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COMMANDERS REPORT

As we start our new "Legion Year", firstly let me thank you all for your support in electing me as your Commander. PCC John Hassett has some pretty big shoes to fill, but I am up to task. Thanks to all who attended the installation dinner and a special thanks to the Massapequa Post for hosting this event?

There will some changes within the Nassau County Committee, for without change there is no progress. There will also be some revitalization of some older traditions. Our three Vice Commanders will be appointing Adjutants, Membership Officers and Sgt at Arms to assist them, and our Elected County Staff to accomplish our missions. Your Division Commanders will be visiting each Post twice during the year, please advise them when would be best for you and your Post.

I have designated Operation Comfort Warrior (O.C.W.) as my project the year. This is an American Legion run program which provides recreation, comfort and clothing items to our returning vets, which are not provided by the V.A. 100% of all donations will go to the troops, as the Legion covers all administrative fees.

Your County Staff is available to help you in any Way we can. Please advise me as to any events you may be having at your Post. If I am unable to attend, I'm sure one of our Vice Commanders can.

Steve Mc Manus

FIRST DIVISION REPORT

Dennis Dietrich

Thank you for electing me as 1st Division Vice Commander.

Our GOAL is to keep membership as our number one priority in the coming year.

All posts in division 1 have received their membership cards. I like to thank Arthur Swanson for continuing as Membership chairman for Div. 1.

I am looking forward to visiting all the Posts in the First Division during the upcoming year. I sent out a letter

asking Post Commanders to call me to set a date to visit their Post. If you haven't called me to set a date please call ASAP. I

I have attended the following events:

1: Walls of Honor Names added at Vets. Memorial Plaza at Eisenhower

2: Dedication of New Monument from Nassau Aux. At Eisenhower Park

3: LI National Cemetery Viet Nam Commemorative Ceremony.

I will be attending:

1) Massapequa Post annual picnic July 25

2) VFW Korean War Ceremony in Massapequa Park On July 26

3) Merrick Post 1282 barbecue for our disabled comrades from NY State Veterans Nursing Home Stony Brook.

On July 12,2015 Commander Greg Greene of Massapequa Post 1066 Awarded Three Angel Bikes at Bethesda/Walter Reed Hospital In Biltmore MD. Massapequa Post has given 18 bikes out since starting Angel Bike Program. The cost of each bike is \$3500.00

August 12,2015 State Assemblyman McKeVitt will sponsor a blood drive at Massapequa Post 1066 from 1 PM to 6 PM.

Walls of Honor

New names were added to the "Walls of Honor" at Eisenhower Park in June. All 9160 names on the walls have been entered into a book in alphabetical order and will be kept at the park in the Tower for all to use.

Applications may be obtained by calling 804-5802. The cost is still only \$100.00 per name

Membership Report

Robert Guaneri

Hi Legionnaires: It is that time of year once again, membership, recruitment and retention. Membership Cards have been distributed to all posts for processing. Membership Dues should be submitted to the Department of New York upon receipt(DO NOT WAIT) utilizing the Department's Transmittal Form. The form has three carbon copies:

Copy 1 - Department Copy

Copy 2 - County Copy

Copy 3 - Post Copy

The County copy should be submitted to: Bob Guarneri, 812 Willow Road Franklin Square, NY 11010.

The PUFLs check should be submitted to me, payable to Nassau County American Legion and indicate PUFL in memo block on the check.

The Membership Work Shop will be conducted on August 23, 2015 at 9AM at the Williston Post. I expect that all membership officers at the post and division levels and all commanders to attend.

BOYS STATE

Glenwood Landing Post 336 sent 3 boys to Boys state this year. One of our 3 boys, Elias Mastakouris was elected Governor..

I am told by Reggie Butt that this was a first for Nassau county..The other two boys Jacob Abramowitz and Brett Bennett agreed that the week was in their words "One of the most awesome experiences that they ave ever encountered. I an planning a possible reception for these boys and their parents at our July general meeting to tell of their experiences to the membership



9/11 Reflection Pool at ground zero PCC Arlene Howard's sons name is inscribed here.

