

American Legion Post 1758

New Member Welcome



Welcome to Hopewell Junction Post 1758.

This brochure will introduce you our post and some of it's procedure's and policy's.

Post 1758 was established in 1949 and named for in Honor of Charles P. (Manny) Bacon the first Hopewell Junction casualty of WWII.



Meetings

Our meetings are held at 7:00PM the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the East Fishkill Old Town Hall (OTH). Normally there is no meeting in July and December. The OTH is located on Rte 52 at the intersection with Rte 376 (next to the East Fishkill Police Station)

Meetings are lead by the Post Commander. There is no rank in the American Legion. You will find that each Post Commander has his or her "personal agenda", things that they have a strong interest in, but every member of the post is equal.

An Executive Board made up of current officers and past commanders meets the Tuesday, 1 week prior to the Post meeting.

At each meeting you will be asked to sign in and place \$2.00 in the "Pot Of Gold" box. The Pot Of Gold (POG) is a way to create funds for the Post. At the end of each meeting a member's name is drawn from the POG box and IF that person is present, they win 1/2 of the POG. If the named pulled is not present, the amount in the POG box is added to the POG balance and carried forward until a winner is present.

Here are some of the activities we are involved with:

- We organize and host the East Fishkill Memorial Day Parade
- We solicit funds by distributing Poppy's Memorial Day weekend
- We participate in the East Fishkill Community Day
- We have a Color Guard and call on other members to honor veteran's at local funerals.
- Holiday Party
- We send at least one Boy and one Girl to Boys/Girls State each year

- We host an Oritorical Competition for local high school students each year.
- We support Boy Scouts with a presentation at Eagle Ceremonies
- We support a Venture Crew shooting team
- Every December we have a Holiday Party for members and their significant others.
- We participate in the East Fishkill 911 Ceremony usually providing a color guard
- We have a Food Collection Box at Adams Fairacre Farm in Wappinger Falls to support the Food Pantry at Castle Point VA Hospital
- Funds we raise go toward supporting Veterans at Castle Point, National Legion programs, and local charities.
- We place over 600 flags at local cemeteries for Memorial Day

- In addition we have a Flag retirement ceremony every June 14th
- We also solicit funds on Veteran's Day
- We also provide a color guard for the John Jay and Ketchum High School's Veteran's Day Programs

A monthly newsletter is issued to keep members apprised of current activities.

Currently our yearly dues are \$40.00, of which the Post keeps \$6.50. The remainder goes to the Department of New York and National.

If you are an active member a reminder Voice Broadcast is sent prior to each meeting or special event.

If you buy a Legion Cap the Post will reimburse you once you have participated in 6 meetings or post events. Keep your receipt!!!

Welcome.

We look forward to your participation in our Post activities and your input at our monthly meetings.

Web site: