth up to \$5M each within the Great Lakes and Ohio River Division Mission boundaries and the Nationwide Reserve Missions will be awarded by the US Army Corps of Engineers. The original response date is February 26, 2008. For information contact Lisa Roseberry 502-315-6190 or lisa.a.roseberry@usace.army.mil.

For more good business advice veterans should contact John Narciso, Business Advisor at the Veterans Business Outreach Program at SUNY Farmingdale 631-370-8891.

Iwo Jima, Okinawa Remembered

February 19, 1945 half of the then US Marine Corps and at least one US Army Regimental Combat Team with a big assist of the US Navy and Coast Guard invaded an island called Iwo Jima. On April 1, 1945, the other half of the Marine Corps and 4 divisions of the Army attacked the Japanese on Okinawa, which became the last major battle of World War II. On April 5, 2008 veterans of these two historic battles will reunite and be honored at a dinner sponsored by the 1st Marine Division Association. Contact Jim Stasio at 516-826-8310 for dinner tickets for this event that will be held at the Stewart Thomas Manor, 2143 Boundary Avenue, Farmingdale from noon to 5 pm.

Tax refund for CWT

Payments received in the Compensated Work Therapy Program and Incentive Therapy Program are no longer taxable according to the IRS. Veterans who paid taxes on these benefits in the last three years can claim a refund.

"Veterans News on the Air"

The United Veterans Organization production of "Veterans News" features interviews with government officials, veteran leaders, and outstanding volunteers all who have something important to tell veterans or their dependents. During February and March the show will air at 7:00pm on cablevision's public access channel 20. The Town of North Hempstead and the Villages of Malvern, Lynbrook, South Floral Park also broadcast "Veterans News" at various times on their government access channels.

Later this month we will be competing for a new time slot that runs from April to September 2008. So keep flicking the remote until you find "Veterans News" for the best 30 minutes of commercial free public access television.

The "Veterans News" crew needs new blood - director, producer, host, audio, and camera persons are needed and we will train. Pay is something we never talk about.

POSTAL RATES: Beginning 3 MAR

Military families will get a price break on the U.S. Postal Service's flat-rate shipping boxes to send care packages around the globe. The discount applies only to the new "Priority Mail Large Flat-Rate Box," which normally carries a \$12.95 price tag for shipping. However, when the 12-by-12-by-5.5-inch box is sent to an AFO or FPO address, a \$2 discount applies, dropping the cost to \$10.95. The new boxes will be available in post offices nationwide on 3 MAR. Those who can't wait to start packing the boxes, however, can order them from www.usps.com/supplies beginning 20 FEB. They're also available by calling 1(800) 610-8734. Some of the new boxes carry the America Supports You logo. America Supports You is a Defense Department program connecting citizens and companies with servicemembers and their families serving at home and abroad. The boxes bearing the America Supports You logo will be Available only online or at select post offices near military bases. All flat-rate boxes are available for international shipping, though the discount applies only to the large flat-rate box, and only if it's being shipped to an APO or FPO address.

Education & Scholarship Committee

Harry D. Ransom, PCC , Chairman

Phase II of the work of the Education and Scholarship Committee is well under way. Letters were mailed to the high schools in Nassau County on January 25, 2008 and to date we have received response from 8 schools.

The scholarship winners from 2006/2007 have sent me documentation that they have enrolled in school for the second semester and their checks will be going out this week.

Please urge your high school to participate in this program which honors the outstanding student in their school.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH	17	MON	ST PATRICKS DAY -
	17-18		HILL DAY - ALBANY
	23	SUN.	EASTER SUNDAY - HAPPY EASTER
	28	FRI	ADVISORY MEETING 7 PM COUNTY MEETING - WILLISTON POST 8 PM
	29	SAT	CHILDREN & YOUTH EASTER PARTY - BOYS & GIRLS CLUB , GLEN COVE 11:30 - 3 PM
APRIL	2	WED	DIVISION CAUCUS - PLAINVIEW POST 8 PM
	8	TUES	CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING - PLAINVIEW POST 8 PM
	9	WED	SECOND DIVISION CAUCUS - LEVITTOWN POST 8 PM
	18	FRI	NATIONAL COMMANDERS VISIT & DINNER ANTUN'S QUEENS
	20	SUN	PASSOVER BEGINS
	25	FRI	7 PM COUNTY ADVISORY & 8:00 PM COUNTY MEETING, WILLISTON POST
	27	SUN	U.V.O. LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST -MARINE CORPS DIST. G. CITY 8:30 AM
MAY	8	THURS	VE DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !
	11	SUN	MOTHERS DAY - REMEMBER MOM!
	17	SAT	ARMED FORCES DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !
	23	FRI	7 PM COUNTY ADVISORY & 8:00 PM COUNTY MEETING, WILLISTON POST
	25	SUN	UVO MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES AT EISENHOWER PARK 10:00 AM
	25	SUN	LONG ISLAND NATIONAL CEMETERY MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES 1:30 PM
	26	MON	MEMORIAL DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !

