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## Commander's Message

Angelo Grande

Saturday, March 2nd I attended the Nurses' Ball at the Malverne Post #44 and attended a meeting of the North Shore School Board. The Board agreed to grant all Veterans in the district a reduction in their school taxes.

Friday, March 7th Past County Commander Andy Booth and I met with Assemblyman, Tom McKeivitt about pending legislation. The Assemblyman said that he would support legislation to approve a Grant of \$150,000 to support the Boys and Girls State Programs.

On Sunday, March 9th I attended a UVO Dinner honoring Past County Commander Frank Colon.

On Monday, March 10th I attended the 1st Division Caucus at the Malverne Post #44 and on Wednesday, March 12th I attended the 3rd Division Caucus at the Glenwood Landing Post #336.

On Thursday, March 13th I attended a meeting of the Nassau County Auxiliary at the Van Cott Post.

On Friday, March 14th I met with Oke Olatokunbo, a recent veteran who provided me with the documents to start a new Legion Post at LIU Post College. The new Post will be called the Admiral Conolly Post. I have forwarded the documents to our Department Adjutant James Casey, who will forward the documents to National. They will issue a number for the new Post.

On the morning of Friday, March 21st I attended a meeting at the VFW Post #347 in Glen Cove to discuss the erection of a new monument for "Our Fallen Heroes" in Glen Cove and in the evening of March 21st I attended the Americanism Ceremony at the Levittown Post #1711.

On Monday, March 24th I attended the 2nd Division Caucus at the Levittown Post #1711 and on

Thursday, March 26st the 3rd Division Commander Freddie Nielsen and I presented a Flag Citation to Delicacies Gourmet in Roslyn.

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership officers, its time to start making those phone calls for unpaid dues. Nassau County is 87% members in. We still have 847 members that have not sent in their dues.

Now for some good news,we have 165 new members and 5 postS with 100%. Our new post at CW Post College will get their Charter in the near future.

We have 2 months till the end of the legion year, its time to get those valued members in.

Frank Neal

## ADVANCE NOTICE

On Thursday, May 22nd the management of Raymour and Flanagan has invited members of the Nassau County American Legion to a "Salute to our Heroes Event" in Recognition & Appreciation of our Veterans. The event will be held at their showroom located at 895 East Gate Blvd., Garden City, from 5-9 PM. They will have a DJ playing 60's and 70's and disco music for your entertainment. They will also have refreshments, food & hors d'oeuvres for all the Veterans, raffling of prizes and safe and non-toxic patriotic tattoos for the kids. There will be a 12% discount off their regular prices, but there is no obligation to buy.orHH Please wear your Legion cover to be recognized.

ANGELO



GET A NEW  
MEMBER TODAY  
ALL YOU HAVE TO  
DO IS ASK !

## RE HAB REPORT

Mary Norris, Co-Chair

Recap of “Day at the Races”- March 8, 2014  
- Northport Nursing/Convalescent Home Bldg 92

We had huge turnout from the Posts scheduled or rescheduled from a month when the weather was bad. It was almost too crowded, but the patients and Legionnaires had a great time.

The next date for Nassau County American Legion “Day at the Races” is Saturday, the 12th of April. Team # 8 are reminded to be out at building 92, Northport at 1:30 PM:

A reminder phone call will be made to each Post during the week before Saturday the 8th . Post are asked to bring a \$50 check to offset operating cost with them on the 8th. If a Post is not attending, send a check for \$100 to the County. Checks are to be made out to Nassau County American Legion and on memo line mark “Rehab/Day at the Races.

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### Law and Order Report Nassau County

Ron Sabo, Chairman

On March 5, 2014, I attended The Manhasset Post 304’s Law and Order Program with the Nassau County Adjutant John Hassett. Then on March 21, I attended The Levittown Post 1711 for their program with Commander Angelo Grande, County Membership Officer Frank Neal and County Historian James T. Randall. Also on the same night of March 21, the Elmont Post 1033 held their Law and Order program but unfortunately I could not be in two places on the same evening.

Once again these Programs were outstanding. I would like to thank these Posts for their invitations and for keeping this program on going. It is important to let the community know that we acknowledge those for doing an outstanding job in their fields.

