



January 18, 2011

Next Meeting: February 8, 2011

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

Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.

Next Officer's Meeting: No officers meeting is 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 offers 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

Norm Dauerer reported favorable findings on efforts to try and sell our property and will keep membership advised of the situation as it develops. The Pot o' Gold drawing was conducted and the name pulled was Eugene Jarrett who was not in attendance. The monies will be added to the Pot for next drawing.

The Holiday Party was held on December 9, 2010 at Arbor Ridge Restaurant in Hopewell Junction. The party was a success as we had a decent turnout of members, family members, friends, and honored guests. The food was extremely good and an awards ceremony was also conducted. We hope for even a better party this next year with even a greater turnout.

On January 15, 2011 the district round of the Oratorical contest was held at the Beacon Post at 10 a.m. Neil Klock, Dan Oberhauser, Barbara Verissimo, and Mark Johnson were in attendance as our 3 candidates Steve Velardo, Mary Finch, and Matthew Velardo finished 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

respectively. Steve Velardo and Mary Finch will continue to the next round and we wish them well.

Upcoming Events

February 6, 2011: Zone Oratorical Contest will be held at the Lehman College in the Studio Theater 250 Bedford Park Blvd. W, Bronx, NY at 2 p.m. if able to attend and support our candidates please arrive at 1 p.m.

February 8, 2011: At the monthly meeting our Post will be recognizing the Post Oratorical winner. There will be food and drink provided for the occasion by the Post.

March 5, 2011: Department Oratorical Contest will be held at the Sand Creek Middle School, 329 Sand Creek Road, Albany, NY at 10 a.m. if able to attend and support candidates please arrive at 9 a.m.

March 5, 2011: St. Jude collecting will be held at Stewart's store on Lake Walton Road from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Please come out and assist the Post in this worthwhile cause.

Taps

None reported for the month of December.

Quote of the Month

"Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any one thing."

Abraham Lincoln

Commanders Thoughts

I would like to express my thanks to Mark Johnson on behalf of the Post for his service as Post Adjutant. Mark has accepted employment in another state and will be leaving the area at the end of January. John Pizzuti will assume the duties as Post Adjutant and we thank him for accepting to do so.

Neil Klock, Post Commander