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COMMANDERS REPORT

William G. Harms, County Commander

My staff and I hope that everyone had a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

The Department Commander William Burnett's visit was a great success. A special thanks goes to PDVC Peter Holowecki, for all the work, time and effort he put into making it the success that it was.

Congratulations go out to the newly installed officers of the Bellmore Post, #948 and the East Rockaway Post, #948 We wish them all the success for this Legion year.

I had the honor and privilege, to present two women at the Eagle Avenue School, with the "Blue Star" banner, in recognition of their sons who are currently in the Armed Forces and recently returned from Iraq. I was accompanied by PCC's Reggie Butt, Bill Ost, Bob Reahl, along with Adjutant Ned Johnson, Membership Officer Frank Colon, and his nephew, who also recently returned from Iraq. Frank, Ned, Treasurer Rob Robesch, and I also had the honor of presenting a "Blue Star" banner to Major General Rowe, at the conclusion of the Army bands performance at Avery Fischer Hall, at Lincoln Center.

Membership is moving along in the right direction, with the County currently in sixth place in the Department. Keep up the good work and let's get the last of the renewals out there plus getting the word out to our younger Vets. We need them all for us to continue to grow and prosper. Remember: "Let's make Nassau County great in 2007-2008!"

FIRST DIVISION REPORT

Gus Lanzo, Commander

We had two installations this past month & I congratulate Commander Anthony Milito & his staff & Tony Donoto & his staff - good luck to all . All are trying to make the 1st division #1.

If I don't see you before the holidays, have a healthy and happy one.

SECOND DIVISION REPORT

Andy Booth, Commander

I hope you and your family had a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

The Friday before Veterans Day, Levittown Post 1711, Levittown- Island Trees Veterans Council, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9592 held a DEDICATION PROGRAM at the Island Trees Memorial Middle School. Over 300 people attended. It was a moving experience. One that I will never forget. The Island Trees School District made a motion that every year the day before VETERANS DAY the school district will stop all activity's for 33 seconds to pay tribute to all 33 VETERANS who made the ULTIMATE SACRIFICE.

A few days after it was put in to the local paper I receive a phone call from the superintendent of the Levittown School District. The school district would like for the AMERICAN LEGION POST 1711 to hold Dedication Program in the Levittown School District. If any post would like to find out how to start one in there school district, you can contact me. My home number is 516-713-6421

GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS AND GOD BLESS THE U.S.A.

Third Division Report

Joe Glovack, Commander

We had a great turnout for our Oct. 29th meeting. It was better than expected! We had 12 of our 20 Posts in attendance! Several important issues were discussed, in addition, we had an opportunity to meet each other face to face. Our next Third Division meeting will be on Wednesday, January 23rd, 2008 at 8 P.M. Mark your Calendar! It will be our Membership meeting. Right now (Nov. 19) we are leading Div. 1 & 2 @ 79.13%! Hoorah! Besides, we will have other topics to discuss. Hopefully you, & or your representative, will be there.

Congratulations to Charles Mills, Howard A. Wagner Post #962, on his Tenth Year as Department of New York, Judge Advocate! That must be a record, Charlie!

Remember Pearl Harbor!!!

There wouldn't be a Hiroshima, if there weren't a Pearl Harbor!

Until then Comrades, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, & Kwanzaa, to all.

God Bless OUR Troops and bring them HOME Safely!

Joe Glovack, Commander

CHILDREN and YOUTH

Willibe Wilson, PCC Chairman

The Easter party that's sponsored by The Nassau County American Legion and the Nassau County American Legion Auxiliary for the resident of S.C. 0. has been change to March 29th, the Saturday after Easter. It will be held at the Glen Cove Boys & Girls Club, 113 Glen Cove Avenue Glen Cove, New York. We will provide a bus to supplement their vans to insure that all residents are able to attend. The time of the party is 11:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

We will provide a Buffet Lunch which consists of Southern Fried Chicken, Baked Macaroni and Cheese, Broccoli in Cheese Sauce, Fried Rice and Tossed Salad, for dessert there will be soda ice cream and cake. We will have a D.J. and music from the beginning to the end plus a magician show.

This program is well worth the effort. My annual appeal letter will be in the mail by late December and I really need your help When you receive this letter please mail Your check to me Willibe Wilson 37 Continental Place, Glen Cove, New York 11542-2948. Make all checks payable to the Nassau County American Legion Committee, earmarked Children and Youth.

