

American Legion

Post 1758

Newsletter



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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 4, 2025, 7:00PM** at the East Fishkill Community Center.

*Meeting details will be confirmed via a call out message.*

**"The deadliest weapon in the world is a Marine and his rifle."**

**General John J. Pershing**

**Good of the Legion:**

**Juan Alfonso's** name was drawn for the Pot O'Gold drawing but he was not present; as such, the "pot" grew to \$230.



**Veterans' News**

**Veterans are facing federal charges after protesting Ice sweeps and Trump's national guard deployments. The justice department claims the veterans were violent**

WASHINGTON — US military veterans increasingly face arrest and injury amid protests over Donald Trump's deportation campaign and his push to deploy national guard members to an ever-widening number of American cities. The Guardian has identified eight instances where military veterans have been prosecuted or sought damages after being detained by federal agents. "What drives so many veterans into action is not only the injustice faced by immigrants and protesters, but also the larger threat to democracy rooted in government brutality and militarization," Vasquez, the Common Defense leader, said. "The disturbing escalation in arrests and violence signals that the basic freedoms we once swore to protect are under attack."

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- On September 11<sup>th</sup>, Legionnaires Hines, Meyer, Oberhauser, Call, Morrison, Kriebel, and Polasko supported the East Fishkill 9/11 Ceremony by providing the colors and handing-out American flags. Legionnaire Vinnie Richards directed the County band in an hour-long musical concert featuring patriotic tunes.



- Also on September 11<sup>th</sup>, longtime post member Frank Gentile checked-in and provided a photo of himself and a 9/11 memorial that he constructed and displayed in his front yard.



- On September 15<sup>th</sup>, Legionnaires Call, Broughton, Oberhauser, Meyer, Ashworth executed a Flag Folding Detail for fallen veteran John S. Aiello of Wiccopee.
- On September 20<sup>th</sup>, numerous Legionnaires participated in the annual East Fishkill Community Day parade and event. AL Post 1758 earned nearly \$150 in donations and raffle proceeds.



- On September 24<sup>th</sup>, Legionnaires Call, Oberhauser, Meyer, and Ashworth staffed a recruitment table for the upcoming Oratorical competition.



- On September 28<sup>th</sup>, Legionnaires Dauerer and Briscoe presented “Commander’s Award” to Nicholas Arshanuse, one of most prolific shooters on Youth Shooting program.



- Due to our regularly scheduled post meeting falling on Veterans’ Day (November 11<sup>th</sup>), **AL Post 1758 will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, beginning at 7:00pm, at the East Fishkill Community Center. See “Upcoming Events”**

below; this change will be announced at the October meeting, via e-mail, and telephone callout.

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Post 1758's membership continues through December 31, 2025. For each individual that a member recruits, s/he will earn one additional ticket to be added to the Pot O' Gold drawing in their name. At the January 2026 meeting, the member with the highest number of newly-recruited Legionnaires will be automatically awarded the Pot O' Gold money. The runner-up will be reimbursed for the cost of attending the Christmas Dinner (member and spouse ticket cost) and the 3rd place member will earn 1 additional Pot O' Gold ticket. In case of a tie, the member who has recruited the youngest new Legionnaire will be considered the winner.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

1. October 23, 2025: 6:00pm – Military Appreciation Baseball Scrimmage at EF Recreation Park, Field 1. We will meet at 5:30pm in the parking lot nearest to Wells Fargo bank. Uniform is cap, white long sleeve shirt, dark trousers.
2. November 1, 2025: 12pm – 2pm – Oratorical Competition at EF Community Library, Nan Cross Room. Uniform is cap, white long sleeve shirt, dark trousers.
3. **November 4, 2025: 7:00pm Post Meeting at EFCC (due to Veterans' Day).**
4. November 8, 2025: 10am – 1pm at EF Community Center. Buddy Check operation. Uniform is cap, white long sleeve shirt, dark trousers. [If you are a Post member who does not typically attend meetings and does not want to be visited please contact the Commander at 845-475-5834.]
5. November 8, 2025 (PM): Department Cdr's dinner. By reservation only.
6. November 10, 2025: Veterans' breakfast at James Evans Elementary School in Wappingers Falls. RSVP by October 31st. Uniform is cap, white long sleeve shirt, dark trousers. Meet at school parking lot at 8:30am.
7. November 11, 2025: 7:00am Flag Emplacement along Route 82. Uniform is Legion cap.
8. November 11, 2025: Coin Drop. Volunteers to be solicited at November post meeting. Uniform is Legion Cap.
9. November 12, 2025: Veterans' Day Ceremony - JJHS. Breakfast in the library fm 7:30am - 8:15am; ceremony 8:20am - 9:00am. Uniform is cap, white long sleeve shirt, dark trousers. Color guard needed. Volunteers to be solicited at November post meeting.
10. November 12, 2025: Flag retrieval along Rt. 82. Right after JJHS ceremony.

