

American Legion

Post 1758

Newsletter



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Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, October 10th, 2023 at 7:00PM**, at the East Fishkill Community Center on Rte. 82.

Meeting details will be confirmed via a call out message.

“Somebody has to start. Somebody has to step forward and do what is right, because it is right.”

— Brandon Sanderson, [The Way of Kings](#)

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.

John Miglis' name was drawn at our September 12th meeting but John was not in attendance and the pot is now at **\$688.00!!!!**



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Upcoming Activities

Saturday September 23rd – 2:00 PM East Fishkill Community Day

Saturday November 11th – 7:00 AM We will place flags along Route 82 from Pizza Village north to Unity Street. Following the flag installations we will depart for fund raising locations.

Sunday November 12th – 9:00 AM Post breakfast honoring Veterans Day, more details to follow.

Tuesday November 14th – 7:00 PM Post meeting East Fishkill Community Center

Saturday December 9th – 5:00 PM Post Holiday Party at 18 North Grill Fishkill

East Fishkill 9-11 Ceremony

Our post had 11 members attend the 9-11 ceremony at the East Fishkill Community Center. The Honor Guard presenting the colors for the event consisted of John Lyons (rifle), Bill Meyer (American Flag), Dan Oberhauser (POW Flag), John Call (American Legion Flag), and Tom Masch (rifle). Also in attendance were Kevin Hines, Don Burns, Len Hart, Bill Kriebel, John Polasko and Jim Reynolds.

A video of the entire ceremony can be viewed here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vOBuC8x6I-Q>

More photo's can be found on our website at: https://al-ny1758.org/gallery.php?2023;09;9-11_Color_Guard



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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 Historian@al-ny1758.org or 845-226-6895.

John Jay Volleyball

Tom Masch was honored at the September 7th John Jay Girl's Volleyball Match.



From The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund

We meet all kinds of people and hear all kinds of stories when we're out on the road with *The Wall That Heals*. *These are the stories of two such folks we met while on the road last month.*

In Middletown, Indiana we arrived early one morning to find a lone visitor already there. After observing for a while, we saw he was moving from panel to panel of The Wall, running his hand across the names, touching each of them. He had arrived at 5 a.m. and was methodically making his way through the panels, taking occasional breaks. Just before Noon, he was preparing to leave, and we were able to speak with him. He was a Vietnam veteran himself and he said he had expected it to take him three days to complete his mission, but he had indeed touched every single name on The Wall that morning. He said, *"It's the least I could for them, considering what they did for us."*

During that same visit in Middletown, a gentleman who had participated in our motorcycle escort into town earlier in the week, noticed that our Gold Star bike could use a cleaning. The Gold Star bike is a unique piece of art that travels with the exhibit. It pays tribute to the mothers who lost sons to the Vietnam War. The gentleman asked if he could have the honor of cleaning it for us. He made the trip home 45 minutes away to get his own cleaning supplies and come back to clean it.



Those are the stories of just two visitors out of thousands. We are always touched by the stories of our visitors and volunteers when we're on the road.

John Jay Volleyball

Doug Dellipaoli was honored at the September 14th John Jay Girl's Volleyball Match.



Membership

Since renewal notices have gone out in early July we have had 66 members renew their membership for 2024. Thank You!!!! If you haven't received a notice please let Commander Reynolds know.

You can always renew on line at: <https://www.legion.org/renew>

Department Commander's Dinner

This year's dinner will be held on Monday November 6th at the Rhinebeck Post starting at 6:00 PM. The buffet dinner will include baked chicken, stuffed cod, and roast pork loin as well as potato, green beans dessert and coffee. The price is \$45.00 per person. Payment due at our October 10th meeting.

Please let Jim Reynolds know if you plan on attending.

Dutchess County Executive William F.X. O'Neil
and the Division of Veterans' Services
invite you to

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Red, White, and You!
Veterans Appreciation Picnic

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Saturday, September 30, 2023

12PM – 3PM

Camp Nooteming

22 Camp Nooteming Road, Salt Point

**FREE
EVENT!**

**RAIN
OR
SHINE!**

Join us and fellow veterans for a BBQ

Catered by Tavern 23

Noon – 2 PM

♪ **LIVE MUSIC!** ♪

The StringMasters | 12:30 – 3 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY SEPTEMBER 22ND! SPACE IS LIMITED.

RSVP at dutchessny.gov/veteranspicnic

For more information, call 845-486-2060



MIA Update:

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced seven burial updates for service members who have been missing and unaccounted for from World War II and the Korean War. Returning home for burial with full military honors are:

--**Army Sgt. Willie J. Baty, 20**, of Mexia, Texas was a member of L Company, 3rd Battalion, 24th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division. He was reported missing in action on Sept. 14, 1950. The Army issued a presumptive finding of death on Dec. 31, 1953. He will be buried in Dallas, Texas, on Sept. 15, 2023.

--**Army Pvt. Daniel Moniz, 19**, of Hayward, California, was assigned to Medical Detachment, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division. He was killed in action on Nov. 11, 1944. He will be buried in his hometown on Sept. 29, 2023.

--**Army Pvt. 1st Class Thomas F. Brooks, 23**, of Mammoth Cave, Kentucky, was a member of Company D, 194th Tank Battalion. He was captured on April 9, 1942, and died as a prisoner of war on Dec. 10, 1942. He will be buried in his hometown on Oct. 1, 2023.

--**Army Air Forces 1st Lt. Edward T. McGuire, 22**, of Chicago, Illinois, served with the 415th Bombardment Squadron, 98th Bombardment Group, 9th Air Force. He went missing in action on Aug. 1, 1943. He will be buried on Oct. 28, 2023, in Alsip, Illinois.

--**Air Forces 2nd Lt. Edward Barnett, 24**, of Chicago, Illinois, served with the 66th Bombardment Squadron, 44th Bombardment Group, 8th Air Force. He went missing on Aug. 1, 1943. He will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia, on a date to be determined.

--**Army Air Forces Sergeant Irving R. Newman, 22**, of Los Angeles, California, was assigned to the 343d Bombardment Squadron, 98th Bombardment Group, 9th Air Force. He went missing in action on May 6, 1943. Interment services are pending.

--**Army Air Forces 2nd Lt. Fred L. Brewer Jr., 23**, of Charlotte, North Carolina, was assigned to the 100th Fighter Squadron, 332nd Fighter Group. He went missing in action on Oct. 19, 1944. Contact the Army Casualty Office for funeral information.

18 NORTH GRILL

American Legion Holiday Party

December 9, 2023

5:00 - 8:00 PM

\$20 per person

Payment by November 22, 2023

STARTER

House Garden Salad [GF]

Mixed greens, cherry tomatoes, onions and cucumbers
served with Balsamic Vinaigrette

ENTRÉE SELECTIONS

All entrees are served with Baked Potato and Green Beans

Parmesan Crusted Chicken

Baked Salmon with Garlic Butter

Penne Ala Vodka

DESSERT

New York Style Cheesecake | Ice Cream

BEVERAGES

Unlimited Coffee | Tea | Iced Tea | Fountain Soda