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COMMANDERS REPORT

This past month the Staff and I have been busy. The 3rd Division Commander, Membership Officer, Past County Commander Andy Booth and I met with Commander David t. Brown, New Cassel post #1861 and some of his Staff. The nearly three hour meeting was extremely productive in reestablishing a working relationship between the County and Post #1861.

Mike Miller, County Judge Advocate and his assistant PCC Andy Booth are continuing their on going examination of Posts By-Laws.

Finally, the Staff and I attended the funeral of LCPL Gregg Buckley, Jr., at which I lead a Memorial Service. This service was attended by many American Legion Posts as well as VFW County Commander Bob Thompson and members of the VFW; VWVA; Chef de Gare Kevin Lawler and members of the 40 & 8; President Ted Shuster and the UVO.

We have two very important dates in September, please note.

On Sunday, 9 September, the annual Membership Workshop will be held at the Williston Post #144, 730 Willis Avenue, Williston. Starting time is 9:00 Am and should be attended by the Post Commander and the Membership Officer at a minimum.

On Saturday, 22 September, the County will host the second Legion School of Instruction. This will be held at the Elmont Library, 700 Hempstead Turnpike, Elmont, NY. Staring time will 9:00 AM, with coffee & at 8:30 AM. I urge any Post Staff officer and for that matter any Legionnaire that has a question about what should take place at a meeting to attend. Over my time on the County Staff I have seen too many bad variations on how to run a meeting and we are trying to get everyone on the right page. Other items that will be covered will be Americanism, Post History Books. Etc. *Joe Reale*, Commander

REHAB REPORT

FRANK COLON, JR.

THE FIRST VISIT TO NORTHPORT VA WILL BE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 1:30 PM. TEAM NUMBER 1 (SEE LIST ON PAGE 5) IS SCHEDULED THAT DAY.

POST,S THAT ATTEND ARE ASKED TO DONATE \$50.00 AND POST'S WHO CAN'T ATTEND A DONATION OF \$100.00 IS APPRECIATED.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION AND EARMARK FOR REHAB.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR YOUR POST CAN-NOT MAKE A SCHEDULED DATE PLEASE LET ME KNOW SO THAT I CAN SCHEDULE HELP FOR THAT DAY.

I MAY BE REACHED AT: 766-6563

MILITARY BALL/ POST COMMANDERS NIGHT

FRANK COLON, JR.

IN RESPONSE TO MY SURVEY LETTER DATED AUGUST 12 THAT I SENT OUT TO ALL POSTS AND PAST COMMANDERS REGARDING "WHERE TO HOLD THE BALL" I HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLOWING RESULTS:

FOR STUART THOMAS MANOR	12 YES
FOR LEONARDS	24 YES
2 ABSTENTIONS	

THIS WAS THE RESPONSE FROM 55 POST'S AND 27 PAST COMMANDERS.

I WILL PROCEED TO GET ALL THE DATA ON TICKET PRICES AND WORKING ON DETAILS FOR OUR EVENT

COUNTY DIRECTORIES FOR 2013

KEN CADIEUX

THE NEW COUNTY DIRECTORY WILL BE READY FOR THE SEPTEMBER COUNTY MEETING. EACH POST MAY HAVE THEIR REP'S PICK UP 3 COPIES FOR THEIR POST. ONE EACH FOR THE COMMANDER, ADJUTANT AND COUNTY REP.

THE DELAY WAS DUE TO 13 POSTS WHO DID NOT RESPOND WITH THE INFORMATION REQUESTED AND THEY HAD TO BE CONTACTED BY STAFF.

MANY POSTS FAILED TO TAKE AN AD TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THE PRINTING AND POSTAGE.

REMEMBER NEXT YEAR -- DON'T SET THE FORM ASIDE FILL IT IN AND GET IT BACK TO ME EARLY SO THAT WE CAN GET THE BOOK OUT IN AUGUST.

2nd Division Report

Frank L. Neal

August was another busy month. I attended meetings at Hempstead Post 390 and Levittown Post 1711. Travelling around to other Post memberships is coming at a good pace, ahead of last year.

I attended the 10th District Meeting on August 7, 2012, and on August 11, the County Staff had a meeting at Glenwood Landing, Post 336. There were three post installations: Freeport, West Hempstead and Cathedral.

As a member of County Staff, on August 17, 2012, we did a funeral service for a young Marine, Gregory Buckley, Jr., at Oceanside. Such a waste of a young life.