JOHN JAY BASEBALL BOOSTERS PRESENT



# HONORING OUR MILITARY HERO'S NIGHT

JOIN US AS WE HONOR AMERICA'S MILITARY HEROS, WITH A NIGHT FILLED WITH AMERICA'S OLDEST PAST TIME

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2025 @6PM.  
Location East Fishkill Recreation Park, Field 1

Colors presented by American Legion Post 1758

DONATIONS OF NEW CLOTHING ITEMS SUCH AS SOCKS, BOXERS, AND UNDERWEAR, T-SHIRTS, SWEAT SHIRTS WILL BE COLLECTED AT THIS EVENT. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AT 12133 ROUTE 9.

# HONORING OUR VETERANS




What: Coat Drive & Complimentary Dinner for Veterans  
When: October 25, 2025 • 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
Where: Wappingers Masonic Lodge #671  
150 Myers Corners Road  
Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

Free for Veterans With VA ID + 1 Guest

Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/veteran-appreciation-dinner-tickets-1747811193329>  
RSVP by calling 845-286-2632

## Hudson Valley Hospice

# 2025 Veterans Breakfast

Hudson Valley Hospice invites all Veterans and a guest to this **FREE** annual event honoring your service!

Date/Time	Thursday, November 6th nine o'clock in the morning
Location	Henry A. Wallace Center 4079 Albany Post Road Hyde Park

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED**



RSVP by November 1, 2025 by scanning the **QR code**, calling Ronjay Johnson at **(845) 240-7605** or emailing [johnsonr@hvospice.org](mailto:johnsonr@hvospice.org)





Hudson Valley Hospice is a proud Level 5 provider of Hospice services through the We Honor Veteran program, a collaboration between the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and Department of Veteran Affairs



NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 12 NOON

DONATED BY MCHOULS FUNERAL HOME



# VETERANS DAY

SPONSORED BY THE

ROTARY CLUB OF FISHKILL



**ALL GAVE SOME ,SOME GAVE ALL  
A REMEMBRANCE AND GRATITUDE FOR OUR HEROES**

CEREMONY AT MCHOULS FUNERAL HOME 1089 MAIN STREET FISHKILL, NY 12524



**PLACE YOUR DESTROYED OR RIP FLAGS IN A PLACE OF HONOR**

THIS RETIREMENT FLAG BOX IS BEING DEDICATED TO ALL OUR HEROES, OF PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

BOX INSTALLMENT BY CARMINE ISTVAN

# Help American Legion Post 429 Rebuild!



American Legion Post 429 recently suffered a devastating fire in their building. The fire began upstairs, causing extensive damage, including the canteen and banquet hall which are currently closed. Until they can reopen, **they need the community's HELP!**

**Stop by Savona's on Wednesday,  
October 22, 2025  
4:00 to 7:30**

**to Support the American Legion**

**Food provided by Savona's  
Cash Bar**

**Suggested Donation - \$25  
Veterans - \$15**



Donate via GoFundMe



<https://gofund.me/9813c6a>

**Unable to attend but would like to make a donation?**

**Check Payable to:** American Legion Post 429

**Mail to:** 6361 Mill St, Rhinebeck, NY 12572

Join us to support our veterans and rebuild Post 429!

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 1466  
50 LEGION RD  
POUGHKEEPSIE NY**

**OCTOBER 25 2025**

**TRUNK  
OR  
TREAT**



**HOT DOG ,SODA ,WATER AND  
CHIPS 5.00**



**DESERTS !  
BEST TRUNK WINS A PRIZE  
1-5 PM**



## This Month in Military History

### October 2, 1918 World War I “The Lost Battalion”

On October 2, 1918, a unit of the 77th Division composed mostly of New York draftees, was surrounded by German forces. The trapped soldiers held out until being rescued on October 8th, but suffered heavy casualties; of the 600 men who went into the attack, only 194 survived.



Image of the surviving members of the “Lost Battalion” of World War I