Before you know it will be time to full out the Consolidated Post Report Form. Plus a Form For judging the Nassau County Children & Youth Awards, NOW is the time to record your Children & Youth activities.

CHAPLAINS REPORT

We have had a bad month for PCC's with James B. Middleton, Jr, Harry Ransom, Mike Miller, and Frank Ward all being under the weather. We also were notified of Shirley Graven being hospitalized at Northport.

We wish them all a speedy recovery and a quick return to our ranks.

Bob Pachas, Chaplain

MIA/POW REPORT

Bob Fountain Chairman

The family of Bronx Navy Lt. Andrew Zissu were returned his remains last week 40 years after his plane crashed in Viet Nam.

On Oct. 8, 1967, Lt. Zissu was co-piloting an E-1B Tracer when it crashed in the mountains of South Viet Nam, killing him and four others on board.

Zissu's crew mates were identified as Lt. Jg Norman Roggow of Aurelia, Iowa. Lt jg Donald Wolfe, of Hardin Mont; Chief Petty Officer Roland Pineau, of Berkley, Mich. And Petty Officer 3RD class, Raul Guerra, of Los Angeles, California.

NASSAU 500 REPORT

Robert Fountain, Chairman

To date we have sold 537 tickets. In November the 500 numbers were luke warm. Winners were 542, 549, 560, 567, and 592. Winning Posts were Glenwood Landing, Eugene S. Smith twice and Mineola Memorial also twice.

In the race for the \$100 prize, Charles Wagner Post leads with 9 wins, second is Eugene S. Smith with 5 wins. Remember you got to be in it to win it.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Frank Colon, Jr. Membership Officer - 435-7066

A few reminders; if your post hasn't sent to the county there PUFL's please do so. Each post should have received there check from Dept for there PUFL's, it's only \$1.00 per member. Post Dues Transmittal Forms make sure I receive a copy because if you have a problem the number; sent into Dept, county can't verify your status percentage wise.

The county is at 73% into Dept which is past the goal for this month of 65% set by national HQS. So keep them coming and any questions or problems contact me.

COUNTY ORATORICAL PROGRAM

THE CUTOFF DATE TO SUBMIT STUDENTS APPLICATION TO ENTER THE COUNTY LEVEL ORATORICAL PROGRAM IS FRIDAY 21 DECEMBER 2007. AS OF THIS DATE I HAVE RECEIVED NO APPLICATIONS.

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOLS IN YOUR AREA

WILLIAM A. BAXTER, PCC ACTING CHAIRMAN

TO: Legionnaires, County Staff, Past County Commanders, Auxiliary members and S.A.L. Members.

SUBJECT: Military Ball/Post Commanders Night

The Military Ball and Post Commanders Night are being combined into one function this year, so I am announcing that the Forty-Seventh Nassau County Military Ball and Thirtieth Post Commanders Night will be held on Saturday, February 23, 2008, at the Stuart Thomas Manor, 2143 Boundary Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, 11735, from 5:30 PM to 11:00 PM. The evening will begin with a Cocktail Hour with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, followed by a full course dinner. With unlimited name brand liquor, and music for your listening and dancing pleasure.

Tickets are \$52.00 per person. Make check payable to NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION, and earmark it for the Military Ball/Post Commanders Night. Cutoff for tickets is FEBRUARY 9, 2008. If your Post should have more than one table, and would like to setup the seating for each table, send the names of the people at each table and I will assign the ticket numbers to them. A copy of this letter and pageant form can also be found on the Nassau County website (nassaulegion.org). PLEASE RETURN THE PAGEANT INFORMATION FORM ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK TO:

Anthony L. Paternostro, PCC
Military Ball/Post Commanders Night Chairman
137-24 250 Street
Rosedale, New York 11422-2110

Anthony L. Paternostro

VETS REHAB AND TROOP SUPPLIES

Ken Cadieux - 536-3796

WE HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE TO GET DONATIONS FROM THE POSTS THAT ENABLE US TO GET THE THINGS WE NEED FOR THE NORTHPORT VISITS. WE PACK 75 BAGS EACH MONTH FOR THE REHAB TEAM TO TAKE WITH THEM. EACH BAG CONTAINS TOILETRIES, T-SHIRT, UNDERWEAR, SOX, AND A HOST OF OTHER ITEMS THAT ARE DONATED BY VARIOUS GROUPS FOR THIS PROGRAM. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE CANTEEN BOOKS GIVEN TO THE VETS FOR THE RACES. I CALCULATE THAT WE GIVE EACH VETERAN APPROXIMATELY \$10.00 EACH TOTAL COST OR \$750.00 PER VISIT.

