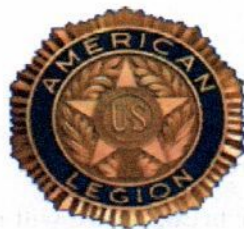


Newsletter



APRIL 2005

MONTHLY OFFICERS MEETING

There will be a monthly officers meeting at the Dutchess Diner at 8 am the Saturday before the regular post meeting starting in June. The cost of this breakfast is out of pocket and no expenses will be incurred by the post. Each officer will pay for their own breakfast. The next one will be June 11th.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is election night May 10 at 8pm please make an effort to attend.

Raffle Tickets

10 raffle tickets will be going out in the mail next week to each member. You can buy them or sell them to friends and coworkers. Cost is one dollar each. First prize 4 tickets to a NY Mets Game. The seats are behind home plate. These were donated by Mike Dennerlien . Thanks Mike!! There are other prizes donated by local business most in the 25.00 dollar range. Please support your post and get them back to us. Remember there are restrictions on how the post can spend money raised through the sale of Poppies. It can only be spent on veterans or children and youth. Everything else depends largely on Raffle ticket sales. Anyone who would like more raffle tickets may call me at 845-724-4666 Dana or Barbara.

Poppies

The post will be selling Poppies at Stop and Shop on Beekman Rd , Sunday May 22nd at 10 am. (I couldn't get the 21st already booked) anyone wishing to help just come down. This year, \$500.00 of Poppy sales has already been earmarked for Castle Point. We will buy canteen books and distribute them to the patients at a later date.

Honoring Veterans Graves with Flags

This year we will be meeting for Breakfast at the Parkview Dinner on Rte 376 at 9am Saturday May 21st

After breakfast we will move to the cemeteries and place the flags. The breakfast is free for all members who help place the flags.

Charter Member Called to Post Everlasting

It is with deep regret and loss that I must announce the Passing of George Baily. George was one of the founding members of our Post and worked with our historian to get the facts about Manny Bacon and how the post was formed. I can honestly say I never heard George say a bad word about anyone and he always had an air about him like he was genuinely happy to see you. Fair Winds and Following Seas George, you will be missed.

A Home for Manny Bacon

The building committee continues to work very hard on getting the deed changed so that we may sell all 3 parcels of land that were donated to the post.

We have now reached a point where we are going to have to pay the lawyer for the Organization that donated it to do their end. Please come the next meeting and we will discuss this further. We are still on track. We should have enough in the building fund to get this done. Id like to thank Paul , Mike and Pete Idema for all their work thus far.

When the Veterans of the East Fishkill community stand in their own Veterans home that they built and realize what it will give to Veterans of the future and what it represents to the Veterans of the Past, it will be worth it.

County Commander

At the Last County meeting Post 1758 sent a letter of intent asking the Counties support in our nomination of our own Post Commander Neil Klock as County Commander for the upcoming 2005-2006 year.

Neil would be the first County Commander from Post 1758 since 1979. I'm quite sure Neil's 25 plus years of Legion experience will be invaluable to the County and that Neil will be a representative we will be proud of. Please join me in congratulating Neil and giving him your support.

Welcome Aboard

Please join me in welcoming Dutchess County Adjutant Barbara Milton to our Post. Barb comes to us from the Millerton post where she was a past Commander, adjutant and membership officer. She also ran the post bar for some time. Barbara has been in the legion for over 10 years and has been serving as County Adjutant for over 5 years



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April 25, 2005


Commander Neil Klock
& American Legion Members
Manny Bacon Post 1758
Hopewell Junction, NY 12533


Dear Commander Klock,

Please note that the following report reflects the activities of our newly formed charter (recorded by Dept. on 1/11/05).

As of our 1st true meeting, and beginning on 1/24/05, our Unit 1758 has accomplished the following:

-  Applications to volunteer at the VA at Castle Point along with letters inviting H.S. Seniors from John Jay HS were distributed to the Guidance and Social Studies departments to enable students to get they're community service credit for graduation as well as the sorely needed volunteers for the VA Hospital.
-  Donations of beautiful Handmade Lap Blankets from our ladies were and still are being distributed to the Veteran Patients at Castle Point.
-  After receiving a letter of request through Charlotte Munson for the Unit of LTC Robert F. McCauley; collections of a wide array of goodies in great number were sent over to Iraq in March.
-  In late March we had our first fund raising event. This was the sale of Spring Flowering Bulbs. Because of the inclement weather on Feb. 28th (snow storm) which cancelled our meeting and March 28th (torrential rain storm) a small turnout, only a small group of our members were able to participate in the fund raiser. We were however able to raise approximately \$315.00.

 Happy to report that 3 of our executives will be present at the Spring Conference in Newburgh, April 30th!

 Thanks to our Post Legionnaires, who donated to us 500 Poppy's; which we will be selling in May.

AUXILIARY THANK YOU's:

In appreciation and BIG Thank You to our Manny Bacon Post:

- For the donation of \$150.00 to help defray the start-up costs of our Auxiliary.
- For the donation of the 500 Poppy's for us to sell.
- A special Thank You to Danny Oberhauser for the block of rooms at a lower rate for the Winter Conferences.

P.S.#1 To All: Please pass on to your women folk... We Need You!!!

P.S.#2 L@@k out for our 1st raffle.... Coming Soon!

For God & Country,

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