CELL PHONE COLLECTION PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

We shipped 70 cell phones and m3 laptop computers, they have a value, of \$36.50. The check will be forwarded to me after the 1st of August and when I receive it I will, asked the Treasurer to split it between the NEF and the Legacy Scholarship Programs.

The recycling program accepts the following items:

Cell phones	cell phone accessories
iPods and MP3 Players	handheld game systems
GPS handheld units	laptop computers
E-readers	portable hard drives

Keep collecting any of the above, bring them to the County meeting or if you have a large amount call me to arrange a drop off or pick up.

BOYS STATE PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

For this Year's Boys State, Nassau County had 47 boys attending, 46 boys went from Nassau County as one boy was injured in a surfing accident on Thursday and due to the massive injuries he could not attend. His slot was filled by a boy from Suffolk County as we could not get the money back. All the boys had a great experience and one boy Elias Mastakouris from Sea Cliff who attends North Shore High School, was elected Boys State Governor for 2015. Elias was sponsored by Glenwood Landing Post #336. I received e-mails and Thank You cards from numerous boys all expressing positive comments. I will read the e-mail from the 2015 Boys State Governor. I want to thank all the post that sponsored boys or made a donation to the program.

HISTORIANS REPORT

At the Department Convention Nassau was awarded First Place for Williston Post 144 History & the book will go to National.

Second Place was Howard Van Wagner Post, Charles G. Mills Historian.

Fifth Place was Charles Wagner Post 421, Gregory Filinf Historian.

Nassau County History Book took 1st Place.

James Randle

NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION
 DIRECTORY INFORMATION

POST NAME _____ NO _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 TELEPHONE _____ MEETING DAY / EVENINGS _____
 LOCATION OF MEETINGS _____
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 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 TELEPHONE _____

ADJUTANT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
 PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NEATLY
 SEND TO DIRECTORY CHAIRMAN KEN CADIEUX

NASSAU COUNTY COMMITTEE
 THE AMERICAN LEGION - DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

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 Back Cover - N/A

Please enter my subscription for an advertisement in
 the County Directory for \$ _____ and insert my ad to
 occupy _____ page.



CUTOFF DATE
 JULY 10, 2015

Name _____

Address _____

Please make all checks payable to Nassau County American Legion earmarked **Directory Ad.**

Send all ads and checks to: Ken Cadieux, Directory Chairman 238-7001
 121 Powell Avenue, E-Mail: kencadieux@optonline.net
 Rockville Centre, N.Y. 11570

Attach ad copy.

Legacy Scholarship Fund Report July 24, 2015

How many know what the Legacy Fund is?
How many of you have ever heard of the Legacy Fund?

The American Legion wants to ensure higher education is a possibility for children whose parents have been killed while serving our country. It is a civic duty to provide them with equal opportunity. The Legion offers its support through the Legacy Scholarship fund.

There has been a significant shortfall in government money allotted to children with parents lost in war. The government gives these children a college education stipend worth slightly more than \$37,000. Taken into account living expenses, textbooks and rising tuitions, this benefit covers only a little more than half of college costs in the most affordable situation. The most conservative estimates predict a 5 percent increase, meaning that in 16 years the most affordable college will be \$132,000. Obviously, military compensation will not keep up.

The principal amount of the fund remains intact from year-to-year, increasing the fair market value of the fund. The interest funds The American Legion Legacy Scholarship. As such, the amount of aid and number of awards depend upon the income derived from the fund. The National Finance Commission controls the investment and release of money from the fund, including the lump sum amount divided among recipients in a given year. The guidelines for categories and selection of recipients and the amount of money awarded each recipient rests with The National Americanism Commission, which delegates these duties to the national Committee on Youth Education, which administers the program. Scholarship recipients may re-apply for the award.