NATIONAL CEMETERY

Ken Cadieux, Rep

SO FAR WE HAVE RECEIVED \$ 1,765.00 IN DONATIONS FROM THE NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION, TWO POSTS AND THREE INDIVIDUALS FOR THE PROPOSED MEMORIAL GARDEN TO BE BUILT AT LONG ISLAND NATIONAL CEMETERY IN FARMINGDALE. IF YOU OR YOUR POSTS WISH TO BE A PART OF THIS PROJECT PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO "LINC MO" AND SEND TO ME.

THE SERVICE AT L.I. NATIONAL FOR VETERANS DAY WAS SPARSELY ATTENDED BUT NASSAU COUNTY WAS WELL REPRESENTED. THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER WAS IN ATTENDANCE ALONG WITH THE DISTRICT AND AUXILIARY AND THE SAL. "TAPS" WAS PLAYED BY KEN CADIEUX ON THE NEW ELECTRONIC BUGLE THAT WAS PURCHASED FOR THE CEMETERY LAST YEAR.

BOYS STATE PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

There is no activity ongoing for Boys' State Program at this time. When further information is available I will inform all Post Commanders and everyone that needs to know..

GREETINGS:

DIV	POST	#	2007	DEPT		ACTUAL		%	Pending	PUFL		LAST
				2008 goal	Incr	2008				2008	\$ PAID \$	
1	EAST ROCKAWAY	958	105	107	2	132	123.36%	25	14		11/09/07	
1	LYNBROOK	335	35	37	2	39	105.41%	2	23	23.00	5/10/01/07	
1	OCEANSIDE MEMORIAL	1246	144	146	2	127	86.99%	(19)	2	2.00	6/10/31/07	
1	MERRICK	1282	158	160	2	139	86.88%	(21)	9	9.00	6/11/13/07	
1	MASSAPEQUA	1066	562	564	2	467	82.80%	(97)	28	26.00	5/11/13/07	
1	EDWIN WELCH, JR.	1132	189	191	2	154	80.63%	(37)	9		1/11/13/07	
1	VICTOR MURTHA	972	100	102	2	80	78.43%	(22)	17		4/10/19/07	
1	BELLMORE	948	122	124	2	97	78.23%	(27)	10	10.00	2/11/13/07	
1	J. FRANKLIN BELL	81	7	9	2	7	77.78%	(2)	0	1.00	10/02/07	
1	ISLAND PARK	1029	67	69	2	53	76.81%	(16)	2		10/19/07	
1	MALVERNE	44	156	158	2	121	76.58%	(37)	14	14.00	2/11/09/07	
1	ROCKVILLE CENTRE	303	132	134	2	101	75.37%	(33)	2		11/09/07	
1	WANTAGH	1273	300	302	2	226	74.83%	(76)	19		1/10/31/07	
1	LAWRENCE-CEDARHURST	339	99	101	2	74	73.27%	(27)	7		10/19/07	
1	BALDWIN	246	311	313	2	223	71.25%	(90)	33	33.00	5/10/17/07	
1	ANDREW FATSCHER	854	263	265	2	185	69.81%	(80)	28		4/10/17/07	
1	ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL	1051	30	32	2	7	21.88%	(25)	7		08/01/07	
1	DEMOTT CARMAN	536	7	9	2	0	0.00%	(9)	0		06/19/07	
1ST DIVISION TOTALS			2787	2825	36	2232	79.06%	(591)	224	\$118.00	52	
2	ROBERT VAN COTT	1139	42	44	2	40	90.91%	(4)	1	1.00	08/07/07	
2	HEMPSTEAD	390	121	123	2	109	88.62%	(14)	16		1/11/13/07	
2	JOE MURPHY	1957	30	32	2	28	87.50%	(4)	0		10/31/07	
2	FLORAL PARK	334	169	171	2	147	85.96%	(24)	13		1/11/08/07	