I still need The Law and Order Committee Reports turned into me. Right now I need these reports from Baldwin Post 246, and The Malvern Post 44. Thank you for your continued support.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Report Activities / Participation:

Freddie Neilsen, Commander

“Liberator Series” WWII Vet Interviews:

Post Commanders in 3<sup>rd</sup> Division who have good connections with their local High Schools are invited to identify High School Sophomores or Juniors who want to create a Filmed Interview of a WWII Vet in their Family or the Post. We will submit a letter for Participating Students (the entire Production Team) to their Church and School supporting their Filmed Interview as Community Service Hours. Also for each Interview the Interviewer and principle Film Maker will be presented a Certificate accepting their work into the “Liberator Series” founded by Kirsten Mohammed. High School Guidance Counselors can assist Students participating in the “Liberator Series” to include their “Liberator Series” Interview in their College Application.

Interviews initiated after April 15 this year will be accepted as part of next year’s “Liberator Series”

Post Visitation:

During April, 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Post Visitations will continue. If you have not had your Post’s Visitation confirmed for April thru May and wish to have a visit please contact 3<sup>rd</sup> Div. Adjutant, Willibe Wilson Jr. (676-1263).

Renewing Our Leadership:

I wish to thank Commander Bill Laderer and Legionnaires of the Glenwood Landing Post 336 for hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Caucus. We welcome Mineola Memorial Post # 349 Commander Carl Marchese as our Nominee for 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Commander for the 2014 – 2015 Legion Year. Thank You.



**KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS**

## BOYS STATE PROGRAM

EGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

This Year's Boys State will run from 27 June 2014 (Friday) until 03 July 2014 (Thursday). The Friday start is due to the Regents Exams being given up till the 25<sup>th</sup> of June, school ends on 27 June.

I have booked the two buses (two – one way trips) with an increase this year of only \$25 each trip. The cost of Boys State was set at the Mid-Winter Conference and there was not increase this year. An increase will be made next year and the year after.

The cost to the posts is \$450, \$350 to the Department and \$100 for the bus transportation.

The web site for the boys to submit the application and copy all the other forms is up and running. The letter to all the posts has been mailed and information packets are available.

Post Chairman should be contacting the schools and setting up interviews, then when you select our delegates they can proceed to complete the application process.

The post should interview each boy not the school. The school only recommends the boys to be interviewed by the post. When you give me a check I will give you the information packet(s). All completed application must be turned in to me by 30 April, do not wait get started now. Things are moving slow and as of tonight I have only received money for 16 boys. I have approximate 16 to 22 more promised. We have only one month remaining to get all the applications in. Please get your checks in so the boys you are sponsoring will have time to complete the application requirements before 30 April.

## “LEGISLATIVE REPORT”

REGINALD BUTT, CHAIRMAN

The trip to Albany to attend Hill Day was very successful. On Monday 17 March eight members of the County (myself, Andy Booth, John Hassett, Bill Ost, Frank Neal, Bob Guarneri, Charles Robbins and Joe Scarola) visited about 14 offices. We meet with 6 and left information at the other eight. At the meeting Monday night and the Breakfast Tuesday morning three others joined us, Tony Paternostro, Bill Davison and Charles Mills. At the breakfast 5 Assemblymen/woman and one senator join with us or stopped in for a chat.

We presented all the legislators with a copy of the Department Legislative Program and with a copy of the letter requesting funds for Boys/Girls State programs. We discussed three or four of the most important ones and explained the others would be nice to get but the main ones were the ones we discussed. Nassau County was well represented ,at Hill Day, and the day was a success.

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## CELL PHONE COLLECTION PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

The last shipment of cell phones had 129 cell phones and 2 Lab Top Computers, the value is \$\$78.45. One phone was worth \$15 and Another \$3. The check will be sent to us in about 30 to 45 days, when it comes in the treasurer will be directed to split it between the NEF and The Legacy Scholarship Programs.

The recycling program has expanded and it now includes these 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.

## COUNTY CAUCUS NOMINATIONS

### 1ST DIVISION

COUNTY COMMANDER  
JOHN HASSETT MALVERNE POST

DIVISION COMMANDER  
BOB GUARNERI MALVERNE POST

COUNTY MEMBERSHIP MALVERNE POST  
JOSEPH BRUNNER

### 2ND DIVISION

DIVISION COMMANDER  
CHARLES ROBBINS JOE MURPHY POST

COUNTY ADJUTANT  
STEVE McMANUS ELMONT POST

COUNTY TREASURER  
FRANK NEAL HEMPSTEAD POST

### 3RD DIVISION

DIVISION COMMANDER  
CARL J. MARCHESE MINEOLA POST

### 10TH DISTRICT

CHAPLAIN  
KEN CADIEUX. PCC BALDWIN POST

NOMINATIONS CAN ALSO BE MADE  
FROM THE FLOOR OF THE CONVENTION.

