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Our next meeting will be Tuesday January 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Old East Fishkill Town Hall, Rte. 52, next to the Police Station. Please try to attend. **No December 2018 meeting.**

Membership: Our Post has about 65% of the membership renewed for 2019. Remember you have an option of renewing your membership online. You can do so by clicking here: [Online Renewal](#)

You can also become a PUFL by clicking on this link: [PUFL application](#)

Rates are based on your age and they are currently running a \$100 Off promotion. Payment may be spread over 12 months if you wish.

Please submit your renewal ASAP! Thank you

At the October meeting of the East Fishkill Veterans Committee, Rick Soedler, president of the East Fishkill Historical Society suggested a joint venture with John Jay High School. He proposed having the History Honors Class at John Jay interview and video tape veterans to add to the living history of East Fishkill.

The committee thought that was a great suggestion and asked Rick to approach John Jay to start the process.

What lies behind you and what lies in front of you, pales in comparison to what lies inside of you.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Special Notice: If you are a veteran in emotional crisis and need help RIGHT NOW, call this toll-free number

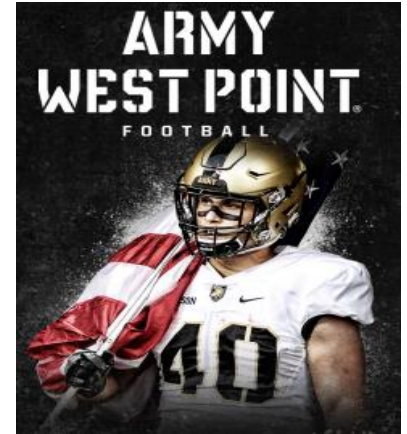
1-800-273-8255

available 24/7, and tell them you are a veteran. All calls are confidential.

**Happy
Holidays**

About 25 post members and family braved a rainy morning to attend the Army-Air Force Game at West Point on Saturday November 3rd. Half of the group met at the Lime Kiln Park and Ride at 8:30AM where we enjoyed bagels and coffee. The rain disapated before kickoff but the wind picked up and the temperature started to fall. Midway through the game we had a nice rainbow. It was a strange weather day, long lines to exit, and a muddy parking lot but good comraderie and worth the trip.

Oh, yeah, Army 17, Air Force 14!



At noon on November 9th officers John Call, Jim Reynolds and Lance Ashworth joined residents of The Avalon Assisted Living Center for lunch. The Avalon has chosen our Post for their annual fundraiser. Later this month Commander Reynolds will return to the Avalon to accept a check which will represent the proceeds of individual donations matched by The Avalon.



Good of the Legion:

Mark Baaden's name was pulled for the Pot O' Gold drawing at the November meeting. Unfortunately Mark was unable to attend. \$32.00 was added to the pot.

Second grade students from Ms. Kate Balogh and Mrs. Christine Allen's class at Gayhead Elementary served us a wonderful breakfast on November 5th. We had some great conversations and then they entertained us with "My Country Tis of Thee" and "This Land Is your Land".



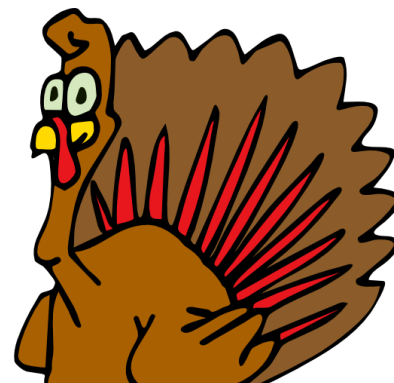
John Jay Veteran's Day 2018



November 9th at 7:15 found us at John Jay High School with a large gathering of students, faculty and Senator Sue Serino.

Thanks go to Jim Broughton, Kevin Hathorn, Jim Reynolds, John Call, Dan Oberhauser, Norm Dauerer, Joe Ryan, Bill Kriebel, Don Burns, Caroline Pogge, and Jeff Miedowski.

Our Post donated Thanksgiving meals to two deserving Veteran Families. The veterans were identified by Hudson River Housing and the meals were paid for at Hannaford's Supermarket in Wappinger Falls. The family just has to select from a turkey or ham dinner and pick the precooked meal up



RCK Veteran's Day 2018



The crew that attended John Jay moved over to Roy C. Ketcham for their 9:30 Veterans Day Ceremony. Both schools provided us with a nice breakfast.

Oratorical Contest

Our Post Oratorical Contest was held on Saturday, November 10th. We had two students show up at the Old Town Hall for the competition, a brother and sister, Bryce and Katelyn Albert. Bryce is a senior at RCK and Katelyn is a junior.

Both were critiqued and suggestions made to improve their speeches. The Post voted to split the total award between the two. Each will get \$75.00, normally 1st place is awarded \$100 and 2nd place \$50.

They will both move on to the County competition on December 15th at Post 203 in Beacon.



Jim Reynolds presented Eagle Scout Ryan Duffy with a certificate and Citizenship Medal at his Court of Honor on November 10th.

Coin Drops

were very successful on Veterans Day. At Flory's we had Don Burns, John Polasko, Bill Meyer, Norm Dauerer, Bruce Coneeny, and Bill Kreibel along with RCK student Matthew Blanke (sitting).



At Convenient Mart Tom Masch, Jim Broughton, Kevin Hathorn, Dan Oberhauser, and John Call manned the tables.

Stewarts was manned by Jeff Miedowski, Jim Reynolds, Bob Logan, Joe Ryan, Len Hart and RCK student James Birrittella. Not shown are Lance Asworth, John Lyons and Dan Briscoe who spent part of the day with us.



HOLIDAY PARTY

Charlie Brown's Fresh Grill

18 Westage Drive, Suite 22
Fishkill, NY 12524

Saturday, December 15, 2018

6:00PM

\$40.00 per person

Unlimited soda, coffee, tea

Farmers Market Salad Bar

Choice of:

Queen Cut Prime Rib

Parmesan Crusted Chicken

or

Crab Stuffed Flounder

Cake

Payment due by December 4, 2018

Return this section with payment

Member name: _____ Number attending: _____

Entree selections:

____ Queen Cut Prime Rib

____ Parmesan Crusted Chicken

____ Crab Stuffed Flounder

Payment to: Post 1758

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or

Bring to the Old Town Hall, 7:00PM December 4th

On Veterans Day we installed flags along route 82 in the Hopewell Hamlet. A good turnout made the work proceed quickly and we enjoyed some Dunkin refreshments before heading out for the coin drops.