2	NEW HYDE PARK-ERNIE PYLE	1089	181	183	2	154	84.15%	(29)	20	20.00	2/11/08/07	
2	LEVITOWN	1711	350	352	2	287	81.53%	(65)	27	28.00	2/11/13/07	
2	CATHEDERAL	1087	136	138	2	112	81.16%	(26)	7	7.00	1/11/08/07	
2	GOMILLION-CAMPBELL	1488	36	38	2	30	78.95%	(8)	3		10/19/07	
2	EAST MEADOW MEMORIAL	1082	172	174	2	135	77.59%	(39)	20		1/10/19/07	
2	WILLIAM CLINTON STORY	342	97	99	2	75	75.76%	(24)	5		2/11/08/07	
2	AVIATORS POST	743	116	118	2	89	75.42%	(29)	24	24.00	3/10/31/07	
2	ELMONT	1033	263	265	2	198	74.72%	(67)	28	29.00	1/11/08/07	
2	HUGH C. NEWMAN III MEMORIAL	449	63	65	2	48	73.85%	(17)	2		11/09/07	
2	NORTH BELLMORE	1749	165	167	2	122	73.05%	(45)	10	10.00	8/10/17/07	
2	UNIONDALE	1487	55	57	2	41	71.93%	(16)	10		09/07/07	
2	WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER	265	142	144	2	98	68.06%	(46)	10		11/13/07	
2	FRANKLIN SQUARE	1014	81	83	2	53	63.86%	(30)	9		1/10/19/07	
2ND DIVISION TOTALS			2219	2253	34	1766	78.38%	(487)	205	\$119.00	21	
3	JAMES F. BRENGEL	456	70	72	2	71	98.61%	(1)	1		10/19/07	
3	CHARLES A. FOWLER, JR.	160	86	88	2	85	96.59%	(3)	14		10/11/08/07	
3	PLAINVIEW	1812	274	276	2	251	90.94%	(25)	19	19.00	2/11/13/07	
3	QUENTIN ROOSEVELT	4	165	167	2	147	88.02%	(20)	22		1/11/08/07	
3	WILLISTON	144	379	381	2	335	87.93%	(46)	19	19.00	3/11/13/07	
3	CARLE PLACE	1718	126	128	2	108	84.38%	(20)	4		11/09/07	
3	GLENWOOD LANDING	336	270	272	2	229	84.19%	(43)	15	15.00	11/09/07	
3	WILLIAM J. LONGUET	101	61	63	2	52	82.54%	(11)	10		1/11/13/07	
3	NASSAU COUNTY POLICE	1050	212	214	2	172	80.37%	(42)	27		2/11/13/07	
3	CHARLES WAGNER	421	156	158	2	125	79.11%	(33)	9	9.00	11/13/07	
3	EUGENE S. SMITH	175	172	174	2	133	76.44%	(41)	15		11/13/07	
3	ARCHIE McCORD	86	95	97	2	74	76.29%	(23)	9	9.00	3/10/19/07	
3	YOUNG-SIMMONS	1765	56	58	2	44	75.86%	(14)	7	7.00	10/17/07	
3	ROBERT H. SPITTEL	1285	125	127	2	96	75.59%	(31)	12	15.00	8/10/02/07	
3	GLEN COVE	76	81	83	2	62	74.70%	(21)	19		11/13/07	
3	NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL	1861	31	33	2	24	72.73%	(9)	3	3.00	1/11/08/07	
3	MANHASSET	304	241	243	2	162	66.67%	(81)	18	18.00	11/08/07	
3	HOWARD VAN WAGNER	962	88	90	2	56	62.22%	(34)	8		1/10/01/07	
3	MINEOLA MEMORIAL	349	55	57	2	32	56.14%	(25)	11	11.00	08/21/07	
3	PORT WASHINGTON	509	82	84	2	9	10.71%	(75)	9		07/31/07	
3RD DIVISION TOTALS			2825	2865	40	2267	79.13%	(598)	251	\$125.00	32	
FIRST DIVISION			2787	2825	36	2232	79.06%	(591)	224	118.00	52	
SECOND DIVISION			2219	2253	34	1766	78.38%	(487)	205	119.00	21	
THIRD DIVISION			2825	2865	40	2267	79.13%	(598)	251	125.00	32	
COUNTY OVERALL			7831	7941	110	6265	78.89%	(1676)	680	\$362.00	105	

