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

1-800-273-8255

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

Next Meeting

Our next will be **November 9, 2021, 7:00PM** at the East Fishkill Community Center. [Listen for the broadcast phone message.]

Meeting details will be confirmed via a call out message.

"A good plan, violently executed now, is better than a perfect plan next week."

-GEN George S. Patton

Good of the Legion:

Len Hart's name was drawn at our October Post meeting and he was in attendance! His prize was \$262. The "pot" is now at \$0.



Veterans' News

VA stands up commission to recommend new Veterans Health Administration Under Secretary

WASHINGTON — The Department of Veterans Affairs established a commission to identify candidates to lead and manage the Veterans Health Administration. The position is for the Under Secretary for Health, who oversees the country's largest health care system — which has an approximate annual budget of \$61 billion — and supervises the delivery of care to more than 9 million enrolled Veterans. Those being considered must have substantial experience in connection with the programs of VHA or programs of similar content and scope. By law, the appointment is made without regard to political affiliation and solely on demonstrated ability in the medical profession, policy formulation, and health care administration and fiscal management. Duties of the post include overseeing the operation of VA's more than 1,200 sites of care, including hospitals, community-based outpatient clinics, nursing homes, domiciliaries and 300 Vet Centers. The candidates should have a demonstrated ability to conceptualize and implement a vision, while being an advocate who can move an ambitious agenda forward to meet the needs of Veterans.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Commander Lance Ashworth was selected for an overseas assignment and will lead the Post through January 2022, after which he will be replaced at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Executive Officers' Meeting:	Thursday, Nov 4th, 7:00pm (EF Comm Ctr)
Commander's Dinner:	Monday, Nov 8 th , 7:00pm (Grand Hotel) RSVPs due Nov 1 st ; cost \$55
Post Meeting:	Tuesday, Nov 9 th , 7:00pm (EF Comm Ctr)
JJHS Ceremony:	Wednesday, Nov 10th, 7:00am (JJHS)
Flag Emplacement Operation:	Thursday, Nov 11th, 7:00am (EF center)
Poppy Handout/Coin Drop:	Thursday, Nov 11th, 8:00am (Multi Locs)
Veterans' Turkey Shoot:	Saturday, Nov 13 th , 10am (Whortlekill)
Korean War Vet Appreciation Dinner	Sunday, Nov 14 th , 5:00pm (Beacon Post)
Post Holiday Dinner:	Saturday, Dec 4 th , 7:00pm (18 North Grill)
Pearl Harbor Lecture:	Tuesday, Dec 7 th , 7:00pm (Town Hall)

This month in U.S. military history...



World War I –

Beginning October 13, 1918, and lasting through the end of the war (one month later), the Germans engage in a general retreat along a 60-mile portion of the Western Front in France stretching from St. Quentin southward to the Argonne Forest, as French and American armies steadily advance.

(German soldiers surrendering to French Troops)