All recipients must meet the basic requirements for application. Special emphasis is placed on financial need, scholarship, leadership, and citizenship.

Those eligible to apply for the scholarship shall be the child/children or legally adopted child/children or a child of a spouse by a prior marriage or dependent child as defined by the United States Armed Services of active duty United States military and National Guard, and military reservists who were federalized and die on active duty on or after September 11, 2001. The applicant must be a high school senior or high school graduate to apply for the scholarship. Scholarship is for undergraduate study at an accredited institution of higher education within the United States.

NURSE'S TRAINING REPORT

Another year has passed and we have sponsored 9 new nursing students with the help of Malverne Post, Plainview Post, East Rockaway Post, Mrs Marilyn Blauert, Bellmore Lions Club & a donation of \$500.00 from the Rossevelt Post. We also have received a promise of another sponsor for next year the Oyster Bay Post.

Any Post may become a sponsor for a nursing student all that is required is a pledge of \$500.00 a year for three (3) years. The post will be given credit on the program for their sponsorship and if attending the ceremony may even participate.

According to an item in Newsday on July 6, 2015 - There will be an acute shortage of Nurses due to the fact that there are not enough trained nurses to teach them and they are being turned away by schools. The article goes on to say that by 2020 we will be short by 100,000 nurses.

Even if your Post can't afford to sponsor a nurse they can still make a donation of any size to help with this very important project. We are only limited as to how many nurses we can sponsor by the amount of money we collect. Every cent collected goes to the program

Do you have a Nursing student in your post that needs help? Contact Frank Colon.

For further information or an application, call Frank Colon at 435-7066

LEGACY FUND (CONT)

Deadline for applications must be posted marked no later than April 15. Applications for new submissions and renewals can be found on the National web site: legion.org/scholarships/legacy.

I will be sending out letters asking for donations sometime in September or October. Please help to support the worthy scholarship fund.

Anthony L. Paternostro, PCC

Information for ALL POSTS:

The following are a list of the donations that the County Legion solicits from the Posts:

National Commanders Legacy Scholarship Fund for the children of any service person killed in Iraq OR Afghanistan.

Nassau County Children & Youth Programs

Nassau County Scholarship Fund

Nassau County Rehab Fund for Hospital Visits Northport - Stonybrook

Support of our County Ways & Means - 5 month daily drawing tickets.

National Disaster Fund (NEF) Provides funds for National Disasters

Journal Ads for our Convention Journal & County Directory.

Support of our Boys State Program -to sponsor a boy or boys to attend.

*The James MacLean American Legion Memorial Library Collection at Hofstra University.

This fund purchases books, maps, documents census data, and any thing to do with New York State and Long Island History. It is the finest collection of New York State History Anywhere. Most Posts make a donation to the collection for each deceased member or in memory of or honor of someone. The donors name, the honoree and the American Legions name is placed on the book or document for all to see. A copy of the donation is sent to the Post and the recipients family. This collection is used by college students from all universities . Forms are available through the County Chairman.



JUST A FEW OF THE PROGRAMS THAT HELP US TO FULFILL OUR GOALS !

1. ORATORICAL PROGRAM
2. SCOUTING
3. BLOOD DRIVES
4. FLAG EDUCATION PROGRAMS
5. LAW & ORDER AWARDS
6. SCHOOL AWARDS
7. ROTC AWARDS
8. FAMILY SUPPORT
9. PACKAGES FOR TROOPS
10. OUR HOSPITAL AND HOMELESS VETS PROGRAMS
11. SUCH OTHER PROGRAMS VOTED ON AT COUNTY MEETINGS.



Has your Post supported these programs ?

For further information contact the Chairperson of these Committees listed in your County Directory.

