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## COMMANDERS REPORT

Greetings to all in the Legion Family, Legionnaires, Auxiliary and S.A.L. Members. My term is winding down with six weeks to go. Thank you to all who have helped me and my staff thus far. April has been a quiet month, but filled with quality things to do. There were three outstanding days this month. First and foremost was the Children & Youth Program, hosted by the Young Simmons Post # 1756 at the Glen Cove Boys Club. Helping out and getting smiles from those less fortunate than others is always heartwarming. The second memorable event for April was the National Commanders Dinner at Antuns, Thank you for your support in filling eleven tables. Thirdly, the POW/MIA Service & Mass at the Mariners chapel at The Merchant Marine Academy, hosted by Charles A. Fowler Post #160. Kudus to all who made this event and the ensuing breakfast a memorable time.

### 1ST DIVISION COMMANDER

Gus Lanzo 678-3392

Another year has passed and although I am not running for officer again I urge all in my Division to get out to the County Convention and show support for the new officers. Thanks for all the support that you gave me while I was an officer

### 2ND DIVISION COMMANDER

Lincoln Parsons, Commander-378-7607

I wish to thank all for their well wishes and for the support I was given in the last year. I met many of you and I always felt welcome that I got the support that I needed to get the job done.

### THIRD DIVISION COMMANDER

James Barton - 484-4471

The Third Division Caucus was held on March 31, 2010, and was well attended with 13 Third Division Posts present, and 17 Posts

represented in total. The turnout was strong, with over 65 Legionnaires participating.

Congratulations to Commander Louise McCann on her nomination for Third Division Commander.

I want to thank the Williston Park Post once again for their hospitality and assistance throughout the evening.

On April 18, the POW/MIA service held at the USMMA Chapel was well attended along with the delicious brunch served following the service at the Benevolent Hall, sponsored by the Charles A Fowler Post. Thank you for supporting their remembrance service.

## NASSAU COUNTY DIRECTORY REPORT

KEN CADIEUX, CHAIRMAN

WE WILL BE GETTING READY FOR THE NEW COUNTY DIRECTORY SOON AND I HOPE THAT ALL THE POSTS WILL GET ME THEIR INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER FOR US TO PRODUCE THE NEW DIRECTORY ON TIME. **THE DIRECTORY "WHITE SHEET" WILL BE MAILED IN JUNE. THIS SHEET IS FOR THE DIRECTORY "ONLY".** COMPLETE THE FORM AND MAIL BACK TO ME AT THE ADDRESS INDICATED. **THIS FORM IS NOT THE PINK & WHITE SHEETS REQUIRED BY THE ADJUTANT TO BE FILLED OUT WHEN YOU INSTALL YOUR OFFICERS.**

## SUPPORT FOR TROOPS ON ACTIVE DUTY

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

Since the County Meeting in March 2010, I shipped out 20 packages. I have received several cards thanking the Nassau County American Legion for all the support. I want to send to the troops along with socks. I will be shipping out several packages of items collected and bought in the beginning of May. If you know someone over in Iraq or Afghanistan please provide me their address. A lot of the names I now have are coming home so new names would be appreciated.

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## CELL PHONE COLLECTION PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

I did not ship any phones this month as I need 50 phones to make a shipment. I have 36 phones and hopefully I will pick up enough for tonight to make a shipment. I went to pick up phones from the Town of Hempstead, and the collection bins are no long in place. They are still at Levittown Town I called to see up was going on but the woman in Public Affairs who I was routed to did not get back to me. The recycling company has requested that the minimum shipment be 50 cell phones as pay the shipping costs. The money we received is split between the Legacy Memorial Scholarship and the NEF. Keep collecting cell phones and bring the cell phones to the county meeting or if you have a large amount I will come to you to get them. A large amount is 25 or more, make it worthwhile for me to drive to where ever you may be. Your other option is to drop them off at my home.

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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

JOE REALE, MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

In the last month I have contacted the Posts, in some cases twice. The first time was for all those Posts that were shy of 95%. The second time was all Posts shy of 100% at which time I offered my help to any Post who needed it.

## Dear Unit Members and Legionnaires:

The dinner honoring our County President Judith Yannotti and her staff will be held on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at the Plattduetsche Park Restaurant located at 1132 Hempstead Turnpike, Franklin Square N.Y. 11010.

Registration will start at 6:30 P.M.. The price of the dinner is \$34.00. You may choose your Entrée that evening. No tickets will be mailed. Make checks payable to: Nassau County Treasurer: and please send to:

Greta Valdes, Chairman  
37 Legion Place (516) 593-5617  
Malverne, N.Y.11565

All reservations MUST be paid by May 17, 2010. If your reservations include any Past County Presidents, Elected Officers or County Committee Chairman, please send their names along with their check and reservations as they are seated separately.

