

**Next Meeting** 

Our next will be **Tuesday, August 9th, 2022 at 7:00PM,** at the East Fishkill **Community Center**.

Meeting details will be confirmed via a call out message.

"Treat everyone with politeness and kindness, not because they are nice, but because you are." — Roy T. Bennett,

## **Good of the Legion:**

**Tony Aras'** name was drawn at our June 7th meeting but he was not in attendance (living on the West Coast now) so the pot continues to grow.



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### 1-800-273-8255

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

## **Upcoming Activities**

Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM – Executive Board meeting at the EF Town Hall

Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon - Post Picnic at the Hopewell Recreation field pavilion.

Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM - Post monthly meeting at the East Fishkill Community Center.

Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM - Post monthly meeting at the East Fishkill Community Center.

Saturday, September 17th East Fishkill Community Day -

## **Post Elections**

Elections took place at our May meeting. The following officers were sworn in at our June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Commander - Jim Reynolds Adjutant -Don Burns John Call Finance -1<sup>st</sup> Vice -Bill Meyer 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice -John Polasko Chaplin -Jeff Miedowski Sgt of Arms - Jeff Boes Historian -Bill Kriebel Judge Adv -Jay Livermore



## **Post Picnic**

This year's picnic is scheduled for August 6<sup>th</sup>, starting at 12 noon and ending at 5:00 PM. It will be held at our usual location: The pavilion in the Hopewell Recreation Park. The Post will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, soda and water. Members will bring a dish to share.



On June 1<sup>st</sup> John Polasko, Jim Reynolds, and John Call attended the Arlington High School "Charlie Johnson Awards" program. We were there to support Mary Ellen Mazzola who was the recipient of one of the awards. Mary Ellen often accompanied her mother who volunteers at the Castle point Food Pantry. Charlie Johnson was a graduate of the Arlington School District who was KIA in Korea and awarded the Silver Star for his heroic actions. Each year the Arlington High School presents awards to students who demonstrate Charlie's characteristics: leadership, concern for others, diplomacy, willingness to take on challenges, ability to honor a commitment, and understand issues clearly.

### Don't forget that our Post web site (al-ny1758.org) has a wealth of information:

- \*Meeting and executive board minutes
- \*Newsletters
- Programs
- Photos
- \* For "members only" pages you need a logon which you can obtain from web master Bill Kriebel at <u>Historian@al-ny1758.org</u> or 845-226-6895.

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We had a good turnout for our Memorial Day Service. The weather cooperated with a beautiful day and guest speaker COL Glenn Marchi gave an inspirational speech. Town Supervisor Nick D'Alessandro introduced local politicians in attendance and provided a rousing speech honoring our departed comrades.

Our post honor guard consisted of Bill Kriebel, Len Hart, Jeff Miedowski, Bruce Coneeny, Bill Meyer, Dan Oberhauser, Jeff Boes, Kevin Hines and Norm Dauerer

Commander Jim Reynolds served as emcee.

Other members in attendance were Tom Masch, Doug McHoul, Jim Broughton, Mike Miller and Hale Engel



Another good turnout to help to retrieve and sort flags from the cemeteries on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Post members participating: Jeff Boes, Jim Broughton, John Call, Mark Graser, Dona Greenwood, Len Hart, Bill Kriebel, John Lyons, Bill Meyer, Mike Miller, John Polasko, Commander Jim Reynolds, Karl Sokol and Bob Spinillo. Mrs. Sokol also helped us. We need to bring a tarp next year so we can sort without disrespecting the flags!





Our post was well represented at the dedication ceremony for the Daniel Nimham Statue in Fishkill on June 11<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks to the following members who made up our color guard:

Bill Kriebel	John Call	Tom Masch
Bill Meyer	John Lyons	Dan Oberhauser
John Polasko	Conrad Gagnon	Jim Broughton
Jeff Miedowski Jim Reynolds		
Also on hand were Bruce Coneeny, Mike Miller, Tom		

Budington and Hal Brilliant. Another fine showing by our post...Thanks everyone!



We had a good turnout for putting flags on the East Fishkill cemeteries on May 21st. Thirteen members of our post, four boy scouts, a girl scout and six Liberty Belles placed flags on veteran's graves at St. Denis and Hopewell Cemeteries. Participating members were John Lyons, John Polasko, Jeff Boes, Mike Miller, Bill Meyer, Conrad Gagnon, Jim Broughton, Dan Briscoe, Dona Greenwood, Richard Galdiero, Mark Graser, Jim Reynolds, Len Hart, and Karl Sokol.



### Coin Drop/Poppys

Thanks to the following members we raised a nice amount of money to fund our Legion programs. It rained most of the day and at times it came down in buckets. I appreciate everyone's hanging in there in the bad weather.

I hope I've captured everyone who helped out.

Stewarts - Len Hart, Dona Greenwood, Jim Reynolds and Jeff Boes

**Convenient Mart** - John Call, Dan Oberhauser, Ed Morrison, Jim Broughton, John Lyons and Mark Graser

Flory's I – Bill Meyer, Mike Miller, Dan Briscoe, Bruce Coneeny and Bill Kriebel

Flory's II - Don Burns, John Polasko, and Conrad Gagnon



# Flag Day

We had a great turnout at our Flag Day Ceremony. Sixteen post members and a member of a post on Long Island that always joins us. If you can't make out the faces from the left is Jeff Miedowski, Ralph Schwartz, Guest, Dona Greenwood, Norm Dauerer, Dan Oberhauser, Bill Meyer, Jim Reynolds Jeff Boes, John Call, Kevin Hines, Don Burns, Vinny Richards, Len Hart, Conrad Gagnon, John Polasko and Bill Kriebel.



## **Knights Of Columbus Backyard Olympics**



We were asked to provide a color guard for the Knights of Columbus Backyard Olympics held on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

The detail was made up of Bill Meyer, Jim Reynolds, Norm Dauerer, Dan Oberhauser and John Polasko American Legion Post 1758 Al-ny1758.org/ Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 email: Commander@al-ny1758.org

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