### NASSAU COUNTY DIRECTORY

THE FORMS WILL BE SENT OUT IN JUNE TO ALL POSTS. PLEASE WATCH FOR THEM AND DO NOT CONFUSE THEM WITH THE POST REPORTING SHEET SENT OUT BY THE ADJUTANT. PLEASE RETURN THEM TO ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT THE NEW DIRECTORY CAN BE DISTRIBUTED ON TIME.

WE ONLY NEED YOUR COMMANDERS, ADJUTANTS, COUNTY REPS AND ALT COUNTY REPS, NAME - ADDRESS - PHONE NUMBERS AND YOUR POST INFORMATION AND MEETING DATE AND TIME.

KEN C., DIRECTORY CHAIRMAN

## MEMORIAL LIBRARY REPORT

TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM WE WERE HAVING WITH THE DONATIONS TO THE MEMORIAL LIBRARY WE ARE NOW REQUESTING ALL DONORS TO SEND THEIR DONATIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN BILL DAVISON WHO WILL RECORD THEM AND THEN DELIVER THEM TO HOFSTRA. PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS TO THE JAMES MCLEAN MEMORIAL COLLECTION AND SENT TO  
BILL DAVISON, CHMN  
276 THORN STREET  
OCEANSIDE, NY 11570

THIS COLLECTION IS TOO VALUABLE TO STUDENTS TO ALLOW IT TO LOSE OUR SUPPORT. SEND YOUR CHECK TODAY!

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### BOYS STATE

REGGIE BUTT, CHAIRMAN

The web site is up and running. Fee for Boys State is \$450 per boy. Nassau County has a quota of 50 this year. Boys State runs from Friday 27 June 2014 to Thursday 3 July 2014. I have the information packets available and when you give me a check you will receive a packet for each boy you are sponsoring. If you can not get a boy from your locale schools but still want to sponsor one or two or three get me a check I have candidates that I will interview and completed all the paper wor. I just need the check for the fee. All completed application must be in to me by 30 April 2014.

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### CHAPLAINS REPORT

WE REGRET TO INFORM YOU OF THE PASSING OF THOMAS HOLMES PCC (1999-2000). SERVICES WERE HELD BY HIS POST AND IT WAS WELL ATTENDED. OUR CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY.

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### HOMELESS STANDDOWN

THE STANDDOWN WILL BE HELD AT THE HEMPSTEAD POST ON TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2014. PLEASE DROP ALL ITEMS AT MY HOUSE OR IF YOU HAVE A LOT CALL FRANK COLON.

WE NEED FOOD, CLOTHES GOOD SHOES. WE ALSO NEED VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST THE VETERANS AND FOR SET UP & BREAK DOWN OF THE TABLES





## “Patriot Award”

For this Americanism Year, I am introducing the Commander’s “Patriot Award”, the County Americanism Award to be presented at the County Level. Watch your mail for my Letter on this to check your Post’s eligibility Post Commanders and Americanism Chairmen, I need your Contact Information.. Please email me at [brother2fredn47@hotmail.com](mailto:brother2fredn47@hotmail.com) or Div. Adjutant Willibe Wilson Jr., at [wilpluspea@gmail.com](mailto:wilpluspea@gmail.com).

## Children & Youth:

Willibe and I are pleased to inform you that the location of our 2014 “Spring Fling” for the Children of SCO Family Services is set at St. Patrick’s Roman Catholic Church like last year and we have a tentative date of 14 June for this important event. Should any problems arise we will use the backup date of June 28.

The SCO Children look forward to this as one of the few Activities that get them off the Campus. We thank you so much for your advocacy on their behalf. Ms. Shelley Feldman, Director of the Recreation Department reminds us that for those who will have cameras please be very careful to only photograph Legion Members and never the Children. Since we have to get \$2,000 worth of Event Bills paid, please get your checks in to us right away.

FREDDIE NEILSEN

## MEMORIAL DAY PATCHES



DONATIONS ARE NEEDED TO COVER THE COST OF PROVIDING MEMORIAL DAY PATCHES FOR THE CHILDREN WHO FLAG THE GRAVES AT L.I. NATIONAL CEMETERY

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LINCMO, INC. AND EARMARK FOR PATCHES, SEND TO KEN CADIEUX 121 POWELL AVENUE, RVC, NY 11570 516-238-7001



## COUNTY REHABILITATION PROGRAM

### POST TEAMS SCHEDULE 2013 - 2014

#### TEAM # 8: APRIL 12, 2014

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

### TROPHIES AND AWARDS

THE PLAQUES TO BE GIVEN OUT AT THE 96<sup>TH</sup> NASSAU COUNTY CONVENTION FRIDAY JUNE 6, AND 7 AT LEVITTOWN HALL, I MUST KNOW BY MAY SUNDAY 18 CALL ME. THE CHAIRMANS OF REHABILITATION, PUBLICITY, SCOUTING, SCHOLARSHIP, LAW AND ORDER, LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR AND HISTORIAN IN THE PAST HAS ASKED FOR PLAQUES. THE CHAIRMANS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SPELLING. CALL ME. PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR PHONE NUMBER SO I CAN CONTACT YOU WITH ANY QUESTION.

