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Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00PM,**
at the East Fishkill **Community Center** on Rte. 82.

Meeting details will be confirmed via a call out message.

“You can't live your life for other people. You've got to do what's right for you, even if it hurts some people you love.”

— Nicholas Sparks, [The Notebook](#)

Special Notice: If you are a veteran in emotional crisis and need help RIGHT NOW, call

988 and press “1”

or this toll-free number

1-800-273-8255

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

Good of the Legion:

Claude Wuyrack's name was drawn at our February 14th meeting but he was not in attendance so the pot is now at \$385.00!!!!



Upcoming Activities

Saturday, March 4th at 12:00 Noon – Dutchess County St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Wappinger Falls

Tuesday, March 14th at 7:00 PM - Post monthly meeting at the East Fishkill Community Center

Wednesday, March 15th at 6:30 PM – Dutchess County monthly meeting at the Post 203 in Beacon, 413 Main Street. This is Post everlasting ceremony for departed members.

Wednesday, March 15th - Vietnam Veterans Day

Tuesday, April 11th – 7:00 PM Post monthly meeting at the East Fishkill Community Center

Thursday, April 20th – 9:00AM Trip to Manny Bacon’s Grave on Long Island

John Jay Basketball Honors

Patriots Honoring Patriots continued on December 9th when **Conrad Gagnon** was honored at the John Jay Basketball game.



Patriots Honoring Patriots continued on January 20th when **Tom Masch** was honored at the John Jay – Ketcham Basketball game.



It was **Santo Abbate's** turn to be honored at the John Jay Basketball game on January 26th.



January 27th found **Dan Oberhauser** in the spotlight at John Jay's Basketball Game.



This year's final recognition went to **Bill Kriebel** who was honored by the team on February 1st.



Post donates \$2000.00 in ShopRite gift cards to the Castle Point VA Food Pantry.

On January 26th members traveled to Castle Point to deliver the gift cards. Picture here is far left Commander Jim Reynolds, then 2nd Vice John Polasko and on the far right is Finance Officer John Call presenting the cards to the food pantry staff.



Buddy Checks

The post will be performing "Buddy Checks" later this month. We will be reaching out to members to make sure they are doing okay and see if they need assistance with anything that the post can help with. Some of you will not be contacted as we have recently been in touch with you and know your status.

If you receive a call and it goes to your voice mail please just call us back and let us know you are okay.

