



# Nassau County Legionnaire



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## County Commanders Report

Happy New Year to you all, this month was a thrill with all the exciting weather we had. Yeah sure. I had attended the Mid-Winter Convention and Department will be trying a new electronic transfer / distribution system with membership on the MyLegion web page. I am extremely disappointed with the turnout for Midwinter. I have been considering the Tax-exempt status issue with the county, and as of tonight's meeting there has been no movement according to IRS in the renewal of that status. I have also submitted a report from the County Finance Committee Chairman. With tonight's report I have also submitted my expense report for Mid-Winter.

Regarding Hotel Room and Mileage, I came in below the 500.00 amount and saved the County \$61.00. Regarding the Midwinter Meet and Greet I came in below the 500.00 budget amount and saved the county \$283.00.

I have attached that expense report.

Lastly, it is the responsibility for the staff to attend the require County, District and Department meetings. I am extremely disappointed and concerned that the officers are not making the attempt to attend these meetings. I may not be able to attend some of these meetings due to my work schedule, but not attending your required District or Department meetings especially when you're on those committees, show that you have no interest in how this county looks in Albany. If you feel that you cannot carry with your duties, please let me know.

I hope everyone has a safe and healthy winter.

Joseph Brunner

Nassau County Commander



## DIVISION I REPORT- ALFRED FICALORA

January wasn't filled with many ceremonies or events I hope eve one made it through the two week sub-freezing period without frozen pipes or dead batteries.

On December 15th I attended the County Christmas party at Malverne Post 44. On December 20th I attended the RANK'S Post 246 Christmas Party. Saturday, January 13th I attended, at Northport, Building 92, The -Day at the Races, under the supervision of Rehabilitation Chairman Mary Norris and Law& Order Chairman, Tom Basacchi. VVe had 6 or 7 County Posts show up also to assist. We entertained about 35 disabled Vets.

On Thursday, January 18th, we had the 40 and 8 Meeting at the Malverne Post. And, of course, the Mid-Winter Conference was well attended.



PCC Tony Paternostro chats with Past National Commander Fang Wong at Mid-Winter Conference

Picture by James Randle



## THIRD DIVISION REPORT

January 13, 2018 Day at the Races

### GREGORY FALING – COMMANDER

A notice is forthcoming from American Legion National Headquarters Post Information confirmation and Membership Dues to be assessed to Post Member for the 2018/2019 Membership Year July 1, 2018. Also, referenced on this, a confirmation of Post Physical Address and mailing address of where Membership Dues are to be sent, if applicable. At this point, if the Post is expecting to raise the annual dues amount or there has been a change is either the Post Physical Address, or where the Annual Dues should be sent, this notice gives the Post an opportunity to voice said changes.

The above changes must be sent through Department prior to the printing of the 2018/2019 Membership Cards (March 1, 2018).

A letter from Nassau County American Legion, dated December 1, 2017, was sent to all Post Commanders regarding The Eleventh Annual Military Ball/Post Commanders Night. The Military Ball/Post Commanders Night will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018, at Leonard's "La Dolce Vita", 555 Northern Blvd, Great Neck, NY, 11021 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Tickets are \$68.00 per person. Make checks payable to NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION and earmark it of the Military Ball/Post Commanders Night. Cutoff for tickets is FEBRUARY 1, 2018. Fill out the reverse side of the letter, PAGEANT INFORMATION FORM, stating if your Post, Auxiliary Unit or S.A.L. will or will not participate in the Pageant during the Ball/Post Commanders Night festivities. Your check and Pageant Information should be sent to Frank Colon, Jr., PCC; Military Ball/Post Commanders Night Chairman; 85 Cleveland Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570.

Now that the Nassau County American Legion County Directory of Staff and Post Staff Information have been delivered, it is advised that each Post review their respective submitted information for accuracy. If in your review of your Post Information, you find a black line through your Post Information, that means no updated was received by the Directory Chair. Correct your Post Information and submit same to the Directory Chair – Ken Cadieux, e-mail [kencadieux@optonline.net](mailto:kencadieux@optonline.net) or bring to the next American Legion County Meeting.

As usual, if there are any problems that I may avail myself to, call me @ 516-503-1225 (cell)

When Team 6 Members started coming into Building 92, many the residents were waiting for us to show up on Saturday. The weather was decent, and we had 5 out of six Post come out to help run the program.

With the cancelation of our December trip to Northport, letters have been sent to the Post, asking them to reschedule their trip either for March (3/1), April (4/14), or May (5/12) this Legion year.