We sincerely hope that you will attend this dinner, as all County Awards will be presented at this time. Legionaries are also invited.

I look forward to seeing all of you at this dinner.

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## MEMORIAL LIBRARY REPORT

WILLIAM DAVISON, CHAIRMAN

WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON A NEW FORM AND ENVELOPE THAT WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE LIBRARY UNIT INSTEAD OF THE UNIVERSITY. IT IS HOPED THAT THIS WILL MAKE SURE THAT THEY GET PROCESSED RIGHT AWAY SO THAT YOU GET YOUR RECEIPT AND CHECK RETURNED FASTER. I WILL BRING A SUPPLY TO THE COUNTY MEETING FOR YOUR USE.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHECK IS MADE OUT TO THE JAMES N. MCLEAN COLLECTION AND NOT TO HOFSTRA. THAT WAY IF THE CHECK GETS SEPERATED FROM THE ENVELOPE WE WILL STILL GET THE CREDIT FOR THE DONATION. THANKS TO ALL WHO SUPPORT THE COLLECTION.

BILL DAVISON, PDistC

REHABILITATION SCHEDULE -2010

**TEAM # 9: MAY 8, 2010**

- UNIONDALE #1487
- ROBERT VAN COTT #1139
- ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL #1051
- OCEANSIDE MEMORIAL #1246
- WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER #265
- JOE MURPHY #1957

Remember your donation of \$50.00 if attending or \$100.00 if not attending. If your Post can't make the date assigned please call me at 435-7066 and let me know.

BOYS STATE PROGRAM

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC

The County Boys State Chairmen should be Getting their respective candidates to complete the application and Letter of Commitment and get it returned as soon as possible. The Boys State program runs from 27 June 2010 (Sunday) thru 2 July 2010 (Friday). We provide bus transportation to and from SUNY Morrisville where the program takes place. We will have an Orientation meeting on June 10th at Williston Post #144 starting at 8:00 P.M., a Thursday night. Departure point and return will also be at the nWilliston Post #144. If your post has picked up a packet please insure the boy get the Application and Letter of Commitment to me now.

NASSAU COUNTY SCOUTING AWARDS

CHARLES G. MILLS, CHAIRMAN

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE WINNERS IN THE SCOUTING PROGRM FOR THIS YEAR.

- EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR- ROBERT SARRO
- EILEEN FERGUSON AWARD -SEA SCOUT ROBERT EXER
- BOY SCOUT OF YEAR- SCOUT PATRICK VAUGHAN
- SCOUT LEADER OF YEAR- SCOUTMASTER SANFORD BRENNER
- BOY SCOUT TROOP OF YEAR- TROOP 577
- CUB SCOUT PACK OF YEAR- PACK 135

NATIONAL CEMETERY REPORT

KEN CADIEUX, PRESIDENT

We fell short of our goal due to the tremendous response from the arborist community, We had to add to the total of shirts ordered to accommodate them.

The donations by Posts and other veterans groups as well as our friends fell short by \$1,538.00 we will have to make up the difference with the limited funds in our LINC MO account.

Our THANKS to the following who were not mentioned in last months report for their donations:

QUENTIN ROOSEVELT POST	\$100.00
VICTOR MURTHA POST	100.00
1ST MARINE DIV	100.00
UNITED VETERANS ORG.	200.00
MANHASSET POST	150.00
GLENWOOD LANDING POST	25.00
POLISH LEGION	20.00
VFW POST 516	100.00
AMERICAN EX-POW'S	100.00
NASSAU COUNTY VFW	500.00
IWO JIMA SURVIVORS	100.00
ELIZABETH S. (PRIVATE)	25.00
THERE WERE TWO PRIVATE	2,000.00
DONATIONS OF \$1,000.00 EACH	

This brought up the total of donations to: \$4,745 and the costs were:

FOOD	\$3,390.00
SHIRTS	<u>2,873.00</u>
TOTAL COSTS	\$ 6,283.00
LESS DONATIONS:	- 4,745.00
SHORTFALL	<u>- 1,538.00</u>

IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THIS FUND ! MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO Lincmo,Inc. AND SEND TO ME.

KEN CADIEUX  
121 POWELL AVENUE,  
ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. 11570

REMEMBER TO EARMARK YOUR CHECK "TREE WORK".

THANKS AGAINTO ALL !

## “HOMELAND SECURITY”

REGINALD BUTT, JR. PCC CHAIRMAN

Disaster can strike quickly and without warning. It can force you to evacuate your neighborhood or confine you to your home. What would you do if basic services –water, gas electricity and telephones- were cut off? Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they cannot reach everyone right away.

Families can – and do – cope with disaster by preparing in advance and working together as a team. Create a family disaster plan, knowing what to do is your best protection and your responsibility. Meet with your family and discuss why you need to prepare for disaster. Explain the dangers of fire, severe weather and earthquake to children. Plan to share responsibilities and work together as a team.