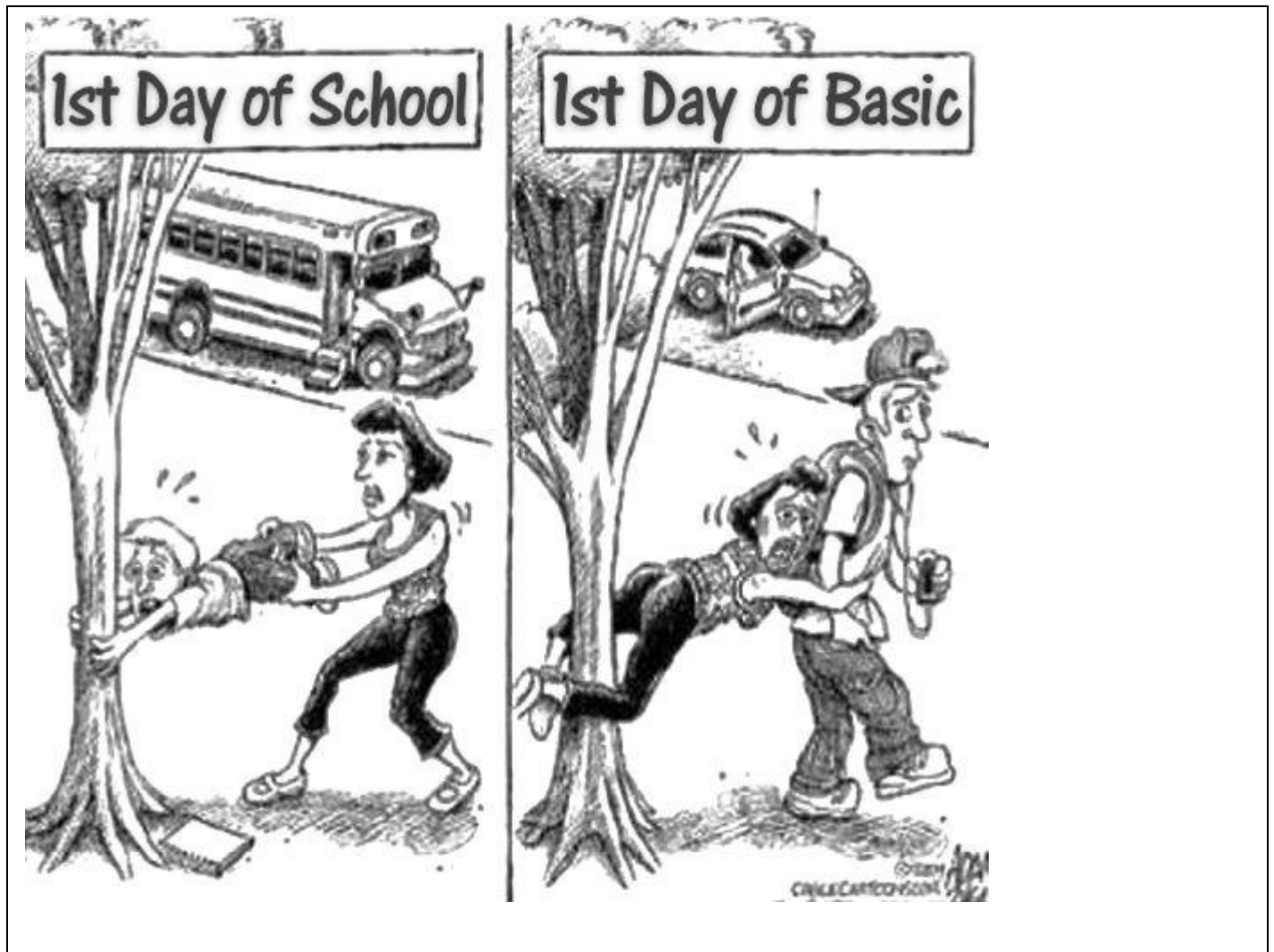
Thanks for your cooperation.

Please renew your membership

There are several members who have not yet renewed their 2023 membership. We appreciate your military service and membership in our post and hope to retain your membership.

If you have a hardship and are unable to pay this year's dues please reach out to me and we'll make arrangements to assist you.

For those of you who wish to pay online you can do so at [Legion.org/renew](https://www.legion.org/renew).



The Hudson Valley Renegades

are proud to highlight the military community, past and present, through our **Veteran of the Game** program. This program, presented by AARP New York, recognizes local veterans as well as active duty service men and women at every Renegades home game for the 2023 season. Veterans will be recognized for his/her service to our country during the top of the 3rd inning at every home game, from April to September. Selected participants will receive a special Hudson Valley Renegades (Veterans) jersey.

Nominations for veterans can be submitted by visiting our website, www.hvrenegades.com, click on Community → Veteran of the Game and complete the form. Or visit this URL directly: <https://www.milb.com/hudson-valley/community/veteran-of-the-game>.

The nominator will have the ability to indicate a preferred homestand when filling out the form, but should note that they should be flexible in the event the preferred dates are not available. Veterans are selected based on nominations received and availability. The form should be completed and those nominating should provide as much information and be as descriptive as possible. Due to high demand, this will also increase their chance of selection! If selected, Veterans will be contacted in advance of the date of their recognition.

We are currently accepting nominations! I still have availability.

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WELCOME HOME

Vietnam Era Veterans & Surviving Family Members

A Hero's Welcome they so Honorably deserve!

Presented by Commemorative Partner - The Cemetery of the Highlands

April 1, 2023, 2-4 PM

Pinning Ceremony Starts Promptly at 2:15PM

Followed by light refreshments

All veterans that served from Nov 1955 to May 1975

And surviving family members are invited!

Newburgh Armory

321 S. Williams St, Newburgh, NY 12550

Please RSVP to assure enough pins.

Call 845.928.9122 or email info@cemeteryofthehighlands.com