For February 2018, the following Post are scheduled to come out to Northport:

Team #6 - Please be at Bldg. 92 No Earlier than 1:30pm on February 10th  
Archie McCord #86  
Glenwood Landing # 336  
Joe Murphy #1951  
Levittown # 1711  
New Cassel Memorial # 1861  
Port Washington #50  
(LIU) Admiral Conolly #2014

A reminder post card is going out in the mail on Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of January and courtesy calls will be made starting on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> to Post Commanders for their visit out to Building 92.

Any Post who cannot come out when scheduled, you're invited to help on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month during the remainder of the Legion Year between February through May.

To help off-set operating costs, Posts are asked to bring a \$50 check (made out to the Nassau County American Legion) with them on Saturday. If a Post is not able to attend, send a check for \$100, made out to *Nassau County American Legion* and on memo line mark "Rehab/Day at the Races". Mail check to Mary Norris @ 81 Bobwhite Lane, Hicksville, NY 11810. Your Post will receive credit for the operating cost contribution.

## Service Officer Report by Ed Aulman

Do you know someone who just passed away and does not have a discharge for burial benefits? You can submit an Urgent Request for Military Records. Fill out a Form 180 by going to [www.archives.gov/file/research/order/standard-form-180.pdf](http://www.archives.gov/file/research/order/standard-form-180.pdf). Provide next of kin signature and proof of death. Fax the form to (314-891-0764) and mark it Attn: Urgent Burial. Please provide date and time needed for burial.

VA at Northport is offering on a case by case basis light emitting diode therapy, stellate ganglion block and Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy to patients with PTSD.

Female veterans have been asked to donate their brains for P TSD research. For information on the brain bank call 800-762-6609.

Telehealth is revolutionizing Veterans Health Care speak to your primary care provider.

President Donald Trump signed an Executive Order that directs the Department of Defense, Veterans Administration and Homeland Security to develop a plan to provide all veterans with a one-year treatment for mental conditions.

The VA has changed two forms form 40-1330 and form 40-1330 are the new forms for anyone requesting a government headstone or marker. Both forms are available at [www.va.gov/forms](http://www.va.gov/forms) or better yet go to the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency.

The VA has become the 1<sup>st</sup> Hospital System in the country to post what the opioid dispensing rate is. The posted information shows opioid -dispensing rates for each facility and how much those rates have changed.

Decision Ready Claims (DRC) is a new program at the VA for speeding up claims. Ask your claims councilor for an explanation.

Veterans lose weight and are keeping it off with VA's MOVE. Program ask your Primary Care Provider about the Move program to lose weight.

2018 Nation Veterans Day poster contest now under way. Deadline is April 1, 2018. Go to [vetsday@va.gov](mailto:vetsday@va.gov) for information

## BOYS STATE

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

For this Year's Boys State will run from 24 June 2018 thru 29 June 2018. The bus will depart Williston Post #144 at 6 A.M. on Sunday 24 June and depart from SUNY Morrisville at 7 P.M. on Friday 29 June. That means the bus will arrive at the Williston Post between 12:30 A.M. and 1:30 A.M. The forms are on the internet at NYLEGION.NET and all the forms are new this year and they will be the only forms accepted by the Department. The medical form must be used but if they have a physical form dated after 29 June 2017 and the information on that form is the same information on the Boys State Medical form and it is signed by a Doctor, PA or Nurse Practitioner it can be attached to the Boys State Form. The price for Boys State will remain the same, it is \$450.00. Start your selection now get the boys started on the application and the forms. Do not let them drag their feet push to get them completed. Sent me a check covering the number of Boys you are sponsoring as soon as possible. I must have all completed application ASAP and no later than 6 April in my hand as I must submit all application with a check by 13 April 2018. Any application submitted after that date there will be an additional \$150 fee tacked on. Our quota this year is 52. If you interview extra boys and you think they eligible but you cannot sponsor them, send me all their data and I will try to pick them up from posts that cannot get a boy and ask those posts to sponsor them or make a donation so we have extra money to pick them up. Last year by doing this we sent 58 boys. The Samsung Scholarship application is on National Web site and is filled out and submitted on line to National. The Samsung Scholarship is only awarded thru Boys and Girls State.

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## FOUR CHAPLAINS CEREMONY

THE NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION FOUR CHAPLAINS CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH AT 65 WRIGHT AVENUE IN MALVERNE ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH AT 2:00 PM.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT  
PAT ALESIA AT 516-639-9924



L.I.N.C.M.O., Inc.

Long Island National Cemetery Memorial Organization, Inc.

