



October 16, 2010

Next Meeting: November 9, 2010

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

Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.

Next Officer's Meeting: No November meeting scheduled.

### **Reminders**

Your post needs your help; contact Commander Neil Klock at (845) 227-6091.

Castle point is always looking for volunteers, if you have some free 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 has setup a hotline phone number, to ensure veterans in emotional crisis have free 24/7 access to a trained counselor. Veterans can call 1-800-273-8255, then Press 1.

### **Highlights from last meeting**

Alec Pandaleon, Dutchess County Commander was a guest at our meeting and provided insight into a few areas that could benefit our post. We also welcomed a member transferring into our post, James Broughton.

Membership chairman Barbara Verissimo reported that our post is currently 6<sup>th</sup> in Dutchess County in membership. We need to continue to grow our numbers by renewals, post transfers, and new members.

Dan Briscoe, Scouting & Jr. Shooting chairman reported that 13 eagle ceremonies have been held this year thus far.

Poppies for next year have been ordered and we have increased our quantity from 1000 to 2000.

Norm Dauerer reported favorable findings on efforts to try and sell off our property and will keep membership advised of situation as it develops.

The Pot o' Gold drawing was conducted and the name pulled was Neil Klock who was in attendance and received half the Pot congratulations Neil. Another drawing will be held at the November meeting.

The Ladies Auxiliary had their monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. on October 12, 2010. Attendance was not as good as was expected only 4 of 19 members attended. One issue discussed was making the meeting quarterly instead of monthly thus hoping to increase member participation. The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be the second Tuesday of January 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at the Whortlekill Rod & Gun Club. It was also discussed at the October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting that poppies would be ordered and distribution would be Memorial Day weekend. If any of our Post members' wives, sisters, daughters, grand-daughters, or mothers (step included) are interested in joining the Ladies Auxiliary they would be welcomed whole-heartedly. If interested contact Barbara Verissimo, Unit President at 845-279-4492 or via email at [barbmilton@verizon.net](mailto:barbmilton@verizon.net).

### **Upcoming Events**

On November 29, 2010 we will be presenting "Ditty Bags" to service members who are currently at Castle Point. Anyone interested in participating in this worthy cause can contact Commander Klock at (845) 227-6091 for more exact details.

On December 9, 2010 our post will hold the annual Holiday Party at Arbor Ridge restaurant in Hopewell Junction. Remember to please complete the form and return to us by November 25, 2010 so we can have an accurate reservation. We hope to see you there.

### **Taps**

None reported for the month of September.

### **Quote of the Month**

"Never reach out your hand unless you are willing to extend an arm."

Pope Paul VI