On September 22, at 8:30 am, there will be a Legion School at the Elmont Library. I strongly urge all Commanders and Legionnaires coming up in the Chairs to attend. This will help your post grow.

Frank Neal

2 nd Division Vice Commander

3rd Division Report

Vice Commander - Fred Nielsen

Activities / Participation:

On August 17 James Smith, Commander of New Castle Memorial Post 1861, his Adjutant and his Treasurer, invited the County Commander Joe Reale, Past County Commander Andy Booth, Membership Chairman Steve Manus, and this Vice Commander to meet in their Post. During our meeting we discussed their commitment to move forward with a new zeal and their vision for doing that. The Commander and his Staff will make a strong Membership outreach in their Community through renewed emphasis on a variety of excellent Legion Community Service Programs like Flag Etiquette, the Oratorical Contest, and Boys State

As 3rd Division Commander, I thank Commander Smith and his Staff for their warmth and hospitality, and I thank our County Commander, the Department and District Americanism Chairman, and our County Membership Chairman for their interest and support of New Castle Memorial Post 1861. Commander Smith and Representatives of New Castle Memorial Post 1861 please rise and be recognized.

ADJUTANT'S REPORT

ANGELO GRANDE, ADJUTANT:

THE FOLLOWING POSTS HAVE YET TO SUBMIT THEIR CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE RECORD'S REPORT- VERIFIED WITH THE DEPARTMENT As OF 8-20-12

1st DIVISION - EAST ROCKAWAY POST #958; ISLAND PARK POST #1029; J. FRANKLIN BELL POST #81; LAWRENCE-CEDARHURST POST #339; LYNBROOK POST #335 AND WANTAGH POST #1273

2ND DIVISION - AVIATOR'S POST #743; GOMILLION-CAMPBELL POST #1488; HUGH C. NEWMAN III MEMORIAL POST #449; JOE MURPHY POST #1957; #1749; WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER POST #265

3RD DIVISION - ARCHIE MCCORD POST #86;; EUGENE S. SMITH POST #175; GLEN COVE POST #76; GLENWOOD LANDING POST #336; HOWARD VAN WAGNER POST #962; JAMES F. BRENGEL POST #456; MANHASSET POST #304; NASSAU POLICE POST #1050; MINEOLA MEMORIAL POST #349; NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL POST #1861; PLAINVIEW POST #1812; PORT WASHINGTON POST # 509; QUENTIN ROOSEVELT POST #4; ROBERT H. SPITTEL POST #1285; WILLIAM 'J. LONGUET POST #101.

If you have any questions in regard to the above, you may call me at 516-676-7436.



OUR COLOR GUARD NEVER LOKED SO GOOD

Adjutants Report

Angelo Grande,

The following Posts have yet to submit their Certification of Service record's Report- Verified with the Department As of 8-20-12

1st Division – East Rockaway Post #958; Island Park Post #1029; J. Franklin Bell Post #81; Lawrence-Cedarhurst Post #339; Lynbrook Post #335 and Wantagh Post #1273

2nd Division – Aviator's Post #743; Gomillion-Campbell Post #1488; Hugh C. Newman III Memorial Post #449; Joe Murphy Post #1957; #1749; William Bradford Turner Post #265

3rd Division – Archie McCord Post #86;; Eugene S. Smith Post #175; Glen Cove Post #76; Glenwood Landing Post #336; Howard Van Wagner Post #962; James F. Brengel Post #456; Manhasset Post #304; Nassau Police Post #1050; Mineola Memorial Post #349; New Cassel Memorial Post #1861; Plainview Post #1812; Port Washington Post # 509; Quentin Roosevelt Post #4; Robert H. Spittel Post #1285; William J. Longuet Post #101.

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“LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST”

REGINALD BUTT

The Legislative Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 07 October 2012 at 9 A.M. and it will be held at the Williston Post #144, 730 Willis Avenue, Williston Park, NY. Breakfast will consist of eggs, bacon, sausage, dinner rolls, crumb cake, coffee & tea. Breakfast will be served and this is a working session so as you eat we will have the legislators speak. The cost \$20 as everything has gone up and I am tasked with making \$800 for the County this year. Letters have been sent out to all the posts , Past County Commander and the County Staff. Besides the cost of the breakfast, I have asked for donations of bottles for the raffle at the end of the breakfast. Please get your tickets as soon as possible and be generous with the bottle donations.