To: ALL VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS AND SUPPORTERS,

ONCE AGAIN WE ARE ASKING ALL VETERANS ORGANIZATION FOR DONATIONS TO THE LONG ISLAND NATIONAL CEMETERY FUND TO HELP PAY FOR THE PATCHES GIVEN TO ALL WHO HELP FLAG THE GRAVES AT FARMINGDALE FOR MEMORIAL DAY. THIS PATCH IS GIVEN TO ALL WHO HELP AND WE NEED 5000 EACH YEAR AT A COST OF \$2,500.00.

FOOD AND DRINKS ARE ALSO PROVIDED FREE FOR ALL WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE FLAG PLACEMENT PROGRAM.

IF YOU CAN HELP US PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LINC MO, INC. MAIL TO ME:

KEN CADIEUX, 121 POWELL AVENUE, ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY 11570

EARMARK ALL CHECKS FOR "PATCHES"

THANKS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

KEN CADIEUX, Past President, Donations Chairman, LINC MO



**Rena Nessler**  
Department Commander



**Pat Hennessy**  
Auxiliary President



**William Clancy**  
Sons of The Legion Cmdr.

A busy schedule for the three top New York State Officers of the American Legion. A hard working team who are doing a fantastic job so far.

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Oratorical chairperson Dawn Samuel with student Joel Bossouse from Sewanhaka H/S with sponsor Eric Spinner

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SIGN ON [nylegion.org](http://nylegion.org) for forms

### Legislative Hill Day

Legislative/Exec Meetings March 12 at Desmond Hotel & Conference Center

Breakfast March 7 at Empire State Plaza Albany, NY

March 12-13, 2018

*DETAILS with forms*



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### LINC MO REPORT ON POLES

WE HAVE NO POLES LEFT AT THE NATIONAL CEMETERY . ALL HAVE BEEN SOLD. WE WILL PLACE THE ORDER AND SCHEDULE A DATE FOR THEIR PLACEMENT. ALL DONATION PLATES WILL BE ADDED AFTER THE POLES ARE IN PLACE.

THE OFFICIAL DATE FOR THE DEDICATION HOPEFULLY WILL BE MEMORIAL DAY 2018.

WE WILL ALSO BE SETTING UP FOR MEMORIAL BENCHES AND MONUMENTS TO BE PLACED IN A LOCATION AROUND THE MAIN FLAGPOLE. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW.



Contestants at Oratorical Contest at Malverne Post pose with County Commander. Pictures by J. Randle

Nassau County Rehabilitation Program

Post Teams Schedule 2017 – 2018

Subject to Change by request

Team # 6 – February 10, 2018  
ARCHIE McCORD # 86  
GLENWOOD LANDING #226  
JOE MURPHY #1957  
LEVITTOWN #1711  
PORT WASHINGTON # 509  
NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL #1861  
(LIU) ADMIRAL CONOLLY #2014



Team #7 – March 10, 2018  
CHARLES WAGNER POST #421  
QUENTIN ROOSEVELT #4  
WANTAGH # 1273  
MANHASSET #304  
NEW HYDE PARK ERNIE PYLE #1089  
YOUNG SIMMONS #1765



Team # 8 – April 14, 2018  
EAST ROCKAWAY # 958  
FLORAL PARK # 334  
HEMPSTEAD # 390  
MASSAPEQUA # 1066  
NORTH BELLMORE POST #1749  
WILLIAM CLINTON STORY # 342



Team # 9 – May 12, 2018  
CARLE PLACE # 1718  
CHARLES A. FOWLER # 160  
EDWIN WELCH, JR. # 1132  
J. FRANKLIN BELL #81  
ROCKVILLE CENTRE #303



IF YOUR POST CAN NOT MAKE YOUR SCHEDULED DATE, CONTACT MARY NORRIS AT CELL # 287-3569

ALSO, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A \$50 CHECK TO OFF-SET OPERATING COST. IF NOT ATTENDING, SEND A CHECK FOR \$100 TO COUNTY.