Remember these words “Your friends and neighbors have chosen you to serve in the armed forces of the United States” I received mine on my wedding day (some friends and neighbors) The one way ticket to the draft board. Those were the words read by and heard by millions of veterans during WW II, Korea and Viet Nam. We went, we served and we paid the price many never returned

Remember the words “It is not the price you pay to belong, But the price you already paid to belong.) Now we have young men and women being put into harms way voluntarily, again many will not return while serving to protect our freedom. Are we going to let our elected officials in Washington take away what was promised them when they signed on? They are doing that already just as they are denying our “Greatest Generation” aging veterans and those in dire need of health care services.

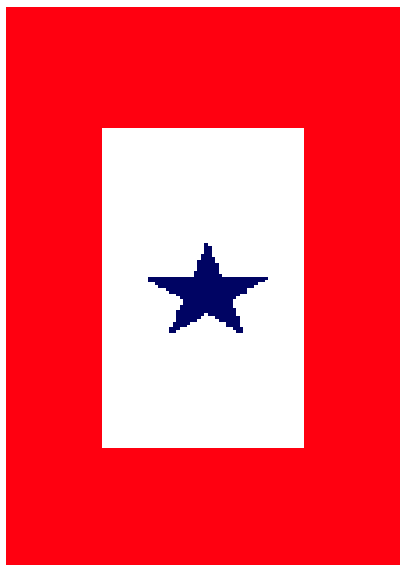
Membership renewals have been coming into Department Headquarters in a timely manner, but, I can’t believe my eyes when I read the reports that there are still some Posts in eight Counties who have failed to submit their goals for 2008. Some have only 8 members to divide into 4 Posts (2X4=8) is that hard? Or is it that some people just don’t care? Need help call your Membership coordinator that is what we do best HELP.

The year is rapidly coming to a close when we will be hearing the words that we dread “Delinquent” as of December 31, 2007. We can’t let that happen our goals are attainable and could be made with a little bit of extra effort. I wish to congratulate the Posts who have already achieved their 100% goals. Now they can concentrate on the other American Legion programs. If some can do it why can’t we all do it?

Wishing you and your families a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving, GOD BLESS and Protect Our Troops., we must support them in every way possible. One way is to pay your dues now. Does your Post have a Blue Star Banner program? If not start one by paying the dues for your local service people on active duty.

PDVC Peter Holowecki, 2nd & 10th Dist

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A BLUE STAR
BANNER
FOR ALL
WHO SERVE.



Veterans News,
Edward G. Aulman, Service Officer

Cradle of Aviation Honors Astronaut

The Cradle of Aviation will host the 5th Annual Air, Space, Science & Technology Gala on November 28, 2007. Honored will be Astronaut Eugene Cernan- the last man to walk on the moon. Tickets are \$275 each and can be purchased by calling 516-572-4026 or on-line at www.cradleofaviation.org.

Homeless Veterans

The Alliance to End Homelessness released a report last week that was picked up by Military.com and most of the news media. According to the report one out of every four homeless are veterans. While the history of veteran homelessness indicated that the majority of veterans who experience homelessness do so 10-12 years after discharge the increased number of Iraq/Afghanistan veterans at shelters now indicates that the problem will get much worse. The VA Medical Center Northport, Salvation Army, Beacon House, Family and Children's Association and the Catherin Martin Inn have services for veterans on Long Island. PTSD counseling is available from the VA and a variety of private facilities. The Nassau County Bar Association is offering pro bono legal services and employers are listing jobs on the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency web site.

Pearl Harbor Day

Pearl Harbor day will be remembered with a huge ceremony at Republic's Air Power Museum in Farmingdale. Sponsored by the Air Force Association this 66th anniversary event will feature the Dropping of the Roses Statue of liberty Fly over. Event is December 7, 2007 at 10:30 am.

The VFW and American Legion in Oyster Bay will be conducting their own ceremony at the same time at Theodore Roosevelt Part in Oyster Bay, while the Chosen Few are organizing a similar service at Mill River in Rockville Centre.

The American Veterans (AMVETS) will, as usual, get the jump on remembering Pearl Harbor by having a ceremony at Long Island National Cemetery on December 2, 2007 at 2:00 pm with a reception following at their post building in Massapequa.