Pick two places to meet: (1) right outside your home (2) outside your neighborhood in case you can't return home.

Ask an out of state friend to be you family contact. After a disaster, it's often easier to call long distance. Everyone must know your contacts phone number, family members can call and tell them where they are.

Discuss what to do in an evacuation and plan to take care of your pets.

Keep enough emergency supplies in home to meet your need for at least three days. Assemble a disaster kit with items you may need in case of evacuation. A first kit with your family's prescription medications is essential.

Have a complete checklist on of things that need to be done or checked out. Check on neighbors and the elderly to see if they need help.

Evacuate immediately if told to do so.

This is just a few things that you can do in any type of emergency and they can be a big help to the emergency crews that will be trying to help you.

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**REMEMBER IF YOU SEE SOMETHING**

**SAY SOMETHING !**

## CONVENTION REPORT

The Convention this year will be held on Friday night June 4th and Saturday morning June 5th at Levittown Hall, Levittown NY.

Friday night session will begin at 6:30 p.m. for committees and 7:00 p.m. for the opening of the general session. Saturday morning session will start at 9:00 a.m.

The dinner will be held at the Williston Post #144, Williston NY. Tickets are \$42.50 per person and include a cocktail hour from 7-S p.m. followed by a sit down dinner. Open bar and music for those who love to dance. So please hurry and get your ticket money in. Send a check made out to Nassau County Committee earmarked “Installation Dinner” to me Arlene Howard PCC 42 Jersey Street, Hicksville NY 11801-2435. Tele #(516)-938-1373. I have already received some checks and are setting up the tables now. The tables seat 10.

The subscription form for the journal ads has already gone out so please submit your ad to Ken Cadieux Chairman, 121 Powell Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570. Checks made out to Nassau County Committee earmarked “Journal Ad” Cut off Date is May 14,2010.

We are hoping to make this another successful convention. Thank You,

For God, Country and The American Legion,  
Arlene Howard FCC Chairman

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PUBLIC RELATIONS 2009-2010

JAMES T. RANDLE, CHAIRMAN

I want to thank the following Posts who participated in the Public Relations Contest.

MERRICK POST 1282,  
AVIATOR POST 743  
CATHEDRAL POST 1087  
FLORAL PARK POST 334  
PLAINVIEW POST 1812  
WILLISTON POST 144.

The winners will be announced at the 92nd Nassau County Convention JUNE 4,2010

## LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP FUND REPORT

Arlene S. Howard PCC, Chairman

The American Legion has established the Legacy Scholarship Fund for the children of those members of our Armed Forces who were killed on active duty after 9/11/2001. So please continue to contribute to this worthy cause.

All I am asking is for \$1.00 per member. I am sure that most of our members can afford \$1.00. So please be generous and send in your \$1.00 today. At my Post meeting we pass around a sheet and the members sign their names and contribute a \$1.00 or more. Please make your checks out to the Nassau County Committee and earmark it for the "Legacy Scholarship Fund". send it to me Arlene Howard, 42 Jersey Street, Hicksville NY 11801-2435.

My thanks to those members and Posts who have contributed to this worthy cause. For God, Country and The American Legion

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## WINAL REPORT

Arlene Howard PCC, Chairman

Congratulations to American Legion National Commander Clarence Hill who testified before a joint session of the House and Senate Veterans Affairs Committee last September that women's health-care needs had to move up on the congressional agenda for VA. "The demographic of The American veterans is changing." he told the committees at that time. "This includes a growing and significant number of women veterans who sacrifice no less than their male counterparts."

After S.-1963 which aims to improve women's services at VA health-care facilities, passed Wednesday April 21, 2010 by the House of Representatives, American Legion Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Division Director Barry Searle said the nation's largest veterans organization is "especially impressed by the attention this bill is giving to our 1.8 million women veterans.

More information about this important bill 5-1963 can be obtained on the American Legion website.

<http://www.legion.org/legislative>

## CHILDREN and YOUTH

Willibe Wilson, Jr. PCC

The Annual Easter Party for the children of SCO family of service of Sea Cliff, New York, was held at the Glen Cove Boys & Girls Club on Saturday, April 17, 2010.

This was very special day for the children of SCO, Parent visitation, all bus outing and all other programs was canceled, allowing us the opportunity to bring a little joy and happiness to the Children.

The menu was an hot buffet with plenty of food, ice cream, cake and soda for Dessert and a DJ for there dancing pleasure. There were about one hundred people including staff and Legionnaires.

I thank Barbara Tortorice, County Auxiliary Children & Youth Chairman for supplying the Desserts. I also thank County Commander Ned Johnson, Auxiliary President Judy Yannotti and all of the Legionnaires and Auxiliary members for being there, their present contributed highly to the success of the program.

