



August 15, 2010

Next Meeting: **September 14, 2010**

Meeting Location: **Whortlekill Rod & Gun Club on Rte. 376**

Next Officer's Meeting: **September 4, 2010 at Hopewell Diner 8:00 a.m.**

Reminders

Your post needs your help; contact Mark Johnson at (845) 298-0627.

Castle point is always looking for volunteers, if you have some available time.

Post website is: <http://www.4ever66.com/legionpost1758/>

Department of Veterans Affairs now officers a phone number to assist Homeless Veterans. If you know of a homeless veteran please provide them the following phone number 1-877-424-3838.

Department of Veterans Affairs have setup a hotline phone number, to ensure veterans in emotional crisis have free 24/7 access to a trained counselor. Veterans can call 1-800-272-8255, then Press 1.

Highlights from last meeting

On June 5, 2010 the flags that were placed on veterans gravesites were recovered. Thanks go out to the following members for assisting in this effort: Neil Klock, Joe Ryan, Jim Reynolds, Evert Munning Jr., Mark Baaden, John Lyons, Dan Oberhauser, John Pizzuti, and Mark Johnson. Special thanks to Samantha Baaden for helping us also.

On June 14, 2010 (Flag Day) at 7:00 p.m. the post held ceremonies at the East Fishkill Library to retire worn flags. Commander Klock presided over the ceremonies and Town Supervisor John Hickman read a brief history of the flag. Post member Vinny Richards played Taps and Norm Daurer brought his jeep which always draws a lot of attention. About a dozen Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts as well as two members of the Civil Air Patrol joined many other spectators in honoring Old Glory. Most attendees assisted the Post by submitting the several hundred flags to the retirement fire. Other members participating were Dan Oberhauser, John Pizzuti, Joe Ryan, Evert Munning Jr., Jim Reynolds, and John Lyons. They did a great job of watching over the children around the fires and controlling the crowd.

On June 15, 2010 Healey Brothers had their grand opening at their new location on Route 9. Our post presented Healey Brothers with a plaque thanking them for the support to our post over the years by providing us with vehicles for our parades. Members who attended the grand opening and the presentation were Dan Oberhauser, Neil Klock, and Mark Johnson. A special thank you goes out to Herb Davison from the Arlington Post as the County photographer for the American Legion he was available to take photographs of the presentation.

On June 17, 2010 the Boys State & Girls State send off party was held at the Arlington Post, members from our post who attended were Barbara Verissimo, Neil Klock, Joe Ryan, Dan Oberhauser, and Mark Johnson.

On June 20, 2010 we lost a member of our post family, John Lynn. I did not know Mr. Lynn personally but I would say that he was a well liked and respected man based on the turnout of his family and friends at his wake and by the number of organizations that performed ceremonies on June 24, 2010 at the McHoul Funeral Home in Hopewell Junction, NY. Those members who participated in the ceremony were Neil Klock, Joe Ryan, Jim Reynolds, Dan Oberhauser, Barbara Verissimo, John Pizzuti, and Mark Johnson. Manny Bacon Post extends condolences to his family and gratitude for his service to God and country.

On July 10, 2010 an officers meeting was held at the Hopewell Diner in Hopewell Junction, NY the officers in attendance for this meeting were Neil Klock, Jim Reynolds, Dan Oberhauser, Evert Munning Jr., Mark Baaden, and Mark Johnson.

On July 10, 2010 Dan Oberhauser and Mark Johnson conducted an audit of the financial books for the post for the past year covering the time period June 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. We are pleased to announce that we found no errors or shortcomings and the books balanced. Jim Reynolds deserves thanks from the post for the outstanding job he does as treasurer for us.

On July 17-19, 2010 the state convention was held in Syracuse, NY. The representatives from our post were Dan Oberhauser, Barbara Verissimo, and Mark Johnson. Dan Oberhauser made a \$20 contribution on behalf of Manny Bacon Post 1758 to the Feng Wong campaign for National Commander.

On August 13, 2010 Neil Klock and Jim Reynolds presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Hannah Oppenheim of Hopewell Junction, for the flag she painted on the outdoor stage in the Hopewell Recreation Park. If you're in the area drive by and see what a fine job she did.



Upcoming Events

On August 21, 2010 the annual membership workshop and ninth district reorganization meeting will be held at the Beacon Post 203. Members planning on attending are Neil Klock and Mark Johnson.

On September 11, 2010 the East Fishkill Community Day and Parade will take place. Members marching in parade need to meet at Trink Lane off of Rte 82 in Hopewell Junction, start lining up at 1:00 p.m. with the walk off starting at 1:30 p.m. Uniform for marching in parade is cap, white shirt, dark slacks, and black shoes. The post will have

a booth setup in the park in East Fishkill and we can use your help in setting it up, running it, and taking it down. Uniform at the booth is casual dress but it would be nice if members wore patriotic shirt or a legion shirt and cap. The town will also be providing a fireworks display for all those in attendance so bring your family and enjoy the festivities. Keep in mind that the take down of our booth cannot begin until after the fireworks have concluded.

On December 9, 2010 our post will hold the annual Holiday Party this year the party will be at Arbor Ridge restaurant in Hopewell Junction, NY. Time of the party will be provided in future newsletter, once it has been confirmed. Special thanks go out to Mark Baaden for the outstanding work he did in searching out the best place to have the party and negotiating with the restaurant to obtain the best price available.

The cost for attending the party is as follows:

Members cost \$30

Spouse or Guest \$15 or \$30 **(see note below for clarification of cost).**

*****As an incentive to our members for added participation with the post. If a member attends two meeting between September and December or participates in the East Fishkill Community Day Event then the cost will be \$15 for a spouse or guest. This is a 50% savings!!!!**

***Unfortunately with rising cost if a member is unable to attend monthly meetings or is unable to participate in the East Fishkill Community Day Event then the cost will be \$30 for a spouse or guest.

So please take advantage of the great deal offered by the post and come enjoy the food, visit with members, enjoy the speeches of guest and members, and hear what your post is doing in and around your community.

Quote of the Month

“Good old days start with good new days like today.”