NATIONAL EMERGENCY FUND REPORT

The Summer may soon be over but the disaster season seems to never end. Just in the last few weeks, we have heard reports of fires, floods, hurricanes and severe drought. All of this within the United States. Millions of dollars of damage has been done and thousands of our fellow citizens have been displaced. A large number of those affected are our fellow legion family members.

The American legion National Emergency Fund was established in 1989 in the wake of Hurricane Hugo. Since that time, the fund has disbursed in excess of \$7,000,000 as direct financial assistance to American Legion family members. Several years ago, a severe storm hit Long Island and the Bayville area was seriously flooded. The NEF came to the rescue of several of our own members.

The fund is replenished by donations from posts and legionnaires. This year as our Nassau County posts are planning their budgets, it would be most appropriate to include this worthy cause in your donation plans. \$25, \$50 or more would demonstrate that the “Empire County” cares for our Legion Family.

Donation Checks should be made payable to The Nassau County Committee, earmarked NEF. The checks should be sent to:

Robert A. Robesch PCC
4 Netherwood Drive
Albertson, NY 11507

“LEGISLATIVE REPORT”

REGINALD BUTT

The House of Representatives and Senate both have been adjourned for the summer work period in their home states or districts. They are heading back to Washington DC now so there is not report or reports to bring forward.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS VISITATION

REGINALD BUTT

The Department Commanders Visitation to Nassau County is on 3 November 2012. I have just starting working on this so all the details are not finalized. Please reserve the date and try not to plan any functions at the time so there will be on conflicts. We want to show the Department Commander that we are “The Empire County of the Empire State”.

SUPPORT FOR TROOPS ON ACTIVE DUTY

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

Since the County Meeting on 27 July 2012, I have shipped 30 boxes to the troops. These boxes were prepared by the a woman who is part of "Books for Soldiers", she fills out the custom forms and put address label on the boxes. She then delivers them to me usually Sunday mornings and then ship them out during the week. I have a list of names to sent packages to and I will be packaging boxes starting in September. Don't stop donating items we can use them to support the troops, the visits to Northport and for the Stand Downs.

"HOMELAND SECURITY"

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC CHAIRMAN

Each day in read in the papers or hear on the different news media about terrorist acts. Most of these are homegrown terrorists, which means we have to be alert and be observant. The Department of Homeland Security is telling everyone to be on the alert as they are tracking different reports or supposed treats. At present there is no specific treat but the potential is there. With the two major Party Conventions within two weeks, this would be an ideal time for the terrorists to plan attacks, not only at the Conventions but at other sites as people will be concentrating on the two conventions. If you see something that looks out of place or individuals acting suspicious, report it. Remember, 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".

NORTHPORT GIFT SHOP

Santa is coming to the Northport VAMC early this year. Dates are: Tuesday, November 27 and Wednesday, November 28.

As in the past looking for volunteers to go to the various units with the carts loaded with gifts fr the vets to select.

Joan D. Klopfer
Gift Shop Chairman

CELL PHONE COLLECTION PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

I did not have enough phones to ship, I need minimum of 50 phones to make a shipment. I have 31 phones now but I need more to ship. When I get 50 phones or other items I can then ship to the Recycling Center. As I stated before the recycling program has expanded and it now includes these items:

cell phones	cell phone accessories
i Pods and MP3 Players	GPS handheld units
handheld g ame systems	laptop computers
E-readers	portable hard drives

Keep collecting any and all 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.

DO YOU HAVE A HALL FOR RENT ?

IF YOUR POST HALL IS FOR RENT WE CAN LIST IT ON THE WEB SITE. WE HAVE RECEIVED MANY REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION BUT WE DO NOT HAVE THE PROPER INFORMATION WHEN PEOPLE CALL OR E-MAIL.

WE NEED THE NAME OF YOUR POST, LOCATION, MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF YOUR HALL, IS THERE A KITCHEN, A BAR OR A CATERER, AN OUTSIDE AREA FOR RENT ?

WE DO NOT NEED PRICES BUT WE NEED A CONTACT PERSON AND PHONE NUMBER TO GIVE PROSPECTIVE RENTERS SO THAT THEY CAN CALL FOR AVAILABILITY OF YOUR HALL AND COST.