JAMES T. RANDLE 516 270 3876  
106 ROSE LANE NEW HYDE PARK NY 11040

### NASSAU COUNTY HISTORIAN

JAMES T. RANDLE

TO ALL HISTORIANS OF NASSAU COUNTY YOUR POST HISTORY BOOK, POST NARRATIVE AND SCRAPBOOK HISTORY FOR 2013-2014 MUST BE FINISHED BY FRIDAY MAY, 23 FOR COUNTY GENERAL MEETING AT PLAINVIEW POST 1812. THE BOOKS WILL BE JUDGED AT THAT TIME AND AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN OUT AT COUNTY CONVENTION FRIDAY, JUNE 6 2014 AT LEVITTOWN HALL.

IF YOU CAN MAKE THE MEETING WITH YOUR BOOK, OR YOUR COUNTY POST DELEGATE CAN BRING IT TO THE MEETING. THE BOOK WILL BE SENT BACK AFTER JUDGING THE WINNING BOOK WILL GO ON TO DEPARTMENT CONVENTION IN ALBANY JULY 17, 18, 19. BOOK WILL BE JUDGE ON JULY 17 AT DEPARTMENT CONVENTION. I WOULD LIKE TO MEET YOU AT THE COUNTY MEETING.

YOU CAN CALL ME I CAN ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT PUTTING YOUR POST HISTORY, POST NARRATIVE AND OR SCRAPBOOK TOGETHER. JUST GIVE ME A CALL.

## 40/8 NURSES TRAINING BALL AWARDS

FIVE SCHOLARSHIPS WERE GIVEN TO NURSING STUDENTS AT THE BALL.



Herbert J. Blauert, PC,  
Memorial Scholarship  
Sponsored By Marilyn Blauert  
Katie Sheriden - New Hyde Park  
Graduates: May 2014

Leonard Perretta, Sr. PC,  
Memorial Scholarship  
Sponsored By The East Rockaway Post  
#958, A.L.

Heather Wallis - N. Bellmore  
Graduates: May 2014

Joseph P. Slattery, Jr. PC,  
Memorial Scholarship  
Kerry MacDonald - Floral Park  
Graduates: May 2015

John "Russ" Keever, PC  
Memorial Scholarship  
Emily I. Rersert - N. Massapequa  
Graduates: May 2016

James Frazer, PC,  
Memorial Scholarship  
Sponsored By Bellmore Lyons Club  
Christine Sison - Malverne  
Graduates: May 2016

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 ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. 11570

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**DATES TO REMEMBER - 2014**

<b>APRIL</b>	10	AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY BIRTHDAY - 1919	
	11	NATIONAL COMMANDERS VISIT/DINNER ANTUN'S RESTURANT	8:00 PM
	13	PALM SUNDAY	
	14	PASSOVER BEGINS	
	20	EASTER	
	25	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - PLAINVIEW POST COUNTY MEETING	7:15 PM 8:00 PM
<b>MAY</b>	8	VE DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG 1	
	11	MOTHERS DAY - REMEMBER MOM!	
	17	ARMED FORCES DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG!	
	23	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - PLAINVIEW POST COUNTY MEETING	7:15 PM 8:00 PM
	25	MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES AT EISENHOWER PARK	10:30 AM
<b>JUNE</b>	25	MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES - L.I. NATIONAL CEMETERY	2:30 PM
	6	COUNTY CONVENTION AT LEVITTOWN HALL	8:00 PM
	7	COUNTY CONVENTION - ELECTION OF OFFICERS	9:00 AM
<b>JUNE</b>	27- JULY 3	BOYS STATE	
<b>JULY</b>	15	HOMELESS VETS STANDDOWN - HEMPSTEAD POST	9:00 AM
	17-19	DEPARTMENT CONVENTION IN ALBANY	
	25	COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING - MALVERNE POST COUNTY MEETING	7:30 PM 8:00 PM
<b>AUGUST</b>	22-28	NATIONAL CONVENTION - CHARLOTTE, N.C.	