New Scam Targets Military Spouses

The American Red Cross is warning military spouses about a new identity –theft scam that involves a person telephoning a military spouse, identifying herself as a representative of the Red Cross, and telling the spouse that her husband was hurt in Iraq and was medically evacuated to Germany. The spouse is then told to verify her husband's Social Security number and date of birth to start the paperwork. Military family members are urged not to give out any personal information over the phone if contacted by unknown individuals, including confirmation that their spouse is deployed. Any military family that receives such a call is urged to report it to the local family readiness group or military personnel flight.

Heroes

The Fund for Veterans Education is making grants to Iraq /Afghanistan veterans. Since the GI Bill covers about half of Long Island college costs this can make the difference between graduating and not. www.veteransfund.org.

Thomas J. Force of Financial Medical Systems Inc., in Hauppauge 631-840-5253 has notified me that he wants to hire veterans. So to has GSE Dynamics www.gsedynamics.com an aircraft company in Suffolk County and and Bicor Processing Corp, a pillow manufacturer in Brooklyn check out www.bicorprocessing.com.

The Nassau County Bar Association Military Law Committee is anxious to help Iraq/Afghanistan veterans with pro bono legal services . Call 516-747-4832 .

SUPPORT FOR TROOPS ON ACTIVE DUTY

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

If any knows of a service person in Iraq or Afghanistan please contact me with the name and address and I will send items to them. If you are planning to ship packages to the servicemen and women in Iraq or Afghanistan do it before December 4th to ensure it will arrive before Christmas. Ship the packages Priority Mail, all packages over 1 pound will go Priority Mail if you specify First Class. Do not ship them Surface Mail as this will take 3 to 4 months to get there. I have two packages ready to ship, the addresses are:

Bob Maier	CPL John L. Mariana
Charlie Company	116PH MP Company
1/61 Cavalry, 506 th RCT	FOB Sykes
101 ABN Div, Unit #41506	APO_ANE 09351
APO-AE 09305	

I have been in contact with a group called "ADOPT A TROOP", they have supplied me the following address:

CPT Erik J. Wright
3-17 CASV
Unit 43418
APO AE 09322-3418



This unit has been in Iraq for about 3 months. The packages will go to the Commanding Officer for distribution. This unit is a Blackhawk Helicopter group.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

James T. Randle- 516-270-3876

Hello! I was asked to be the County Historian by County Commander Bill Harms. I have been Historian at Williston Post #144 for the last seven years. Unfortunately, the past county historian could no longer hold the post because his wife needs his help. Mr. Eastman has held this post for seven years.

In this year's County Directory I discovered that there are fifteen (15) Post Historians listed. I request that Post Commanders give my phone number listed above to their Historians so I can call them and keep in touch regarding their narratives, pictorials, etc. As a point of information for your historian, I have found that having a copy of the adjutant notes from executive and general meetings helps in formatting a narrative.

REHAB REPORT

Frank Colon Jr. Chairman, Stu Mckinney Co-Chairman

The visit to Northport VA was very Special for the veterans because the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Band performed many songs for their enjoyment. So as part of the program we helped with the veterans needs and handed out the gift bags, dessert and sang along to the live music. I want to thank the following for attending; Howard A. Van Wagner #962, Robert H. Spittel # 1285, East Meadow Memorial #1082 and Hugh C. Newman III #449. Those posts who couldn't attend were; Gomillion Campbell #1488, Hempstead #390, East Rockway #958. This months donations were especially Welcomed.

Next Team#4 for our Christmas Holiday visit will take place on Dec 8,2007;

Nassau Police #1050,	Elmont #1033,
Malverne #44,	Merrick #1282
Edwin Welsh Jr, #1132.	

Any Items a post brings will be collected by me so our supplies can be replaced for our visits. Donations are \$50.00 if a post attends and if a post cannot \$100.00 is welcome.



At the Army Band Concert at Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center, The Blue Star Banner was presented to Major General Rowe By Commander William Harms as Frank Colon and Bob Robesch look on.

"HOMELAND SECURITY"

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC CHAIRMAN

CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) training will be conducted at the Plainview Post starting 29 January thru March 18. This training is 20 hours and they must attend all sessions. For information about CERT Training call (516) 573-0636.