NO DIRECTORY INFORMATION OR AD SUBMITTED

ADMIRAL CONOLLY POST
A.L. AUXILIARY
ARCHIE McCORD POST
AVIATORS POST
BELLMORE POST
CATHEDRAL POST
EAST ROCKAWAY POST
EDWIN WELCH JR POST
FLORAL PARK POST

FRANKLIN SQUARE POST
GLEN COVE POST
GOMILLION CAMPBELL POST
HEMPSTEAD POST
ISLAND PARK POST
JAMES F. BRENGEL POST
JOE MURPHY POST
LAWRENCE CEDARHURST POST

MASSAPEQUA POST
NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL POST
NORTH BELLMORE
PORT WASHINGTON POST
ROBERT SPITTEL POST
ROBERT VAN COTT
ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL POST
VICTOR MURTHA POST
WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER

MEDIA BLITZ IN SUFFOLK COUNTY

A MEDIA BLITZ WILL BE PUT ON BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK USING ALL FORMS OF MEDIA TO PROMOTE THE AMERICAN LEGION AND TO ATTEMPT TO GET MEMBERSHIP. SO WHEN YOU GO ON FACEBOOK OR YOUR COMPUTER, RADIO, TV OR IN YOUR LOCAL NEWSPAPERS YOU MAY SEE THE AMERICAN LEGION EMBLEM.

THEY WILL SLOWLY ENLARGE THE AREA OF THE DRIVE TO INCLUDE NASSAU, QUEENS AND OTHER PARTS OF THE STATE.

WATCH FOR THE ADS AND MAKE EVERY USE OF THEM TO SELL MEMBERSHIP TO THOSE VETERANS WHO STILL DON'T BELONG TO THE LEGION.

NEWLY ELECTED TENTH DISTRICT COMMANDER KEN CADIEUX HAS PROMISED TO GET MORE INFORMATION OUT TO ALL THE AREA COMMANDERS IN NASSAU, SUFFOLK AND QUEENS.

HE STATED THAT THERE WAS A LACK OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE COUNTIES ON LEGION PROJECTS.

ON MEMBERSHIP HE APPOINTED ROBERT ROBESCH, PCC AS THE COMMANDERS AIDE FOR MEMBERSHIP.

REGINALD BUTT, JR WAS SWORN IN AS THE TENTH DISTRICT ADJUTANT.

LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR

JOE GLOVACK

At the 97th Annual Nassau County Convention, JOSEPH CALLAGHAN, of Post 1812, was named the 2015 Nassau County Legionnaire of the Year. We thank all the Post's who participated. The 10th District award went to Queens County this year.

VAV's Report

Rep Robert Reahl, PCC 516-681 -5545
Dep. Rep William Harms, PCC 516-795-3679

VETERANS AT NORTHPORT VA NEED OUR HELP

The VAV's would like to thank the following Posts and Legionnaires' that have been added to the list For their greatly needed Donation to help the Vets At Northport VA Hospital. To get needed items the VA does not pay for:

COUNTY	\$1, 000.00
BALDWIN POST 246	\$ 200.00
EAST MEADOW POST	\$ 300.00
EDWIN WELCH, Jr. POST 1132	\$ 400.00
PLAINVIEW POST 1812	\$ 200.00
GLEN COVE POST 76	\$ 200.00
AVIATORS POST 743	\$ 100.00
JAMES RANDLE	\$ 10.00
BOB REAHL	\$ 25.00
TOTAL FOR 2014 -2015_	\$2,435.00

LET'S SEE IF 2015 -2016 CAN TOP LAST YEAR.

