

PO Box 92

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, July 9th, 2024 at 7:00PM,** at the East Fishkill **Community Center** on Rte. 82.

Meeting details will be confirmed via a call out message.

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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. "You have to lift a person up before you can really put them in their place."

— Criss Jami, <u>Killosophy</u>

Good of the Legion:

Pete Idema's name was drawn for the Pot O' Gold at our June 11th meeting. Pete was not in attendance and the pot is now \$108.00.



Upcoming Activities

Friday, June 14th - 7:00 PM – Flag Retirement Ceremony – Behind East Fishkill Library

Saturday, June 29th – 11:00 AM - 75th anniversary celebration of Post at the East Fishkill Community Center

Thursday, July 4th – 10:00 AM – Dedication of new cemetery monument for Revolutionary soldier Henry Charlock – 129 East Hook Road, Wiccopee

Tuesday, July 9th – 7:00 PM Post Monthly Meeting at East Fishkill Community Center

Saturday, August 3rd – 12:00 PM Post Picnic at Whortlekill Rod and Gun

Tuesday, August 13th – 7:00 PM Post Monthly Meeting at East Fishkill Community Center

Tuesday, September 10th – 7:00 PM Post Monthly Meeting at East Fishkill Community Center

Swearing in of Officers at June Meeting



Do you need a shirt?

Some members have asked about the "golf" shirts with the legion emblem and our post information on them that many of us have.

If you are interested in obtaining one, we can place an order. The last order cost us \$25.00 per shirt and I expect additional ones will be about the same. You can get them in black or navy blue and either long sleeve or short.

At the July meeting we'll take orders and once we have a total quantity, I'll verify the current price.



Please Help Out

We have some unique opportunities in the next couple of weeks that don't come along often.

- On June 29th we celebrate our 75th Anniversary at the East Fishkill Community Center. Post members can arrive at 11:00 AM to set up and the public is invited to attend from Noon until 3:00 PM. We will have several displays set up to introduce our post to the public and the activities we're involved with. We should have members on hand to greet people, help answer questions and serve them refreshments. This is the first time we've had an "open house" like this and don't know what to expect as to the crowd size. There has been quite a bit of publicity and hopefully it will gain interest.
- On July 4th at 10:00 AM we will be unveiling the new Revolutionary cemetery monument for Henry Charlock. The ceremony should be about a half hour long but we may end up with some additional speakers. The cemetery is small and there are 4 uneven steps to climb so we should have members on hand to assist anyone who needs it. We also need 3 members to form a color guard (our 3 flags, no rifles). On the last page of this newsletter I'm including a map to the cemetery.

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Party!

Post Picnic August 3rd

Whortlekill Rod & Gun

12:00 PM

Your Participation

The post will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls, condiments, water and soda. Each member is asked to bring a dish to share....something along the lines of potato, macaroni, pasta or green salad, baked beans, deviled eggs, fruit platter, chips, ribs, chicken wings, cookies, brownies, pretty much anything you want to contribute. Don't go overboard on the quantity as we usually have plenty of food. This is for our legion family so bring your significant other and the children.

Please contact Bill Meyer <u>w.meyerjr@att.net</u> 845-724-4035 OR John Polasko <u>sgtjohnpolasko@gmail.com</u> (845) 226-7721 with your contribution. We most likely will have some duplicates so maybe have a second option in mind.



MEMORIAL DAY 2024



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Flag Installation







Our post was asked to provide a color guard for Sheriff Imperati's Annual Golf Tournament Fund Raiser on June 10th. Bill Meyer, John Lyons, John Call and Jim Reynolds did the honors and received \$150 donation for their efforts.



Sick Call

Vinny Richards is home recuperating.

Bruce Coneeny is recovering from shoulder surgery.

Looks like Santo Abbate needs more surgery on his shoulder.

Mike Miller's daughter is going through some issues and undergoing chemo treatment.

We miss seeing Don Greenwood who is doing okay but with his limited hearing finds it difficult to attend meetings of any kind.

Let's keep all those who are ailing in our thoughts and prayers.

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John Jay Memorial Day Ceremony









Poppy/Coin Drops



Friday, July 26, 2024 Bowdoin Park, Pavilion #5 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Come enjoy an evening of great food, fun, and most importantly, great camaraderie with other Dutchess County Veterans.

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Veteran & Family Sunset

Picnic

This event is free for all Dutchess County Veterans and a plus one.

Come hungry and leave happy!

Please RSVP Sylvia 845-473-2500 ext 1367 By Monday July 22

of Dutchess County

VETERANS PROGRAMS



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

-- Navy Gunners Mate First Class George Herbert, 37, of Fall River, Massachusetts, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. He was among 429 crewmen killed that day. He was buried in Igo, California, on May 30, 2024.

-- Army Pvt. 1st Class Bartholomew C. Loschiavo, 24, of Buffalo, New York, was assigned to Company A, 329th Infantry Regiment, 83rd Infantry Division. He was killed in action on Oct. 1, 1944. He was buried in his hometown on June 1, 2024.

-- Army Air Forces Pvt. 1st Class Charles R. Powers, 18, of Riverside, California, was a member of 28th Materiel Squadron, 20th Air Base Group. He was among those captured in the surrender of the Bataan peninsula on April 9, 1942, and died as a prisoner of war on July 18 that same year. He will be buried in his hometown on July 18, 2024.

-- Army Pvt. 1st Class Manuel Trujillo, 22, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, served in Battery C, 200th Coast Artillery Regiment. He was among those captured in the surrender of the Bataan peninsula on April 9, 1942, and died as a prisoner of war on July 26 that same year. He will be buried in his hometown on July 26, 2024.

-- Army Sergeant Mayburn L. Hudson, 21, of Roanoke, Virginia, was assigned to Company F, 2nd Battalion, 330th Infantry Regiment, 83rd Infantry Division. He was reported missing in action on Aug. 7, 1944, and the War Department issued a report of death in January 1945. He will be buried in Lynchburg, Virginia, on Aug. 7, 2024.

-- Army Air Forces 1st Lt. Bruce H. Brown, 23, of Richmond, California, was assigned to the 401st Bombardment Squadron, 91st Bombardment Group, Eighth Air Force. His B-17 bomber was struck by antiaircraft fire on Dec. 20, 1942, and the War Department issued a finding of death on Dec. 20, 1943. He will be buried in Houston, Texas, on a date to be determined.

-- Army Air Forces Pvt. 1st Class Orville J. Cox, 19, of Haskell, Texas, was a member of 34th Pursuit Squadron, 24th Pursuit Group. He was killed in action on Feb. 8, 1942. He will be buried in his hometown on a date to be determined.

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.