Homeland Security is not only about Terrorism, it covers disasters such as, floods, hurricanes, train derailments, fire, snowstorms etc. Watch for suspicious activity...if you see something, say something. During this holiday season we should be more alert as everyone will be preoccupied with shopping and partying. The bottom line is "ALWAYS BE ALERT AND IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING".

Department Commanders' Visit
PDVC Peter Holowecki, Chairman

The Department Commanders Visit on November 3rd has been concluded successfully, and for the first time in several years we were able to show a profit after expenses. We started the day off with breakfast at the Majestic diner in Westbury then went to Teddy Roosevelt's Home, Museum, and grave site in Oyster Bay. The day concluded with the Dinner/Dance hosted by the Williston Post #144.

I wish to take this opportunity to extend my sincere appreciation to all those who took the time to join with us during the Commanders visit on that day and evening. Special thanks to Commander Bill Harms and his wife Betty for being gracious hosts during the day. To PCC Reggie Butt for making the arrangements to visit the grave site and to Syosset Post #175 Commander Jean Quinn for volunteering her time to be at the home to take Department Commander Bill Burnett and the entourage on a Special Tour of the Home

In last months issue of the County Bulletin I unintentionally omitted the names of PCC William Baxter and the Manhasset Post 304 as donors to the raffle at the Legislative Breakfast, if I missed anyone else I apologize but it's because I did not get your name.



Department Commander Bill Burnett and his wife are escorted t into the hall by Bill Ost, County Sgt at Arms

CELL PHONE COLLECTION PROGRAM
REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

I received a check for \$39.70 and I asked to treasurer to split it between the NEF and the Legacy Scholarship \$19.85 to each program. I shipped 70 cell phones in November and we will be receiving a check for \$67. I have the cell phones that I picked up tonight will be shipped out early next week. Bring the cell phones to the county meeting or if you have a large amount I will come to you to get them.

WINAL Report

Arlene Howard, PCC , Chair

The VA had a very good article on Diabetes: A special risk for women veterans. The VA states "Because the prevalence of diabetes is higher among veterans than among the general population, the VA has made diabetes care a top priority". Women veterans are a greater risk for complications than men if they have the disease. So check with your Doctor about this disease on your next visit.

By now you must have heard the news that Women Veterans, members of Nassau County American Legion, are now being accepted, upon recommendations from 40/8 members, for membership in 40/8. Congratulations to our three Women Veterans, Eleanor Graepel, Arlene Howard and Marie Fitch who have now become members of LA SOCIETE DES 40 HOMMES ET 9 CHEVAUX (40/8).

If you haven't already make that appointment to have your Mammography done soon.

Enjoy the Holiday weekend. I am down in Navy town enjoying Thanksgiving with my Navy family.

CONVENTION REPORT

If any Post would be interested in having the Convention Installation Dinner in June at their Post please send me a letter telling me you are interested.

Thank You and God Bless America.

For God and Country and The American Legion,

Arlene Howard

LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

Please keep those donations coming in. Remember all I ask is a \$1.00 a member.

Now that isn't asking too much to help provide the children of our fallen heroes with a college scholarship is it?

Thank You and God Bless America !

For God and Country and The American Legion

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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DATES TO REMEMBER

DEC	2	SUN	PEARL HARBOR CEREMONIES AT L.I. NATIONAL CEMETERY AT FARMINGDALE
	5	WED	HAPPY HANUKKAH TO ALL !
	18	TUES	NASSAU COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING AT EDWIN WELCH JR POST SEAFORD 8 PM
	21	FRI	NASSAU COUNTY MEETING AT WILLISTON POST 144 - 8 PM.
	25	TUES	MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL !
2008			
JAN	1	TUES	HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL !
	15	TUES	NASSAU COUNTY ADVISORY MEETING AT EDWIN WELCH JR POST SEAFORD 8 PM
	18	FRI	NASSAU COUNTY MEETING AT WILLISTON POST 144 - 8 PM.
	21	MON	MARTIN LUTHER KING'S BIRTHDAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !
	25-27		MID-WINTER CONFERENCE AT ALBANY.

Stand Down Thank You

County Executive Thomas R. Suozzi wants to thank the hundreds of volunteers who made the Veterans Stand Down a success on November 19, 2007. Several hundred homeless and needy veterans were provided services from 30 organizations and given dinner, clothes and other services.



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