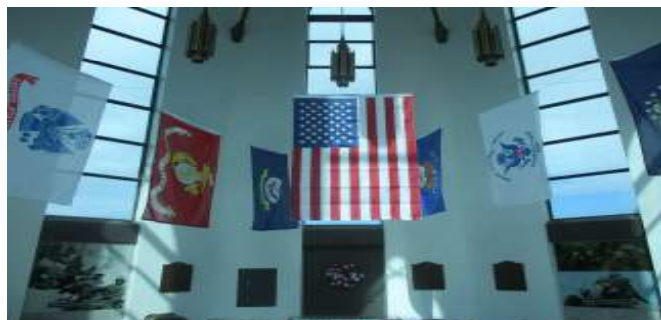
**LET'S GET THOSE  
DELINQUENT MEMBERS !**

JAMES MACLEAN LIBRARY

THE LIBRARY HAS NOT BEEN GOOD LATELY DUE TO THE LACK OF DONATIONS TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM. WITH ONLY THREE (3) POSTS. BALDWIN SENT IN A DONATION IN THE MEMORY OF ROBERT JONES, AND MERRICK IN MEMORY OF LEONARD TUCKER AND KENNETH WOESSNER LONG TIME MEMBERS OF THE POSTS.

DONATIONS ARE MADE BY POSTS IN MEMORY OF OR IN HONOR OF DECEASED MEMBERS. A BOOK OR OTHER ITEM DEALING WITH THE HISTORY OF NEW YORK OR LONG ISLAND IS PURCHASED WITH THE DONATIONS AND A TAG IS PLACED IN THE ITEM TO SHOW THE NAME OF THE PERSON BEING HONORED AND THE DONORS NAME AND RECEIPTS ARE SENT TO THE FAMILY OF THE HONOREE AND THE DONOR.

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO MACLEAN LIBRARY AND SEND ALL DONATIONS TO KEN CADIEUX AT 121 POWELL AVENUE, ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY 11570.



**NEW MUSEUM AT EISENHOWER PARK**



**99 YEARS SUPPORTING VETERANS**

## VAV's Report FOR 1/27/2018

Rep Robert Reahl, PCC 516-681-5545

Dep. Rep William Harms, PCC 516-795-3679

### VETEARNS AT NORTHPORT

#### VA NEED OUR HELP

The VAV's would like to thank **Posts and Donors**

For their greatly needed Donation to help the

Vets at Northport VA Hospital.

To get needed items the VA does not pay for.

### REMEMBER YOUR DONATION GOES

#### 100% TO THE VETS

**TOTAL FOR 2014 -2016 \$7635**

**TOTAL FOR 2016 -2017 \$2245**

**TOTAL FOR 2017 - 2018 250.00**

**PLEASE DONATE as ever little bit helps:**

**( DO NOT MAKE CHECKS )**

**( OUT TO COUNTY )**

**Make ALL check's out to: -**

**VAV's Executive Board**

**&**

**Mail it to Vic Pres of Exc. Board**

**Robert Reahl, PCC**

**69 Hope Drive**

**Plainview, NY 11803-5646**

## NURSES TRAINING BALL

THE NURSES TRAINING BALL WILL BE HELD AT THE MALVERNE POST 44 ON SUNDAY MARCH 11th FROM 1 TO 5 PM.

TICKETS WILL BE \$25.00 P.P. AND MAY BE OBTAINED BY CALLING JOHN HASSETT AT 313-1402. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR ! THE MAXIMUM FOR ATTENDANCE IS 110 PEOPLE SO GET YOUR ORDER IN EARLY !

THERE WILL BE A HAM DINNER WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS.

WE WILL BE GIVING SCHOLARSHIPS TO TWELVE (12) NURSES THIS YEAR THANKS TO THE POST'S THAT SPONSOR A NURSE. THE MORE SPONSORS WE GET THE MORE NURSES WE CAN SPONSOR.

ALL DONATIONS TO THIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE SENT TO: KEN CADIEUX 121 POWELL AVENUE, ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY 11570. CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO "VOITURE 803, 40/8"

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## DATES TO REMEMBER 2018

FEB	1	DEADLINE FOR TICKETS TO MILITARY BALL/ POST CMDRS NITE.	
	4	UVO MEETING - CRADLE OF AVIATION	9:30 AM
	11	LONG ISLAND NATIONAL CEMETERY MEETING	11:30 AM
	17	MILITARY BALL/POST COMMANDERS - LEONARDS GREAT NECK	
	23	NASSAU COUNTY MEETING - MALVERNE POST - ADVISORY COUNTY MEETING	7:30 PM 8:00 PM
MAR	4	UVO INSTALLATION - EDWIN WELCH, JR POST	12 - 4:00 PM
	11	NURSES TRAINING BALL - MALVERNE POST 44	1-5:00 PM
	12-13	HILL DAY IN ALBANY	
	23	NASSAU COUNTY MEETING - MALVERNE POST - ADVISORY COUNTY MEETING	7:30 PM 8:00 PM
APR	27	NASSAU COUNTY MEETING - MALVERNE POST - ADVISORY COUNTY MEETING	7:30 PM 8:00 PM