MAIL INFO TO ME:

KEN CADIEUX

121 POWELL AVENUE

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY 11570

NASSAU COUNTY REHABILITATION PROGRAM
POST TEAMS SCHEDULE 2012 - 2013

TEAM # 1: SEPTEMBER 8, 2012

CHARLES WAGNER POST
QUENTIN ROOSEVELT #4
GLENWOOD LANDING #226
J. FRANKLIN BELL #81
MASSAPEQUA # 1066
CARLE PLACE # 1718

TEAM #6: FEBRUARY 9, 2013

YOUNG SIMMONS #1765
NORTH BELLMORE POST #1749
CATHEDRAL POST #1087
ROCKVILLE CENTRE #303
MANHASSET #304
AVIATORS # 743

TEAM #2: OCTOBER 13, 2012

PORT WASHINGTON # 509
FLORAL PARK # 334
WANTAGH # 1273
ARCHIE McCORD # 86
EDWIN WELCH, JR. # 1132
PLAINVIEW # 1812

TEAM # 7: MARCH 9, 2013

NEW HYDE PARK ERNIE PYLE #1089
ANDREW FATSCHER # 854
LYNBROOK # 335
JAMES F. BRENGEL # 456
CHARLES A. FOWLER # 160
WILLISTON # 144

TEAM # 3: NOVEMBER 10, 2012

HOWARD VAN WAGNER #962
ROBERT H. SPITTEL #1285
EAST ROCKAWAY # 958
HEMPSTEAD # 390
EAST MEADOW MEMORIAL # 1082

TEAM # 8: APRIL 13, 2013

MINEOLA MEMORIAL # 349
LEVIT TOWN #1711
FRANKLIN SQUARE # 1014
BELLMORE # 94
VICTOR MURTHA # 972
EUGENE S. SMITH # 175

TEAM #4: DECEMBER 8, 2012

NASSAU POLICE #1050
ELMONT # 1033
MALVERNE #44
MERRICK # 1282
GLEN COVE # 76
HUGH C. NEWMAN III #449

TEAM #9: MAY 11, 2013

UNIONDALE # 1487
ROBERT VAN COTT # 1139
ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL # 1051
OCEANSIDE MEMORIAL # 1246
WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER # 265
JOE MURPHY # 1957

TEAM # 5: JANUARY 12, 2013

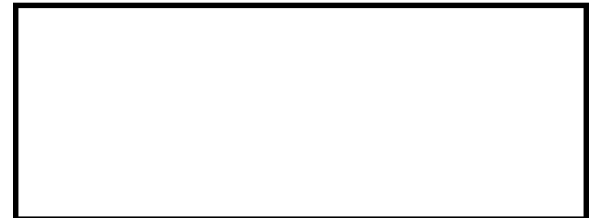
NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL #1861
WILLIAM J. LONGUET # 101
BALDWIN #246
WILLIAM CLINTON STORY # 342
LAWRENCE/CEDARHURST #339

IF YOU CAN'T MAKE YOUR SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT PLEASE CONTACT THE CHAIRMAN FRANK COLON, JR. AT 435-7066 OR CELL PHONE # 766-6563. ALSO REMEMBER YOUR CHECK FOR \$50.00 IF YOU ATTEND OR \$100.00 IF YOU DON'T.

NASSAU COUNTY LEGIONNAIRE
121 POWELL AVENUE
ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. 11570

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U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
MASSAPEQUA, N.Y. 11758
PERMIT # 8

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New York State Legion Press Association



OR CURRENT RESIDENT

DATES TO REMEMBER 2011

SEPT	5	LABOR DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG	
	9	MEMBERSHIP WORKSHOP WILLISTON POST	9:00 AM
	22	MIA/POW CANDLELIGHT VIGIL AT EISENHOWER PARK	7:00 PM
	28	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MASSAPEQUA POST	7:15 PM
		COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM
OCT	7	LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST - WILLISTON POST 144	9:00 AM
	9	LINCMO MEETING - NATIONAL CEMETERY	11:30 AM
	23	10TH DITRICT MEETING - HEMPSTEAD POST	8:00 PM
	26	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MASSAPEQUA POST	7:15 PM
		COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM
NOV		UVO VETERANS DAY PROGRAM EISENHOWER	11:30 AM
		NATIONAL CEMETERY VETERANS DAY SERVICE	2:00 PM
	16	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MASSAPEQUA POST	7:15 PM
		COUNTY MEETING	8:00 PM
	27-28	NORTHPORT GIFT SHOP	