All of the above, could not take place without the support of the Posts and Units that contribute funds to this worthy program. "And I thank them for there continuous support.

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## Consolidated Post Reporting:

It near time, to let Congress know that our organization is concerned about the future leaders of this country. I'm asking all Post Children & Youth Chairmen to take the lead, and see that their Post is **COUNTED FOR!**

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## VETS REHAB AND TROOP SUPPLIES:

WE ARE COMING TO THE SLOW SEASON FOR THE NORTHPORT HOSPITAL VISITS BUT DON'T SLACK OFF NOW, LETS BUILD UP A SUPPLY SO THAT WE CAN STAY AHEAD OF THE PROGRAM.

REMEMBER THE HOMELESS STANDDOWN THAT WILL BE HELD AT THE HEMPSTEAD POST ON MONDAY, JULY 26TH FROM 9 AM TO 3 PM. WE ARE COLLECTING NON PERISHABLE FOODS, CLOTHING, GOOD SHOES OR SNEAKERS, AND ANY ITEMS THAT YOU WOULD CARE TO DONATE. IF YOU AHVE A LOAD CALL ME FOR A PICK UP.

KEN CADIEUX 536-3796

NASSAU COUNTY 92nd ANNUAL CONVENTION

The convention for this year will be held at Levittown Hall on Friday Evening June 5, 2009 and Saturday morning June 6, 2009. THERE WILL BE NO PARADE THIS YEAR.

The election of County Officers will take place on Saturday morning June 6, 2009.

The installation Dinner will be held at the Williston Post #144, Williston N.Y. on Saturday Evening. Tickets should be ordered as soon as possible and the cost is \$42.50 per person and may be obtained from Peter Holowecki, Ticket Chairman.

Helping to defray the cost of holding the convention we are going to have a Journal. The cost of an ads and the information is listed below. Don't be left out! Get your ad in early.

We are currently looking for some Post or Posts to hold the convention for 2010. If anyone is interested please contact Arlene Howard, Chairman at 938-1373 and he will see that you get all the information you need to hold a successful convention.  
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COUNTY CONVENTION SOUVENIR JOURNAL AD



Advertising Rates

- Back Cover     \$ 150.00
- Inside Covers     \$ 125.00
- Full Page     \$ 100.00
- Half Page     60.00
- Quarter Page     35.00
- Boosters     2.00 each

Please enter my subscription for an advertisement in your souvenir journal and insert my journal ad to occupy \_\_\_\_\_ page.

CUT OFF DATE

May 14, 2010

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please make all checks payable to Nassau County American Legion earmarked "Journal Ad".  
 Send all replies to:

Ken Cadieux, Chairman                      (516) 536-3796  
 121 Powell Avenue,  
 Rockville Centre, NY 11570

My Ad to read as follows:

(Please attach a copy of your ad)

**BOOSTERS (PLEASE PRINT)                      \$2.00 per name**

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If more space is needed use back of sheet



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National American Legion Press Association  
New York State Legion Press Association



**OR CURRENT RESIDENT**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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|------|----|---|
| May  | 8  | <b>VE DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !</b>   |
|      | 8  | <b>TEAM #9 NORTHPORT REHAB VISIT</b>  |
|      | 9  | <b>MOTHERS DAY - REMEMBER MOM !</b>   |
|      | 15 | <b>ARMED FORCES DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !</b>   |
|      | 25 | <b>COUNTY MEETINGS AT PLAINVIEW POST ADVISORY 7:15 PM</b><br><b>COUNTY MEETING 8 pm</b> |
|      | 30 | <b>MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE - EISENHOWER PARK</b>   |
|      | 30 | <b>MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE - LONG ISLAND NATIONAL CEMETERY 1:30 PM</b>                     |
|      | 31 | <b>MEMORIAL DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !</b>   |
| June | 4  | <b>COUNTY CONVENTION LEVITTOWN HALL - 8 PM</b>  |
|      | 5  | <b>COUNTY CONVENTION RESUMES 9 AM - ELECTION OF OFFICERS</b>                            |
|      | 5  | <b>INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS - WILLISTON POST 144</b>                                    |
|      | 6  | <b>D - DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG</b>  |
|      | 14 | <b>FLAG DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG</b>   |
|      | 20 | <b>FATHERS DAY - REMEMBER DAD !</b>   |
|      | 21 | <b>SUMMER BEGINS</b>  |
|      | 26 | <b>NEW NAMES BEING ADDED - WALLS OF HONOR - EISENHOWER PARK 10 AM.</b>                  |
| July | 4  | <b>INDEPENDENCE DAY - FLY YOUR FLAG !</b>   |
|      | 23 | <b>COUNTY MEETINGS AT PLAINVIEW POST ADVISORY 7:15 PM</b><br><b>COUNTY MEETING 8 pm</b> |