PLEASE DONATE as ever little bit helps: Make out a check to: -VAV's Executive Board

And Mail it to the Vic President of the Exc. Board
Robert Reahl, PPC 69 Hope Drive Plainview, NY
11803-5646

Nassau County Rehabilitation Program Post

Teams Schedule 2014 – 2015

Team # 1 – September 13, 2014

GLEN COVE #76
LYNBROOK # 335
ROCKVILLE CENTRE #303
UNIONDALE # 1487
WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER # 265
YOUNG SIMMONS #1765

Team # 2 – October 11, 2014

EUGENE S. SMITH # 175
FRANKLIN SQUARE # 1014
MINEOLA MEMORIAL # 349
ROBERT VAN COTT # 1139
VICTOR MURTHA # 972
WILLISTON # 144

Team # 3 – November 8, 2014

AVIATORS # 743
HOWARD VAN WAGNER #962
JAMES F. BRENGEL # 456
NORTH BELLMORE POST
OCEANSIDE MEMORIAL # 1246
ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL # 1051

Team #4 – December 13, 2014

BELLMORE # 944
CATHEDRAL POST #1087
MALVERNE #44
NASSAU POLICE #1050
NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL #1861
NEW HYDE PARK ERNIE PYLE #1089

Team # 9 – May 9, 2015

CARLE PLACE # 1718
CHARLES A. FOWLER # 160
EDWIN WELCH, JR. # 1132
J. FRANKLIN BELL #81
LAWRENCE/CEDARHURST #339

Team #5 – January 10, 2015(

LIU) ADMIRAL CONOLLY #2014
ANDREW FATSCHER # 854
EAST MEADOW MEMORIAL # 1082
ELMONT # 1033
PLAINVIEW # 1812
ROBERT H. SPITTEL #1285

Team # 6 – February 14, 2015

ARCHIE McCORD # 86
GLENWOOD LANDING #226
JOE MURPHY #1957
LEVITTOWN #1711
MERRICK # 1282
PORT WASHINGTON # 509

Team #7 – March 14, 2015

CHARLES WAGNER POST #421
HUGH C. NEWMAN III #449
MANHASSET #304
QUENTIN ROOSEVELT #4
WANTAGH # 1273
WILLIAM J. LONGUET # 101

Team # 8 – April 11, 2015

EAST ROCKAWAY # 958
FLORAL PARK # 334
HEMPSTEAD # 390
MASSAPEQUA # 1066
NORTH BELLMORE POST #1749
WILLIAM CLINTON STORY # 342

Team # 9 – May 9, 2015

CARLE PLACE # 1718
CHARLES A. FOWLER # 160
EDWIN WELCH, JR. # 1132
J. FRANKLIN BELL #81
LAWRENCE/CEDARHURST #339

IF YOUR POST CAN NOT MAKE YOUR SCHEDULED DATE, CONTACT CO-CHAIRPERSON MARY NORRIS AT CELL # 287-3569 OR # 740-7422. ALSO, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A \$50 CHECK TO OFF-SET OPERATING COST. IF NOT ATTENDING, SEND A CHECK FOR \$100 TO COUNTY.



Remember our Women Veterans

Ask them to Join the Legion
Invite them down to your post
Tell them about all the women
Legionnaires we have in our
County and how they are a great
asset to all veterans. They serve on
committees and Chair them and
one even rose to be the County
Commander

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ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. 11570

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LISTING**

Deadline extended to 8/15/15

OR CURRENT RESIDENT

DATES TO REMEMBER - 2015

AUG

22-28	NATIONAL CONVENTION - BALTIMORE, MD	
23	MEMBERSHIP WORKSHOP WILLISTON POST 144	9:00 AM
28	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MALVERNE POST	7:30 PM
	COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM

SEPT

25	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MALVERNE POST	7:30 PM
	COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM

OCT

12	LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST - WILLISTON POST	9:00 AM
23	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MALVERNE POST	7:30 PM
	COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM

NOV

8	VETS DAY SERVICES AT EISENHOWER PARK	10:30 AM
8	VETS DAY SERVICES - L.I. NATIONAL CEMETERY FARMINGDALE	2:30 PM
20	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MALVERNE POST	7:30 PM
	COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM

24	NASSAU COUNTY WINTER STANDDOWN FOR HOMELESS VETS FREEPORT ARMORY	10AM - 2-PM
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DEC

18	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MALVERNE POST	7:30 PM
	COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM